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# TRAIL BLAZERS FOUNDATION - LICENSE PLATE PROCEEDS REPORT

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To the Oregon Legislature:

Enclosed please find the Trail Blazers Foundation report from license plate sales from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All of the license plate proceeds, \$233,726, were donated along with an additional \$88,374 to nonprofit organizations around Oregon that support youth initiatives. Specifically they went to support youth from underserved communities in the areas of the environment (Live grants), education (Learn grants), and physical activity (Play grants).

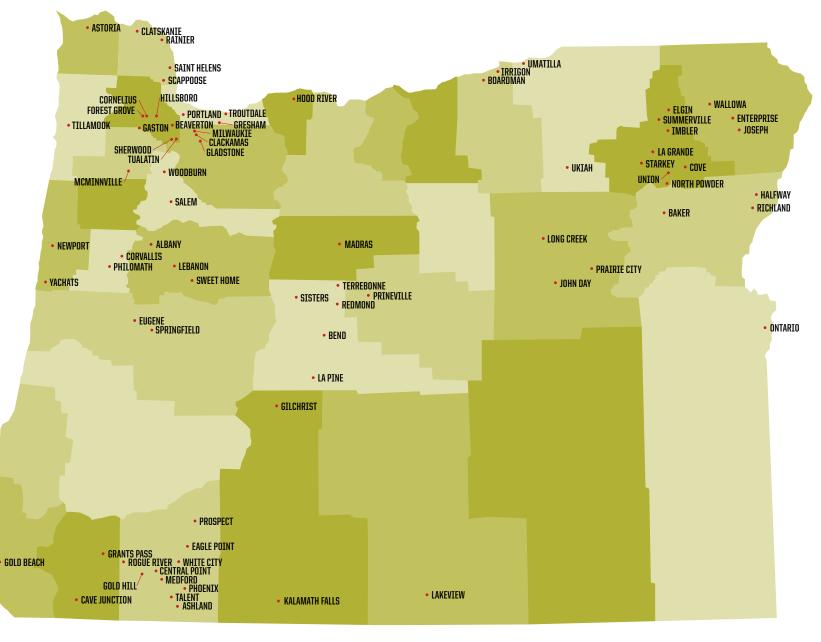
REPORT CONTENTS	This report includes:
	1. A map of Oregon with locations where grants were distributed
	2. A full grant list of the nonprofits who received funding
	3. A list of what areas the grantees serve (by county)
	4. A list of the Trail Blazers Foundation board members
KEY NUMBERS	• Zero administration costs were taken from license plate funds
	• We received 197 applications from 61 cities in Oregon
	• We received \$2,850,265 in requested funding
	• We granted \$322,100 in funding to 46 organizations in Oregon
	· All organizations are serving youth from one or more historically underserved communities,
	including Native youth, youth with disabilities, low income youth, and more.
	• 75% of our grantees serve communities outside of Portland Metro
	• License plates sold in the first year: 8,519
PROCESS	FEBRUARY - APRIL: Promote the Live, Learn, and Play grants, collect applications
	MAY - JUNE: Review applications with Live, Learn, and Play committee members with subject matter expertise from across the state. Get board approval
	JULY: Distribute grants of up to \$10,000 to 46 organizations across Oregon
COMMUNICATION	We promote the opportunity for nonprofit organizations to apply for our grants through
	newsletters, social media, TV, radio, in game announcements, and our website.
	Please encourage organizations to apply for funding this spring!
	www.trailblazers.com/community/foundation



# 2017 LIVE, LEARN AND PLAY GRANTS FOR YOUTH INITIATIVES

# FOR YOUTH INITIATIVES











- APANO Communities United Fund \$10,000 Empowering Asian Pacific Islander youth by offering them new experiences and skills in building environmental stewardship through youth meetings and nature excursions.
- Bonneville Environmental Foundation \$5,000 Supporting CE, a leading edge clean energy and career connected education program that prepares the next generation to lead a clean energy future and create thriving, resilient communities.
- Camp ELSO Inc. \$10,000 Training and inspiring confident future science and environmental leaders of color through STEM education and career opportunities.
- Dairy Creek Community Food Web \$7,200 Installing and enhancing school gardens to improve and encourage environmental stewardship, connection to place, and support local food security.
- FoodCorps \$10,000 Connecting Oregon children to real food and the environment through experiential, garden-enhanced education.
- Girl Scouts of Oregon and Southwest Washington \$5,000 Increasing the connection between underserved Latina girls and the outdoors through family day camps.
- Janus Youth Programs, Inc. \$7,900 Building community cohesion in North Portland affordable housing developments through the operation of a youth-run, certified organic, 2.5 acre farm business that links food security and land conservation.
- Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership \$5,000 Providing underserved students with real-world science including a hands-on outdoor project that improves habitat and increases their personal connection to local natural areas.
- North Fork John Day Watershed Council \$5,000 Providing teens and young adults of Grant County. Oregon the opportunity to obtain job skills in the natural resource industry.
- Northwest Youth Corps \$5,000 Enhancing an academic and training program where youth and young adults will learn to protect, restore and enhance public lands throughout Oregon and the Northwest while receiving academic credits.
- School Garden Project of Lane County \$7,500 Supporting the school-day Science in the Garden education program to improve knowledge of science and natural systems in elementary aged students.
- The Blueprint Foundation \$5,000 Facilitating a mentoring program that uses site-based learning, environmental stewardship and student-driven community education initiatives to diversify the green movement.
- Tualatin Riverkeepers \$7,500 Enhancing environmental education to provide hands-on field trips for 600 students from Title 1 schools and culturally-specific organizations.
- Upper Deschutes Watershed Council \$5,000 Engaging community members in stream restoration and stewardship activities while educating and engaging children in environmental education and stewardship.
- Verde \$5.000 Funding the Living Cully Habitat program, designed to educate Cully youth and families as well as improve water quality and habitat by designing and building new raingardens for low-income households.
- Vive Northwest \$5,000 Providing valuable information and outdoor experiences to Latino youth to empower them to live a healthier and more engaged lifestyle while creating career development opportunities and fostering a sense of ownership and stewardship towards the environment.
- World Salmon Council \$7,500 Improving scientific and environmental literacy by providing hands-on outdoor learning experiences and stewardship projects.

- Boys & Girls Club of Western Treasure Valley \$10,000 Supporting the Be GREAT by 8th program, which helps primarily Latino middle school age youth gain the confidence and skills they need over 24 weeks to believe in themselves so they can achieve success in school and in life.
- Building Blocks to Success \$5,000 Supporting after school STEM curriculum to get ethnically and gender diverse at-risk youth from North and Northeast Portland on track for high school and higher education.
- College Dreams \$10,000 Funding "100 Dreamers Project" to help enroll 100 new lowincome, minority, and other underrepresented youth in the College & Career Preparation Program to provide weekly services and mentoring in preparation for higher education.
- College Possible \$10,000 Supporting low-income rural students across the state of Oregon by utilizing a near-peer model of mentorship and an intensive curriculum that guides students through every stage of the college-going process.
- Friends of the Children \$5,000 Supporting youth with paid, professional, highly trained mentors to partner with youth from kindergarten through high school graduation.
- Heart of Oregon Corps \$5,000 Providing opportunities for unemployed, out of school youth to reclaim their education to earn their high school diploma or GED, gain the skills needed for employment, and become leaders in their communities.
- Jackson Street Youth Services \$10,000 Providing homeless youth a safe place to stay while facilitating their ability to finish high school and generate plans for self-sufficiency.
- Kids Unlimited Oregon -\$10,000 Helping close the achievement gap for children of poverty through a seven-day a week 'out of school time' academic and enrichment program.
- Maslow Project \$10,000 Providing wrap-around support services to homeless youth -ages 0 to 21-and their families with an overarching goal of keeping kids engaged and successful in school." to keep it consistent with the others.
- New Avenues for Youth \$5,000 Supporting SMYRC to create safe, welcoming, supportive spaces for LGBTQ students at school so they can learn, thrive, and graduate.
- Open School •\$5,000 Supporting the Step-Up Program to successfully intervene in the academic and personal lives of high potential Portland area youth who enter high school at a high risk of dropping out and/or not graduating on time by providing them with an advocate and mentoring services to help them complete their education.
- Portland YouthBuilders \$5,000 Providing curriculum to reinforce postsecondary educational expectations, vocational training reflecting real workforce standards, and counseling and life skills training to strengthen professional habits and personal stability and growth.
- Self Enhancement, Inc. \$10,000 Building positive relationships and providing a wraparound system of support to prepare African American and underserved students to complete high school.
- •The Black United Fund of Oregon, Inc. \$7,000 Improving equitable educational opportunities for low-income, minority, and underserved students for over a decade through scholarship assistance, one-on-one mentoring, college visits, financial workshops, and essay writing workshops.

- Adelante Mujeres \$10,000 Supporting Chica's Soccer Academy for more than 200 Latina girls.
- Ballet Folklorico Ritmo Alegre \$5,000 Providing dance and performance training to build self-worth, strength of their culture, and success through dance.
- Bicycle Re-Source of Bend \$2,500 Donating refurbished bicycles to underserved children for recreation, as well as providing important community services in the areas of bicycle maintenance, safety and education.
- Boys & Girls Club of Salem, Marion and Polk Counties \$5,000 Supporting the Triple Play Program to increase low-income youth's ability to live a healthy lifestyle and prevent obesity.
- Casa Latinos Unidos de Benton County -\$7,500 Delivering programming in Mexican Folk Dance so Latino youth expand knowledge of their ethnic roots while acquiring folk dance skills to develop their physical health, promote cultural pride, a positive sense of belonging, and an enhanced sense of self-esteem.
- Community Connection of Northeast Oregon, Inc. \$10,000 Supporting the Riveria Activity Center for the rural Grande Ronde Valley providing youth with year-round opportunities to engage in physical activity, play, and sports.
- Elite Sports Academy \$5,000 Supporting a 10-week long summer program held in North Portland to engage underserved athletes in training of basketball, soccer, football and volleyball to provide more than 4 hours of sports related activity each day and foster both short and long-term physical and mental health patterns.
- FACT Oregon \$5,000 Executing the first-ever All Ability Tri4Youth event where children of all abilities compete side by side in a triathlon.
- Grande Ronde Association for Youth \$5,000 Facilitating the acquisition and improvement of sporting facilities to encourage youth in La Grande to participate in sports and to have a more active lifestyle.
- Kids in the Game \$10,000 Funding the Portland Schools and Central Oregon programs to provide low-income families funds to cover fees of registration and participation in after-school or school-based sports programs.
- Kukatonon Children's African Dance Troupe \$10,000 Providing tuition-free, afterschool programming in West African dance, drumming, and ballet to primarily African and African American children from low-income households.
- Portland Tennis & Education \$10,000 Providing year-round, tuition-free programming that integrates academics and athletics by providing a space for athletes to engage in an hour of tennis instruction followed by academic tutoring.
- Redmond Parks Foundation \$5,000 Supporting the RAPRD's Youth Scholarship program by providing scholarships to low-income families for their athletes to participate in summer/fall and after-school fitness programming.
- Rose City Rollers \$10,000 Funding the Skate Truck program to bring roller skating
  and roller derby to low-income communities by providing a mobile skate unit, protective
  gear and skates necessary for a safe and fun experience in schools and community
  centers.
- · U.S. Soo Bahk Do Moo Kwan Foundation, Inc. / Portland Soo Bahk Do \$2,500 Providing opportunities for underserved youth to train in traditional martial art of Soo Bahk Do Moo Duk Kwan





# 2016-17 TRAIL BLAZERS FOUNDATION DONATIONS BY COUNTY

This list contains all grant dollars distributed in Oregon by county. Organizations serving multiple counties, as reported by the organization, are listed multiple times.

# **STATEWIDE**

Girl Scouts of Oregon and Southwest WA (all counties except Malheur)

# **BAKER**

Grande Ronde Association for Youth

#### **BENTON**

Casa Latinos Unidos de Benton County Food Corps Jackson Street Youth Services

#### **CLACKAMAS**

APANO Communities United Fund
FACT Oregon [Family and Community Together]
Friends of the Children
Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership
Rose City Rollers
Tualatin River Keepers
World Salmon Council

# **CLATSOP**

Bonneville Environmental Foundation Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

#### **COLUMBIA**

College Possible Friends of the Children Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

#### **CROOK**

Heart of Oregon Corps Bicycle Re-Source of Bend

### **CURRY**

Food Corps

# **DESCHUTES**

Bicycle Re-Source of Bend
Bonneville Environmental Foundation
Food Corps
Heart of Oregon Corps
KIDS in the GAME
Redmond Parks Foundation
Upper Deschutes Watershed Council

#### **HOOD RIVER**

**World Salmon Council** 

#### **JACKSON**

Ballet Folklorico Ritmo Alegre College Dreams Food Corps Kids Unlimited of Oregon Maslow Project

# **JEFFERSON**

Bicycle Re-Source of Bend Heart of Oregon Corps Upper Deschutes Watershed Council

#### **JOSEPHINE**

College Dreams Maslow Project

# <u>KLAMATH</u>

Bonneville Environmental Foundation Heart of Oregon Corps

#### LAKE

Food Corps

# **LANE**

School Garden Project of Lane County

# **LINCOLN**

Bonneville Environmental Foundation

#### LINN

**Jackson Street Youth Services** 

# **MALHEUR**

Boys & Girls Club of Western Treasure Valley

#### **MARION**

APANO Communities United Fund Bonneville Environmental Foundation Boys & Girls Club of Salem, Marion and Polk Counties

Food Corps

Friends of the Children

Northwest Youth Corps (NYC)

Vive Northwest

#### **MORROW**

College Possible

#### **MULTNOMAH**

**APANO Communities United Fund** 

Bonneville Environmental Foundation

**Building Blocks To Success** 

Camp ELSO Inc.

Elite Sports Academy

FACT Oregon [Family and Community Together]

Food Corps

Friends of the Children

Janus Youth Programs, Inc.

Kúkátónón Children's African Dance Troupe

Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

New Avenues for Youth

Northwest Youth Corps (NYC)

Open School

Portland Tennis & Education

Portland YouthBuilders

Rose City Rollers

Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI)

The Black United Fund of Oregon, Inc

The Blueprint Foundation

U.S. Soo Bahk Do Moo Duk Kwan Foundation, Inc / Portland Soo Bahk Do

Verde

**Vive Northwest** 

**World Salmon Council** 

# **TILLAMOOK**

Food Corps

#### **UMATILLA**

College Possible

# UNION

Community Connection of NE Oregon, Inc.

Food Corps

Grande Ronde Association for Youth

#### **WALLOWA**

Grande Ronde Association for Youth

#### WASHINGTON

Adelante Mujeres

**APANO Communities United Fund** 

Bonneville Environmental Foundation

Camp ELSO Inc.

College Possible

Dairy Creek Community Food Web

FACT Oregon [Family and Community Together]

Friends of the Children

Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

Rose City Rollers

Vive Northwest

# **YAMHILL**

Friends of the Children

**World Salmon Council** 



# **BOARD MEMBERS**

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