



Testimony of Bradley Leland  
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The Shangri-La Corporation  
Re: Capital Funding Request for Eugene Hub  
Date: 5/9/2025

Good afternoon, Co-Chair Girod and Co-Chair Nosse, and members of the committee,

My name is Bradley Leland and I'm the Director of the Behavioral Health Program at Shangri-La, a nonprofit organization headquartered in Salem. We provide vital behavioral health and disability services to over 1,000 Oregonians throughout Lane, Linn, Benton, and Marion counties. I'm here today to respectfully ask for your support for our capital funding request to establish a new Eugene Hub—an administrative and clinical facility that will allow us to significantly expand our mental health and disability services in Lane County.

Right now, our outpatient clinic and our residential behavioral health teams operate out of a small rented space in Eugene, which we've outgrown. Our vision is to purchase and renovate a larger, permanent facility in Lane county. This new hub will enable us to:

Build out additional residential programs and continue expanding our service footprint in Lane county which is, next to the Portland Metro area, the largest service area with the greatest need for residential behavioral health services in the state. Over the past 3 years, we've opened two additional residential treatment homes in the Eugene area, and we intend to continue expanding these services over the coming years, which will require dedicated administrative space that is centrally located.

It would also enable us to expand our outpatient mental health clinic to serve more individuals experiencing serious mental illness. Our clinic engages in service that goes beyond talk therapy by providing valuable case management, skills training and individualized treatment modalities that meet people exactly where they are at. These services can have a tangible life altering impact on the individuals we serve by helping connect them to vital community resources, maintain stable housing, keep food on the table, seek employment or volunteer work, and find human connection.

This hub would also provide dedicated space for training our staff, where currently the majority of our training takes place in the Salem area due to a lack of space in Lane county to host trainings.

Finally, this space would enable us to evaluate broadening our services in Lane county with possible day support and employment services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, which are services Shangri-la has a rich 60 year history of providing in Marion county.

With funding, we would begin the search for a facility this year and aim to launch expanded services by mid-2026. We're requesting \$2.16 million to cover 90% of project costs and are prepared to provide a 10% match with operational savings.

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This investment will have lasting impact on Oregon's behavioral healthcare landscape. It's not just a building—it's a foundation for providing care to some of our most vulnerable neighbors and supporting the dedicated professionals who serve them.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to behavioral health access across Oregon. I welcome your questions and would be honored by your support.

Sincerely,

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