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Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation

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Our Foundation's Work This Year:

Our Foundation has worked during this challenging year to strengthen our organization so that we will be better able to support Coos Bay students, teachers, and programs when in-person instruction resumes. Our efforts include:

- Sending a letter to local businesses telling them about our organization's mission and sharing our achievements.
- Working to boost our endowment with the Oregon Community Foundation. An endowment of \$250,000 would provide \$10,000 every year for grant awards.
- Making our website more informative, user friendly, and adding the option for donating online.
- Communicating with donors and the supporters of Coos Bay Public Schools to advise them of our organization's goals and direction for the future.
- Raising funds for grant awards for projects within the 4 A's once in-person instruction resumes.

A Sample of Past Funded Projects

Arts: Band Instruments for Millicoma



Academics: Books for Beginning Readers



Activities: Print Costs for Marshfield Times



Athletics: Middle School Track Uniforms



CBSCF Endowed Funds:

We knew we would be able to fund more projects by establishing an endowment with the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF). OCF manages endowed funds for charitable organizations in Oregon so that they can use the proceeds to support their charitable goals. OCF guarantees an annual payout of at least 4% on the fund principal, making it truly the “gift that keeps on giving.”

In February of 2015 we held a fundraising event featuring then-head U of O football coach (and Marshfield valedictorian) Mark Helfrich to raise the \$25,000 minimum required to establish an OCF endowment. The following year Kay Lorence’s family established an endowed fund to honor Kay’s memory and support her lifelong work of promoting literacy. A third fund, the Stan Sweet Legacy Fund, was added after Stan’s untimely death to celebrate his memory and his exceptional teaching career with Coos Bay Schools. This spring we are adding a fourth endowed fund, Coach Mac’s Legacy Fund, to honor the memory of Head Track Coach and MHS graduate Rich McIntosh.

This year we received a payout from our OCF endowed funds of nearly \$5,000. This is more than the total amount we were able to award in grants in 2008! Some of the projects supported by these endowed funds are shown below:

Helfrich Family Fund:

Replace worn-out football helmets
Partial funding for 6 – 8 man football sled
GED prep materials for ARK (homeless students)

Kay Lorence Memorial Fund:

Books and book sets for beginning readers
Library books for alternative education students
Scholastic News subscription for 3rd graders

Stan Sweet Legacy Fund:

Tour of tall ship *Lady Washington* for 4th graders
Program to create comic strips for ELL students
Studio to School art program for Sunset students

Coach Mac’s Legacy Fund: (new this year)

Projects Funded by CBSCF to Date:

The Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation was formed in 2007. We have awarded 416 grants worth nearly \$300,000 to provide more opportunities and enriched educational experiences to students in Coos Bay Schools.

Our Mission Statement:

The mission of the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation is to promote programs for the arts, academics, activities and athletics for the benefit of the students of the Coos Bay School District by raising funds through community partnerships.

Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation Board Members:

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Qualified Charitable Distribution:

Are you 70 ½ or older? You can transfer part or all of your IRA required minimum distribution (RMD) directly to a qualified charitable organization and avoid claiming the income on your tax return. This could be a win-win for you and the CBSCF if you are so inclined! (As this is not intended to be tax advice, you would need to consult your tax and/or financial advisor to see if making a qualified charitable distribution is right for you. For more information, refer to IRS Publication 590-B.)

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