

Lane Community Health Council Community Benefit Initiative 2023 Recipients

Lane Community Health Council is pleased to announce the recipients of our 2023 Community Benefit Initiative (CBI) funding. Through this program, Lane Community Health Council in partnership with PacificSource Community Solutions has invested locally to address community health needs with a focus on food-insecure populations in Lane County. More information on the projects and the recipient organizations are listed below.

We are excited to support these organizations as they continue to provide critical services to support community health needs!

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| Organization | Project | Project Summary |
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| H.O.N.E.Y., Inc. | Food Strong | Serve income-challenged people, students and families, with a focus on those who identify as ethnic or multiracial including Black, Indigenous, and any person of color, who live in Lane County. Program includes services such as a food pantry, gift cards to grocery stores, gift cards to restaurants, and a community garden that is student-led with teacher, community partner and volunteer support. |
| FOOD for Lane County | Helping People and Families in Lane County | Continue purchasing food for distribution to those in need in Lane County, primarily through their Emergency Food Box Pantry Network, with an emphasis on supporting partnerships with organizations that serve and/or are run by Black, Indigenous or other People of Color. |
| Comunidad y Herencia Cultural | Ask the Expert | Provide Latinx community information about resources available in the community and presentations on relevant health topics. Presentations are led by Spanish-speaking health care experts including nutritionists, dieticians, diabetes health educators, and social workers. |

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| Lane County | Mobile Public Health: Food Security and Healthcare Access | Bring Women, Infants and Children (WIC) services directly to rural areas via Spanish-speaking bilingual and bicultural staff with experience serving communities in rural and south Lane County. |
| | | Includes nutritional support and education for families with children 5 and under and living on low incomes. |
| Southtowne Rotary | Addressing Food | Expand food box distribution to local families in |
| Foundation | Insecurity | need. Rotary member volunteers and community |
| | | volunteers pick up, pack, and deliver food boxes to families in need all in one day each month. |
| HIV Alliance | Addressing food insecurity and improving access to care for people living with and at-risk for HIV | Provide people living with HIV and hepatitis C with social support dinners and case management, including a range of food-related support services, including providing nutritious food via street outreach. |
| Black Cultural Initiative | Food for the Soul | Assist local families of color to enable ongoing food stability, support access to healthy foods, and provide culturally matched community support, including family-centered food preparation classes, monthly or bi-weekly meal planning, food stability- based financial workshops, and a community garden plot. |