



February 27, 2023

Oregon State Legislature  
Senate Committee on Human Services  
900 Court St NE  
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chair Gelser Blouin, Vice-Chair Robinson, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing on behalf of Yamhill Community Care (YCCO) in support of SB 610. YCCO is a coordinated care organization serving more than 35,000 Oregon Health Plan members in Yamhill County and parts of Washington and Polk Counties.

We have seen firsthand that food is directly linked to health care. Without healthy, accessible food options, Oregonians cannot achieve their full health potential.

Oregon has led the nation in providing Medicaid-like health coverage to undocumented children and adults. However, our work is not complete until we can ensure access to healthy food and other social determinants of health for all our communities.

YCCO envisions "A unified healthy community that celebrates physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being." This includes all members of our community, regardless of documentation status. YCCO, like Oregon more broadly, strives to be a safe, healthy, and welcoming place for all and therefore is proud to stand in strong support of SB 610.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Seamus McCarthy".

Seamus McCarthy, PhD  
Chief Executive Officer