

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS















PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Located in the bustling Portland-Metropolitan region, the City of Happy Valley is a rapidly expanding urban destination. Over the last several years, the City has collaborated with the community to develop a Community Center concept, prioritizing many amenities not found elsewhere in Happy Valley or neighboring communities.

BE PART OF OUR STORY

To meet the needs of one of Oregon's fastest.growing and most.diverse communities – and the unincorporated areas we serve – the City of Happy Valley is preparing to construct a 65,000 square-foot Community Center. The Center will include a community gathering room, multi-court gymnasium, aquatics facilities, and fitness and cardio areas supported by childcare. The City has developed financing options that will cover over 90% of the cost. State dollars would fill the last remaining funding gap and move the project into construction.

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Local feedback consistently shows a shortage of spaces to gather and build community. The Community center provides facilities for athletic and aquatic programming currently lacking in the area and meeting spaces for community events, gatherings, and meetings.
- The Center enriches recreation opportunities near the county's largest affordable housing development and catalyzes development of a planned downtown commercial district.
- The Center will serve more than 27,000 residents in Happy Valley, and well over 100,000 neighbors outside of the city limits.
- The property will be served by regional bicycle, pedestrian, and transit networks, providing multimodal access to the site.

STATE FUNDS NEEDED

In 2023, the City spent \$16 million in local dollars to purchase land for the future Community Center. Moreover, the City will soon complete a finance strategy to advance the project into design and construction phases. The finance strategy is expected to include a combination of city dollars, developer fees, and voter-approved bonds. Existing funds, however, are insufficient to construct the project to scale envisioned by the community. Since the City can only collect revenues from residents, State funds are needed to offset the contribution for the 100,000+ neighbors who live outside of the City and will use the facility.

\$16 MILLION LAND PURCHASE

\$60 MILLION LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS (BONDS, FEES, ETC.)

\$5 MILLION STATE FUNDS REQUESTED

\$81 MILLION TOTAL COST

WHO WILL WE SERVE?

The City of Happy Valley is a rapidly growing community with one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. 25% of our residents identify as Asian, 7.8% of two or more races, and 4.3% identify as Hispanic or Latino. And the proposed Center would serve more people than just than Happy Valley's residents – it would provide a robust venue for public activities and programming for our neighboring communities including Gresham, Boring, Gladstone and unincorporated Clackamas County.

