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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Human
Services

Measure: SB5525

Hello all,

My name is Melissa Frazier and I am the Community Resource Coordinator here at the Arc Jackson County. We are in heavy support of SB 5525 & would like to go on record to state this will help our community and help us as an organization support the community better.

Over the past two years we have worked closely with OHA to help with pandemic relief work, where we have served over 1000 families in the Jackson County area alone and we continue to do this work but we need your help and this work is worth being funded! We are requesting the investment of \$286M above current service level for OHA Public Health Modernization Budget, which includes \$100M for CBOs who are a lifeline to Oregon's most diverse and marginalized populations across the state.

The Arc Jackson County is a member of the Community Health Equity Coalition made up of more than 80 community-based organizations who are collectively responding to the public health needs of more than 500,000 Oregonians and we ask you, for the health and safety of our community, pass this bill and fund our work that is helping fortify the community.

Please help us support our community and enrich the lives of Oregonians across the state. Please pass SB 5525.

Thank you.

- Melissa Frazier, Community Resource Coordinator with the Arc Jackson County.