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COMMUNITY PROJECT MILESTONES

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About The Partnership

Central Oregon Partnership was formed in August 2001 to engage a broad cross section of citizens in breaking cycles of poverty by addressing its roots root causes.

It is comprised of seven Community Action Teams (CATs) and a regional office:

Bend	La Pine
Madras	Redmond
Sisters	Warm Springs
Prineville / Crook County	

The Partnership works in collaboration with existing public agencies and private sector organizations to implement new initiatives and attract new sources of funding at the local and regional level.

As a Community Ventures Partner of NWAFF (Northwest Area Foundation), the Partnership receives grant funding, contingent on achieving agreed upon deliverables and provided in three phases:

2001-2003	\$2.7M
2003-2007	\$5.0M
2007-2011	\$4.0M

REGIONAL MILESTONES

- In addition to the NWAFF funding, the Partnership has raised more than \$856,000 in new funds for poverty reduction work, and participated in more than 50 projects with a value of more than \$11M in services to the region
- Formed five new community action teams and completed strategic Community Action Plans in all seven Communities
- Engaged more than 80 people in leadership positions on local and regional boards, involved more than 200 in community based projects
- Identified and collected baseline information for 45 Indicators for measuring impact of the Partnership's work
- Funded regional housing needs analysis and formed an Affordable Housing Trust for the region
- Conducted regional scenario planning and a seven segment speaker series
- Partnered with Cascadia Revolving Fund to bring technical assistance combined with more than \$5M in capital to small and emerging business in the region
- Supported the forming of a regional child care collaboration to fund development of a model childcare system

The Partnership has partnered with more than 75 agencies and organizations (private and public) in the tri-county region, state, and national levels



BEND

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Conducted a series of Hispanic outreach sessions which is leading to the formation of an Hispanic Leadership center
- Set up a service and funding relationship between Soroptimists, Bear Creek School, and Family Access Network
- First local funding for Volunteers in Medicine and Cascade Youth Services youth shelter
- Conducted an Affordable Housing Summit and collaborated with private developers on subsidized first-time home ownership program and senior housing project
- Developed a coalition of players to initiate a micro-enterprise program for small business start-ups



LA PINE

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Formed a local non-profit newspaper
- Established and expanded parenting classes
- Launched Peer-suasion, a peer mentoring program for middle and high school youth
- Supported the startup and expansion of the Community Kitchen
- Supported the startup of the Rural Health Clinic when Bend Memorial closed its facility
- Helped secure funding for the Senior Center and Fine Arts facility for the La Pine schools campus

COLLABORATION
KNOWLEDGE
INCLUSION



MADRÁS AREA

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Formed a Youth Community Action team which received a state-wide award for its innovative work. More than 50 youth participate, many of whom would be considered "at risk"
- Launched a local Kids 1st program, HOPE Transitional living house, and Youth mentoring programs
- Working with Rural Development Inc and Ford Family Foundation to develop a culturally appropriate leadership curriculum for Hispanic community members
- Received Oregon Solutions designation by the Governor for a Jefferson County public transportation project



REDMOND AREA

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Supported the startup of Terrebonne Improvement Project (TIP), a satellite of the Action Team in Terrebonne
- Implemented a Family Literacy Program in Terrebonne
- Starting up "Suited for Business" to help lower income women prepare for better jobs
- Provided funding and technical support for the Senior Center's Time Dollar Bank
- Collaborates with the high school on youth prevention programs
- Offered "Bridges out of Poverty" seminar to about 300 service providers and interested citizens



PRINEVILLE & CROOK COUNTY

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Supported the startup and expansion of the Ochoco Clinic which provides primary care to uninsured and low income clients in both English and Spanish
- Collaborated with Crook county foundation on a Leave a Legacy initiative
- Supported purchase and operation of a book mobile for the library
- Spearheaded and secured funding for a juniper (forest fuels reduction)/biomass energy feasibility project
- Initiated an Hispanic community outreach program



WARM SPRINGS

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

- Opened a new community library, raising more than \$100K to electronically link OSU, Jefferson county and Warm Springs Library collections
- Rallied support for implementation of Uniform Commercial Code for Tribes
- Conducted a housing summit which stimulated change by the Tribes in staffing and approach to housing issues
- Funding for Heart of Oregon Corps van, reaching Warm Springs youth
- Collaborating with Rural Development Inc and Ford Family Foundation to develop a culturally appropriate leadership curriculum for Warm Springs Tribal members
- Spearheaded (with Madrás CAT) Warm Springs participation in the Oregon Solution Transportation project
- Broke ground for non-profit organizations; ours was the first ever to be formed on the Reservation



COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

of SISTERS

- Rallied support and provided needs analysis for Tamarack Village, a 33 unit subsidized rental housing community
- Implemented a women's mentoring program
- Secured community support and funding for a local Headstart program
- Collaborated with the Chamber of Commerce to market Sisters to small businesses and entrepreneurs
- Secured funding and materials for the start up of the Outlaw Cafe and wood products programs at the high school
- Provides funding and administration for youth drug and alcohol prevention programs Secured funding for the new SOAR building
- Started up and spun-off the Sister's trails project and community tent (both to SOAR)

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