



To: All legislators

Re: Support SB 602: Oregon Nonprofit Grant & Contract Modernization Act

Andrea Chunga-Celis | April 9, 2025

Chair Jama and members of the committee, for the record my name is Andrea Chunga-Celis, and I work at Adelante Mujeres, which translates to Women Rise Up, as the Director of Development. My organization is in strong support of Senate Bill 602.

Adelante Mujeres is a nonprofit organization in Forest Grove dedicated to the education and empowerment of Latina women and their families in Washington County and beyond.

Our organization has worked in partnership with the state for over 20 years. Particularly, our multi-year grant agreement with Youth Development Oregon (YDC) demonstrates the benefits of passing Senate Bill 602 to encourage state entities and nonprofits to work in strong collaboration to deliver critical social services to the community.

YDC throughout its history has provided updates to its reporting requirements and open communication channels regarding on-time payments of invoices to ensure they meet the payment schedule agreed to in the grant agreement. They have lessened the burden on nonprofits by providing organizations the time to review their grant agreement, having 1:1 meetings to walk-through the agreement, and providing an open channel for adjustments on reporting to meet the needs of the community. This has benefited Adelante Mujeres to continue its Youth Development program with confidence and high-quality services. A strong partnership with the state grounded in trust in working together to fulfill grant compliance has led us to support over 700 at-risk youth throughout Washington County, per year, with a 100% rate in high school graduation and a 98% rate in post-secondary schooling.

Senate Bill 602, if enacted, improves and streamlines how government grants and contracts are structured and administered.

We hope that we can count on your leadership in guiding the passage of Senate Bill 602.

Thank you,

Andrea Chunga-Celis