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# 2025-27 CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST

## PROJECT INFORMATION FORM

Legislative Fiscal Office  
900 Court St. NE, H-178  
Salem, OR 97301



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### CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION

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Organization Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Type \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Tax ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email \_\_\_\_\_

### PROJECT INFORMATION

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Project Name \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description

Project Location \_\_\_\_\_

Project Schedule (Please describe the project's readiness, including planned start and end dates and any remaining permits, approvals, or other steps that must be completed prior to beginning.)

**PROJECT BUDGET**

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**Estimated Project Cost**

Construction/Renovation	_____
Site Improvements	_____
Land Acquisition	_____
Architectural and Engineering Fees	_____
Equipment	_____
Contingencies	_____
Other Costs (specify) _____	_____
Other Costs (specify) _____	_____
<b>Estimated Total Project Costs</b>	_____

**Amount Requested** \_\_\_\_\_ **Percent of Total Project Cost** \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Funding Requested \_\_\_\_\_

**Matching Funds**

State Funds (source) _____	_____
Federal Funds (source) _____	_____
Private/Other Grants	_____
Donations/Gifts	_____
Other Revenues/Financing (source) _____	_____
Other Revenues/Financing (source) _____	_____
<b>Total Matching Funds</b>	_____

**OTHER INFORMATION**

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Grants financed through the issuance of bonds are not available until bonds are sold. Multiple factors impact the timing of sales; however, many sales often occur during the last six months of the biennium (Oregon's biennial budget begins on July 1 of odd-numbered years and runs through June 30 of the next odd-numbered year). Significant decreases in revenues or changes in financial conditions subsequent to authorization may also delay or prevent the issuance of bonds, which means that the approved projects or grants would also be delayed or not funded.

Public works projects, including any project that uses \$750,000 or more of public funds for constructing, reconstructing, painting or performing a major renovation on a road, highway, building, structure or improvement of any type, may be subject prevailing wage requirements. Grant recipients must comply with prevailing wage rate laws and should consult the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries to determine whether a project is subject to prevailing wage.

**Please return the completed form and any supporting documentation to:**

Walt Campbell, Principal Legislative (Bonding) Analyst

[LFO.CapitalProjectRequests@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:LFO.CapitalProjectRequests@oregonlegislature.gov)

## **2025 City of Medford State Legislative Request Rogue Retreat Campus & Workforce Training Investments**

### **Issue**

Rogue Retreat's workforce training programs connect individuals to meaningful employment opportunities while addressing critical community needs. For example, Hope Streets serves the community through downtown maintenance, area cleanup, landscaping, and fire fuel reduction work.

Hope Kitchen provides culinary training and job placement support, while Hopeful Second Hand offers retail work training and job experience through its thrift shop. These programs collectively transition participants from the street to shelter to workforce training, addressing homelessness and unemployment through a multi-departmental effort.

In addition to offering hands-on job training, these programs provide supportive services that reinforce self-sufficiency. A well-rounded workforce development program not only moves individuals into stable employment but also reduces the need for long-term case management and emergency services, such as fire, medical, and police calls.

The current needs of the community include fire fuel reduction services, which improve safety and decrease wildfire severity, as highlighted in a 2024 joint report from the US Forest Service and USDA. By expanding workforce training opportunities, Rogue Retreat can better meet these community needs while equipping participants with skills for permanent housing and employment.

However, funding limitations restrict the program's ability to expand and enhance its impact in Medford and beyond. The dispersed locations of Rogue Retreat's administration, operations, and workforce development programs create inefficiencies and increase overhead costs, limiting resources that could directly benefit those in need. Centralizing services and operations is critical to maximizing impact and streamlining resources.

### **Action**

Request \$750,000 to support and expand Rogue Retreat's workforce training infrastructure and programs. Investing in this initiative will:

1. Establish a new Support Service and Workforce Development Center near the Kelly Shelter and Navigation Center.
2. Increase participant capacity, enhance training opportunities, and expand resources for continuing education and job placement.
3. Centralize Rogue Retreat's operations, administration, and supportive services, reducing operational inefficiencies and overhead costs.

This investment builds pathways to long-term stability for vulnerable individuals while addressing immediate community needs. By co-locating essential services and workforce training within walking distance, the program can more effectively serve participants and strengthen Medford's community infrastructure.

## **Background**

In collaboration with Rogue Retreat, the City of Medford is committed to addressing homelessness, unemployment, and community maintenance challenges through innovative, results-driven programs. Rogue Retreat's workforce development programs include:

- **Hope Streets:** An outdoor cleaning and landscaping crew that provides participants with job training and experience while addressing community needs such as fire mitigation and area cleanup.
- **Hope Kitchen:** A culinary skills training program that assists with job placement and includes an internship component.
- **Hopeful Second Hand:** A thrift shop that provides retail work training and job experience for participants.
- **Human Resources Collaboration:** Employing participants within Rogue Retreat's own operations to further develop skills and confidence.
- **Job Skills Coordination:** Dedicated staff to oversee participant training, job readiness, and placement.
- **Supportive Services:** Peer support and case management teams work closely with participants to help them achieve their employment goals.

Rogue Retreat currently houses 450 individuals nightly and serves over 1,200 unique clients annually, providing shelter, supportive services, and pathways to employment. Successful community projects such as the Crossings Urban Campground and transitional housing initiatives demonstrate the organization's effectiveness in addressing immediate needs while building long-term solutions.

With additional funding, Rogue Retreat's workforce development programs can grow to serve more participants, create additional training opportunities, and further contribute to Medford's community resilience and infrastructure.

***From street – to shelter – to training – to permanent jobs.***