



Joint Committee on Ways and Means
Subcommittee on Capital Construction
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court Street NE, Room H-178, Salem, Oregon 97301

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Dear Senator Girod, Representative Nosse, and Committee Members:

Following the devastating Archie Fire in September 2020, our small community faced immense challenges. Glide Revitalization stepped in to provide immediate relief and has since taken on the role of the Long-Term Recovery Group. Our mission is to improve community prosperity through initiatives focused on childcare, disaster preparedness, business development, and reforestation.

Through our work as the Long-Term Recovery Group, we have collaborated with countless community groups, businesses, and individuals to address post-fire needs and, most recently, support for flood-affected families within all of Douglas County. We are currently leading coordination of the flood recovery efforts for all of Douglas County.

This work has given our team invaluable insight into our community's challenges and strengthened trust in our ability to drive meaningful change. As a direct result, we are developing a new Community Resource Center and Little Loggers Daycare to fill crucial gaps in services for Glide residents. The Community Resource Center building has already been acquired but requires extensive renovations to fulfill its intended purpose.

We are seeking support from the State of Oregon for our \$4.7M campaign to renovate the new facility and support the capacity of our growing organization. To date we have raised \$1.9M, from private philanthropy, foundation grants, Douglas County, and a FY24 Federal Appropriations award.

This leaves us with a \$2.8M gap that we are requesting from the State of Oregon. This funding will allow completion of the facility at best speed. It will also allow for removal of reliance on additional federal funding, uninterrupted childcare services when we transition from the current facility (closing in October 2025) to our new space, and to use any additional private philanthropy directly on mission services.

I appreciate your time and consideration of supporting this critical project.

Sincerely,

Jeana Beam

Executive Director