



Columbia Gorge Health Council Community Grant Guidelines 2022

The Columbia Gorge Health Council (CGHC) is offering a funding opportunity to address Social Determinants of Health and Equity (SDOH-E). CGHC will award grants to tax-exempt organizations for projects that address SDOH-E and focus on the Prioritized Needs defined in the 2020-2023 CHIP. The CGHC has \$155,000 available through this opportunity.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be tax-exempt organizations (government agencies are eligible)
- Projects must address SDOH-E and focus on at least one of the 2020 CHIP Priorities and/or gap in the community
- Projects must address needs of Oregon Health Plan members living in Hood River and/or Wasco counties
- Projects do not need to *only* serve OHP members
- Projects can serve all community members, as long as OHP members are not excluded

PRIORITY

Priority will be given to projects that are collaborative in implementation, with at least two partner organizations.

SIZE OF AWARDS

Grant awards can be anywhere between \$25,000 and \$155,000

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

As long as the proposed project addresses at least one of the Prioritized Needs in the 2020-2023 CHIP, the awarded funds can cover the following expenses:

- Program expenses
- General operating expenses
- Staff costs
- Equipment

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete the application (narrative and budget) included with this grant announcement.
- Send completed applications to Amy Scholze, amys@gorgehealthcouncil.org by **November 11 at 12pm (noon)**.
- Applications will be reviewed by a committee that includes CAC voting members, a volunteer group of OHP and community members.

TIMING

- Applications will available starting October 5
- Applications will be **due November 11 at 12pm (noon)**.
- Funds will be distributed by the middle of February

Application assistance is available. Contact Amy Scholze, amys@gorgehealthcouncil.org with questions or for help with your application

2020 CHIP PRIORITIES

Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Main Goal:

We will work together to make sure that ALL members of our community have equitable access to supports that address the priority needs listed below. This is regardless of race, ethnicity, religious affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, location, ability, or income level.

We commit to making sure we measure our improvement through an equity lens. We also commit to making sure that services are provided in a way that is equitable and trauma informed.

We recognize the work ahead will include program and systems level change. This can include policy recommendations and support of living wages that would help create a more equitable and just community where all people can thrive.

PRIORITY: Housing

- People can gain access and afford safe housing.
- People do not worry about losing their housing.
- People spend less than 30% of their income on housing.

PRIORITY: Food

- All people can access and afford healthy food.
- People do not worry about running out of food for themselves or the people they live with.

PRIORITY: Transportation and Mobility

- Public and private transportation is available and convenient for all activities that support and encourage health, daily living, physical activity and wellbeing.
- Public and private transportation is safe and meets the needs of each person.
- Communities have safe transportation and infrastructure that supports walking, biking and wheelchair or walker rolling.

PRIORITY: Improved access to equitable health care services

Dental Care:

- People get the dental services they need when they need them.
- Dental care is equitable, affordable and inclusive and is offered in a respectful and trauma informed manner.

Primary Care:

- People get the primary care they need when they need it.
- Primary care is equitable and inclusive and is offered in a respectful and trauma informed manner.
- Health care is offered in diverse settings which supports health and wellness at every stage of life

Behavioral Health Care:

- People get the behavioral services and supports they need when they need them, including:
 - Mental health
 - Substance abuse services
 - Crisis intervention
 - Inpatient treatment
 - Outpatient treatment
- Behavioral health care is equitable and inclusive. It is offered in a respectful and trauma informed manner.
- Behavioral health is offered in diverse settings which supports mental health and wellness at every stage of life.

Health Insurance:

- People have stable insurance they can afford and when they use it, it does not cause financial distress.
- Insurance covers the services people need, which include physical, dental and behavioral health.
- People who are not documented can get insurance that covers physical, behavioral and dental healthcare.

Prevention and Promotion:

- The information that people need to support healthy choices is available to all.
- Information and education on wellness, health promotion and disease prevention are available and offered in an equitable and trauma informed way.
- Prevention and control of current and emerging health care issues are addressed in the community.
- Prevention of interpersonal violence is addressed through the promoting health, safety, communication, equity, and respect.

PRIORITY: Improved Access to Equitable Physical Activity and the Outdoors

- All people have opportunities for physical activity that supports their health and well-being. This is regardless of their race, ethnicity, physical limitation or where they live.
- It is easy for people to access parks, trails and natural areas for both exercise and social activities.

PRIORITY: Improved Social Connection and Communication

Sense of Community:

- People feel a sense of connection, security, belonging, and trust in their community.
- People receive social support from family, friends, and other community members.
- People feel a sense of community through access to parks, nature and recreation.
- People and groups get support in growing as leaders. They feel they have a voice and can contribute to their community.

Collaboration and Information Sharing:

- People get the language appropriate information they need or want on paper, online, or video to be able to access the services they need.
- Organizations coordinate intake and exchange information for shared patients or clients.
- Referrals are coordinated and people get their needs met in a timely manner.

PRIORITY: Children and Youth

Youth Safety:

- Youth (ages 0 to 18) feel respected, safe and supported:
 - In their homes
 - Getting to and from school
 - In school
 - In community activities
- Youth have equitable access to activities to play, learn and grow outside of school that their families can afford.
- There is infrastructure and there are opportunities so that youth of all ages, abilities and interests have a variety of physical and other activity options that are offered in an equitable way.
- Youth who experience bullying or suffer violence, whether in person or online, are supported and have access to the help they need.

Early Childhood Development and Child Care:

- People can access cultural and language appropriate, high-quality, affordable childcare when and where they need it.
- People can access and afford early childhood development supports and opportunities, such as early intervention, home visiting, group socialization, preschool and activities.