



## Lane Community Health Council Fall 2024 Community Grant Recipient Announcement

### Youth Behavioral Health Focus

Lane Community Health Council is pleased to announce the recipients of our Fall 2024 Community Grants! Through these awards, Lane Community Health Council in partnership with PacificSource Community Solutions has invested in upstream solutions that address multiple community needs, including youth behavioral health, housing supports, and food insecurity, as well as projects that address multiple needs in one project. We are excited to fund these organizations as they continue to provide critical services to support community health needs!

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Organization	Project	Project Summary
<b>B.L.A.Q. Youth, Inc</b>	Voices of Legacy: Building Resilience and Community through Social Emotional Learning	Support African American youth, K-12th grade, address their emotional, social, and academic challenges by helping youth manage emotions, build relationships, and set goals. Teaches age group appropriate African-American history, culture and social justice to affirm students' identities.
<b>Back2Youth</b>	Back2Youth Program Expansion - Continuation	Delivers outdoor recreation programs and camps with a mindful focus to promote health, wellness, and resilience among marginalized youth age 11-18. Their year-round adventure camps and mindfulness activities help youth connect with nature and build emotional healing through trauma-informed care, positive development, and therapeutic practices.
<b>Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of Emerald Valley</b>	Resetting for Resiliency with SMART Moves Social and Emotional Learning	Expands services for underserved youth, especially those from low-income and BIPOC communities, by providing essential mental health and social-emotional learning services. Builds resilience, emotional regulation, and life skills, while also offering culturally responsive support through mentoring and partnerships with local organizations.
<b>Center for Family Development, Inc</b>	School to Support – Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) Referral	Early intervention to middle and high school students who are using marijuana, alcohol, and nicotine by creating a streamlined referral process between schools and the Center for Family Development's Youth Recovery Program. The goal is to prevent casual substance use from escalating into abuse through evidence-based treatments and support for both students and their families.
<b>Community Outreach through Radical Empowerment</b>	Zephyr House Open Hours Pilot Project	Support for the Zephyr House, which provides safe spaces and support for homeless and at-risk youth (ages 16-29). Their programs are designed by and for young people, focusing on empowerment and advocacy for those facing poverty, addiction, and homelessness, especially from marginalized groups like BIPOC and LGBTQSIA+. This project will expand services with two monthly "Open Hours" at Zephyr House, offering drop-in case management and mental health support.

<b>Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc., dba DevNW</b>	Lane County Housing Stability	Expand housing stability programs in Lane County, focusing on individuals with low incomes, youth transitioning to adulthood, and marginalized and vulnerable communities. Program provides stable housing, financial education, homeownership counseling, and foreclosure prevention.
<b>Daisy C.H.A.I.N.</b>	Doula, Lactation, and Peer Support to Improve Youth Behavioral Health	Support doula, lactation, and peer support services to decrease the probability of hospital readmission for both the birthing parent and the infant. This includes their bilingual support program designed to provide dedicated care for individuals who are native Spanish speakers.
<b>Eugene Family YMCA</b>	Youth Wings: Advancing Behavioral Health for At-Risk Youth at the Eugene Family YMCA	Support the Eugene Family YMCA's childcare, after-school programs, and youth development initiatives, with a focus on at-risk, underserved, and marginalized groups. The YMCA also offers specialized programs for LGBTQ+ youth and medically fragile children. These efforts address critical social determinants of health and are grounded in evidence-based research showing the benefits of after-school programs for academic, social, and emotional development.
<b>Eugene Parks Foundation</b>	Virtual Health Programming to support "Prescribing Parks Eugene-Springfield"	Promote mental and physical health by encouraging outdoor activities for youth and underserved communities using the <i>Agents of Discovery</i> app, which uses augmented reality (AR) to gamify outdoor activities, will engage youth and make exercise fun. The program is bilingual (Spanish/English) and aims to improve health, increase park usage, and ensure access for low-income and diverse populations.
<b>Friends of 90by30</b>	Violence Prevention Youth Advisory Council: Building a Youth-Led Alliance for Transformative Change	Support for the Prevention Education and Advocacy for Childhood Empowerment (PEACE) initiative's Youth Advisory Council (YAC), a group of teens working on violence prevention. The YAC focuses on youth empowerment, rural engagement, and building connections between youth and supportive adults, and works to change community norms and behaviors around abuse.
<b>Friends of Lane County Recovery Schools</b>	Planning Principal and Related Equipment and Supplies for Recovery High School in Lane County	Support for launch of Lane County's first recovery high school. The school, tuition-free and operating under LESD, will serve students aged 13-21 who face heightened risks of academic failure, substance use, and other challenges, and are committed to recovery, emphasizing family involvement and support.
<b>Friends of the Child Advocacy Center DBA Kids FIRST</b>	Safe Futures: Child Abuse Prevention and Healing Spaces	This organization provides support for children affected by crime, focusing on issues like child sexual abuse, physical abuse, neglect, and exposure to violence. This award provides support for multiple projects to prevent abuse, promote mental health, and improve access to services in underserved areas.
<b>Friends of the Children - Lane County</b>	Expansion of Behavioral Health Services for Lane County Youth	The program provides mentors and additional supports for at-risk youth facing poverty, trauma, and systemic barriers, and works to improve mental health, resilience, literacy, and academic success. Also works with families to improve access to resources and strengthen caregiver support.
<b>H.O.N.E.Y. Inc.</b>	Journey to Holistic Wellness	Supports multiracial, Black, Native, Latine, Asian, and low-income youth by focusing on cultural identity, behavioral health, and mindfulness practices like yoga and meditation. The program aims to reduce mental health struggles, promote well-being, and empower youth through academic and community support.

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<b>Hope &amp; Safety Alliance</b>	LCVPC Youth Violence Prevention 2024	Coalition focuses on addressing root causes of violence, promoting positive social norms, and engaging youth, especially those in rural and marginalized communities. This project's goals are to improve service access, streamline prevention efforts, and engage youth through its Youth Advisory Council. Activities include coalition building, resource mapping, and outreach.
<b>Music Education &amp; Performing Artists Association</b>	MEPAA Inclusion & Awareness Project	Support youth aged 5-25 facing challenges, focusing on low-income families, by offering arts and mentorship programs in a trauma-informed space led by young adults with similar lived experiences and works to improve students' mental health, academic performance, and self-confidence. MEPAA serves diverse populations, including LGBTQ2SIA+ and multi-racial youth.
<b>Native Youth Wellness Program, Lane Education Service District</b>	Native Youth Wellness Program's Outreach Expansion	Support American Indian/Alaska Native youth through culturally responsive mental health initiatives, promoting cultural identity, resilience, and wellness to prevent mental health issues and substance abuse. Key activities include Culture Nights, Affinity Groups, and the Food Sovereignty Project, which connects youth to traditional practices and sustainable food systems. Also provides professional development for educators on Tribal History/Shared History to enhance cultural awareness.
<b>Oregon Blacks for Youth and Families</b>	E4 Youth Empowerment: Engaging—Encouraging—Equip—Empower	Support for Black youth ages 18-25, including those incarcerated or at risk within the juvenile justice system, providing them with mentorship and essential resources like career development and assistance, education support to lower dropout rates, housing, mental health services, and alternatives to incarceration.
<b>Oregon Mind Body Institute</b>	Producing & Delivering A Diverse & Culturally Relevant Preventive Mental Health Series for Youth	Develop a Preventive Mental Health Video Series (PMHVS) for youth in Oregon, focusing on culturally relevant content for BIPOC, rural, and low-income communities, and teaching preventive mental health skills to improve well-being for youth aged 10-18 to help reduce issues like anxiety, depression, and substance abuse.
<b>OSLC Community Programs Inc d/b/a Oregon Community Programs</b>	Parenting through Change: A Community School Partnership	Continue partnership with Lane County schools and expand to Oakridge and Florence areas to offer preventative 10week Parenting through Change groups on school campuses, supporting parents in the care and management of their children exhibiting challenging behaviors.
<b>PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center Foundation</b>	Courageous Kids Children's Bereavement Program Lane County Expansion	Expand support for grieving youth in Lane County, including bereavement training for K-12 educators, virtual consultations, and grief-informed literacy kits. This expansion aims to help children cope with loss and prevent long-term behavioral health issues like depression and PTSD.
<b>Relief Nursery, Inc.</b>	Child-Care Coordinator for Parent Support and Education Groups	Supports a skilled Child Care Coordinator to allow for expanded access and reducing barriers by providing on-site childcare during Parenting Education classes and support groups.
<b>Shift Community Cycles</b>	Shift Community Cycles Youth Program Expansion	Provides bicycle access, education, and bike-related services and programs to underserved communities, including youth, women, individuals with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+, BIPOC, and other marginalized groups. The organization promotes cycling as a way to improve mental and physical health while reducing community health costs.

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<b>Shine Counseling, LLC</b>	Youth, 0-6, and Family Program	Support multilingual digital content and age-appropriate, child-friendly supplies, furniture, play therapy spaces, and therapeutic equipment for children aged 0-6 and their families.
<b>We Can Do Better</b>	Disability Studies Curriculum for PreK-12	Creation of a PreK through 12th grade sample Disability Studies curriculum to help Lane County school districts educate their students. This program would also train teachers as well as school staff on best practices.
<b>White Bird Clinic</b>	Expanding Access to Youth Behavioral Health Services in Lane County, Phase II	Expand HOOTS youth mental health services in Lane County, focusing on suicide prevention, bullying, and support for LGBTQIA2S+ and BIPOC students. The program offers mental health clinics, crisis response, and wellness training in local schools, and expands summer clinics and services in rural areas.