

SOUTHERN OREGON SUCCESS UPDATE

February 2020

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WE KNOW WHAT WORKS

- --<u>THE MASLOW PROJECT</u> works with students and families experiencing homelessness. The high school seniors who Maslow worked with during the 2018-19 school year had a **98% graduation rate**. Maslow meets students and families where they are, offers trauma-informed assistance and support, and gets results.
- <u>--COLLEGE DREAMS</u> hosted 115 student paid work experiences in Jackson and Josephine Counties last year. They work with students from 20 different schools. The students they work with are **106% more likely to enroll in post-secondary education and 50% more likely to persist in post-secondary education than the comparison group. College Dreams invested \$63,000 in 1,100 academic and extracurricular activities for students in the Rogue Valley.**
- --PHOENIX HIGH SCHOOL has been part of a district-wide commitment to trauma-informed practices, including Restorative Justice with Resolve, and working hard to connect with every student. Phoenix High posted the highest graduation rate in the region in 2018-19, coming in at 92.07%, well above the state average of 80.01%. Even more impressive is that every group of students, including students on special education, students from low-income households, English language learners and migrant students, all have seen significant gains in the past few years. Connections work.
- --EAGLE POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT has also significantly increased their graduation rate and is on track to be over 90% this year. They, too, have also focused on making connections with students, with graduation coaches and an all-out effort to help kids succeed, including a partnership with the United Way's "Big Idea" project. Their model attendance program has resulted in their district having one of the top 3 attendance records in the state.
- --ROGUE RETREAT is successfully operating the Hope Village tiny house community in Medford and is working to open Foundry Village in Grants Pass. By providing safe spaces, counseling and support, they have been able help 63% of their clients move on to permanent housing.
- <u>--SOUTHERN OREGON HOPE AT ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE:</u> Southern Oregon Health Occupations and Poverty Elimination (Southern Oregon HOPE) trains eligible low-income students for careers in high-demand healthcare

fields. The program has **certified 274 students thus far for living wage jobs** and is looking to reach 400 students by September.

--OASIS CENTER OF THE ROGUE VALLEY has provided care and wraparound support services to over 350 people in recovery (including children and other family members) in their first year of operations. Their motto is "More than a clinic, a community" and they are changing lives.

This is a very partial list. There is great work happening throughout our region, and we will highlight efforts in these update as it all progresses.

Let's do more!

EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE IN MEDFORD THIS MONTH



Oregon Association for the Education of Young Children



For full conference schedule and registration, visit: https://socoraeyc.org

UPDATE ON INNOVATION NETWORK INTERVIEW PROJECT

We are about 2/3 the way through our 40 interviews of Systems Leaders and Voices of Experience in our region, and we are very grateful for the time, thoughtfulness and perspectives of all who are participating.

When the interviews are completed, we will be reviewing the results to identify common themes, challenges and new ideas to begin our outline of strategies that can move our region to our proposed goal: by 2027, all families and Jackson and Josephine counties will have the knowledge, skills and support for 100% of our children to enter Kindergarten ready to learn.

Stay tuned for more information and next steps!

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES TRAINING TO BE OFFERED IN JACKSON & JOSEPHINE COUNTIES IN APRIL

Chelsea Reinhart from Southern Oregon Early Learning Services (SOELS) presented a workshop in Strengthening Families to 43 participants from Southern Oregon Success partner organizations in January. The response has been resoundingly positive.

The Strengthening Families framework builds directly off of the work in ACEs and Resilience that Southern Oregon Success has been focusing on in recent years, providing a straightforward and effective way to focus all of our work to help families be stable and children to thrive.

Trainings are taking place in April and are definitely recommended:

Creating Strength and Stability in Families

BRINGING THE PROTECTIVE FACTORS FRAMEWORK TO LIFE IN YOUR WORK WITH FAMILIES



PROTECTIVE FACTORS

RIPPLE EFFECTS:



20-30 Certified Trainers will train...



400-900 Professionals to use everyday actions in supporting...



3,500-7,000 Parents who become more nurturing to their...



5,000-14,000 Children who will be safe and thrive.

Training Series Event

Serving families with barriers and challenges to success can feel daunting. Learn how to build rapport, idenfity strengths they didn't know they had, and increase the effectiveness of your work with them.

Developed by the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds, the **Strengthening Families**

Protective Factors Framework
helps organizations and
individuals work in
partnership with families to
identify their needs and
utilize existing assets to
support the healthy
development of children and
prevent child abuse and
neglect.

It is based on **five Protective Factors** that extensive
research has shown make
families stronger, prevent child
abuse and neglect, and enable
families to care for children in ways
that support their healthy development and well being.

The curriculum consists of seven courses, each designed to be about two hours in length: the introductory course, the five Protective Factors and wrap-up.

Join Us April 17, 2020

DHS Office at 2101 NW Hawthorne Grants Pass, Oregon 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

Lunch and Snacks will be provided

To register email, Chelsea_Reinhart@soesd.k12.or.us Limited seating, register today!



ALSO ON APRIL 22, 2020 AT SOUTHERN OREGON ESD, 101 NORTH GRAPE STREET, MEDFORD, FROM 9 AM TO 4 PM. Please email Chelsea Reinhart@soesd.k12.or.us to register.

OPEN ACES TRAININGS IN GRANTS PASS & MEDFORD

The Southern Oregon ACEs Training Team offers monthly sessions in the NEAR curriculum (neurobiology, epigenetics, ACEs and resilience) for all members of the community. We've been presenting these trainings since May of 2016 to just under 14,000 participants now.

If you haven't taken a training, or if you'd like a refresher, please join us! The trainings are offered at no cost, thanks to financial support from AllCare, Jackson Care Connect, Options for Southern Oregon, Rogue Workforce Partnership, Providence, Rogue Community Health and our local school districts through the SOESD:

Wednesday, February 19, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, Redwood Elementary School, Grants Pass. Register here.

Tuesday, February 25, 1 pm to 3 pm, SOESD, 101 North Grape Street, Medford. Register here.

Tuesday, March 3, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, Riverside Elementary School, Grants Pass. Register here.

Tuesday, March 31, 1 pm to 3 pm, SOESD, 101 North Grape Street, Medford. Register here.

COMMUNITY JUSTICE CONFERENCE IN MEDFORD IN MARCH

Jackson County Community Justice is hosting a conference on how to improve the system, providers, and lives of individuals served by the Criminal Justice System. Guest speakers will be Cara Thompson from the University of Cincinnati, Ashley Bauman of the Bauman Institute, and Eric Martin Director of Policy, Compliance and Legislation for MHACBO. The registration page has bios on the speakers, ticket information, a brief description of the conference and more. The conference will be held at the Inn at the Commons, in the Grand Ballroom, from 8AM-5PM. Lunch is provided as well as coffee, tea, and water throughout the day.

Seating for up to 250 attendees. The registration page is only open until February 28th as final event details and guest count must be provided to the venue.

To register for the conference please go to https://www.eventbrite.com/e/how-we-get-better-tickets-90850746027

UPCOMNG ROGUE VALLEY MENTIORING TRAINING

Want to make a difference? BECOME A MENTOR!

Make an investment in positive youth outcomes—support local youth through the power of mentoring.

Our training will teach you basic skills for both individual mentoring and circle facilitation!

MENTOR TRAINING

FRIDAY March 6 5PM-8PM SATURDAY March 7 9AM-5PM

INDIVIDUALS: \$150

VOLUNTEERS*: FREE *with 1-year commitment





NOW OFFERING \$50 MONTHLY MENTOR STIPENDS

National research shows that mentoring increases youth self-confidence, self-efficacy, social connection, commitment to education and self-expression.



We have a wait list of youth who want a mentor in their lives.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO US that limited finances are not a barrier for qualifying adults who want to show up and mentor youth. We are so excited and grateful for a recent grant from Youth Development Division of the OR Dept. of Ed. that is funding this pilot program.

295 East Main Street, Suite 6 Ashland, Oregon 97520 rvmentoring.org | 541.708.6688

LA CLINICA OFFERS NEW WINGS SEMINAR



New in 2020: Equity and Agility

Our newest seminar is an opportunity to bring awareness to conscious or unconscious patterns in positive and transforming ways that acknowledge differences while creating connection rather than separation.

Over two and a half days, participants engage in individual and group experiences that are structured and facilitated to elicit self-reflection, awareness, discussion, and personal accountability as well as inspire action in their lives.

Participants will learn and practice:

- Understanding their relationship with equity, power, and rank
- Seeing and working with bias
- · Communicating and acknowledging differences
- Turning communication pitfalls into opportunities to connect
- Asking for, receiving, and giving feedback
- Influencing and engaging with others
- Building resilience in themselves and others
- Recognizing inequities and making change in systems



March 20-22,2020 Sept. 25-27, 2020

La Clinica Center for Learning and Innovation 931 Chevy Way Medford, OR

Register at wings-seminars.com/equity or by calling 541-683-8540

Our facilitators



Bryon Lambert is director of equity and inclusion at Seattle's Cross Cultural Health Care Program (https://xculture.org), a training and consulting nonprofit. A skilled and trained communicator with a passion for sharing principles of equity and inclusion, Bryon has 25 years' leadership in the nonprofit sector. He holds a bachelor's degree in communication from the University of Illinois at Springfield.



See our full schedule at wings-seminars.com/ seminar-calendar



Meg Mitchell worked as a leader in the federal government for 30 years in organizations ranging from 10 to 350 employees and finished her career in Oregon as a liaison with state agencies and serving as assistant director for civil rights for the Forest Service. A coach for 10 years, she enjoys inspiring others to reach for their creative potential. She is certified by the International Coaching Federation.



JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

The Facebook page for Southern Oregon Success features almost daily postings of events taking place in our region and information shared from all over as part of our learning community efforts on what works and what doesn't in helping kids and families thrive.

If you do Facebook, check us out and Like us at Southern Oregon Success.

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