



The 2023 Impact Report

Together, a shared vision for a thriving Oregon.

It is with great pleasure and gratitude that I reach out to you today on behalf of The Reser Family Foundation. As we reflect on the past year and the impact of our collective efforts, we are filled with pride and appreciation for the significant strides we have made together in the State of Oregon.

Our partnerships with more than 100 non-profit organizations have been instrumental in achieving our shared mission of strengthening communities. The collaboration between our partner organizations has not only strengthened our reach but has also amplified the positive impact we have been able to make in the lives of our neighbors across the state.

One of the standout initiatives that exemplifies our commitment to fostering positive change in Oregon's rural communities is our **Small Community Initiative**. Through this program, we have been able to work together beyond monetary giving to leverage social, human, and intellectual support systems.

The more than \$3 million dollars in grants were distributed touching all 36 counties in our state and have been directed towards various projects and programs, ranging from infrastructure development to educational initiatives. We firmly believe that by investing in the well-being of these towns, we contribute to the overall prosperity and sustainability of our state.

I am delighted to share that our commitment to education has extended to awarding 11 scholarships to deserving students in 2023. These scholarships aim to empower talented individuals providing them with the means to pursue higher education and contribute meaningfully to their communities and beyond.

The impact of our collective efforts is not just measured in numbers and figures but in the tangible improvements we witness in the lives of those we aim to serve. It is heartening to see the positive transformation taking across the state, and we attribute much of this success to the dedication and collaboration of our non-profit partners.

Every year, we take a retrospective look at the impact of our grantmaking showcasing the Foundation's generosity, revealing how we contribute to making a positive difference. In the attached report, we have highlighted some of our partners, scholars, and the areas we support. Still, there is more work to do. We need our county leaders to take a stronger approach to addressing our unhoused population and to collaborate more closely with local experts who work diligently to connect underserved neighbors to support services that address housing, mental health, addiction, health care, and employment.

As we move forward, we remain committed to deepening our work and exploring new avenues for collaboration. Together, we can continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Thank you again for your unwavering commitment to our shared vision. We look forward to many more years of impactful collaboration and positive change.

With gratitude,

Mari Jo Prlain
Executive Director

Highlights From 2023

More than \$3 million was invested in alignment with the Foundation's cornerstones and funding priorities. These investments helped bring clothing and school supplies to students across the state, engaged Black youth in workforce development opportunities in the green sector, increased access to the arts in rural communities, and created new spaces for Oregonians to learn and thrive.

IN 2023

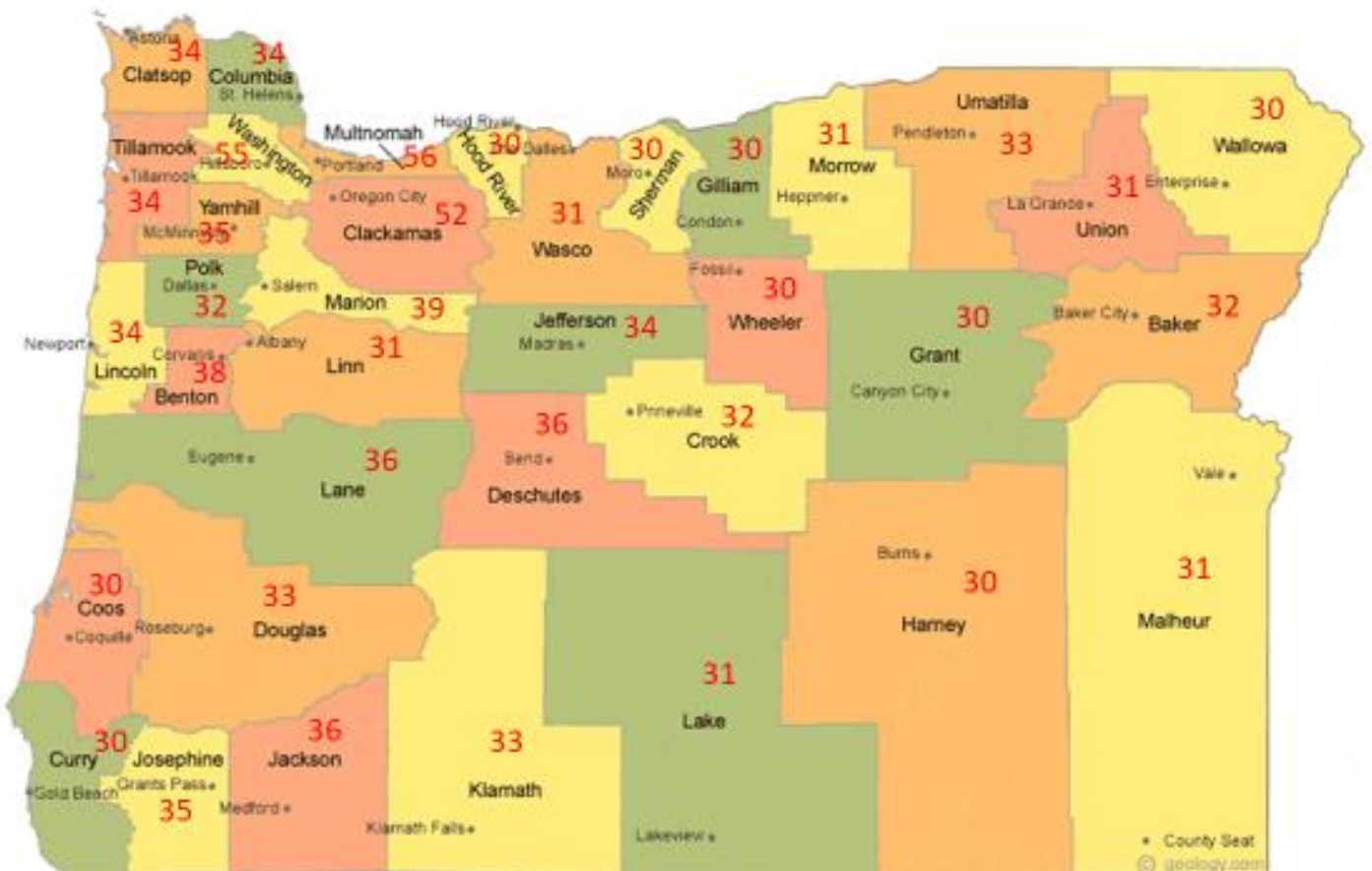
122 grants provided.

More than \$3 million in grantmaking.

All 36 counties in Oregon served.

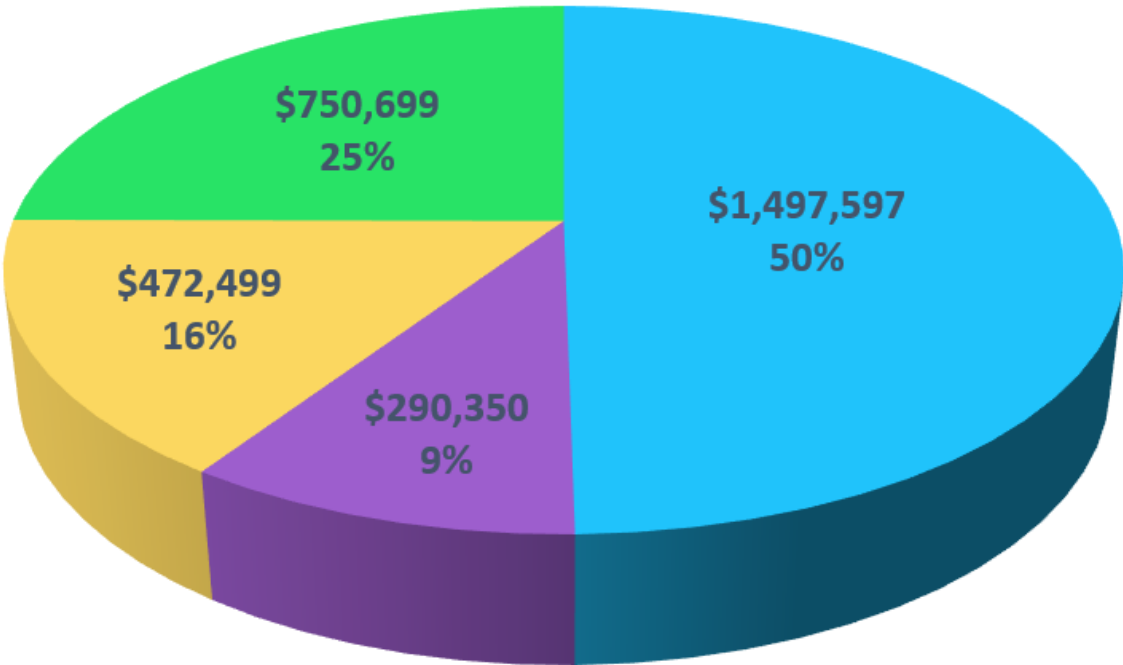
Partnered with 4 rural communities through the Small Community Initiative.

11 college scholarships awarded.



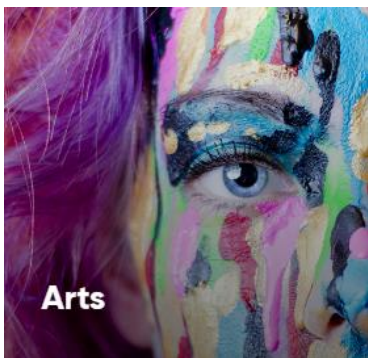
The map above shows the service areas of the 122 grants funded across Oregon in 2023.

2023 Grants of \$3,011,145



■ Environment ■ Education ■ Health ■ The Arts

Our Cornerstones



The Arts - \$750,699

Engaging communities through creative and visual arts, increasing access to the arts and enriching communities.



Milwaukie Arts Committee	The Cannon Beach Arts Association	Chamber Music Northwest	The Artback
Metropolitan Youth Symphony	Eugene-Springfield Youth Orchestras	Cappella Romana	The Artist Mentorship Program (AMP)
Hand2Mouth	Oregon East Symphony	Anima Mundi Productions	Rogue World Music
Portland Art Museum	Bag and Baggage Productions	Portland Gay Men's Chorus	Astoria Visual Arts
Crossroads Creative and Performing Arts Center Inc	Four Rivers Cultural Center	Maxtivity	Children's Repertory Of Oregon Workshops
Sitka Center for Art and Ecology	Chehalem Cultural Center	Art Center East	Oregon Arts Watch
Oregon State University Foundation	PassinArt: A Theatre Company	The Patricia Reser Center for the Arts	World Affairs Council of Oregon

Education - \$293,350

Supporting middle and high school success
as well as the basic needs and skills of K-12 students with limited economic means.



Western Oregon University	Oregon State University	Howard University	Gettysburg College
Boston College	University of Oregon	University of Portland	Portland State University
ChickTech	Powell Butte Community Charter School	Liberty High School	The Alex Reser Scholarship Fund
Mt Scott Learning Center	College Possible	Oregon Business Academy	Portland Workforce Alliance
Assistance League of Bend	Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific	The Shadow Project	Schoolhouse Supplies
Project Youth+	Elevate Oregon	Centro Cultural de Washington County	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Oregon
	Dress for Success Oregon	Friends of the Children	

Health - \$472,499

Serving vulnerable Oregonians and increasing access to mental health services, addiction programs for underserved youth. Providing basic needs for both those impacted by domestic violence, and for low-income elders, and supporting day shelters that provide wraparound services leading to successful employment.



Oregon Association of Relief Nurseries	43 Institute	St. Mary's Home for Boys	Powell Butte Community Charter School	Assistance League of Corvallis
Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association	Elkton Community Education Center	Oregon CASA Network	Kellen Cares Foundation	Providence St. Vincent Medical Foundation
Bhakti Marga America	Cirque Lodge Foundation	Meals on Wheels	With Love, Oregon	Childrens Shelter of Hope Foundation
A Village for One	Make A Wish Foundation of Oregon	St. Vincent de Paul Society	The Insight Alliance	Klamath Basin Senior Citizens' Center, Inc.
Rogue Valley Mentoring	A Village for One	Lines for Life	Girl Scouts of Oregon and SW Washington	Benton Furniture Share
Marion-Polk Food Share	Project 48 Inc	Rose Haven CIC	Kinship House	Medical Teams International
WellMama, Inc.	New Avenues for Youth	NW Catholic Counseling Center	William Temple House	Alano Club of Portland

Children's Cancer Association

ALS Association

Environment - \$1,497,597

Cultivating the long-term resiliency and vitality of our natural environment, built environment and community spaces.



Junior Achievement of Oregon and SW Washington

Eugene Debbs Potts Foundation

The Blueprint Foundation

Lost River Community Center

Oregon State University Foundation

Rural Development Initiatives

Ocean Blue Project, Inc

Freemont Highlanders Ski Club

Oregon Parks Forever

Middle Deschutes Watershed Council

World Salmon Council

Boys & Girls Aid

Community Connection of Northeast Oregon, Inc.

Linfield University

Network of Oregon Watershed Councils

Adopt One Block

Deschutes Public Library Foundation

Josephine Community Library Foundation

The Nature Conservancy, Oregon Chapter

Oregon Historical Society

The Trust for Public Land

Helix Park and Recreation District

All Classical Public Media, Inc.

Main Street Cave Junction

A Greater Applegate

Milton-Freewater Downtown Alliance

Small Community Initiative



When communities of every size do well, our state becomes even stronger. To bring greater prosperity and better quality of life to Oregon’s small towns, The Reser Family Foundation is proud to introduce our Small Community Initiative (SCI) in support of rural Oregon communities outside of metropolitan areas. The Small Community Initiative funds economic development and community development groups supporting Rural Oregonians.

The 2023 SCI Cohort Members:



Congratulations to our recent graduate, Spruce Up Warrenton!



College Scholarships

Each year, The Reser Family Foundation proudly provides renewable and one-time college scholarships for Oregon high school graduates who attend colleges and universities across the country.



Thank You!

We reflect on 2023 with humble gratitude for our many partners representing the diverse people and regions of our state. The Reser Family Foundation thanks you for your knowledge, commitment, and partnership. We look forward to a bright future as we work together to strengthen Oregon.

