



Community Impact Committee Funding Opportunities

Overview

The Willamette Health Council (WHC) is the governing body of the Coordinated Care Organization (CCO), PacificSource Community Solutions (PCS) Marion-Polk. We provide oversight, guidance, and direction of the CCO activities. The WHC improves the well-being of our region by governing our local CCO, engaging our communities, and fostering collaborative partnerships with community-serving agencies and clinics. PCS Marion-Polk holds the contract with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), contracts with regional health care providers, and administers and manages the health plan benefits for members of the CCO.

The WHC is an Oregon 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Mission: The Willamette Health Council improves the well-being of residents in our region by governing our local Coordinated Care Organization, investing in our communities, and fostering collaborative relationships.

Vision: We envision optimal health and well-being for our community members.

Values: We work in service to Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members and the communities of Marion and Polk counties. We are: Transparent, Collaborative, Equitable, Accountable, Adaptable, Strategic.

Introduction

The Willamette Health Council (WHC) is pleased to announce two [grant opportunities](#) for our community. In accordance with our mission, this opportunity focuses on improving social determinants of health, health equity, and the quality of healthcare in the Marion & Polk community. This funding, through the Community Impact Committee (CIC), is intended to bridge gaps in community initiatives through policy work, creating and expanding services, and strengthening relationships between our healthcare and human service continuum.

Our priority areas for these grant opportunities are:

- Behavioral Health Crisis System
- Housing
- Traditional Health Workers (THWs)

The total funding amount for the first competitive grant request for proposal (RFP) is \$500,000. The total funding amount for 2022 for the mini grant RFP is \$500,000.

Process Overview & Timeline

The WHC is using an online platform for grant management called Foundant. You may find the [applications here](#). Applicants are required to create a new account prior to submitting their Letter of Intent (LOI).

There are two different processes for CIC funding: competitive and mini. The competitive grants may range between \$25,000 and \$100,000 whereas the mini grants are up to \$24,999. A LOI is required for both the competitive and mini grant opportunities.

Standard Competitive Grants

Competitive grants will be released twice in 2022 for projects requesting \$25,000 to \$100,000. These projects must focus on one or more of the priority areas: behavioral health crisis system, housing, or traditional health workers (THWs). The LOI is required and will be reviewed by the CIC. The CIC will determine who will be considered for funding. Organizations with projects under consideration will be invited to fill out a full application. See timeline below.

Mini Grants

The mini grants are noncompetitive awards for \$0-\$24,999 and are open year-round. LOIs received by the 10th of the month will be reviewed and considered for funding by the end of the same month. If the LOI is received after the 10th, it will be reviewed the following month. We encourage applications that focus on the priority areas listed above (behavioral health crisis system, housing, and THWs), but also encourage applicants to think of creative solutions to the complex arena of healthcare and human services in the Marion/Polk region.

Grant Contracting Period

Three (3) months to two (2) years is the general contracting period. Time extensions may be given, and all funds will be distributed within 30 days of a signed Letter of Agreement (LOA).

Technical Assistance

For questions, technical assistance, or software help please reach out to Stephanie Jerome (she/her) at sjerome@willamettehealthcouncil.org or text/call 541.971.7935.

Timeline

Activity	Expected Dates Competitive	Expected Dates Mini Grant
Request for Proposal (RFP) announcement	May 19, 2022	April 5, 2022
Letter of Intent (LOI) due - required	June 15, 2022	ongoing
Community Impact Committee (CIC) decisions	June 24, 2022	N/A
Invitations issued to submit full application	June 28, 2022	N/A
Willamette Health Council admin staff decisions	N/A	10 th of the month
Full application due	July 15, 2022	N/A
Community Impact Committee (CIC) decisions	July 22, 2022	N/A
Applicants notified of denial or approval of project	July 29, 2022	By the 30 th of the month
Letter of Agreements (LOA) sent	Week of August 1, 2022	1 week after approval
Project start dates	Between August 1-December 1, 2022	Ongoing
Funds released by Willamette Health Council	Within 30 days of signed LOA	Within 30 days of signed LOA
First progress report due*	One quarter after start of project	One quarter after start of project
Second progress report due	Two quarters after start of project	Two quarters after start of project
Third progress report due	Three quarters after start of project	Three quarters after start of project
Final report due	At the end of project	At the end of project

*Reporting will happen on a quarterly basis with a final report due at the end of project's timeline.

Budget Details

Indirect costs may not exceed 15% of the total direct costs. Indirect costs are costs that are used by multiple activities like utilities, administration support, office space, etc. You may use funding for capital expenses.

Expectations of Funded Project

Progress Reporting

Quarterly reporting is required for all projects and the amount will depend on the length of the project. Final reports are required at the end of the project. Progress reports will be completed through t