



Curry CAC meeting minutes. 2.22.24

In attendance: Jeannie Alby, Amanda McCarthy, Beth Barker Hidalgo, Connie Thompson, Correen Mckinney, Corinne Potts, Doris Kiragu, Jen Shafer, Starla Paris, Sam Baugh, Mellissah Hendrickson, Tony Gage, Tricia Iverson, Trudy Simpson, Stephanie Vaughn, Veronia Delmoral, William Wagner, Laura McKeane, Lori Forman, Connie Hunter

Motion made to approve the agenda by Beth Barker Hidalgo seconded by Tricia Iverson. All in favor none opposed motions carries.

Motion made to approve minutes from January by Connie Thompson and seconded by Beth Barker Hidalgo. All in favor. None opposed motion carries.

United Way – Jen Shafer presented the Southern Oregon Coast Pride Diversity Conference. Flier, Agenda and Sponsorship form Attached. April 10th and 11th starting at 830am and going until 4PM. Location is the Mill Casino. Key not speaker Dr Shaashawn Dials. Volunteers are needed and welcome. You can email Jen or Corrine if you are interested. director@unitedwayswo.org>

Pride will be participating in the Azalea Festival and Pride in the Park will be on June 1st from 11AM 3PM at Azalea Park and we are looking forward to that event. Pride Book club meets the Third Wednesday from 6-7PM at the Chetco Library. You can come by the library to pick up a copy of the book that is being read. United Way is planning their day of caring which is the yard care day for seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities. Last year we helped about 8 households. This year will be bigger in Curry and is tentatively planned for May 18th.

OHA update attached to minutes.

Community Updates:

Applications for SCREL Hub Funding for the 2023-25 biennium are due next week, February 29th, 2024. To find out how to apply, visit the link below, submit an interest form, and you will be contacted by a SCREL Staff person to walk you through the application process.

To be eligible for community investment funds, programs must impact young children (prenatal through age 6) and their families in Coos, Curry, and/or Coastal Douglas Counties. Areas of focus for funding include family support services, parent education and engagement, kindergarten transition programs, professional learning teams, and early literacy.

To find out how to apply, submit an interest form, and you will be contacted by a SCREL Staff person to walk you through the application process: <https://screlhub.org/for-partners-providers/apply-for-funding/>

Apply for Funding - South Coast Early Learning

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Childcare Start-Up and Expansion Grant: Applications due March 22nd, 2024

The **Department of Early Learning and Care** has created this grant opportunity to help address Oregon's critical shortage of childcare. **The Research Institute** at **Western Oregon University** is administering this grant to increase the number of childcare slots by helping programs expand their operations and facilitating the opening of new childcare businesses.

Please visit [The Start-Up and Expansion Grant website](https://sites.google.com/mail.wou.edu/start-upandexpansion/home) for all other grant inform.
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Childcare Accelerator Program:

The Childcare Accelerator Program prioritizes Low-Income Women (80% AMI or under) and Latinx/Hispanic business owners, providing them with childcare business start-up tools and expansion technical assistance services in efforts to diversify childcare services throughout Southwestern Oregon (Coos, Curry, and Coastal Douglas Counties).

Visit here to learn more: <https://screlhub.org/for-partners-providers/>

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Certified Birth Doula Training:

The Traditional Health Worker (THW) Integration and Utilization Program will help develop THWs to provide peer support for behavioral, mental, substance abuse, and birth care to marginalized populations in Coos, Curry, and Douglas Counties to improve individual and community health. The Training Program includes:

- Specialty training with stipends for participants.
- Reimbursement for expenses (childcare and gas as needed)
- A 4-week on-the-job paid internship
- Assistance in applying for THW certification and job placement

- Trained Advisors and Supervisors to mentor peers through the program

Once your THW training is complete and you are certified, you will be able to work as a THW in a clinic, hospital, or community-based organization, supporting your community's health.

To apply visit:

https://l.ead.me/bdHAe2?fbclid=IwAR0ubf2uBnQaKwR6A4ZMqEAQzAjtAaqfprkYM4ynWiZzPAXV07Xo70X_29c

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Family Opportunity:

Group Connections Gathering: Cook With Me!

Parents & caregivers of young children in our South Coast Region are invited to participate in our upcoming Group Connections Gathering.

Join us March 19th, from 4:00-5:00pm, for a free hands-on & interactive workshop to bring you and your child closer together through cooking!

This session will be held in-person at the Riley Creek Elementary School Cafeteria in Gold Beach. Cooking materials will be given to the first 10 families who register and participate in the session.

Due to cooking station capacity, we are limited to 10 families, but will hold a wait list. After registration you will be notified of your placement. If for some reason you are unable to attend the session, we ask that you contact us so we are able to allow a waitlisted participant to join us.

Lite refreshments will be available.

To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/bde4a9n6> or call 541-266-3909

To learn more about this and other upcoming Group Connections Gatherings, visit:

https://screlhub.org/parenting/#group_connections

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ODHS Update – Starla Paris On March 1st they have their roll out or in from SSP self sufficiency which will become the eligibility program. The call center was rolled in on Feb 1st. This means this is a new department and all of the eligibility state wide is moving from self sufficiency into that department. There will be some movement in management and who people report too. This is the states way to try to improve eligibility process for Oregonians.

SWOCC has started a Pre Apprentice Heavy Equipment Operator program. We had incredible interest and 14 people enrolled. It is a free training and 2 terms long. There will be another Cohort in the summer. If you are interested in registering, please contact Connie Thompson with South Coast Business cthompson@scbec.org

The nursing program is going to have an open house soon. It will be April 25th tentatively from 11am-1pm. If your curious about our nursing program, please come down and visit us.