



2025 Report of Government-to-Government Activities with the Nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon

In compliance with ORS 182.166 (3), the Oregon Business Development Department, dba Business Oregon, is submitting its annual report of Government-to-Government Activities with the Nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon. This report outlines activities from January 2025 through December 2025 and addresses other requirements as stipulated by ORS 182.162 to 182.168.

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Business Oregon is the state's economic development agency and invests in businesses, communities, and people to promote a globally competitive, diverse, and inclusive economy. With an approximately \$2.2 billion biennial budget and roughly 90 programs, Business Oregon strives to deliver prosperity for all Oregonians but recognizes that systemic and institutional barriers hinder opportunities for under-represented and under-resourced communities and contribute to enduring disparities, including among the state's nine federally recognized Tribes.

In 2024, the agency completed a new three-year (2024-2027) Strategic Plan, which includes seven overarching priorities, including a specific priority to *Strengthen our Relationships with Tribal Governments and Partners*. As part of this commitment, Business Oregon is working to:

- Co-develop a Tribal consultation plan focused on the economic development needs of Tribal Nations.
- Create internal and external resources to support agency staff as well as improve Tribal access to and awareness of agency programs and resources.
- Conduct Director level visits to each of the nine federally recognized Tribes to build relationships, better understand Tribal economic development priorities, and explore opportunities to partner.
- Offer economic impact analysis to individual Tribes to support economic development initiatives and research needs.

We recognize that the success of these efforts – and adjacent ones that strengthen government to government relationships – necessitate deep, meaningful, and ongoing Tribal input and

participation. We also acknowledge that success will ultimately be determined by the Tribes' endorsement of the outcomes as well as improved economic outcomes and increased prosperity among Tribal members and other Native peoples in Oregon.

In fulfillment of the requirements outlined in ORS 182.162 to 182.168, Business Oregon:

- Is developing a new Tribal consultation plan as part of its current 3-year agency strategic plan while currently operating in accordance with its own agency policy (policy #122) to further Government to Government relations.
- Named Director Sophorn Cheang and Tribal Liaison Brian Plinski as individuals responsible for developing and implementing programs of the state agency that affect tribes.
- Requires program managers to work in conjunction with the Tribal Liaison to identify agency programs that affect Tribes.
- Has its Tribal Liaison conducts regular outreach to economic development staff at each Tribe to promote communication and bilateral relations. The Tribal Liaison also co-chairs the State Tribal Economic Development and Community Services Cluster. Regional Development Officers conduct outreach to Tribes in their geographic service areas to support Tribal economic development projects and efforts.
- Informs employees about ORS 182.162-182.168 provisions and related policies through internal engagement. As the agency develops its consultation plan and revises its Tribal Relations Policy, implementation will include more structured processes to ensure all employees are informed.

Tribal Cultural Items:

- Designated Tribal Cultural Items Contact Person: Sarah Baylinson, Art Collection and Artist Services Specialist (sarah.baylinson@biz.oregon.gov / 971.707.3096).
- Business Oregon is renewing its efforts to better understand and identify Tribal Cultural Items in its possession and the designation of Sarah Baylinson, who has a background as a museum curator, will add professionalism and continuity to this work. A plan for additional survey work in 2026 and beyond will be developed after the Orientation for State Agency Tribal Cultural Items Liaisons and in conjunction with agency leadership.

In the meantime, the 2025 Report of Government-to-Government Activities outlines and catalogues the various engagements between the agency, its staff and programs, and the nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon. Functionally, the report is organized by Tribe. However, a number of activities or events were focused on all or multiple Tribes, or towards Native serving-organizations. Those non-Tribe specific activities are listed below and precede the Tribe-specific section of the report:

- Business Oregon Director Sophorn Cheang and the agency's Tribal Liaison attended the 2025 Government-to-Government Summit hosted by the Coquille Indian Tribe in October.
- Business Oregon's Tribal Liaison is co-chair of the Economic Development and Community Services Government to Government Cluster and jointly responsible for the quarterly cluster meetings.

- For the 2025–2027 biennium, Business Oregon’s Technical Assistance for Underrepresented Businesses Program made grant awards to 28 organizations across the state, including 5 Native-led organizations:
 1. **Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA)** – awarded \$210,000 to grow the number of Native American-owned businesses in Portland through its Native Business Accelerator, a cohort-based program offering customized training, mentorship, and networking.
 2. **NW Native Chamber** – awarded \$290,000 to support Native American entrepreneurs statewide with services including legal and loan assistance, tax planning, and digital marketing—contributing to long-term economic development.
 3. **Nixyaawii Community Financial Services (NCFS)** – awarded \$100,000 to provide direct technical assistance, workshops, and peer learning opportunities to foster a sustainable private-sector business ecosystem on the Umatilla Reservation.
 4. **Warm Springs Community Action Team (WSCAT)** – awarded \$135,000 to provide business coaching, counseling, and workshops for members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.
 5. **High Desert Partnership** - was awarded \$320,000 to support a coalition of eastern Oregon partners, including **the Burns Paiute Tribe**, to provide technical assistance, resource navigation, and business training to underserved rural entrepreneurs and small business owners in Eastern Oregon.

- The 2025-27 Rural Opportunity Initiative (ROI) Program, which helps foster entrepreneurial ecosystems in rural Oregon communities, also made awards to two Native-serving organizations:
 1. **Warm Springs Community Action Team (WSCAT)** – awarded \$115,000 to support the Commissary project, a flagship investment on the Warm Springs reservation, by providing staff capacity, training a cohort of launch ready businesses, and developing an entrepreneurial pipeline.
 2. **Nixyaawii Community Financial Services (NCFS)** – awarded \$105,000 to cultivate an integrated entrepreneurial ecosystem in Eastern Oregon that reduces barriers to capital, improves access to technical assistance and legal resources, and builds long-term business capacity.

- The Oregon Small Business Development Center Network (SBDC) reported that its 18 centers statewide assisted 662 business owners who identified as Native American or Alaska Native during the 2025 calendar year.

- As of Nov. 26, 2025, the Certification Office for Business Inclusion and Diversity (COBID) listed 224 Native American owned firms certified and active in its directory, up from 191 in 2024.

- The Oregon Broadband Office has created a Digital Equity webpage with Tribal-specific digital equity resources and program coordinators host monthly office hours that are promoted to Tribes.

- Future Generations Collaborative received a \$1,000,000 grant from the Child Care Infrastructure Fund to renovate an existing structure intended to serve as Portland's first culturally specific child care program for Native and Indigenous families.
- Business Oregon's Child Care Infrastructure Fund (CCIF) Program, in partnership with the Department of Early Learning and Care, contracted with Northwest Native Chamber to provide programmatic technical assistance to CCIF applicants. Through this contract, Northwest Native Chamber prepared a Tribal Child Care Infrastructure Needs Assessment that highlights Oregon's overall Tribal child care landscape, barriers and challenges, and opportunities for change.
- Business Oregon's finance team participated in a capital access webinar at the request of Northwest Native Chamber and presented information about some of its programs at the October Cluster meeting.
- Multiple Business Oregon staff attended the NW Native Fashion Show, hosted by ATNI-EDC and Nixyaawii Community Financial Services.

Economic Development Programs

Business Oregon delivers its economic development programs primarily through Regional Development Officers (RDOs) who work on a day-to-day basis with businesses and local governments, including tribal nations. Broadly speaking, economic development programs consist of infrastructure development, broadband development, entrepreneurial assistance, small business financing, grant and technical assistance programs, and more. Assistance and engagement with the Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon this past year includes:

Burns Paiute Tribe

- In Region 10B – Grant, Harney, and Malheur Counties – our agency works closely with the Burns Paiute Tribe to align state resources with tribal priorities and support long-term economic goals.
- Over the past year, Business Oregon has maintained consistent communication with the Tribe's Planning and Economic Development Department Director, Council Chair, and General Manager. These regular meetings have helped identify opportunities, identify challenges, and coordinate with other tribal, state and federal partners.
- Business Oregon and others sponsored and participated in a Strategic Doing training that was held on the Burns Paiute Reservation. The training brought together tribal staff, local organizations, and regional partners to develop practical strategies for community-based projects and was facilitated by the Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation and the University of Oregon.

- After the 2025 April floods in Harney County, Business Oregon worked in partnership with the Burns Paiute Tribe, City of Burns and the Governor's Office to find funding solutions for the repair and replacement of the wastewater system that failed during the flooding. The City of Burns owns the wastewater system that serves the reservation and significant southern portion of the city limits. Through the Indian Health Service, the Burns Paiute Tribe procured over \$500,000 in grant funding which was added to a \$1.67 million Special Public Works Fund loan to the City to assess damage to the system and make needed repairs.
- In August, Business Oregon leadership participated in a Government-to-Government visit with BPT leadership and staff. The Chairwoman, a Council Member, General Manager and program staff provided updates on current priorities and long-term plans. The visit included a tour of the Reservation, highlighting the Tribe's infrastructure and housing development, child care facility, and the former casino site. We discussed the Old Camp Historic Park Concept Plan as a project moving into implementation. Water infrastructure remains a challenge, but the Tribe is actively pursuing solutions.
- Tribal staff continue to work on the former Oregon National Guard Armory which the Tribes procured and are redeveloping into a Community Wellness Center. Business Oregon's Brownfields Program supported environmental assessments to prepare the site for reuse. While future abatement is required before any major construction can take place, the wellness center serves as a gathering place for the youth and currently houses some Tribal programs.
- In the area of child care, the Tribe received a \$75,000 grant from the Child Care Infrastructure Fund in 2025 to conduct a feasibility study. Completed in October, the study assessed demand, cost, and location for a new facility. The Tribe plans to apply for final round funding in December 2025.
- The Oregon Broadband Office (OBO) Program Coordinator for Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program met with the Tribal staff to provide information about the program and offer technical assistance.
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Burns Paiute Tribal land.

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI)

- In Region 3 – Coos, Curry, and Douglas counties – Business Oregon's Regional Development Officer conducts semi-regular check-ins with the Blue Earth Federal Corporation (CTCLUSI's economic development department), to understand key issues and priorities of the Tribe.

- During the G2G Summit in October, Business Oregon's Director and Tribal Liaison met with CTCLUSI CEO Lee Ann Wander and Blue Earth Federal Corporation President Kerry Brainard to discuss Tribal economic development projects and priorities.
- Business Oregon and CTCLUSI remain fully committed to prioritizing a leadership-level meeting. Although the October meeting was cancelled, both sides have maintained active communication and continue working toward convening this meeting soon as part of Business Oregon's ongoing Tribal outreach efforts.

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation

- In Region 8 – Deschutes, Crook, and Jefferson Counties – Business Oregon's Regional Development Officer met with the CEO of Warm Springs Economic Development, Inc. to discuss the Tribe's economic objectives and newly completed five-year (2025-2030) Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that includes six specific goals.
- The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs received a \$1,912,500 grant from the Childcare Infrastructure Fund (Round 2) which will enable the preservation of 131 existing slots and create an additional 32 more slots, including infant and toddler care. Renovations to the existing facility will include new flooring and windows, new interior painting, new plumbing, and constructing a kitchen in the childcare facility.
- In April of 2025, the Regional Service Team met on the Warm Springs Reservation for an annual retreat. This retreat was coordinated in collaboration with the CEO of Warm Springs Economic Development, Inc. as well as other Tribal leadership and staff. Business Oregon Regional Development Officers, agency management, and leadership stayed at the newly remodeled Kah-Nee-Ta resort and met with Tribal leadership and staff and toured important projects such as the Resort and the Commissary building project, which will serve the Tribal community with an innovative food hub/commercial kitchen and small business incubator space.
- Business Oregon Regional Development Officer (RDO) and Regional Project Manager coordinated multiple meetings with Warm Springs Tribal members and representatives to discuss their interest in applying for funding through the Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund. Their Letter of Interest was submitted, and the project is being held on Oregon Health Authority's Project Priority List.
- The RDO continues to advocate for collaboration with the Warm Springs community in economic development discussions with regional partners and local partners in Madras and Jefferson County. This includes the region's newly updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, Regional Solutions priority projects identification, Jefferson County and City of Madras economic development strategic plan update, and the region's developing Innovation Hub.

- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Warm Springs Reservation land.

Coquille Indian Tribe

- In Region 3 – Coos, Curry, and Douglas Counties – Business Oregon’s Regional Development Officer conducts regular check-ins with Tribal One, the Coquille Tribe’s economic development department.
- Business Oregon staff also engage with the Coquille Tribe through the Regional Solutions Advisory Committee as well as the DLCD Offshore Wind Roadmap Roundtable, which meets monthly.
- The Coquille Indian Tribe hosted the Spring 2025 ED&CS Cluster meeting, which included afternoon tours of the health and wellness clinic, recreation center, and grounds surrounding the plank house.
- Business Oregon is actively working to arrange a leadership-level meeting with the Coquille Indian Tribe. Staff have initiated outreach and continue coordinating with Tribal representatives to identify a suitable date and format. This meeting remains a priority within Business Oregon’s broader commitment to strengthening government-to-government relationships and advancing its tribal engagement objectives.

Klamath Tribes

- In Region 9 – Klamath and Lake Counties – Business Oregon’s RDO coordinated a Government-to-Government meeting in July 2025 near the Kla-Mo-Ya Casino. In attendance was the Business Oregon Director, Business Oregon Leadership team, Klamath Tribes Chairman and Tribal Council representatives.
- Business Oregon’s economist has been in contact with the Klamath Tribes to offer assistance with any economic research needs. Preliminary discussions have been held, but more are needed before any concrete work can occur.
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Klamath Tribal land.

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

- Also in Region 3 – Coos, Curry, and Douglas Counties – Business Oregon to coordinate with the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians to schedule a leadership-level meeting. Tribal representatives have requested that potential dates be explored at the beginning of 2026, and Business Oregon will align its planning accordingly. The meeting remains an important component of the agency’s commitment to supporting strong Government-to-Government relations and sustained Tribal engagement.
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Cow Creek Reservation land.

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR)

- In Region 10A – Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, and Wheeler Counties – Business Oregon’s Regional Development Officer has been able to leverage his former employment with the CTUIR to sustain and strengthen intergovernmental coordination.
- Cairnspring Mills broke ground on development of a new flour mill at CTUIR’s Coyote Business Park. Staff assisted the company with site selection and played a significant role in helping CTUIR land the project. Staff supported the project with a \$204,000 award from the Strategic Reserve Fund. Staff were invited to participate in a blessing ceremony prior to groundbreaking and subsequently attended the groundbreaking event and the reception that followed. Staff have further supported the project by coordinating a meeting with staff from the offices of Oregon’s Senators to discuss tariff issues, and by coordinating conversations with Pacific Power and the Governor’s Regional Solutions Coordinator regarding power infrastructure challenges.
- Coordinated a half-day Government-to-Government meeting between CTUIR Board of Trustees representatives and other CTUIR leaders. The event included meetings between senior leadership, lunch, a tour of significant CTUIR economic development projects, and a presentation from Nixyaawii Community Financial Services (NCFS).
- The RDO continues to engage with CTUIR’s public works department on the previously reported wastewater treatment system that CTUIR is planning to develop. CTUIR has been successful in pursuing federal funds and may not need Business Oregon financing to complete the project.
- Business Oregon staff also introduced a site selector working on a data center project to CTUIR economic development staff and regularly engages with the Columbia Development Authority, of which CTUIR is one of five stakeholders.
- The Oregon Broadband Office funded a feasibility study and subsequent Strategic Broadband Plan to help expand broadband access with the CTUIR in Umatilla County.
 - Success story: [Business Oregon : Building Broadband Together: A Collaborative Story of Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation \(GEODC\) and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation \(CTUIR\) : Newsroom : State of Oregon](#)
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on CTUIR land.

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (CTGR)

- In Region 5 – Marion, Polk, and Yamhill Counties – Business Oregon staff attended an October Yamhill County Economic Development Alliance meeting hosted by the CTGR.

- In November 2025, the Business Oregon Director and key staff visited Grand Ronde to meet with Vice Chair Mercer and economic development staff. The meeting identified areas of potential partnership including infrastructure funding, entrepreneurship promotion, and cross-certification of disadvantaged business enterprises.
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Grand Ronde Reservation land.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians (CTSI)

- In Region 2 – Lane, Linn, and Benton Counties – the Regional Development Officer attended the Grand Ronde and Siletz Tribal Funder Tours in August. The tour included a cultural presentation at the Dance House and lunch at 'Tel-Tvm' Farm.
- Agency staff continue to work with the City of Siletz in funding their Wastewater Treatment Plant project, which will serve members of the CTSI who reside within the city. CTSI is contributing \$1,000,000 of their ARPA allocation to support the project.
- Business Oregon staff continue to work on scheduling a Government-to-Government visit with Siletz leadership and economic development staff.
- Oregon Broadband Office staff received a pre-construction tour of the project area guided by CTSI Chief Administrative Officer, Lisa Norton. The tour was a valuable educational opportunity for the broadband team to better understand ground-level project specifics, but also to learn about the significance and impact of digital sovereignty to the Tribe's investments in member services.
- A preliminary award from the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Program (BEAD) will contribute to high-speed, reliable broadband access on Siletz land.

Arts and Culture

In addition to its economic development programs, Business Oregon is home to the Oregon Cultural Trust and Oregon Arts Commission, both of which significantly contribute to the state's economic, civic, and cultural abundance. The Arts Commission (OAC) and the Oregon Cultural Trust (OCT) advocate for arts, heritage, and humanities as cornerstones of community and civic life; each agency focuses on providing Oregonians with wide access to arts (OAC) and culture (OCT). This includes offering high quality cultural programs across the state, providing better access to quality arts and culture learning opportunities, preserving historic assets and heritage traditions, and assisting Oregon's artists and culture keepers in developing their skills and careers.

Oregon Cultural Trust (OCT)

The Oregon Cultural Trust supports a future where Oregonians express, celebrate, and pass on the diverse lived experiences of their cultures and histories in ways significant to them. As a division of

Business Oregon, the Cultural Trust also shares and supports our agency's goals outlined in the agency's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion plan.

FY26 Cultural Coalition Grant Awards: \$81,346

Oregon's 45 county and Tribal Cultural Coalitions are funded directly by the Trust and are unique to the state. Led by dedicated volunteers, each coalition prioritizes community cultural goals and annually distributes seed grants that address the needs of each county. Among these are Oregon's nine Federally Recognized Tribes, whose cultural contributions are integral to the region's cultural vitality. Direct, annual grant funds are provided to Tribal cultural coalitions to redistribute in accordance with their community cultural plan and/or cultural resource department priorities.

- Burns Paiute Tribe: \$8,567
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw: \$8,703
- Coquille Indian Tribe: \$8,681
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians: \$8,802
- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde: \$9,559
- Klamath Tribe: \$9,390
- Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians: \$9,347
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation: \$8,985
- Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs: \$9,312

FY26 Cultural Development Grants: \$172,202

Grants are awarded in four categories and are intended to fund arts, heritage, history, preservation and humanities programs/projects. Cultural Development Grants are for project activities that: protect and stabilize Oregon's cultural resources; expand public awareness of, access to, and participation in quality cultural experiences in Oregon; ensure that Oregon cultural resources are strong and dynamic contributors to Oregon's communities and quality of life; and build an understanding of the value and impact of culture to Oregonians. Competitive grant awards for projects that serve Tribal communities/audiences include:

- **The High Desert Museum, Bend: \$20,000**
To support the development of the Volcanoes (working title) exhibition and associated programming, which will explore the cultural connections between humans and the volcanic landscapes that define Central Oregon and preserve the lesser-known stories rooted in this dynamic terrain. Multidisciplinary experiences will blend culture, art and science to illuminate the interplay between people and this evolving volcanic environment with a focus on the stories and knowledge of Indigenous communities.
- **Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts, Pendleton: \$40,000**
To support the artist-in-residence printmaking program and the traditional arts program helping to expand arts programming, increase educational opportunities and foster economic empowerment for Native artists. As well as for all Oregonians seeking to appreciate, learn and support both contemporary and traditional Native artists and art.
- **Wallowa Band Nez Perce Trail Interpretive Center, DBA Nez Perce Wallowa Homeland, Wallowa: \$28,000**

To support the continued growth and sustainability of the Tamkaliks Celebration and Friendship Feast, a vital cultural homecoming that honors Nez Perce heritage in their ancestral homeland of Wallowa, Oregon. For over 30 years, Tamkaliks has been a volunteer-led, intertribal gathering that brings together Nez Perce families from the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho, and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. This investment will help sustain Indigenous cultural practices for future generations.

- **Joseph Center for Arts and Culture, Joseph: \$40,000**

To support increased access to Nez Perce culture and history for both tribal members and rural Oregonians through a cultural engagement project led by the Joseph Center for Arts and Culture. Public exhibits, community programs and educational events rooted in Indigenous history and guided by tribal voices bring powerful, place-based cultural learning to local audiences. These initiatives aim to restore cultural access, support healing and strengthen connections to the land for all participants while promoting a more inclusive understanding of Indigenous history and culture.

- **Columbia Basin Basketry Guild, Portland: \$5,000**

To support the design and production of an Oregon Native American Basketry Map (referred to as the Map) to teach basketry traditions. Created in collaboration with Indigenous experts, the Map will include Indigenous plants used in basketry, regional ecosystems and basketry styles while showing Native American Tribal lands in what is now Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. This work supports youth education for Oregon SB13 Tribal History/Shared History, providing a visual resource for educators.

- **Medicine Bear Native American Spiritual Encampment, Portland: \$20,000**

To support the expansion of Medicine Bear's Artist Apprenticeship Program and arts programming at the Donald E. Long Juvenile Detention Center, empowering system-impacted and underserved youth through culturally grounded creative expression, mentorship and public engagement. This project will provide yearlong opportunities for youth to work alongside professional Indigenous and BIPOC artists in studio sessions, workshops and community-based mural projects.

- **Portland Art Museum, Portland: \$28,900**

To support a new exhibition of works from one of the Museum's most prominent Oregon indigenous artists, Rick Bartow (Wiyot, 1946-2016) at the Portland Art Museum (PAM), opening November 20, 2025. The project was developed as an integral component of the inaugural exhibitions for the Museum's reopening after a major campus transformation and reimagining of 30+ galleries. The exhibition will feature Bartow's extensive body of work, including works on paper, paintings, mixed media sculpture, his less well-known work as a musician and short films produced by the Bartow Trust, demonstrating his continuing legacy and influence within his home state.

- **Siletz Regalia Sharing Closet, Portland: \$34,000**

To support Native communities with access to cultural regalia and traditional knowledge of powwow dancing and ceremony. The Siletz Regalia Sharing Closet is building an inventory of diverse styles and inclusive sizes for youth and adults and developing workshops with

traditional knowledge holders to continue our teachings through the next generations. Oregon Natives live far and wide and the Siletz Regalia Sharing Closet has been requested to travel to these places; this project allows increased access by a new and unique organization.

- **Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, The Dalles: \$5,202**

To support honorariums and travel expenses for Native American partners who contribute to Indian Autumn and the Archaeological Roadshow, two annual public events hosted by the museum that center Indigenous voices and cultural knowledge. Both events are well-established, well-attended and beloved by the regional community. To preserve the integrity and Indigenous representation of the program, funding will ensure Native participation remains central.

Oregon Arts Commission

The Oregon Arts Commission works to enhance the quality of life for all Oregonians through the arts by stimulating creativity, leadership and economic vitality. Nine commissioners, appointed by the Governor, determine arts needs and establish policies for public support of the arts. The Arts Commission developed a [DEIA plan](#) to ensure that we are equitable in our grantmaking, services and programs. We are committed to making systemic change and being a leader in equity for arts and culture through collaboration with Oregonians.

Percent for Art in Public Places

- **DAS Executive Building Percent for Art Budget: \$420,000** (ongoing)

Lillian Pitt (Columbia River Plateau Region, Wasco, Yakama): \$90,000

Sara Siestreem (Hanis Coos): \$32,000

WaKanim Collective: \$180,000

- Shirod Younger (Coquille, Miluk Coos, Umpqua) and Earl Davis (Shoalwater Bay Tribe)

- **University of Oregon, Heritage Project, Percent for Art Budget: \$691,000** (ongoing)

WaKanim Collective: \$80,000

- Shirod Younger (Coquille, Miluk Coos, Umpqua) and Earl Davis (Shoalwater Bay Tribe)

- **Oregon State University, Graduate Housing, Percent for Art Budget: \$360,000**

Travis Stewart (Chinook, Kalapuya) and Adam McIsaac (Not Native-American): \$200,000

Ka'ila Ferral-Smith (Klamath): \$14,000

Camas Logue (Klamath): \$10,000

- **Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission, Canby Warehouse, Percent for Art Budget: \$875,795**

WaKanim Collective: Shirod Younger (Coquille, Miluk Coos, Umpqua), Travis Stewart (Chinook, Kalapuya) and Earl Davis (Shoalwater Bay Tribe): \$1,500 for proposal

- **Oregon State Capitol Building, Percent for Art Budget: \$2,167,452**

Phillip Cash Cash (Cayuse, Nez Perce, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation): \$35,000

Sara Siestreem (Hanis Coos): \$27,000

Marie Watt (Turtle Clan of the Seneca Nation of Indians): \$150,000

Team 1: Shirod Younker (Coquille, Miluk Coos, Umpqua) and Adam McIsaac (Not Native-American)

Team 2: Tony Johnson (Chinook) and Adam McIsaac (Not Native-American)

- Total for both teams: \$314,915

Oregon Arts Commission: FY2025 Grants

- **Small Operating Support Grant - \$2,355.00 / Tananawit, Warm Springs**

Tananawit's mission is to provide educational and economic development opportunities by empowering Warm Springs tribal members and building knowledge and understanding of traditional and contemporary Native art of the Columbia River Plateau.

- **Arts Build Communities Grant - \$5,000 / Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts**

The Arts Build Communities grant will fund Youth Education in Printmaking and Traditional Art, supporting youth education programming at Nixyaawii Community School. In 2025, we plan to rebuild our programming at Nixyaawii, which was disrupted by COVID-19. Grant funds will be used to support our staff who provide instruction to teachers, and we want to expand what we provide in terms of service. Costs include instruction, materials (paper, inks, plates), exhibition and advertising materials, and overhead.