



The Roundhouse Foundation

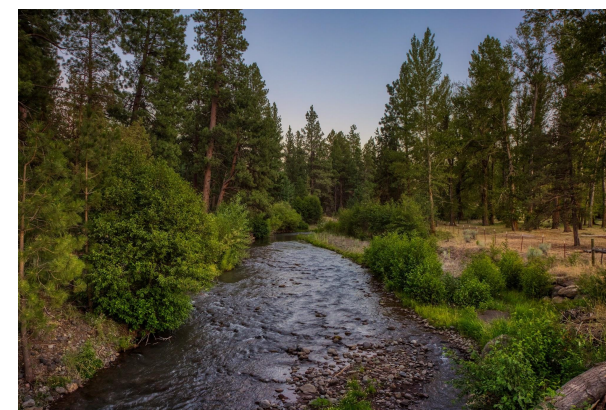




Mission & Where We Work

Roundhouse Foundation supports creative solutions to the unique challenges associated with rural culture

- *primary focus in Oregon and federally-recognized and historic bands and tribes that occupied the land that is now known as the state of Oregon*





Focus Areas: Overview

We focus our work in and across four areas that are fundamental to thriving rural communities. We understand the interconnections of these focus areas and value opportunities that work at their intersections.



ARTS & CULTURE



EDUCATION



**ENVIRONMENTAL
STEWARDSHIP**



SOCIAL SERVICES



Focus Area: Arts & Culture

Arts and culture bring people together, expand hearts and minds and build vibrant communities. They cultivate, enhance and sustain a sense of community by helping people understand and respect who they are, who their neighbors are and the unique place they call home. Arts and culture also **support the creative economy, providing important economic impact in rural communities.**

We look for opportunities that harness the power and potential of arts and culture to build better rural citizens, communities and economies. We want to hear and amplify the voices of our rural communities, which we know can often be best heard and shared through art.



*Photo Courtesy Pendleton Center
for the Arts*



Focus Area: Education

Education opens doors, changes lives and strengthens our rural communities.

We support innovative educational programming, including programs for our children who are not best served in traditional educational settings and in **career-technical areas** that build skills of the builders, mechanics, craftspeople, plumbers and others we depend on to keep our rural communities working. We also support strategies that create equitable **rural access to higher education, as well as youth literacy, libraries, and civic education.**



Photo Courtesy of Talent Maker City



Focus Area: Environmental Stewardship

The future of rural Oregon's people and places are tightly intertwined. We depend on our environment to provide our water and food, nurture our spirits and offer us recreation. Our wise, steady and innovative stewardship, always paramount, holds increasing importance for our quality of life as the climate changes.

From **watershed and ocean health to sustainable agriculture**, fisheries and food systems to accessible outdoor experiences, we invest in opportunities that **build collective responsibility for and/or improve the health of our life-sustaining environment.**



Photo Courtesy of Wallowa Resources



Focus Area: Social Services

Rural Oregonians know that we depend on one another and how we take care of each other matters deeply. We understand that people cannot reach their full potential, contribute their best or be creative when they are in pain, hungry or don't have a safe, stable home.

We fund efforts that **support rural Oregonians in meeting their basic needs so that they are better positioned to pursue their passions, creativity and life dreams.**



Photo Courtesy of NeighborImpact



A couple of our grant programs

Technical Assistance & Professional Development Grants

To expand access to professional development and technical assistance opportunities that strengthen the skills, talents, and capacity of our partners in the nonprofit sector.

Grants **up to \$5,000**

Applications accepted January - November 30

Capital Grants for Building Maintenance

To support essential repairs and maintenance to existing facilities that improve the safety, functionality, and longevity of buildings.

Grants **up to \$25,000**

Letters of Interest (LOI) accepted January - November 30

Roundhouse Foundation has a variety of grant programs that can support rural communities. Learn more on our website: www.RoundhouseFoundation.org/grants



Qualities of a Strong Application

- Eligible applicants are **IRS-designated 501(c)3 non-profits, government entities or Tribal governments**
 - *Roundhouse accepts applications from fiscal sponsors that become the grant partner and receive the funding, if awarded.*
- Strong and clear alignment of Roundhouse mission and applicant goals that **provide direct benefit to rural Oregon**
 - Be specific and be clear.
- Project should be beyond the conceptual with a **clear plan, timeline and budget**
 - Fundraising is underway, with other sources of funding
 - Qualified project staff/management
 - Appropriate budget and financial management
- **Strong community support**, including letters of support
 - Impact on community is clear and compelling
- Be authentic. **Celebrate what makes your project/community unique!**



Contact Us

We value building a relationship with applicants and partners – new and returning! Please don't hesitate to reach out prior to applying:

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