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June 4, 2026

BCC Agenda Item: _____

Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Approval of an Application to the Oregon Health Authority for a Rural Health Transformation Catalyst Grant. Agreement Value is \$3,900,000 for 15 months. Funding is through the Oregon Health Authority. No County General Funds are involved.

Previous Board Action/Review: Briefed at Issues 6/2/2026

Performance Clackamas: Safe, secure and livable communities, Healthy people

Counsel Review: N/A

Procurement Review: N/A

Contact Person: Kim LaCroix

Contact Phone: 503-655-8581

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The Clackamas County Public Health Division (CCPH), in partnership with Social Services, Behavioral Health, and Health Centers divisions requests approval to apply for the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Rural Health Transformation (RHT) Catalyst Grant. This funding opportunity supports projects that improve how care is delivered in rural communities through investments in prevention, workforce capacity, and technology.

Clackamas County includes rural communities that experience disparities in access to healthcare services and barriers to preventive and behavioral health care. The proposed project will focus on improving access and care coordination for priority populations in rural areas through a scalable, cross-sector model that integrates public health, social services, health centers and behavioral health resources.

In alignment with OHA RHT priorities, CCPH will implement a targeted intervention that will include:

- Expanding access to preventive and/or behavioral health services in rural communities
- Enhancing care coordination and service navigation across systems
- Leveraging data and/or technology to improve access, service delivery, and outcomes

The project will be designed for rapid implementation and will include clear, measurable outcomes related to access, service utilization, and health outcomes for rural populations. CCPH will

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partner with the behavioral health division, social services, Clackamas County Health Centers, community-based organizations, and regional partners to ensure effective implementation and long-term sustainability beyond the grant period.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff respectfully recommend the Board of County Commissioners approve the grant application for submission to the Oregon Health Authority and authorize Chair Roberts or his designee to sign on behalf of the board.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Rumbaugh

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Health, Housing & Human Services

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Financial Assistance Application Lifecycle Form

Use this form to track your potential award from conception to submission.

Sections of this form are designed to be completed in collaboration between department program and fiscal staff.

If renewal or direct appropriation, complete sections I, II, IV & V only. Section III is not required.

If Disaster or Emergency Relief Funding, EOC will need to approve prior to being sent to the BCC

****CONCEPTION****

Section I: Funding Opportunity Information - To Be Completed by Requester

Direct Appropriation (no application)

Award type: Subrecipient Award Direct Award

Award Renewal? Yes No

Lead Fund # and Department:	240-40-4004 Public Health
Name of Funding Opportunity:	Oregon Health Authority- Rural Health Transformation Catalyst Grant

Funding Source: Federal – Direct Federal – Pass through State Local

Requestor Information: (Name of staff initiating form)	Malley Nason
Requestor Contact Information:	mnason@clackamas.us, 9713479579
Department Fiscal Representative:	Sherry Olson
Program Name & Prior Project #: (please specify)	Rural Health Transformation Catalyst Grant

Brief Description of Project:

Oregon's Rural Health Transformation (RHT) plan is the state's implementation of a 5-year federal initiative to drive system-level changes in rural healthcare delivery focused on expanding access, strengthening workforce capacity, modernizing data and technology, and improving long-term outcomes through new, sustainable models of care. Within this framework, Catalyst Grants are competitive, short-term funding opportunities for projects that are ready to launch quickly, align with priority areas (prevention, workforce, or technology), and demonstrate measurable impact for rural populations. Clackamas County Health, Housing, and Human Services intends to apply for a catalyst grant in addition to the direct allocation funds as part of the Rural Health Transformation work happening across the state of Oregon.

Name of Funding Agency:

Notification of Funding Opportunity Web Address:

OR

Application Packet Attached: Yes No

Completed By: _____ Date: _____

**** NOW READY FOR SUBMISSION TO DEPARTMENT FISCAL REPRESENTATIVE ****

Section II: Funding Opportunity Information - To Be Completed by Department Fiscal Rep

Competitive Application Non-Competing Application Other

Assistance Listing Number (ALN), if applicable:	N/A	Funding Agency Award Notification Date:	07/01/2026
Announcement Date:	04/10/2026	Announcement/Opportunity #:	S-44300-00016498
Grant Category/Title	RFGP 6244: Catalyst Grants for the Rural Health Transformation Progr	Funding Amount Requested:	\$3.9 million
Allows Indirect/Rate:	Yes- 15%	Match Requirement:	N/A
Application Deadline:	05/26/26	Total Project Cost:	\$3.9 million
Award Start Date:	07/01/26	Other Deadlines and Description:	
Award End Date:	09/30/2028		
Completed By:	Health, Housing, Human Services- Public Health Division	Program Income Requirements:	N/A
Pre-Application Meeting Schedule:	Regular meetings occurring already and being led by public health. No external meeting schedule related to RFP available.		

Additional funding sources available to fund this program? Please describe:

There are no additional funding sources that are able to support and expand the proposed programming and services to the same level. This grant opportunity will allow public health, social services, health centers and behavioral health to expand their reach into rural communities, building on existing services and infrastructure.

How much General Fund will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses?

N/A

How much Fund Balance will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses?

N/A

In the next section, limit answers to space available.

Section III: Funding Opportunity Information - To Be Completed at Pre-Application Meeting by Dept Program and Fiscal Staff

Fiscal

1. Are there other revenue sources required, available, or will be used to fund the program? Have they already been secured? Please list all funding sources and amounts.

No other funding sources are required- however, funding through existing grants and program elements will be used to support the work of the grant and ensure alignment across public health/social services/health centers/behavioral health programs and priorities.

2. For applications with a match requirement, how much is required (in dollars) and what type of funding will be used to meet it (CGF, In-kind, local grant, etc.)?

N/A

3. Does this grant/financial assistance cover indirect costs? If yes, is there a rate cap? If no, can additional funds be obtained to support indirect expenses and what are those sources?

Yes- 15% indirect rate.

4. Does the grant/financial assistance fund an existing program? If yes, which program? If no, what is the purpose of the program?

Yes- this grant will help support a number of public health, social service and behavioral health programs as well as the services offered by health centers, and expand their work into rural communities in Clackamas County. The programs include opioid and substance use prevention, public health emergency services, mental health promotion, behavioral health response, veteran outreach and emergency preparedness.

Organizational Capacity:

1. Does the organization have adequate and qualified staff? If no, can staff be hired within the grant/financial assistance funding opportunity timeframe?

All divisions have adequate and qualified staff to manage the grant and move certain components forward, however, select projects within the grant application require additional temporary staff (3 FTE total), which will be leveraged through subcontracted partners.

These positions include a community paramedic through AMR, a care coordinator through The Father's Heart, and a veteran outreach coordinator that will work with social services. These staff can be hired within the funding time frame and will be limited duration.

2. Are there partnership efforts required? If yes, who are we partnering with and what are their roles and responsibilities?

Yes- public health will be partnering with social services, health centers and behavioral health to expand mental and physical health services and access into rural communities. All divisions will act as co-applicants and submit one unified proposal, aligned with the grant outcomes and metrics set by OHA and CMS. External partners will include AntFarm, Orchard Health, rural EMS partners, The Father's Heart and LoveOne.

3. If this is a pilot project, what is the plan for sun setting the project and/or staff if it does not continue (e.g. making staff positions temporary or limited duration, etc.)?

The RHT catalyst grants last for 5 years total. As no new/temporary staff are being hired within the division, sunsetting staffing is not a concern with this grant. All other preexisting FTE providing project support from within H3S will be funded via existing infrastructure.

4. If funded, would this grant/financial assistance create a new program, does the department intend for the program to continue after initial funding is exhausted? If yes, how will the department ensure funding (e.g. request new funding during the budget process, supplanted by a different program, etc.)?

This grant would not create a new program- it will help enhance our existing services and expand H3S work directly into rural communities. Key components of our rural community engagement and service delivery will be built into existing program elements and operations as much as possible. We fully intend to craft a continuity of services and programs with the key communities identified in this grant after the funding period ends, though with current funding and uncertain financial prospects at the end of the grant period.

Collaboration

1. List County departments that will collaborate on this award, if any.

Office of Public & Governmental Affairs, Technology Services

Reporting Requirements

1. What are the program reporting requirements for this grant/funding opportunity?

Quarterly and annual reports to OHA and the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services, including financial and progress reporting.

2. How will performance be evaluated? Are we using existing data sources? If yes, what are they and where are they housed? If not, is it feasible to develop a data source within the grant timeframe?

Performance will be evaluated via the quarterly/annual reports. CMS and OHA will use the reports to evaluate compliance and determine funding for the subsequent budget periods. Each project within the grant proposal will have it's own set of metrics and outcomes to report on and data specific to individual projects will be collected and analyzed as part of project evaluation.

3. What are the fiscal reporting requirements for this funding?

Financial reporting will include expenditure by initiative and use of funds, to be reported both quarterly and annually.

Mission/Purpose:

1. How does the grant/funding opportunity support the Department and/or Division's Mission/Purpose/Goals?

This funding opportunity aligns with the Public Health Division's goals to reduce health disparities, strengthen prevention and early intervention services, and improve system coordination across public health, healthcare, and community-based partners. By focusing on rural communities, the Catalyst Grant enables public health, social services, and behavioral health to implement innovative, community-informed solutions that expand access, enhance workforce capacity, and modernize service delivery. This directly supports H3S's strategic initiative of equitable access, integrated services, and meaningful community engagement.

2. Who, if any, are the community partners who might be better suited to perform this work?

While the success of our work in rural communities is not possible without the support of key partners, there is no partner or organization better suited to meet the objectives of the RHT catalyst grant. Clackamas County can provide an array of key services and supports, informed by data and made possible with our wide reach of community partnerships.

3. What are the objectives of this funding opportunity? How will we meet these objectives?

The Rural Health Transformation (RHT) Catalyst Grant aims to support projects that improve how care is delivered in rural communities by expanding access to services, strengthening workforce capacity, and enhancing the use of data and technology to improve health outcomes. Clackamas County will meet these objectives by implementing a cross-sector intervention focused on improving access to preventive and behavioral health services in rural areas. This will include reviving public health's mobile services work, expanding the community paramedicine program and Project Hope, and partnering with behavioral health and social services to expand mental health services and access.

Other information necessary to understand this award, if any.

Program Approval:

Malley Nason

04/23/2026



Name (Typed/Printed)

Date

Signature

**** NOW READY FOR PROGRAM MANAGER SUBMISSION TO DIVISION DIRECTOR ****

****ATTACH ANY CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE FUNDING AGENCY. COUNTY FINANCE OR ADMIN WILL SIGN****

Section IV: Approvals

DIVISION DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)

Philip Mason-Joyner

Philip Mason-Joyner

Philip Mason-Joyner (May 14, 2026 16:45:16 PDT)

Name (Typed/Printed)

Date

Signature

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)

Philip Mason-Joyner

May 14, 2026

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Date

Signature

FINANCE ADMINISTRATION

Bouavieng Bounnam

May 18, 2026

Bouavieng Bounnam

Name (Typed/Printed)

Date

Signature

EOC COMMAND APPROVAL **WHEN NEEDED FOR DISASTER OR EMERGENCY RELIEF APPLICATIONS ONLY**

Name (Typed/Printed)

Date

Signature

Section V: Board of County Commissioners/County Administration

(Required for all grant applications. If your grant is awarded, all grant awards must be approved by the Board on their weekly consent agenda regardless of amount per local budget law 294.338.)

For applications \$150,000 and below:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR	Approved:	Denied:
Name (Typed/Printed)	Date	Signature

For applications up to and including \$150,000 email form to BCC staff at CA-Financialteam@clackamas.us for Gary Schmidt's approval.

For applications \$150,000.01 and above, email form with Staff Report to the Clerk to the Board at ClerktotheBoard@clackamas.us to be brought to the consent agenda.

BCC Agenda item #:

Date:

OR

Policy Session Date:

County Administration Attestation

County Administration: re-route to department at
and
Grants Manager at financegrants@clackamas.us
when fully approved.

Department: keep original with your grant file.










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