



DESCHUTES RIM CLINIC FOUNDATION

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END OF YEAR LETTER – 2022

Dear Donors and Supporters,

We did it! The new Deschutes Rim Health Clinic has been built! This beautiful clinic will serve our rural South Wasco communities for years to come. To strengthen health care delivery to this isolated area, we are now envisioning a Deschutes Rim Health Care Campus, with the co-location of both the new and old clinics and a goal of offering more holistic health care services. Your donations and support helped make this capital project possible; we cannot thank you enough!

Our contractor (R&H Construction) and Architect (Pinnacle Architecture) did an outstanding job. Hardscaping and landscaping of the grounds was primarily the work of Diamond Water Features in The Dalles, incorporating a 'healing garden' with water feature. The new 4,000 SF clinic opened for business in mid-October. Clinic staff are still working out various system operations 'bugs' and purchasing equipment. Patients are pleased with the improved access, interior comfort, and enlarged spaces, with a separate lab, roomy exam rooms, and modern waiting area.

We extend a huge THANK YOU to the Capital Campaign 'Steering Committee' (Karletta Carrithers, Merle Hlvaka, and Bill Aarnio) for their tireless efforts in supporting the campaign, the events, and the Foundation, and participating in the many steering committee meetings. We also thank our capital campaign consultant, Westby Associates, for their wise and strategic guidance and critical support.

Our 'First Look' event on May 7th gave the public an opportunity to see the interior and exterior of the new clinic while under construction. A big 'thank you' to those who attended and to those who participated in our fundraiser. Approximately \$8,000 was raised to help in the purchase of medical and dental equipment and furniture.

The Foundation obtained funds for this capital project from a multitude of non-profit foundations, local, county and state grants and community contributions. The community and beyond, comprised of 168 individuals and businesses, has contributed approximately \$145,000. A loan from Old West Federal Credit Union (Pendleton) was secured in time to allow us to break ground and launch construction in October 2021. In addition, we were extremely fortunate to receive federal funding in September of this year through the FY 2022 Consolidated Appropriations Act, which allowed us to cover remaining costs of construction, medical and dental equipment, and IT and communications equipment. Total project cost exceeded the original estimate by over \$500,000.

Revenue from Capital Campaign for Clinic Construction

Revenues	
Foundation Grants	\$660,301
Community Capital Campaign	\$145,000
State, County, Local Grants	\$1,051,000
Conventional Loan	\$1,500,000
Federal Funding	\$1,014,000
TOTAL Revenues	\$4,370,301

Clinic Operations and Plans

The clinic's new provider, James Cook, FNP, is now on site 3 days per week with a 4th day providing telehealth services. Full-time dental services are being provided by Alex and Austin Peterson (DDS), currently operating out of the old clinic building until the new building's dental

area is fully equipped, sometime in early 2023.

Plans for repurposing and remodeling of the old clinic are being firmed up. Fundraising for that component of the health care campus is anticipated to commence soon.

At this point in time, clinic staff and the Board are planning a community event on the clinic grounds in early spring, to include a BBQ, tours, and entertainment. More information will be forthcoming and will be posted on the Foundation and Clinic websites and the Clinic's Facebook page.

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You can also send an email to info.drcfoundation@gmail.com to receive more information.

Thank you for taking part in this long journey with us. We are grateful for your past support and hope you will continue that support as we strive to strengthen health care services in South Wasco County. Please consider an end-of-year donation to support local health care for our rural communities. Your tax-deductible donation will be acknowledged and appreciated! We cannot do this without you!

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