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Oregon Tax Dollars Are Headed Back to Southern Oregon in Local Community Investments

Oregon Senate Democrats voted to bring \$22.5 million back to the region

SALEM, OR – Oregonians deserve local infrastructure they can count on, and new state investments will strengthen water systems, higher education, housing production, and more.

In state spending bills passed last month, Senate Democrats voted to allocate about \$22.5 million to local needs in the Rogue Valley and other areas of Southern Oregon.

“It’s a key responsibility of government to help people build the systems no one could tackle alone,” said **Senator Jeff Golden (D – Rogue Valley)**. “Those investments last for generations and make life better for everyone.”

State funding is approved for the following priorities in Southern Oregon:

- Southern Oregon University, financial stability: \$15 million
- Glide Revitalization, community resource center: \$450,000
- City of Gold Hill, water lines: \$1.5 million
- City of Grants Pass, wastewater infrastructure upgrade: \$2 million
- Rural Regional Revitalization Strategies Consortium, modular mass timber workforce housing: \$3 million
- Riddle School District, schoolyard project: \$550,000

These investments were made by the legislature during the 2026 Session, which adjourned on March 6.

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