CareOregon Fall 2017
Community Benefit Grants

Development Investment Grants

Priority Focus: Adverse Childhood Experience (ACEs)

- $68,000  Northwest Regional Education Service District
- $63,000  KairosPDX
- $59,000  Black Parent Initiative
- $50,000  DePaul Treatment Centers
- $40,000  Trillium Family Services
- $20,000  Southern Oregon University

Capacity Investment Grants

Focus areas: Core Focus Areas (Children, CareOregon Members, Community Health Improvement Plans, Social Determinants of Health)

- $20,000  Refugee Disability Benefits Oregon
- $20,000  Rose Haven
- $20,000  Urban Gleaners
- $16,000  Janus Youth Programs
- $10,000  Kúkátónón Children’s African Dance Troupe
- $10,000  MIKE Program
- $10,000  Wallace Medical Concern
- $4,000  Working Class Acupuncture

Development Investment Grants

NW Region Educational Service District (Columbia County) $68,000

Project Description: Columbia County TIC/ACEs Learning Collaborative: Phase 2, Northwest Regional ESD improves student learning by providing equitable access to high quality services and support to Oregon's children and families. The Northwest Regional ESD and the five Columbia County school districts will launch Phase 2 of the TIC/ACEs Learning Collaborative. These funds will support districts as they transition to the implementation phase of this work including: facilitation and materials for quarterly PLC meetings; expert presenters; an Implementation Coach; and district training stipends.
KariosPDX (Multnomah County) $63,000

**Project Description:** Culturally Responsive Trauma-Informed Care, KariosPDX is an education focused non-profit charter school attacking Portland’s persistent achievement and opportunity gaps through innovative pedagogy, community collaboration and family partnership. Work will support the creation of an official KariosPDX Culturally Responsive Trauma Informed Care curriculum. We believe that to truly change achievement and health disparities we need a radical change in the way the educational system supports the health and wellness of children. Funds will be used to support salaries and operations.

Black Parent Initiative (Multnomah County) $59,000

**Project Description:** 2018 Sacred Roots Doula Expansion Program, The Black Parent Initiative (BPI) was established to help families in achieving financial, educational and spiritual success. The organization was founded based on a large body of educational research that states the importance of parental and family engagement and stability in attaining educational success. The 2018 Sacred Roots Doula Expansion Project will increase the capacity of the culturally specific doula program for low-income Black families by 50% and involve those families in the continuum of complementary services. This project will increase participants’ well-being in all areas of optimal health (intellectual, emotional, physical, spiritual and socio-economic health, and healthy relationships) and improve prenatal and postnatal health for mothers and children. CareOregon funds will support the Sacred Roots Doula staff and add more reimbursements for doula contractors.

DePaul Treatment Centers (Multnomah County) $50,000

**Project Description:** Youth Outreach and Addictions Counselor, DePaul Treatment Centers provides drug and alcohol treatment to men, women, youth, and families. They offer a full continuum of care that includes medical detox, residential, day treatment and outpatient programs, family therapy, and treatment of co-occurring mental health disorders. CareOregon funds will be used to pay for the salary of the new Youth Outreach & In-School Addictions Counselor position. This De Paul Treatment Centers employee will work at Madison High School and/or Benson High School each week, sharing office space with each schools’ guidance counselors. One day per week will be spent working at De Paul on planning and required supervision as a Certified Drug and Alcohol Counselor (CADC).

Trillium Family Services (Multnomah County) $40,000

**Project Description:** Keep Oregon Well in Schools, Trillium Family Services vision is to create safe communities where children are healthy and every family has the opportunity for success. Families get the support they need – when and where they need it. There is a focus on prevention and health. The Keep Oregon Well in Schools program creates a safe environment that promotes the discussion of mental health and provides a platform for adapting it to a multitude of social learning environments. By treating mental health as a truly integral piece of the general wellness puzzle, Keep Oregon Well not only acknowledges its importance, but gives it a resounding voice. Support from CareOregon for Keep Oregon Well will allow expansion to additional schools and will potentially quadruple the number of students and families engaging in the Keep Oregon Well in Schools social movement. Grant funds will support the Basic Keep
Oregon Well platform, staffing, Wellness Zone creation, branding, event engagement; rural messaging and on-site engagement costs.

**Southern Oregon University (Jackson County)** $20,000

**Project Description:** *SOU/RCC (Rogue Community College) ACEs Training Program*, SOU provides career-focused, comprehensive educational experiences to over 6,200 students. Along with an emphasis on student success and intellectual growth, SOU is committed to diversity, inclusion and sustainability. Care Oregon funds will match $20,000 from SOU and $20,000 from RCC for our $60,000 portion of the total $100,000 cost for the ACE Interface, LLC (Dr. Robert Anda, Laura Porter and Robert Lieberman) Train-the-Trainer training and the 2-year (2018/2019) ongoing training and support for master trainers. ACE Interface, LLC facilitates the ongoing learning collaborative, co-presents with master trainers, provides one-on-one coaching, and assists with program evaluation support follow-up for SOU, RCC, and Western Oregon Advanced Health, LLC (WOAH) (representing Coos and Curry community participants as well as Southwestern Oregon Community College employees). Funds will specifically be used for logistics, training and support costs.

**Capacity Investment Grants**

**Refugee Disability Benefits Oregon (Statewide)** $20,000

**Project Description:** *Health Equity for Refugees and Immigrants*, RDBO takes a unique approach in which our attorneys work closely with health care providers, case managers and counselors, as well as the refugees they serve, to ensure that refugees’ cases are presented competently and compassionately. We handle cases at every step of the disability process, from initial application to hearing to federal court. RDBO will use this grant to improve the lives of OHP and CareOregon members and their communities by building our collective capacity (RDBO and our partners) to improve health equity for our most vulnerable populations. The result will be the minimization of health disparities for those whose social and economic disadvantage has been adversely affected by systematically created discrimination and exclusion. Funds will be used to support organization operations in the form of salaries and benefits.

**Rose Haven (Multnomah County)** $20,000

**Project Description:** *Shower Program Expansion*, Rose Haven serves women, children and gender non-conforming folks experiencing homelessness, abuse, and intersecting issues such as poor physical and mental health, many of whom are CareOregon members. Our goal is to address root issues in order to create long term change. CareOregon Funds will be used to provide staffing, facility space, utilities and supplies for the Shower Program, a critical need for women and children experiencing homelessness.

**Urban Gleaners (Multnomah County)** $20,000

**Project Description:** *2018 Support for Reducing Food Insecurity*, Urban Gleaners’ mission is to help alleviate hunger by collecting edible, surplus food that would otherwise be thrown away and redistributing it to agencies that feed the hungry. The concept of picking up and redistributing food is a simple weapon in the fight against hunger. Hunger is less a problem of scarce resources but rather inefficient distribution. Specifically, we will use funds from CareOregon to help purchase a new refrigerated van to increase our hot food recovery operations. Food collected directly benefits CareOregon members. CareOregon’s logo will be represented on the Urban Gleaners van.
Janus Youth Programs – Village Market (Multnomah County) $16,000

**Project Description:** Village Market – Free Fruit for Kids, The Village Market project, program of Village Gardens and Janus Youth Programs, was designed, in part, to meet a basic community-defined need: the lack of access to a local corner grocery store where fresh, healthy, culturally appropriate food can be purchased at a reasonable price. CareOregon funds will be used to increase access to food and nutrition for low-income North Portland residents through support for the Free Fruit for Kids program. Support will ensure $7,500 in free apples, bananas and oranges are available as a healthy snack for neighborhood children throughout 2018. CareOregon’s sponsorship will be highlighted directly on the signage for the Free Fruit for Kids project.

Kúkátónón Children’s African Dance Troupe (Multnomah County) $10,000

**Project Description:** Building Capacity, Kúkátónón is an African dance youth performance troupe committed to building and serving our community by offering culturally authentic dance instruction, youth mentoring, and support to our children, their families and communities. Funds from this grant will directly support increased staff hours for the Executive Director and Operations Manager, who will lead an expansion project with input from Kúkátónón’s Artistic Program Manager, Teaching Artists, Board of Directors, Parent-Family Committee and community.

MIKE Program (Multnomah, Washington Counties) $10,000

**Project Description:** Understanding our Stakeholders, MIKE Program is a youth-focused health science education program that develops knowledge and social-emotional skills in underserved youth, cultivates personal and community engagement for health promotion, expands the number of diverse and culturally-competent health professionals, and prepares youth to be health advocates for themselves and future generations. CareOregon funds will support CRM database expansion to support mentor evaluation data, making outcomes analysis more accurate, timely, and accessible.

Wallace Medical Concern (Multnomah County) $10,000

**Project Description:** Connect, Enroll, Engage, Wallace Medical Concern’s mission is to provide an open door to exceptional health services and connections that support individuals and their families in healthy living. We will use CareOregon funds across budget categories to support our efforts to add capacity to increase our outreach strategies and engage greater numbers of very low-income, hard-to-reach families, adults and children in primary care.

Working Class Acupuncture (Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington Counties) $4,000

**Project Description:** Accessible Acupuncture for Shelter Clients, Working Class Acupuncture provides low-cost acupuncture to the community through a cooperative, grassroots, financially self-sustaining model. Our goal is to offer people as much acupuncture as they want, in support of whatever goals they have, so that they can use it in whatever way works best for them. CareOregon funds will be used to cover the cost of providing 200 vouchers for free treatments to clients of Human Solutions’ Family Shelter for use at nearby WCA Rockwood