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Thank you for the opportunity to voice my strong support for the Lane County Coalition of Recreation, Arts, and Athletics (CoRAA) and its request for \$6.344 million in state funding.

CoRAA has already secured nearly \$20.6 million to advance seven capital projects that will offer free or low-cost access to recreational, cultural, and community spaces for people of all ages and backgrounds. In a county where one in five residents lives in poverty, these initiatives are more than amenities—they are vital to promoting health, equity, and economic well-being.

What sets CoRAA apart is its spirit of collaboration. Rather than competing for resources, these organizations united around a shared vision and coordinated funding request. That kind of teamwork is both admirable and worthy of support. I respectfully encourage you to help close the remaining funding gap and invest in the future of Lane County. These projects will benefit current and future generations, showcasing the power of community-driven solutions.