

Dear Oregon Department of Administrative Services,

Chintimini Wildlife Center provides many services that benefit a multitude of counties in the Willamette Valley, and help progress the careers of specialists like myself. They provide integral wildlife education and communication to these communities, as well as experience for many young adults seeking to work in animal care fields. Due to the experience they have provided me, I've been able to go a long way with my zoology degree and have found myself working to treat cancer through veterinary, husbandry, and research services in pharmaceuticals. Just one internship from CWC allowed me to place a firm foot in the door to my advancing career. In my current position, I constantly use the skills gained from the CWC intensive care unit every day for treatments and examinations. I believe they deserve this grant because they've educated and supported so many people simply by being passionate and caring for all animals.

Thank you.