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Hello my name is Ashliegh and I grew up on the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians reservation located in Lincoln County. Today 5 members of my team and myself showed up to testify but time ran out. Phoenix Wellness Center is a Native American owned and operated addiction treatment facility. Our county received 4.65 million dollars from measure 110 we at Phoenix received 1.5 million dollars to expand access to addiction treatment services in our county. During this time we have been able to go from having 1 peer mentor to 6 who do work without fiscal reimbursement. This work is done in the jail, with families who are unsure what to do with their loved ones struggling with addiction. Phoenix has waived fee for service for many individuals who are medically uninsured or categorically ineligible for health insurance. With the decrease in measure 110 revenue I am asking you to support the efforts our BIPOC organization provides as many other do by finding 48 million in general funds to be able to allocate to measure 110. This would allow us to continue to do the selfless hard work for our community.