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NORTHERN WILLAMETTE VALLEY NONPROFITS RECEIVE \$700,000 BOOST

**Oregon Community Foundation Distributes Record Investments in 2024,  
Announces New Grant Opportunities for 2025**

SALEM, Ore. – Expanded hours for youth services. Support for families in need. Legal advice for immigrants. These are just a few of the programs in Northern Willamette Valley receiving a \$700,000 boost from the 2024 Fall Cycle of Community Grants from Oregon Community Foundation. The statewide funder has distributed 30 new grants in Northern Willamette Valley to support capacity building, small capital and new or expanding projects by nonprofits.

The announcement comes on #GivingTuesday, an international day of generosity that follows Thanksgiving.

Statewide, the new round of funding includes 248 grants for nearly \$5.8 million. That brings the total awarded in Community Grants by OCF to a record \$11.1 million for the year, including funding previously announced in the spring.

“The fundamental idea of Oregon Community Foundation is that we are stronger together,” says OCF Board Chair Lane Shetterly, an attorney in Dallas and former state representative.

“Responsive grantmaking in the Willamette Valley and across our state provides critical support for our nonprofit partners helping people in need and strengthening our communities.”

The grants are possible because of the generosity of Oregon Community Foundation donors.

Just as the new funding reaches Oregon nonprofits, OCF has opened the next round of Community Grants to be distributed in spring 2025. The deadline is Jan. 14, 2025. [Find details here.](#) The goal is to provide equitable access to flexible funding for organizations serving communities’ most pressing needs throughout Oregon.

[Find the full list of fall 2024 grantees here.](#) The list below of representative grants demonstrates the breadth of impact the funding has on nearly every aspect of life for Oregonians.

### **Yamhill Community Action Partnership | McMinnville | \$25,000**

To hire additional part-time staff and expand the hours of operation for the youth drop-in center.

“YCAP is grateful for the opportunity to expand resources to at-risk youth in Yamhill County. Unfortunately, we have seen a recent increase in mental health disorders and suicide among local teens. This funding will provide a safe, supportive environment for youth to access resources and find a place of belonging.”

~Amber Hansen-Moore, Deputy Director

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### **Centro de Servicios Para Campesinos | Woodburn | \$35,000**

For Centro de Servicios Para Campesinos, to support an in-house attorney position to provide legal services and educational outreach programs

"During these challenging times that we are heading into, it has been amazing being able to work with colleagues that have the same values and are here to give back to our communities. Centering each other and giving each other the space to heal, grief, and be in community is what we are in need at this moment."

~Debbie D. Cabrales, Executive Director

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### **Total for Fall 2024: 248 grants of \$5,789,074**

- Northern Willamette Valley: \$700,000
- Central Oregon: \$394,562
- Southern Willamette Valley: \$965,200
- South Coast: \$206,000
- Southern Oregon: \$545,000
- Eastern Oregon: \$322,617
- Portland Metro: \$2,349,889
- North Coast \$265,806

- Out of State: \$40,000

## **About OCF's Community Grants Program**

For 27 years, OCF's Community Grants program has invested in community livability and vitality by listening and responding to people closest to innovating opportunities they want to advance. As Oregon has grown, so too has the complexity of issues facing so many Oregonians. Compounding these challenges is a history of systems that have not benefited everyone equitably. OCF recognizes this reality. The Community Grants program continues to provide funding for nonprofits addressing the pressing needs of communities across Oregon, informed by the voices of people who know their communities the best.

Since 1973, **Oregon Community Foundation** has worked to improve the lives of all Oregonians through the power of philanthropy. In partnership with donors and volunteers, OCF strengthens communities in every county in Oregon through grantmaking, scholarships and research. In 2023, OCF distributed \$225 million in grants and scholarships. Individuals, families, businesses and organizations can work with OCF to create charitable funds to support causes important to them. To learn more, please visit [oregoncf.org](http://oregoncf.org).

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