

RHIP and COVID-19 MINI-GRANT PROJECT SUMMARIES

COVID-19 Final Report for Thrive Central Oregon (RHIP)
“Basic needs support to low-income households”
Reviewed by the Stable Housing and Supports Workgroup

Summary of Results:

- With these funds Thrive was able to support approximately 35 households with the basic needs and utility assistance they sought.
- The bulk of support was made through gift cards to address grocery and supply needs, as well as gas cards, bus tickets and specific utility payments.
- As we have other funding to assist households in Redmond and Bend with rent and mortgage payments, these mini-grant funds were targeted to folks living in the more rural areas of Central Oregon that could not qualify for our housing assistance.

Story:

Suttle Lake camp reached out to Thrive this last Summer. They wanted to use their camp to help, as it was standing empty of the usual guests due to COVID. With this offering, we have been able to coordinate the temporary housing of 7 different women while we sought more permanent housing options. These women had been living in their cars, temporarily staying with friends, and were homeless. Funds from COHC allowed us to provide gas support, so they could still attend needed appointments, go to more affordable grocery stores and keep up with their other connections. In short, they were able to maintain their lives, while living in a safe and sheltered situation. Amazing what partnerships can make happen.