



WHITE RIVER HEALTH DISTRICT
DESCHUTES RIM HEALTH CLINIC
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December 2021

Dear Donors and Supporters of the Deschutes Rim Clinic Foundation;

This is our second annual letter to our donors and supporters, and while the pandemic continues to raise some challenges, there have been many positive changes and accomplishments since last December. Your support has been essential in the progress we have made, and we appreciate your help and continued support. We would like to give you a quick update as to our achievements thus far and the exciting events to come in 2022.

The most exciting new development, of course, is that the construction of the new clinic building has begun! Our groundbreaking ceremony on October 9 was quite successful and indicative of our community support; there were 60 people in attendance, 22 sponsors, and 9 guest speakers. R&H Construction began clearing and grading the new clinic site on October 25. Since then, they have completed the trenching for water and sewer, dug out the footings of the building, and laid down and compacted soil for the parking and entry areas. Concrete for the foundation will be poured before Christmas. Pinnacle Architecture works hand in hand with R&H Construction and the Board of Directors to ensure completeness of architectural drawings, required engineering, and interior and exterior finishes. Both companies have been exceptional to work with. This has been a LONG time coming, and we know you are as elated as we are to see this vision becoming a reality. Clinic completion and occupancy, and a Ribbon Cutting event is anticipated in July 2022.

As we work toward the opening of the new clinic, there will be opportunities for those who would like to be more involved. Planning has begun for fundraising events in the spring as part of our continued capital campaign to reach a goal of \$200,000 from community support. We hope you will join us at these events and feel the spirit of anticipation and celebration. We are so grateful to our community of local donors. Collectively, you have helped us achieve 66% of our community fundraising goal. Thank you!

The capital campaign made significant progress in other areas that allowed us to begin construction. We were approved for a \$1.5M conventional loan from Old West Federal Credit Union, and were successful in our effort to secure significant federal funding through the Senate's Congressionally Directed Spending process with the full support of Senators Wyden and Merkley. Grant applications are being submitted at a rapid pace to a number of foundations to help close the campaign's fiscal gap. We received a \$13,333 grant from the Autzen Foundation in August and a \$50,000 grant from the Reser Foundation in early December. To date, we have achieved 77% of our funding goal; the remaining 23% will come from grants from additional foundations and from community support.

After occupancy of the new clinic, the existing clinic will serve as a location for ancillary health care services, which could include additional meeting space for providers and patients, a community exercise room, health care classes, and more. Together with the new clinic, YOUR Community Health Care Center will be available to all residents in South Wasco County and neighboring areas.

Our clinic staff continues to provide quality and caring treatment to our patients. Madeline Lawrence FNP continues as our provider, with Dr. Mike Pendleton as the Medical Director. Kim Hahn is our Office Specialist for dental care and Keaton Bowler is our Office Specialist for medical care. Shelby (Woodside) Dumire joins us as Clinic Manager, bringing a strong medical background and compassionate team-based clinical manager experience. Ron Selis DDS is providing pro bono dental care on a limited basis. We will be hiring a full-time dentist in mid-2022.

We are in the process of obtaining certification as a Rural Health Clinic which will improve our patient revenue and access to grant support. This certification is likely to be in place by early 2022. In your visits to the clinic, you will note the changes we have made to meet certification requirements and improve safety for our patients and staff.

We remain committed to providing top quality, comprehensive, accessible healthcare to the residents of South Wasco County. We thank you for joining us in this important work, but there is still much to be done. If you would like to make an end-of-year tax-deductible donation, please send to:

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For further information regarding the new clinic and the foundation, please see the Deschutes Rim Clinic Foundation website at: deschutesrimclinicfoundation.org or contact us via email at: info.drcfoundation@gmail.com. Information on existing Deschutes Rim Health Clinic services, staff, patient forms and the White River Health District can be found at Deschutesrimhealthclinic.org.

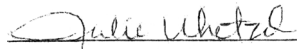
Wishing you a peaceful and joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year,

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