# **2023-25 CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST** PROJECT INFORMATION FORM

Legislative Fiscal Office 900 Court St. NE, H-178 Salem, OR 97301



### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION

| Legal Name          |                       |  |  |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Organization Type   | Federal Tax ID Number |  |  |
| Address             |                       |  |  |
| City                |                       |  |  |
| Contact Person      |                       |  |  |
| Contact Phone       | Contact Email         |  |  |
| PROJECT INFORMATION |                       |  |  |
| Project Name        |                       |  |  |
| Project Description |                       |  |  |

Project Location\_\_\_\_\_

Project Schedule (Please describe the project's readiness, including planned start and end dates and any remaining permits, approvals, or other steps that must be completed prior to beginning.)

#### **PROJECT BUDGET**

| Estimated Project Cost             |                               |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Construction/Renovation            |                               |
| Site Improvements                  |                               |
| Land Acquisition                   |                               |
| Architectural and Engineering Fees |                               |
| Equipment                          |                               |
| Contingencies                      |                               |
| Other Costs (specify)              |                               |
| Other Costs (specify)              |                               |
| Estimated Total Project Costs      |                               |
| Amount Requested                   | Percent of Total Project Cost |
| Type of Funding Requested          |                               |
| Matching Funds                     |                               |
| State Funds (source)               |                               |
| Federal Funds (source)             |                               |
| Private/Other Grants               |                               |
| Donations/Gifts                    |                               |
| Other Revenues/Financing (source)  |                               |
| Other Revenues/Financing (source)  |                               |
| Total Matching Funds               |                               |
| OTHER INFORMATION                  |                               |

Grants financed through the issuance of bonds are not available until bonds are sold. Multiple factors impact the timing of sales; however, many sales often occur during the last six months of the biennium (Oregon's biennial budget begins on July 1 of odd-numbered years and runs through June 30 of the next odd-numbered year). Significant decreases in revenues or changes in financial conditions subsequent to authorization may also delay or prevent the issuance of bonds, which means that the approved projects or grants would also be delayed or not funded.

Public works projects, including any project that uses \$750,000 or more of public funds for constructing, reconstructing, painting or performing a major renovation on a road, highway, building, structure or improvement of any type, may be subject prevailing wage requirements. Grant recipients must comply with prevailing wage rate laws and should consult the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries to determine whether a project is subject to prevailing wage.

Please return the completed form and any supporting documentation to: Walt Campbell, Principal Legislative (Bonds) Analyst walt.campbell@oregonlegislature.gov



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## **ONE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE EXPANSION**

(Request for \$3,000,000.00 of \$3,605,000.00 project)

#### PROJECT SUMMARY

One Community Health (OCH) a Federally Qualified Health Center and Migrant Health Clinic that provides comprehensive medical, dental, and behavioral health care services to over 20,000 patients in the Columbia River Gorge and we have done so since 1986. OCH's mission is to advance health and social justice for all members of our community, including those facing linguistic, cultural, or economic barriers. Many patients struggle with social determinants of health such as food security, housing, and transportation and unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused unanticipated health and financial challenges for many of our community's most at risk, oppressed, and marginalized populations.

Requested state funds will support completion an expansion and remodel of the dental clinical in our facility in The Dalles and planning for a One Community Health for Kids needs assessment and planning for a new pediatric clinic located in The Dalles, Oregon.

We are expanding our dental clinic to include two additional dental treatment suites and increase our sterilization work area. Increasing the physical clinic area includes relocation and reconfiguration of the existing building layout as well as the construction needed for the new & expanded spaces including significant plumbing and electrical work. This project includes completion of the clinical reconfiguration and the construction in our dental clinic.

Utilizing land owned by One Community Health and adjacent to our existing clinic in The Dalles, Oregon, we would also like to explore developing a new clinic building focused on pediatric services including medical, dental, and behavioral health access, all tailored to children. The project would include a community needs assessment, creating of service offerings, design development, an initial plan to obtain funding for the capital build expense, and completed construction documents.

#### PROJECT NEED AND IMPACT

#### **DENTAL EXPANSION**

Dental services were closed completely for a time at the beginning of the pandemic and severely limited for other periods of time during the pandemic related state of emergency. Currently the wait time for a new patient from request to the first available appointment is three months and current patients are waiting over 30 days for needed appointments and procedures. Expanding dental capacity to increase access will create additional availability for current patients' preventative care needs that may have been missed during the pandemic and expand capacity to provide services for new dental patients to obtain routine and emergency dental services from One Community Health. One Community Health currently serves over 5000 pediatric patients (under age 18) with 71.8% of those patients receiving Medicaid benefits. Approximately 50% of our pediatric patients identify as Hispanic or Latino and approximately 2% identify as Native American or Alaskan Native. With a special focus on migrant and seasonal farmworkers, our tribal communities, uninsured community members and those receiving Medicaid and Medicare, we are the provider of choice for many underrepresented community members

By expanding our capacity by two new dental operatories, we will create and additional 16 available dental appointment per day and over 3800 new dental appointment opportunities per year. Success will look like a reduction in wait time for appointments for new and existing patients, and all 250+ individuals currently on our waiting list becoming One Community Health dental patients with appointments to establish care.

| Current State with 8 Dental Operatories     | Future State with 10 Dental Operatories |
|---|---|
| Daily                                       | Daily                                   |
| 48 dentist appointments                     | • 58 dentist appointments               |
| <ul> <li>14 hygiene appointments</li> </ul> | • 20 hygiene appointments               |
| Annually                                    | Annually                                |
| • 11,520 dentist appointments               | • 13,920 dentist appointments           |
| 3360 hygiene appointments                   | • 4800 hygiene appointments             |

Our local & migrant farm worker communities, the Native Americans living locally in the Gorge, houseless individuals, community members living near or below the federal poverty levels & those without insurance as well as those receiving Medicaid are all priority populations for OCH. Dental services are among the least covered & most difficult to access for these groups. Replacing equipment that is no longer available for clinical care and expanding our overall capacity with new dental suites fully equipped will ensure we are able to better serve the community through increasing our capacity.

**NOTE:** In preparation for the dental remodel two smaller construction projects must be completed prior to beginning the dental construction. The phase 1 project is complete and phase 2 has been submitted for permitting. We anticipate starting construction soon and completing by late Spring 2023. Architecture plans have been reviewed for the dental and are in preparation for permitting. We anticipate starting construction in Fall 2023.

## **ONE COMMUNITY HEALTH FOR KIDS**

As of February 2023, our pediatric patients access services as follows:

- 2091: Medical only patients
- 1487: Dental only patients
- 1448: Patients using both Medical and Dental
- 295: Patients using both Medical and Behavioral Health services
- 249: Patients using both Dental and Behavioral Health services

Access services in the Columbia River Gorge continues to be a challenge for all patients and is particularly troublesome for pediatric patients. Currently our wait time for pediatric appointment is:

- For existing pediatric patients, the wait time for an appointment is:
  - 1 month for a medical appointment
    - 4-6 months for a dental appointment
    - o 1-2 months for a behavioral health appointment

- For new pediatric patients, the wait time for an appointment is:
  - o 3 months for a medical appointment
  - o 4-6 months for a dental appointment
  - o 2 months for a behavioral health appointment

An additional illustration of the access challenges to pediatric care, in 2022, 28.6% of OCH pediatric patients received all of the required childhood immunizations on time compared to a goal of 80%. Increased capacity and focused pediatric resources would help increase the number of pediatric patients receiving their required and important immunizations.

The planned One Community Health for Kids is critical to ensure health equity for community members with a special focus on pediatrics while our clinics service patients of all ages and backgrounds. One Community Health is the core safety net organization for the Columbia Gorge for healthcare, including medical, dental and behavioral health services. Currently, in the region's largest population center, services are scattered among multiple sites, creating logistical challenges for patients and health providers alike. In focusing on all aspects of pediatric care from birth onwards, we will be able to provide the essential building blocks for optimal development into adulthood at one facility. This will be dovetailed with our adult care to provide comprehensive family-centered pediatric care at one address. The role of a supportive family is particularly important in this post-pandemic era where mental health needs are increasing in our youth.

The provision of all types of healthcare services is a known contributor to the economic stability and development of rural communities. Communities without these services are less likely to retain community members and economic security. Healthcare services for children is also important as healthier children are more likely to succeed at school and grow up as healthier adults with higher earnings potential in their communities.

While the community needs assessment include in this project proposal will help identify the more specific needs and impact, it is our belief that increased capacity will increase access and that a facility dedicated to children may be more appealing and encourage families to seek more routine care more frequently reducing or preventing many acute care needs. The new One Community Health for Kids will deliver health services directly to approximately 2500 pediatric patients, primarily low-income, low-coverage or uninsured patients. **An increase of approximately 10% over current service levels overall, and a 50% increase in our pediatric patient service level.** 

The 10% service level increase includes:

- 2500 Pediatric visits, including approximately:
  - o 1300 pediatrics medical visits
  - o 900 pediatric dental visits, and
  - o 300 pediatric behavioral health visits

In addition to increasing access, we believe a facility designed specifically for children will have a positive impact on our pediatric patient experience. From a look and feel designed specially for children to medical, dental and behavioral health providers with a specific focus on pediatric care, each impress makes a difference and more positive, kid focused experience may lead to more regular care and improved health outcomes.

#### **POPULATION GROWTH**

Our rural area is seeing continued population growth. One Community Health opened our first clinic in The Dalles in 2004 then in 2013 moved to a new, larger facility in The Dalles to accommodate the growing community needs. Between the opening of One Community Health's first clinic in The Dalles in 2004 and today (February 2023), the population of Wasco County has grown over 13% and The City of The Dalles has grown 41%.

Per the latest US census data, Wasco County has 1500 residents under the age of 5 and approximately 5800 residents under the age of 18. With the populations growing in both counties, the number of children needing care also continues to increase.

One Community Health

Non-profit, federally qualified, community and migrant health center

PROJECT TIMELINE April 2023 – December 2024

#### CONCLUSION

Expanding our dental capacity and preparing to expand our overall physical capacity with a new facility focused on pediatric patients will enable One Community Health to meet the growing needs of our community. By ensuring care for all of our patients with a special focus on our youngest patients, we know the early health interventions can set young people on a path to better lifelong health.



# Columbia Gorge Health Council

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March 23, 2023

Dear Representative Helfrich,

I write to express my strong support for the application of One Community Health for 2023-2025 Capital Funding.

One Community Health is the only federally qualified health center in the Gorge and provides a vital service to underserved populations in our area. One Community Health (OCH) provides comprehensive medical, dental, and behavioral health care services to over 20,000 patients in the Columbia River Gorge and have been serving the community since 1986. Their team and services are designed to support members of our community who often face health equity challenges, including those facing linguistic, cultural, or economic barriers.

One Community Health is embarking on a project to expand their dental services in their clinic in The Dalles, Oregon by replacing dental chairs and equipment at or past its clinical usefulness and adding two new dental operatories. This expansion will provide more dental services in our community which are truly needed.

As a Migrant Health Clinic & Federally Qualified Health Center, One Community Health serves our local & migrant farm worker communities, the Native Americans living locally in the Gorge, houseless individuals, community members living near or below the federal poverty levels and those without insurance as well as those receiving Medicaid. Dental services are among the least covered and most difficult to access for these groups. Replacing malfunctioning and aging equipment and expanding dental capacity is vital to ensure our vulnerable community members will continue to have access to dental care.

I urge your support of this important request and the patients served by One Community Health.

Kind Regards,

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Jenny Anglin Executive Director Columbia Gorge Health Council jenny@gorgehealthcouncil.org



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March 27, 2022

Dear Representative Helfrich,

I write to express my strong support for the application of One Community Health for inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2023 Congressionally Directed Spending Requests.

As the local Community Mental Health Program (CMHP) for Hood River, Wasco and Sherman Counties, One Community Health (OCH) is our 'sister' organization in health care. OCH is the only federally qualified health center in the Gorge and provides a vital service to underserved populations in our area. OCH provides comprehensive medical, dental, and behavioral health care services to over 20,000 patients in the Columbia River Gorge and have been serving the community since 1986. We share many significantly challenging behavioral clients with OCH.

One Community Health is embarking on a project to expand their dental services in their clinic in The Dalles, Oregon by replacing dental chairs and equipment at or past its clinical usefulness and adding two new dental operatories. This expansion will provide more dental services in our community which are truly needed by our clientele.

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Respectfully,

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Al Barton, MS, LPC Interim Executive Director Mid-Columbia Center for Living



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One Community Health 849 Pacific Ave Hood River 97031

March 2, 2023

**Dear Jennifer** 

#### Re; 2023-2025 Capital Funding Request to support "One Community Health for Kids"

We are happy to support One Community Health's State Capital Funding request to explore developing a new clinic with the sole focus of providing integrated pediatric services. This "One Community Health for Kids" will provide a unique and much-needed service for the children of our community in The Dalles, Wasco Co. Having these services in one place and in close proximity to the parent One Community Health Clinic, will be key in looking after the children and their families of our community. Four years ago in a parent meeting, parents of migrant children listed access to medical care their number one priority to support their children. One Community Health has been a vital partner in responding to this need in ways that support our community. A clinic dedicated to pediatrics would help meet this a deeply felt need. They were the first to step up for telemental health in the region during COVID-19. They have offered a mobile health unit for districts and are continuing to support districts with unmet health needs. Although these steps are extremely important, having a clinic dedicated to children would be instrumental in helping children achieve health outcomes that are currently unmet. This clinic would offer foundational health support for families.

Healthcare for all our community members, and in particular our children, is an essential component of the economic diversity and resilience in rural communities such as Wasco Co. We also need to ensure that there are no barriers to health and social justice for all. Having a dedicated healthcare service for kids under the One Community Health banner will go a long way towards addressing these needs. I am hopeful the needs of children and their families will be addressed through your support of One Community Health for Kids.

Yours Sincerely,

Patricia Sublette, Ph.D. Superintendent



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March 2, 2023

Dear Jennifer

#### Re; 2023-2025 Capital Funding Request to support "One Community Health for Kids"

For over 50 years, The Next Door has developed relationships with many communities in and around the Central Columbia River Gorge Region. Our 30+ programs offer support and services to Latino/a/x and Native communities, as well as rural communities of color. The Next Door, Inc. is considered a leader in the provision of programs that support and empower our neighbors and community members. One of the tenants of the work we lead is of encouraging individuals to take care of their health. As one of the largest non-profit organizations serving federally designated frontier and rural counties in North Central Oregon, we believe that providing access to preventative health information, resources, and tools is not only just, but also essential to promoting health equity across diverse communities.

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One Community Health 849 Pacific Ave Hood River, OR, 97031

February 28, 2023

Dear Jennifer,

# Re: 2023-2025 Capital Funding Request to support "One Community Health for Kids"

As the local Community Mental Health Program, we are happy to support your State Capital Funding request to explore developing a new clinic with the sole focus of providing integrated pediatric services. This "One Community Health for Kids" will provide a unique and much-needed service for the children of our community in The Dalles and Wasco County. Having these services in one place and the campus of both the parent One Community Health Clinic and our clinic will be key in the treatment and collaboration in serving the children and their families of our community.

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