Application for State Revenue Sharing Funds

Organization Name: Waterfall Clinic, Inc. (dba Waterfall Community Health Center)		
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City: North Bend	**State:** OR	**Zip Code:** 97459
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Requested amount of state revenue sharing funds: $ 3,500.00

Describe your organization and how it benefits the City of Bandon community.

Waterfall Community Health Center (WCHC) is an accredited patient centered medical home offering primary, reproductive, behavioral, social, dental, and school-based health services. The mission of WCHC is to provide access to quality, integrated health services that meet the needs of individuals with barriers to care on the Southern Oregon Coast. The agency fulfills its mission by providing services to all community members, regardless of insurance, and offering sliding-fee scaled healthcare. WCHC maintains a full service, community-based practice location and dental clinic in North Bend, a Behavioral Health Center, community practice location, and children's therapy center and Autism Clinic in Coos Bay, as well as two state certified School-Based Health Centers (SBHCs): one on the campus of Marshfield High School, the other located at North Bay Elementary School. In addition, Waterfall operates a mobile health unit throughout Coos County.

An estimated 160 patients seen at Waterfall in 2023 reside in the City of Bandon.

Provide an overview of your budget and what funding sources are used to support the organization.

Waterfall Community Health Center's budget is composed of patient fee-for-service revenue, capitation revenue, incentive revenue, pharmacy revenue, HRSA grant revenue, other grant and contract revenue, payroll tax credit revenue, and miscellaneous revenue.

The largest portion of our revenue is patient fee-for-service (38% of budget), followed by capitation revenue (24%), HRSA grant revenue (12%), payroll tax credit revenue (10%), incentive revenue (8%), other grant and contract revenue (5%) and pharmacy revenue (3%).

Detail how the state revenue sharing funds would be used to support the organization.

Waterfall would utilize funds from the City of Bandon to meet patient's social needs, with priority for patients who live in Bandon. Research shows that 40-60% of a person's health is determined by what are referred to as the Social Determinants of Health (SDoH). Waterfall Community Health Center is an innovator of programs that promote the health and wellbeing of our community through integrated health services. In 2019 Waterfall established a Social Health program to address and reduce the social needs of patients. Today, the Social Health program employs 5 full-time Community Health Workers (CHWs) who are fully integrated into the clinic and meet with folks at their medical, mental health, and dental visits, or individually as needed. Waterfall's CHWs assist with coordination of care and case management services and regularly identify and reduce patient social barriers including lack of transportation, socio-economic challenges, housing and food insecurity, etc.. Our request to the City of Bandon is for funding to reduce the social barriers experienced by community members engaged in Waterfall services (continued below).

Additional information (optional)

(continued from above) Flexible social needs funding allows CHWs to do what they are trained to do; to identify social needs that are barriers to health, and to meet those needs in tangible ways. The Social Health team has succeeded in meeting social needs, increasing health and wellbeing, and reducing medical appointment no shows by providing transportation assistance in the form of bus passes, taxi rides, and gas cards; nutrition assistance via fresh produce distributed through the Veggie Rx program; and financial assistance through the purchasing of durable medical equipment, laundromat gift cards, clothing for job interviews, etc.. These kinds of assistance are available to patients enrolled in case management so the CHWs play an active role in the identification of real time need and how meeting specific needs will help patients accomplish their health goals, including securing employment or housing, exercising more frequently, or increasing social activities.

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