



## WHO WE ARE

Oregon Economic Development Districts (OEDD) helps to mobilize the resources, technical assistance, strategic planning and project coordination services needed to make Oregon businesses and communities thrive. Oregon's 12 unique economic development districts cover the state's 9 federally-recognized Tribes, 36 counties, 297 municipalities, and numerous unincorporated communities — all working to provide effective, efficient delivery of economic development services within their regions. OEDD brings these districts together and offers a statewide, strategic platform for cross-regional collaboration, information sharing, training, and funding coordination.

Economic development districts are an important part of our state's economic infrastructure — part of a nationwide network of over 380 districts across the country designated and funded in part by the U.S. Economic Development Administration. EDDs take a long-term, holistic approach to regional and community development, looking at the distinct opportunities and challenges that face each part of our state. EDDs facilitate the strategies, solutions and partnerships necessary to address needs around environmental stewardship, infrastructure upgrades, intermodal transportation systems, affordable and quality housing, workforce building, child care, small business development, and so much more.

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# WHAT WE DO

With state, federal and philanthropic investments, OEDD is able to support Oregon's small cities, nonprofits, businesses and community service providers through:



#### PROJECT AND INFRASTRUCTURE **DEVELOPMENT**

We have communities across the state in need of workforce housing, child care, water and wastewater infrastructure, community facilities, broadband access, improved roadways, emergency management equipment and so much more. Capacity investments in these projects is a vital first step in rebuilding our state.



#### FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL **SUPPORT**

Many of our community partners lack the financial and technical assistance needed to win competitive federal and philanthropic grants. EDDs support rural and underserved communities in identifying, writing and administering grants for a wide range of projects.



### **EFFICIENT AND STREAMLINED** COORDINATION

Statewide resources, deployed through EDDs and COGs, help foster collaboration throughout small and rural communities. Investing in statewide economic development entities like OEDD helps create a network of trusted technical service providers that local communities can rely on to assist with development and infrastructure projects — from identification, to funding, to completion.