

Rural Population Health Incubator Program

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Incubator Mission

The mission of the Rural Population Health Incubator Program is to strengthen community health in rural Oregon by funding and supporting local population health programs

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Program Overview

Incubator year 3

Grants up to \$10,000

to support impactful, innovative, sustainable that impact community health, directly or indirectly

Eligible applicants

include rural hospitals, clinics, public health, EMS, mobile health, local nonprofits and other community-based organizations

Program benefits

- Cohort of Incubator grantees for quarterly cohort meetings
 - Join workshops on topics identified by grantees
 - Receive specialized support from ORH, including resources, information and referrals to experts to assist their program.
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Special consideration

given to applications that:

- Serve a high-needs service area as outlined in ORH's Areas of Unmet Health Care Need Report;
- Serve a group or groups with demonstrated population health needs;
- Address a pressing community health need as identified by the organization or county CHA or CHNA; and/or
- Bring together diverse community partners

2026-2027 Grant Cycle

This year, the Incubator awarded funding to **14 grantees**, including three supported by the **Roundhouse Foundation** in partnership with the Incubator.

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- Columbia County Public Health
 - Forget Me Not Village
 - Klamath County Public Health
 - Bay Clinic, LLP
 - Clatsop Community Action
 - South Morrow County Seniors Matter
 - Lake County Senior Citizens Association
- Morrow County Health District
 - Wheeler County Public Health
 - Oregon Spinal Cord Injury Connection
 - Santiam Memorial Hospital
 - South County Health District
 - The Next Door, Inc
 - HIV Alliance

Incubator in Action

Wheeler County Public Health *Improving Food Access and Nutrition*

Comprehensive, **county-wide effort to improve nutrition** by:

- Establishing Food & Nutrition Collaborative
- Expanding nutrition education in schools & community sites
- Expanding Veggie RX program
- Pilot community garden

Impact: Strengthens food access and nutrition while connecting residents to ongoing health and support services

Santiam Memorial Hospital *Connected Care for Older Adults*

Launch of **CHW-led, home-based intervention** for at-risk older adults in Santiam Canyon by:

- Providing assessments, screenings, care coordination and social needs support
- Addressing gaps in preventative care, chronic disease and social isolation

Impact: Improved independence, health access and health outcomes for at-risk older adults.

HIV Alliance *Expanding Rural HIV & Hepatitis C Care*

A **telehealth-based model** expanding access to:

- HIV and hepatitis C treatment
- Medication-assisted treatment (MAT)
- Testing, rapid treatment and peer support

Impact: Improves access to life-saving care in rural Southern Oregon through integrated, low-barrier services

Thank you!

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