

## Forest Grove Historic Resource



### 2324 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue

The World War II Era Cottage Style House, such as this one at 2324 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, appeared shortly before the beginning of World War II and continued to be built in great numbers for decades. The Great Depression of the 1930s led to this simple style of architecture, which often lacked decorative detailing. During World War II, there was a shortage of materials and housing. After the war, with the peacetime economy just beginning to emerge, materials were still in short supply with demand for housing exacerbated by returning GIs and their new families. In response to this demand, new houses were built rapidly and with little ornamentation, often in large subdivisions.