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Community Services Consortium Awards over \$2 Million to **Local Housing Organizations during Pandemic**

Since July of 2020, Community Services Consortium (CSC) —a Community Action Agency providing assistance with housing, food, employment, education, utility bills and more to Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties—has awarded over \$2 million in supportive funding to other local organizations working to house the homeless during the pandemic.

These are funds that CSC received from state and federal funders that have been awarded to local organizations who applied through an open Request for Proposal and are working to shelter those affected by homelessness, COVID-19, and the wildfires. The funded organizations were C.H.A.N.C.E., Unity Shelter, Jackson Street Youth Services, Corvallis Housing First, CARDV and Corvallis Daytime Drop-in Center.

The awards include:

- \$1,039,527 for non-congregate shelter (Such as motels and micro-shelters)
- \$939,850 to local homeless and domestic violence shelters
- \$139,038 for homeless outreach
- Total: \$2,118,415 awarded

"We know that homelessness cannot be solved by one agency alone," said Dina Eldridge, Housing Services Manager of CSC. "It takes an entire community to address this complex and difficult issue. That is why we are investing in local organizations who are working one-on-one with individuals and families who need immediate shelter every day."

In addition to awarding these supportive funds to community partners, CSC has also provided rental assistance to over 700 COVID-impacted households since March of last year. More than 2,000 community members received this rental assistance, totaling \$3,660,078 in provided funds to the community.

To learn more about CSC, their impact, services and more, visit their website at https://communityservices.us.