



Rural Veterans Healthcare Transportation Program

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Transportation is critical





Helping veterans get the care they need



Stephen Davis uses RVHT to access dialysis appointments, three days per week, in La Grande.



Carol Bouchard is often unable to drive safely after her medical appointments (inconvenient when you live in North Powder, Oregon). She's a frequent flier with RVHT in Union County!



Program History and Funding

2019

- SB 5538
- 2019-2021 budget provided \$500,000 for stand-up
- ODVA and ODOT form partnership

2019/2020

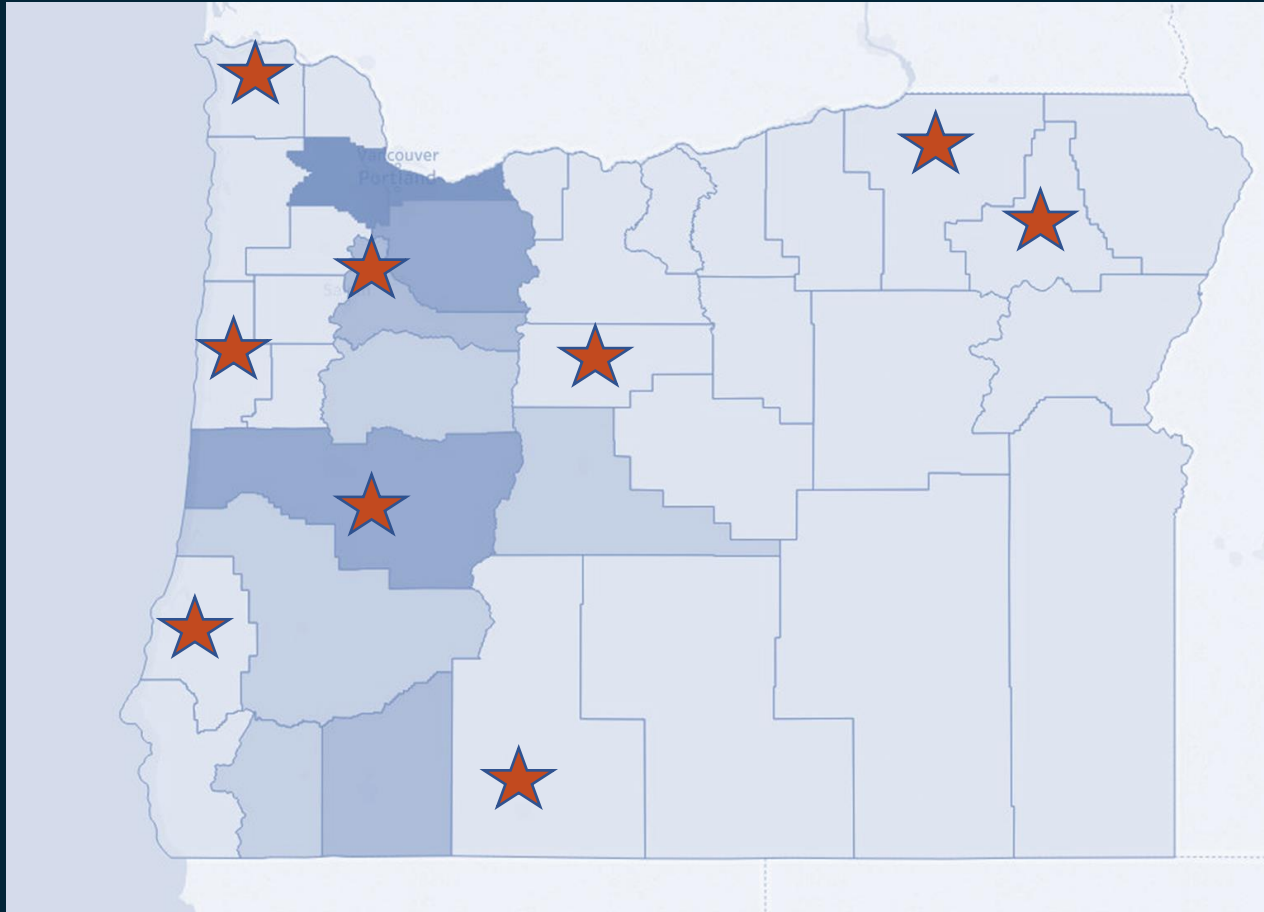
- RVHT partnership made awards to nine rural transportation providers and one statewide partnership for a total of 10 awards.

2021

- Rural Veteran Healthcare Transportation Grant program (RVHT) was codified in 2021 via HB 2139.
- \$650,000 was appropriated in the 21-23 budget.

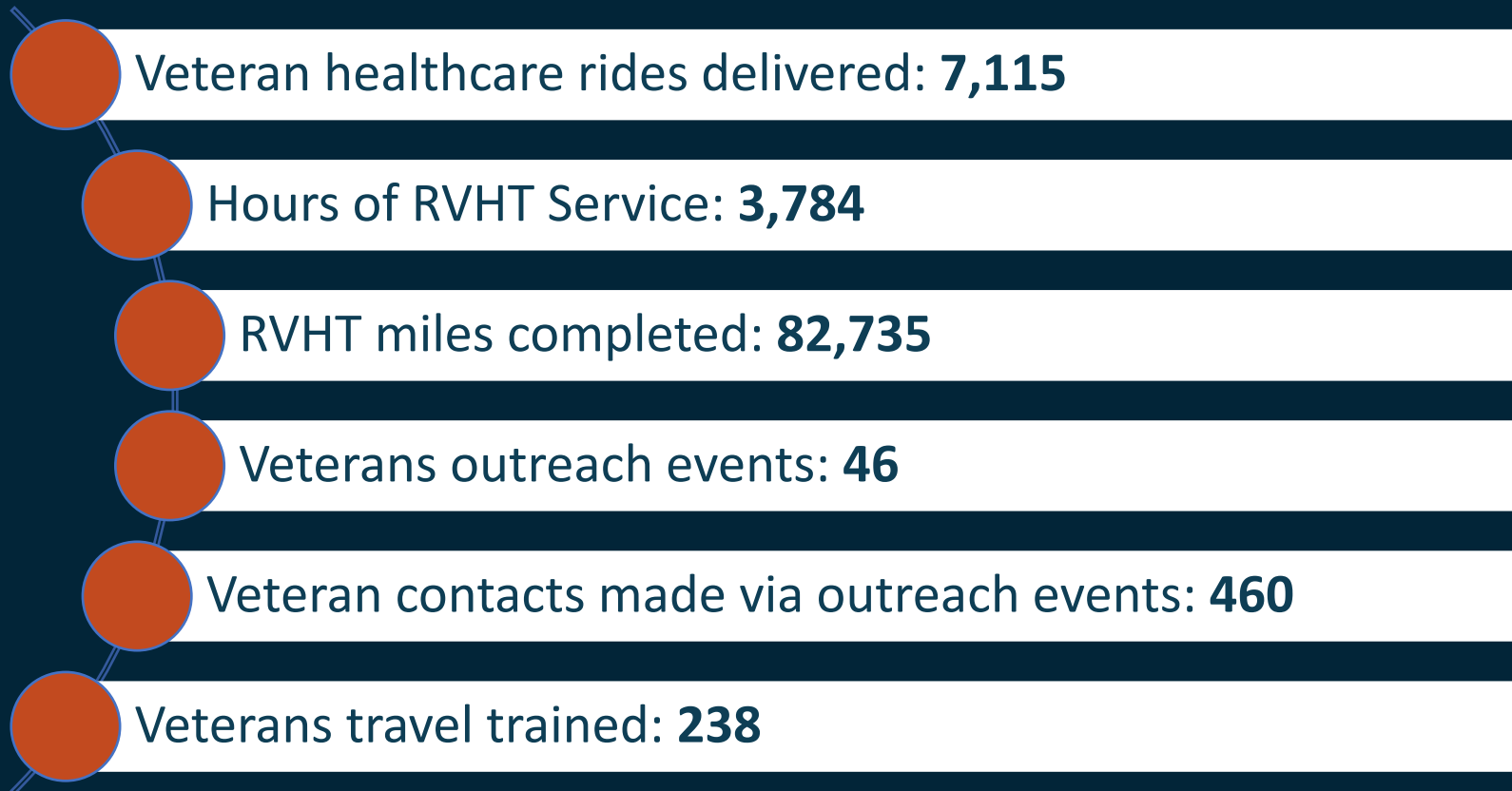


Participating Transportation Districts





End of First Cycle: July 2020 – June 2021





Going Forward

- The request for proposals for RVHT is currently OPEN. Deadline for the first round of applicants is November 29th, 2021
- Total amount available: \$650,000
- We expect to make 10-15 grant awards between \$35,000 - \$75,000 each

QUESTIONS



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