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Show up for students!

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Invest in students. Invest in Oregon. Approve \$1.05 billion for public universities.

Oregon ranks 45th in the nation for per-student state funding of public universities and invests less than half the national average in financial aid for each student. We can do better – for students and for Oregon.

Students need stable tuition. More financial aid. And a state that believes in them as much as they believe in themselves. When we invest in them, we invest in Oregon's future.

Show up for students with \$1.05 billion for the Public University Support Fund (PUSF).

Here's what your support means for students:



Wraparound support services

As a result of the pandemic, students have greater needs than ever before, and Oregon's universities are doing more to support them. Help us continue critical programs, such as:

- Academic support and advising
- Mental health and counseling
- Career development
- Food and housing assistance



Limited tuition increases

In Oregon, a shortage of state funding for public universities means students pay for a disproportionate share (68%) of university operations through their tuition dollars. Approving \$1.05 billion in state funding will help keep tuition increases at or below 5% at most universities.



Better graduation rates

Universities have increased graduation rates for Oregon residents by 6.6% over the past decade. We need steady state support to keep making progress and help more students finish their degrees.



Keeping pace with high inflation

Students and families are concerned about rising tuition, inflation and student debt. Help protect them from rising costs, so students can graduate on time and contribute to Oregon's economy.



GROW THE OREGON OPPORTUNITY GRANT

Let's expand Oregon's largest state-funded, need-based college grant program by \$200 million to serve more students with higher awards.

Increasing the Oregon Opportunity Grant program to \$407 million will significantly lower costs for low- and moderate-income families. It will cover 100% of tuition for students who need the most help and expand eligibility and awards for moderate-income families.

It's a proven way to help more Oregon students afford to go to college and graduate.

Join us in showing up for Oregon's public universities

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Southern Oregon University • University of Oregon • Western Oregon University