



2024 Donation recipients

QUARTER ONE:

Community Outreach, Inc. (COI)

The mission of Community Outreach, Inc. is “Creating Transformative and Supportive Pathways to Life” while “Helping People Help Themselves Lead Healthy and Productive Lives.” COI provides a suite of services for people experiencing homelessness, including their Transformative Shelter program which is transformational housing dorms for men, women, young adults aged 18-24, and families with children, no-cost medical and dental clinics, affordable childcare, food bank, behavioral healthcare, and veterans’ services

Coastal Range Food Bank, Inc. (CRFB)

Coastal Range Food Bank has been in operation for 26 years. They provide a five-day supply of food to food-insecure families and individuals, filling the emergency gap for households that are out of food. Their holistic definition of food insecurity guides every aspect of planning. CRFB’s definition of the causes of hunger: “Food insecurity is the short-term or persistent inability of a person to meet their minimum food requirements. Emergency and chronic food insecurity can be the result of physical or mental health issues, educational, cultural, addictions, and a lack of appropriate life choices, poverty, or inadequate access to employment.”

Old Mill Center for Children and Families

Old Mill Center is a community-based, family-oriented agency that empowers children and families to optimize their potential through specially designed education and therapy programs. 45 years ago, their founders developed a new approach to early education, one where acceptance, compassion, and understanding would be available to all preschool children, in classrooms that taught those with special needs side-by-side with typically-developing peers. Today, Old Mill Center offers six programs that respond to the community’s changing needs: Healthy Families, Relief Nursery, Community Preschool, Intensive Treatment Services, Child & Family Counseling and Pediatric Occupational Therapy. They support the social, emotional, physical, and mental health needs of children and families throughout Benton & Linn Counties.

Unity Shelter

Unity Shelter’s mission is to provide safe shelter through collaborative care, offering low-barrier emergency and transitional housing to those in the community who have none. They recognize that people lacking safe shelter often face deprivation of hygiene, clean water, nutritious food, and community. In addition to addressing these physical needs, they also acknowledge the social disconnection and potential complications of trauma, mental illness, and addiction that individuals without shelter may experience. Their focus is on the ethics of belonging, community, purpose, and dignity. Unity Shelter envisions a community where homelessness is rare, brief, and non-recurring, and where everyone has a safe and stable place to live, connect, and thrive

QUARTER TWO:

Co-op Recycling Center

The Co-op Recycling Center provides multiple resources for most of your recycling needs in Corvallis and the rest of the valley. They are the only place in town where you can recycle Styrofoam, and are a focal point in South Town that helps fulfill the community's needs for recycling items that would otherwise go to the landfill. In an average year they recycle 3,700 lbs. of metal, 1,420 cubic yards of Styrofoam, 840 cubic yards of commingled items, and 510 cubic yards of glass. The center is operated on a zero-dollar budget; community support is vital to its success

Jackson Street Youth Services

Helping youth 24/7/365 by promoting safety, stability, and well-being. They work to prevent homelessness by showing a path to long-term success through building positive relationships and skills for self-sufficiency. Their vision is to end youth homelessness by providing necessary services to youth either currently homeless or at-risk. It's crucial that youth and families are aware of their services and how to access them. They can be reached at 1 (800) 901- 2904 or at www.jsysi.org. As one youth said, "I was broken inside. I felt worthless and unwanted. I will never forget how hard the staff fought for me; they were my advocates when no one else was."

South Corvallis Food Bank (SCFB)

SCFB's mission is to increase sustainable food security in South Corvallis by providing emergency food boxes, information, and opportunities with compassion and respect. With food prices increasing and the end of pandemic benefits, they have seen a rapid growth in demand for food in 2023. They are currently providing food boxes to over 2,000 individuals each month.

Vina Moses Center

Vina Moses Center strives to support low-income and under-resourced community members facing a wide variety of challenges and hardships through a network of resources and services to build resilience and improve wellbeing. Vina Moses Center's mission is to support all individuals and families living in Benton County through times of hardship and financial troubles by providing no-cost clothing, household materials, food, and other basic necessities at the center daily. The center relies on community donations, personal monetary donations, and volunteers who upkeep the center. Emergency financial assistance is provided to support those unable to meet their urgent needs with things like housing, utilities, prescriptions, identification, laundry, and gas. Annually, Vina Moses Center hosts a Giving Tree program, providing holiday meals and new gifts to kids, families, and seniors, as well as a Backto-School program, providing students with necessary apparel and school supplies as they head back into the classroom. In the past year, the center has been able to supply folks starting new jobs with proper safety attire, apparel, and rain gear through our labor closet

QUARTER THREE:

ABC House

ABC House works to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect, supporting children as they find their voice and helping children and families heal and thrive. ABC House serves more than 800-900 Linn and Benton County infants, children, and youth per year, referred to them by law enforcement, DHS, or the medical community. ninety-percent of the families they serve are low-income or underinsured. No child in need is ever turned away due to inability to pay, and families pay nothing out of pocket for essential services. This is possible thanks to support from the community. Nearly half of their budget comes from the community in the form of donations and grants.

Region 3 K9 Search & Rescue

K9 Search and Rescue's mission is to support the community by having well-trained, nationally certified canine teams able to assist 24/7 with missing person searches and emergency response missions in a variety of capacities including area search, trailing, human remains detection, water search, and disaster response. They also use public relation opportunities to teach children, youth, and other community members techniques on how to remain safe in wilderness and urban environments. The organization is composed of volunteers from the local community who train and handle their own dogs. All the training costs for this commitment are borne by the individual team member

Safe Haven

Safe Haven's mission is finding homes, opening hearts and educating minds to strengthen and improve the lives of animals and people. They envision a community where every adoptable, treatable companion animal has a loving home, and where every loving home has the opportunity to care for a companion animal. They are guided by the belief that no adoptable or treatable companion animal should be unnecessarily euthanized due to space, time, appearance, or treatable conditions. They are committed to giving a new chance to companion animals who would otherwise be discarded, strengthening the humane animal bond through education, helping people and their companion animals stay together through the support of programs and services, and leading responsibly with compassion.

Ten Rivers Food Web (TRFW)

TRFW's mission is to steward the growth of a resilient local food web in Benton, Lincoln, and Linn counties. They envision a vibrant regional food web, where reciprocal relationships sustain a thriving food economy, steward land and water, and produce delicious food to nourish our whole community. TRFW pioneered Fill Your Pantry, a stock-up event for staple and storage crops from local farms, which has since been replicated across Oregon. They also organize an annual Soil Amendment Sale to offer bulk discounts to local organic growers. In addition, they plan to launch an online local food directory in 2024, and are gathering information from bean, grain and corn growers and buyers to understand their needs, and aim to support more local buying.

QUARTER FOUR:

Corvallis Multicultural Literacy Center (CMLC)

CMLC's mission is growing justice and belonging crossculturally with international, immigrant, refugee, and intersecting communities. CMLC advances diversity, equity, and inclusion internally within the organization by centering the communities they serve and framing efforts through the lens of inclusivity. The CMLC staff, board of directors, and internal volunteers reflect the diverse populations that participate in their programs and use the services they provide.

Grace Center

Grace Center's mission is to optimize the cognitive and physical abilities of seniors and adults with disabilities so they can remain as independent as possible and in their homes. Their vision is to be leaders in an approach to long term care that will change the way our culture views aging. Their core values: equality, empowerment, excellence, and commitment. Their program offers therapeutic activities such as art, live music, gardening, therapy animals, and community outings. Specializing in memory care and post-rehabilitation for adults with dementia, recovering from strokes or brain injuries, neurological disorders such as Parkinson's disease, and more. These services provide important respite for family caregivers.

Lumina Hospice

Founded as Benton Hospice Service in 1980, Lumina has a long tradition of serving end-of-life needs in Linn and Benton Counties. From their hospice and palliative care services to their extensive grief and caregiver support programs, they are here for you. Lumina is the only independent, nonprofit hospice in our region. Additionally, Lumina provides supportive services to anyone in the community, free of charge. These programs include grief support, caregiver support, Transitions program, teddy bear bags for kids, Death Café, Illuminating Series, and other educational presentations. Lumina also has an extensive volunteer program, providing support to patients and families on our hospice service. All support programs are funded solely by donations and grants

Senior Dog Rescue of Oregon

Senior Dog Rescue of Oregon rescues senior dogs, aged 6 and older, who are homeless or in unhealthy or unsustainable homes so they may spend the remainder of their lives in a positive, loving home. They are a volunteer-driven, donor-funded organization with a deep commitment to providing love, care, and second chances. They aim to offer senior dogs a new beginning and a forever home. As a volunteer-driven organization, every decision they make is guided by the unwavering belief that every senior dog deserves dignity, comfort, and love in their golden years. Many of their rescue dogs come from the Corvallis area and come into our custody due to death or illness of the owner(s) and from other unsustainable situations.