



## Oregon's Cultural Trust at work

*The Oregon Cultural Trust has made 973 grants, totaling over \$12 million in ten years.* These grants have been used to improve student learning, provide seed money for innovative programs, improve access to the arts in schools, reach underserved populations, help build libraries, preserve our heritage and enrich the lives of Oregonians in every corner of our state through its support of the arts, heritage and the humanities.

### Oregonians have built the Trust, one gift at a time

Since its inception, 21,000 donors have contributed over \$28,000,000 to the Oregon Cultural Trust. Oregon's Cultural tax credit is unique—it requires donors give first to a cultural nonprofit before a gift to the Oregon Cultural Trust is eligible for the Cultural Trust tax credit. Because of this, we know that these same Oregonians gave at least \$28,000,000 to local nonprofits before giving to the Trust. The innovative policies that underpin the Cultural Trust strengthen nonprofits in Oregon, with a minimum of \$56 million in charitable giving over the last 10 years tied to the existence of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

### Arts and culture means business

Every \$1 million in sales generated by a cultural nonprofit generates another \$1.1 million in sales for other Oregon businesses.

### Culture is connected throughout our economy

Every 10 jobs at eligible cultural nonprofits are linked to 7 jobs in other sectors of Oregon's economy. Every \$1 million in state and local taxes paid by a cultural nonprofit is associated with another \$1.9 million in taxes and fees generated in other sectors.



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*Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lake Counties:*  
Cultural Trust grants to nonprofits: **\$362,600**  
Cultural Trust grants made through County Coalitions: **\$549,144**  
Total investment in Southern Oregon: **\$911,744**

For more information on grants made through a County Coalition, a Statewide Partner or the Oregon Cultural Trust, visit [www.culturaltrust.org](http://www.culturaltrust.org)

## Examples of Cultural Trust investments in Southern Oregon:

### Ross Ragland Theater, Klamath Falls

Funding to support Ross Ragland Theater's Outreach and Education program, providing curriculum-based cultural experiences to over 8,000 children from 42 schools in the four-county area, through school matinees, lectures, workshops and residencies with professional artists, a four-week youth theatre day camp and performance opportunities.

### Klamath County Library Foundation, Klamath Falls

Funding to support a 1,200 square foot children's library addition for the 7,000 children who visit the library each year. This represents 80% of all children living in the library's service area, with a majority of families using the library as the primary cultural offering available for their children.

### Lake County Oregon Library Endowment Fund Inc, Lakeview

Funding for a new main library to house the humanities collection and offer humanities-related programming while celebrating the history of rural eastern Oregon.



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**Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Ashland**

Funding to support access to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival's season of plays by providing free or reduced cost tickets to school aged children in Oregon, with special emphasis on low-income and rural Oregon communities. Funds helped sponsor a reduced cost matinee series and a free series for low income children in Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties including backstage tours and a free, unlimited return pass for students and their families. Other programs included sending actors from the festival into rural communities for workshops and performances. Study guides were created, in addition to training sessions for teachers who brought students to the Festival.

**Josephine Community Libraries, Inc., Grants Pass**

Funding to repair, rebuild and modernize books and other materials in the Josephine County Libraries collections providing books, multimedia materials and computerized library resources for use by children, teens and adults.



**Friends of the Oregon Caves and Chateau, Grants Pass**

Funding to restore, preserve and protect the rare collection of Monterey furniture, created by the Mason Manufacturing Company from 1929 to 1943, at the Oregon Caves Chateau, designated a National Landmark in 1907.

**Southern Oregon Historical Society, Medford**

Funding to support a World War II Veterans Oral History Project to interview veterans and transcribe their tales of serving in the war and how the war transformed life in Southern Oregon. At least 20 transcriptions are made available to researchers and the general public in the historical society's research library. Some of the stories will be produced in episodes of "As It Was", a radio series on area history jointly produced by SOHS and Jefferson Public Radio. Oral histories will also be transcribed in the SOHS

quarterly journal "Southern Oregon Heritage Today."

**Kerbyville Museum, Kerby**

Funding to replace the front porch decking and part of the upper sleeping porch of the 1880 Naucke House, the last remaining Pioneer Period (1869-1890) house in the Illinois Valley, which also serves as the Kerbyville Museum.

