



Children's Public Private Partnership (CP3)

Gaps and Resources Report - Douglas County  
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### Executive Summary

The Children's Public Private Partnership (CP3) and ODHS/ Child Welfare (CW) are partnering to mobilize community partnerships to transition children from foster care to permanent placements, reuniting children with their birth families when safely possible. ODHS/CW selected Douglas County as the second pilot site for the ODHS-CP3 partnership. To inform efforts, CP3 met with people with lived experience, community members, service providers, and decision makers to gain an understanding of context, key issues, and solutions being implemented by community actors. This document highlights gaps and resources synthesized from over 60 discussions between February 2021 and January 2022.

However, first it is important to understand the respondents' perspective of the context within which these gaps exist. When asked about the underlying reasons for families' involvement with CW, here is what people said:

1. In various ways almost every respondent essentially pointed to the county's economic downturn in the 1980s and 1990s caused by a sharp decline in timber logging. In this single-industry economy, timber was not only a major revenue source for county government and residents, it also shaped culture and has been a source of identity and pride.<sup>1</sup> The county has yet to overcome the emotional trauma and economic losses from what "was done to them" by the government.
2. People shared that timber jobs paid "as much as a job requiring a college degree." Families therefore did not value a college education.
3. Most people pointed to low educational aspirations intertwined with widespread substance abuse, and domestic violence as generational phenomena that define the culture of generational poverty. Behavioral disorders abound under these circumstances.
4. A couple of respondents pointed to the use of meth in lumber mills by workers to help them stay alert during long hours of repetitive work. Many considered the drug trade along the I-5 corridor as another key contributor to the high incidence of substance abuse. *This is borne out by the ODHS ORRAI research in Douglas County (Dec 2021). In a data sample of 126 children in foster care, 73% of parents had drug involvement at the time of their child's removal from home.*
5. A few respondents spoke to a lack of natural support systems. A behavioral health therapist felt that the prevalence of generational substance abuse and untreated behavioral health disorders erodes natural support systems. People are unable to rely on family or friends who are also suffering from these disorders.
6. A small and highly dispersed population in a huge geographic area makes service provision problematic and expensive. Douglas County has a population of 111,000 spread from the Pacific Ocean to the Cascades over an area of over 5,000 square miles (nearly the area of Connecticut).

Generational poverty along with a low regard for education, lack of economic opportunities, substance abuse and behavioral health disorders, domestic violence, eroding natural support systems, and geographic isolation -a small population spread over a large area- provide the backdrop for CW-involvement in Douglas County.

In the above context, respondents highlighted the following gaps that lead to families' -sometimes repeated- involvement with the CW system:

1. Accessible, affordable housing was identified as a BIG gap by almost all respondents. People pointed out that rental housing isn't even available for people with good credit and jobs. People coming to

<sup>1</sup> The railroad spurred timber growth in the county in the 1880s. In the aftermath of WWII, the county came to be known as the *Timber Capital of the Nation*. Timber production slowed down with the 1980s recession and declined sharply in the early 1990s when the federal government cut timber logging in old growth forests like those of Douglas to enforce the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Roseburg to start in new jobs often find themselves living in motels for months because of inability to find housing.

2. A significant lack of mental health services, especially prescribing psychiatrists. This was highlighted by every single person we spoke with as a major service gap in a county with high behavioral health needs.
3. A highly inefficient public transportation system which makes it hard to access basic needs and services.
4. The need for hands-on parent education, not just talking *at* people but showing them how to do it. Respondents felt this was crucial given that many people have not had strong and capable parent role models in their lives and need to see how it is done in practice - not just theory.
5. And the opportunity to remove the stigma associated with CW, and train and engage a volunteer base from the community.
6. When asked about the one thing they would change about the CW system, the oft repeating themes were:
  - a. Improve communication and coordination between CW and community service providers. Folks acknowledged that communication has improved greatly under Desta Walsh and Jessica Hunter's leadership but there continues to be a need to further improve coordination, especially with staff turnover.
  - b. The need to build caseworkers' engagement skills with families and community partners.
  - c. Finally, many people spoke to the need for redefining "Risk" at CW. People felt that young caseworkers with little life experience shy away from the risk of making the "wrong" decision by leaving a child 'in-home'. Removing the child from home is the path of least risk to the caseworker and the agency. People emphasized the need to change this risk-averse culture and for the community and CW to work together to support families at risk of CW-involvement.

In addition to these themes, CP3 wants to highlight two important factors that we find to be the heart of the issue:

1. Douglas County needs an economic revival that would not only give a boost to local livelihoods, affordable housing development industry, but also energize people by giving them hope and lifting them out of a depressive economic state.
2. There is a need for transformative inter-agency coordination to proactively support children and families before they derail and undergo the trauma of children being removed from home. The current mandate of government agencies that are addressing homelessness, incarceration, mental health, and substance use treatment, is to focus interventions on the current "chronically and severely affected" population. While this is definitely needed, we need these agencies to work together with safety net mechanisms (like the ODHS Self-Sufficiency Program) and work much further upstream on prevention. Especially by focusing on at-risk children and their families to shift their paths away from homelessness, incarceration, untreated behavioral health and substance use disorders.

This document is by no means a complete analysis of the gaps and resources relating to child and family welfare in Douglas County. A list of organizations and individuals who informed these themes is provided at the end of this report. For ease of readability, the report uses a bulleted list format to convey a variety of opinions under each theme. The narrative in the bulleted lists is drawn from comments made by community participants.

## RESOURCE AND SERVICE GAPS IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

### HOUSING

Everyone with whom we spoke commented on the general lack of rental housing and identified the lack of affordable, low-barrier housing as a BIG issue in the county. Housing is a social determinant of health and a foundational need for family stability. The many ways in which the lack of housing affects the community are brought into focus by the following quotes from families and service providers in Douglas County.

1. Part of the challenge in getting more affordable housing is that salaries aren't high enough to attract private contractors to come in to invest in apartment construction. ~ *Former ED of UCAN*
2. They took my son away because I didn't make the right decision and didn't leave my son's dad. If I were to leave him where would I go - I had no housing. If housing was available, I could have made different decisions, not been under immense pressure, maybe not relapsed... And they wouldn't have taken away my son.... ~*Former CW-involved mother*
3. Housing is so bad here! Even for people who have jobs they can't find places to rent. So there are a lot of people on the streets. ~*Former CW-involved parent*
4. Housing is a big issue - I'm taking a grant writing class to help with resources for single dads with kids - there is a complete lack of resources for single dads. People with substance abuse issues are unable to find housing and therefore stay in that cycle. Thinking about Maslow's hierarchy of needs, when you don't have a safe place to sleep, doing meth doesn't sound like a bad idea. ~*Former CW-involved parent and current Parent-Child Representation Program (PCRP) Case Manager*
5. We have many families couch surfing, multiple families in one home. Another big issue is parents living in substandard housing. We are walking a tightrope of how to support families to negotiate with their landlords without losing the only home they have. Living without water or heat is better than having no housing at all. ~*Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
6. I sit on the Citizen Review Board for Douglas, we look at 5-10 cases a month and often housing is the barrier to reunification. ~*ORFA (formerly OFPA) Board Chair*
7. Housing is a big issue. Last fall we were at a 4% vacancy rate. Plus people have bad records that keep them from getting into housing. In Feb they opened a low income housing complex and it filled immediately. We've toyed with the idea of Tiny houses - just to get them some place to get a roof over their head. ~*Circuit Court Judge*
8. The housing situation even with normal families is really hard. The prices are going up a lot. ~*Pastor, Riddle*

### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Nearly everyone we talked with highlighted the lack of mental health services in the county as an issue, especially for CW-involved families. Key issues include lack of access to mental health services, especially for young children, lack of prescribing psychiatrists and care providers, staff turnover, and difficulty obtaining mental health evaluations. Here are a few quotes from the community:

1. Mental health is a major issue - we've worked very closely with our Mental Health agency ADAPT and Compass - but they have an extremely high turnover rate. They currently don't have anyone who can do day treatment. ~*School District*
2. If my mom had been helped to stay on her [mental health] medication, I wouldn't have had to come back into care and she wouldn't have become homeless. She was homeless for about a year because of her mental health issues. ~*Former CW-involved youth, Roseburg*
3. Mental health is a big issue. It's gotten worse since COVID - Zoom is not the same as in-person - it's

been a struggle. A greater number of people need treatment and there aren't enough slots. The lack of resources is just awful! ~ *PCRP Case Manager*

4. Our issues are lack of access to mental health services/ workers; also quality of services can be poor; especially services for kids under 10 are lacking. ~ *Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
5. There are no child psychiatrists in Douglas County. It is a gaping hole, we can't get psych evals, and as a pediatrician it's maddening. The nearest psychiatrist is in Eugene. ~ *County Health Officer*
6. We lack child mental health services. There aren't enough resources for kids with mental health disorders. Our school psychologist lives in Bend, visits once a month. ~ *Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
7. There's a lack of place-based mental health supports, sobriety in-residence programs, addiction services are at crisis levels. ~ *Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
8. Lack of mental health workers is a big gap! ~ *CASA of Douglas County*

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Lack of transportation services in Roseburg and beyond was identified by many community members as another foundational barrier for families to access services and meet basic needs.

1. Transportation is an issue. Public transport hours (1-2 times a day) don't work for families -should they go to the grocery store at 5 am?
2. Transportation is another really big issue. I go out of the area to pick up folks and take them to services. ~ *PCRP Case Manager, Public Defender's Office*.
3. There's a relief nursery but they are 7 miles away and that's too far when you don't have transportation. ~*Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
4. Not a great public transportation system here - people are stuck. They fall off the radar because they live off the grid, sometimes intentionally.
5. Transportation becomes an even bigger issue in the small rural communities. When placing services we need to think of accessibility and place them in the schools. If a service is a few miles away, it might as well not be there. ~ *Nonprofit, Yoncalla*
6. Transportation is a major issue. ~ *Douglas ESD & Umpqua Valley Public Defender & CRB Field Manager*
7. We did a shoe drive, people are really constrained with public transportation and are used to walking everywhere. ~ *ODHS Staff*
8. [Douglas County ]Has always struggled with transportation issues. Geographic access is a big issue, the farther you are from I-5 the harder it is to find services. At the coast you can access Coos Bay but that's still a drive. Transportation is a big issue. ~ *ODHS Staff*

## **PARENT SUPPORT AND EDUCATION**

An oft repeating theme was parent support and education on a range of issues from awareness of available services to hands-on support for parents and reducing the stigma of Child Welfare involvement, as highlighted in these quotes:

### ***Support & Resources***

1. Parents need continued services after regaining custody -that's when they need even more help. ~*Former CW-involved parent*
2. Resources are sorely lacking for single dads. ~*PCRP Case Manager*
3. Parents with mental health issues need help with parenting - along with self-care and stress management. There's a multi-generational cycle of abuse that needs to be broken here. ~ *Yoncalla*

4. We need Parent mentors.
5. We need respite care for birth parents. Parents need to take care of themselves so they can take care of their children. ~CW-involved grandmother
6. Geographic access is a constraint, the farther you are from I-5, the harder it is to find services. ~ODHS

#### *Awareness and Education*

7. We need to make a long term investment in parenting education. Parents who themselves or whose kids have mental health issues need intensive education and hands-on support for self-care. ~Yoncalla
8. Families don't know where to get help. We need to build general awareness of resources available to families. Some get help from schools, but there's a need for more awareness through doctors' offices or Urgent Care Clinics... ~UCAN
9. We have a generational issue: when you haven't seen strong, capable parenting, you don't know what to do. It goes beyond parent education. You need home visiting where you're not just talking *at* someone but hands-on showing them how to do it. ~Douglas Early Learning Hub
10. We need to educate parents and children on how bad excessive electronics/ social media is for kids. There's more pressure on parents when kids are inside all the time and fighting over electronics, so we need to provide alternative accessible and healthy activities for kids. ~CW-involved grandparent

#### *Resource (Foster) Parents & Teachers*

11. I would like every Resource Parent trained for therapeutic acuity - a class in teens, in working with deaf kids, with girls, with sexually active 9 year olds and then build cohorts of support. ~Oregon Resource Family Alliance (ORFA) formerly OFPA
12. We need to build foster parents' ability to engage with birth parents using a trauma informed approach – to better understand the context, to remove the stigma of Child Welfare involvement. ~CASA
13. If **teachers** had some sensitivity training and awareness on who in their class was a CW-involved kid, I would have really benefited from it. ~Former CW-involved youth.

#### **ODHS Child Welfare: Communications and Process**

1. We need improved communications with Child Welfare. ~Multiple community based organizations  
*Note:* Orgs repeatedly shared that communications have improved greatly under Desta Walsh and Jessica Hunter's leadership and there continues to be a need to further improve communication.
2. Case workers don't always ask us how things are going. We have ROIs from families, we can add value. We need better engagement between CW and community based service providers. ~Relief Nursery
3. The community would benefit from more connections between CW and Self-Sufficiency. It's powerful when the Self-Sufficiency person is involved and talking about available resources. They are underutilized. ~PCRP Case Manager
4. We need better coordination between the Treatment Court and ODHS and are working on it with the CW team. If the Treatment Court is better aware of CW goals for families, we can play a role in motivating the families to make progress against the required milestones. ~Circuit Court Judge
5. Caseloads: Traditionally our caseworkers have had really high caseloads. Caseworkers start very eager and then tend to burnout. ~Douglas County Circuit Court Judge
6. About 3 years ago, CW hired 22 new caseworkers that helped with caseloads. But then you have an office staffed with brand new caseworkers or newly appointed supervisors. It leads to levels of inexperience and that too can be a recipe for disaster and frustration for the community.
7. Caseworker turnover is very frustrating for families - you have to start all over again with a new worker.

Most caseworkers are in their mid- to late-20s who lack life experience.

8. There is a risk averse culture in CW. This manifests in an inclination to remove kids from home; requiring 24/7 supervision for in-home cases. ~*Former ODHS Leader*
9. CW supervisor is an unmanageable job - as a result young and inexperienced caseworkers don't receive the intense mentoring (from supervisors) that their job requires. ~*Former ODHS Staff*
10. You need to show supervisors how their placement rate compares to the rest of the state and country -otherwise they think their practice is just right. ~ *Former ODHS Staff*
11. Engagement skills in CW caseworkers and supervisors is crucially important– we need authentic followup. ~*Umpqua Valley Public Defender's Office*
12. The Central Office writes fantastic policies and they don't have any way of implementing the policy - you need a training plan to go with the policy and resources to roll it out. When I was a caseworker, we used to have unit meetings where we would discuss the policy and sign off that we understood it. When I was a supervisor, there was no discussion, no sign-off. Just a rollout without any way of making sure that the policy is being understood at the field level. ~ *Former CW staff*

## RESOURCES

### ***Organizations***

#### The Ford Family Foundation (TFFF)

- Headquartered in Roseburg and with deep roots in Douglas County, the TFFF has long been invested in the economic and social development of Douglas County. A convenor and a leader, TFFF efforts are focused on Children, Youth & Families; Community Economic Development; Community Building; Postsecondary Success; and the Visual Arts. <https://www.tfff.org>

#### Aviva Health

- Aviva Health is an independent, not-for-profit organization that cares for the people of Douglas County by providing quality, compassionate, accessible and affordable healthcare. <https://aviva.health>

#### Children's Institute, Yoncalla EarlyWorks

- Yoncalla Early Works, a Children's Institute initiative, is working in Douglas County's rural Yoncalla community to demonstrate a new approach to early education, kindergarten readiness, family engagement and healthy development for young children and their families.  
<https://childinst.org/our-work/early-works>

#### Family Development Center

- Family Development Center relief nursery focuses on nurturing successful and resilient children, strengthening parents and preserving families to prevent child abuse and neglect.  
<https://www.fdroseburg.org>

#### Family, Faith and Relationship Advocates (FARA)

- FARA offers mental health services to individuals and families ensuring that children are safe using biblical principles with psychological understanding to benefit the church and the community. FARA also houses the Safe Families program. <https://fara4kids.org>

#### Healthy Start of Southern Oregon

- Health Start is a program of the [Health Care Coalition of Southern Oregon \(HCCSO\)](https://hccso.org/healthy-start/) which aims to reduce infant and maternal mortality. <https://hccso.org/healthy-start/>
- The Health Care Coalition team works daily to promote change for the better. HCC is working to improve health care access, equity and outcomes throughout Southern Oregon, and advocate for the region's most at-risk populations.

### [Umpqua Health Alliance \(UHA\)](#)

- UHA is one of three Coordinated Care Organizations (CCO) active in Douglas County. As a CCO, UHA covers the largest geographic region in Douglas. UHA's parent organization, Umpqua Health has an integrated network of skilled local providers that deliver high quality healthcare for Douglas County residents. Umpqua Health also works closely with community partners to evaluate ongoing healthcare needs and issues, while collaborating on local solutions. <https://umpquahealth.com>

### [United Community Action Network \(UCAN\)](#)

- UCAN provides a wide range of services including Affordable Housing/Homeless Services (CAA), Weatherization & Energy Assistance, Early/Head Start, Health Insurance Enrollment, Nurse Home Visiting, Transportation Services, WIC and much more. <https://www.ucancap.org/>

### ***Coalitions***

#### [Creating Community Resilience Collaborative](#)

- Creating Community Resilience (CCR) Collaborative is a coalition of 11 orgs in the community (AVIVA Healthcare, ADAPT Integrated Health, Cow Creek, Douglas Cares, County Juvenile Dept, DESD, Family Dev Center, Peace at Home Advocacy Center, Phoenix School of Roseburg (Charter School); Roseburg Public Schools; Umpqua Community College). CCR provides regional leadership in preventing and mitigating Adverse Childhood Experiences and Adverse Community Environments (ACEs) and building trauma-informed (TI) capacities to create resilient communities throughout Douglas County. CCR is bringing Dr. Robert Anda's ACE Interface training curriculum to Douglas County. <https://CCRDouglasCounty.org>

#### [Oregon Pediatric Improvement Partnership](#)

- OPIP is a statewide program with a Steering Committee that is composed of persons representing stakeholders statewide. OPIP is housed within the Department of Pediatrics at Doernbecher Children's Hospital at Oregon Health & Sciences University. OPIP is conducting research in Douglas County on [Health \(Medical and Social\) Complexity data](#) for children and families.

#### [Oregon Social Learning Center](#)

- Oregon Social Learning Center is a collaborative, multidisciplinary center dedicated to increasing the scientific understanding of social and psychological processes related to healthy development and family functioning. We apply that understanding to the design and evaluation of interventions that strengthen children, adolescents, families, and communities. <https://www.oslc.org/>

#### [System of Care](#)

- The System of Care is a structured set of committees with the goal of identifying and resolving barriers. SOC Advisory Committee and SOC Executive Council. It's comprised of representatives from

key stakeholder entities such as DHS, MMC, ADAPT, etc. [www.umpquahealth.com](http://www.umpquahealth.com)  
<https://douglas.or.networkofcare.org/ph/index.aspx>

## ***Housing***

### Douglas County Housing Authority

- The Housing Authority of Douglas County, Oregon was established in 1944 to provide affordable housing in Douglas County, Oregon. <https://www.hadcor.org>

### Rising Light, Fowler House and River Rock

- Designated BRS Intensive Behavior Support serving youth in a trauma-informed environment with a focus on individual autonomy, inclusion, and empathy.  
<https://douglascounty-oregon.us/243/Rising-Light>  
<https://www.douglascounty-oregon.us/directory.aspx?did=40>  
<https://www.douglascounty-oregon.us/244/River-Rock>

### NeighborWorks Umpqua (NW Umpqua)

- NW Umpqua strengthens rural communities in Southern Oregon by empowering individuals to achieve housing stability and financial security. <https://www.nwumpqua.org>

## ***Mental Health***

### ADAPT

- Provides communities access to primary care, addictions treatment, behavioral health care and prevention services to promote health and restore lives. <https://adaptoregon.org>  
<https://adaptoregon.org/services/mental-health-care>

### Options - Counseling and Family Services

- Options Counseling and Family Services provides family preservation, behavioral health services and other family support to families and individuals in Douglas County. Options providers use a family centered approach, in which the family's knowledge of their own strengths and needs is the primary resource. <https://wp.options.org/services> <https://wp.options.org/locations/roseburg>

### Juniper Tree Counseling Services

- Juniper Tree Counseling provides counseling services and supports for children, families, and maternal mental health. <https://www.junipertrreecounselingservices.com>

## ***Child Abuse***

### Douglas Cares

- Douglas C.A.R.E.S. helps parents understand and address the needs of children who have been abused. <http://www.douglascares.org/>

### Protect Our Children Program: Darkness to Light's Stewards of Children

- Darkness to Light is a nonprofit committed to empowering adults to prevent child sexual abuse. Their vision is a world free from child sexual abuse, where children can grow up happy, healthy and safe. They provide a nationally recognized evidence-informed, 2-hour facilitator-led docu-training that teaches adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. <https://www.d2l.org/>

## Up2UsNow Coalition

- The Up2UsNow Coalition is a community initiative to improve systems in order to enable at-risk families and individuals greater access to prevention services prior to an incident of child abuse. Up2UsNOW is comprised of over 30 community agencies and members including government agencies, nonprofits, community members and law enforcement. <http://up2usnow.org/> Supported by the [Mercy Foundation](#).

## **Judicial Programs**

### Family Treatment Court

- Drug Courts are designed to speed up the process of moving offenders into treatment. Drug Courts dramatically intensify court supervision of treatment requirements for drug offenders and addicts, immediately respond to treatment performance with positive and/or negative sanctions and by streamlining the process, and save a great deal of public money while greatly improving treatment outcomes with offenders. <https://www.douglascounty-oregon.us/225/Drug-Court>

### Parent-Child Representation Program (PCRP)

- The PCRP aims to ensure competent and effective legal representation throughout the life of the case by ensuring reduced attorney caseloads, the provision of specialized support services, and adherence to best practices for attorney performance. The goal of the program is to achieve positive outcomes for children and families through the reduction of the use of foster care and reduced time to permanency for children. The PCRP began implementation in Douglas County in January 2021.

[https://www.oregon.gov/opds/commission/reports/PCRP\\_report\\_PDSC\\_Jan\\_2016.pdf](https://www.oregon.gov/opds/commission/reports/PCRP_report_PDSC_Jan_2016.pdf)

## **Employment Services**

### Vocational Rehabilitation

- Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is a statewide resource for people with disabilities and is part of the Department of Human Services. VR assists individuals with disabilities in getting and keeping a job that matches their skills, interests and abilities. VR staff works in partnership with the community and businesses to develop employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/EMPLOYMENT/VR/Pages/index.aspx>

## **Other Resources**

### American Indian Education Association (OIEA)

- OIEA collaborates with school districts, universities, and state officials to incorporate Indigenous knowledge into public education and to promote quality educational services to American Indians/Alaskan Natives/Native Hawaiian (AI/AN/NH) students and their families. <https://oiea.org/>

### Community Uplift

- Community UPLIFT, hosted in the ESD, is an information and referral exchange program connecting families –who are expecting a baby or with children ages 0 through 5, including children with special needs up to the age of 21– with links to resources. [https://douglasesd.k12.or.us/community\\_uplift](https://douglasesd.k12.or.us/community_uplift)

## School and Public Libraries

- “The public library is where the folks connect because of our librarian. We have been here now 10 yrs and have established direct relationships and have a strong partnership with the school - so now they come to the school when in need (b/f they didn’t engage with the school at all - distrust) Took 8 years to build trust.” ~ *Yoncalla Early Works, Children’s Institute*

[The Oregon Foster Parent Association \(OFPA\)](#) is now called the Oregon Resource Family Alliance (ORFA)

- ORFA is a statewide association operating within the foster, relative, and adoptive community in Oregon. Founded in 1996, the organization’s mission is “To improve the quality of the foster care system in Oregon and make Oregon foster homes the best they can be. Allowing each Oregon foster placement to become a home of safety and healing for Oregon’s most vulnerable children.

<http://ofpa.com>

[Oregon’s Public Health Home Visiting System](#)

- Home visiting is a proven strategy for strengthening families and improving the health status of women and children. Programs are voluntary and serve families with a variety of risk factors. In Douglas County, home visits are provided through [Options - Counseling and Family Services](#) and [Family Development Center](#).

[Rogue Community College](#)

- Rogue Community College offers a [Community Health Worker \(CHW\)](#) training program.

**Parent Training Resources**

[Conscious Discipline](#)

- Conscious Discipline is an evidence-based, trauma-informed approach. It is recognized by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration’s (SAMHSA’s) National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices (NREPP), and received high ratings in 8 of 10 categories in a Harvard analysis of the nation’s top 25 social-emotional learning programs. Training classes for parents and others. <https://consciousdiscipline.com> [UCAN United Community Action Network](#) delivers this training in Marion County.

[Take Root Parenting Connection](#)

- Take Root offers parent education classes, workshops and resources to help parents learn ways to provide effective discipline and guidance, nurture and foster life skills, promote healthy development, and, most of all, enjoy the enormous task of raising their children from infants to teenagers.

<https://douglasesd.k12.or.us/take-root-parenting-connection/>

[Circular Security](#)

- Through training, continuing education, and ongoing support, Circular Security equips individuals to leverage the capacity for human connection by applying the radical simplicity of the Circle of Security to learning while honoring people’s strengths and struggles to build trust and find coherence. The Circle of Security® Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. <https://www.circleofsecurityinternational.com/>

[Oregon Parent Education Collaborative](#)

- Oregon Parenting Education Collaborative (OPEC) is a partnership of OCF, The Ford Family and Collins Foundations, Meyer Memorial Trust and Oregon State University. Partners believe that parents are their children's first and most important teachers, and that investment in strong parenting is a critical strategy for ensuring that all children are ready to learn. <https://orparenting.org>

### ***Volunteers Outreach Channels***

#### Myrtle Creek Tri-City Area Chamber of Commerce

- The Myrtle Creek Tri-City Area Chamber of Commerce represents members by serving as a link between businesses, government and private citizens. <https://www.myrtlecreekchamber.com/>

#### Rotary Club of Roseburg

- Rotary is where neighbors, friends, and problem-solvers share ideas, join leaders, and take action to create lasting change. <http://www.roseburgrotaryclub.org/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/Rotary-Club-of-Roseburg-Morning-160130644003725/>

#### Roseburg Chamber of Commerce

- The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce's priority is to promote, protect and advocate for Roseburg and Douglas County businesses. The chamber is a coalition of businesses of all sizes coming together to create a strong local economy, promote business and our community, provide networking opportunities and represent businesses through political action. <https://roseburgchamber.com/>

#### Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce

- Its mission is to promote, protect, enhance, and expand both the economic vitality and the quality of life in the community and connect with local business partners to solve problems and create opportunities. <https://www.visitsutherlin.com/>

#### Douglas County Senior Resource Coalition

- Douglas County Senior Resource Coalition is a coalition of professionals meeting to share information and resources related to seniors and aging issues.  
<https://retirementconnection.com/networking/douglas-county-senior-resource-coalition/>

#### ECHO Douglas

- The purpose of Empowering Community Hope is to "ECHO" Every Child in Douglas County. Every Child gathers community members to love, support, and care for vulnerable children and families affected by foster care. <https://everychilddouglas.org/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/echodouglascounty1/> @echodouglascounty1

### ***Youth Resources***

#### Boys & Girls Club of the Umpqua Valley

- The Boys and Girls Club seeks to inspire all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens. The Boys & Girls Club of the Umpqua Valley is a nonprofit organization serving more than 1500 local youth entering 1st grade through 12th grade annually. <https://bgcuv.org/>

Be Great by 8

- Be Great by 8 is a program in the schools to encourage high school graduation.

## FUTURE RESOURCES

### George Fox University

- May bring a medical tech training program to Douglas County.

### Trauma Informed Care with Dr Amy Stoeber

- This is a series on Trauma Informed Care. Prevent Child Abuse Oregon (PCAO) will be bringing Dr. Stoeber to Douglas County in 2022. [www.smore.com/1sz5a](http://www.smore.com/1sz5a)

### OnTrack

- OnTrack Rogue Valley offers evidence-based, trauma-informed and family-centric treatment and support services for youth, adults and families. Note: This program in Medford was suggested as a possible model for replication in Douglas County. <https://ontrackroguevalley.org>

### Roseburg Emergency Shelter and Navigation Center

- The City of Roseburg is buying property for an emergency shelter and navigation center. A City release said the 7,423 square foot building at 948 Southeast Mill Street will be used as a low-barrier facility with services for unhoused clients. Escrow is expected to close in Spring 2022.

## Children's Public/ Private Partnership

Stakeholder Meetings – February 2021 – January 2022

### Public Entities

1.	Alcohol & Drug Policy Commission, State of Oregon	Dr. Reginald Richardson, Director
2.	Citizen Review Board -- Oregon Judicial Department	Tricia Swallow - (former ODHS) — CRB Field Manager for Douglas and Lincoln County
3.	Children's Institute, Yoncalla Early Works	Erin Helgren, Site Liaison
4.	Congressional Office, HHC Committee	Mike Fieldman, Working with Representative Leif (HHS Committee) (& former Director of UCAN)
5.	Douglas ESD   Early Learning Hub	Gillian Wesenberg, Director
6.	Douglas ESD   Special Education	Bryan Hinson   Assistant Superintendent of Special Education
7.	Douglas County Circuit Court Judge	The Honorable Judge Ann Marie Simmons

8.	Douglas County Health Officer	Bob Dannenhoffer
9.	Oregon Justice Department, Family Treatment Court	Nanci Thaemert, Director Juvenile Court Program, Heidi Olsen Strauch, Juvenile Court Programs Manager, Mia Ruston, Family Treatment Court Grant Analyst
10.	Parent Child Representation Program (PCRP), Umpqua Valley Public Defender's Office	Kivonna Coccia, Independent Case Manager Tabitha Stevenson, Case Manager, Former CW-involved parent
11.	Roseburg School District	Jared Cordon, Superintendent
12.	Roseburg City Council	Brian Prawitz, Councilor and BP Media Business Owner
13.	Umpqua Health Alliance – CCO	Robert McAdam's Team, Director, Behavioral Health, Taylor Dombek, Case Manager  <a href="#">AllCare CCO</a> covers part of Douglas (+Curry, Josephine, Jackson); <a href="#">Trillium Community Health Plans -South</a> covers part of Douglas (+Lane & Western Linn) -
14.	Umpqua Valley Public Defender's Office	Erik Swallow - Assistant Director,
15.	Yoncalla School District - Early Works	Brian Berry, Superintendent

### Nonprofit Organizations

16.	Boys and Girls Club of Umpqua	Bryan Lake, CEO
17.	CASA of Douglas County	Angela Gross - ED , Susan Crook, Becky (Rebecca McKenney)
18.	Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians	Michele Moore, Human Services Director, Marlana Potter, Tribal Child Welfare Case Manager
19.	Coalition for Creating Community Resilience (CCR)	Lee Ann Grogan, Community Engagement Coordinator
20.	Douglas Cares	Sarah Wickersham, Executive Director

21.	Early Works	Erin Helgren, Site Liaison
22.	ECHO (Every Child affiliate in Douglas)	Steve Schenewerk Board Chair - Church Pastor - Winston - on the Early Learning Hub Debbie Horton & Julie Brown - Co-Directors
23.	Family Development Center (Relief Nursery - Douglas County)	Marsha LaVerne, ED
24.	Open Bible Christian Church, Riddle, OR	Don Causey, Pastor
25.	Mercy Foundation	Marion Pearson, Coordinator Human Trafficking Taskforce
26.	Oregon Foster Parent Association	Jessica Lloyd-Rogers, Board Chair Oregon Foster Parent Association
27.	Oregon Foster Youth Connection (OFYC)	Lisa McMahon, Former Director Kayla Strattan, Former Intern from Douglas County
28.	Parents & Youth with Lived Experience	Diane, Amy, Patty, Hannah
29.	Prevent Child Abuse Oregon (PCAO)	Michaele Lansing, Board Chair; Ruth Taylor, Board Director
30.	The Ford Family Foundation	Anne Kubisch, President; Robin Hill Dunbar, Sr. Program Officer, Children Youth & Families
31.	UCAN <a href="#"><u>United Community Action Network (Community Action Agency, Head Start, Health Services, Food assistance, other family support services)</u></a>	Ashley Cunningham, Leads Family Services component Maureen Short, Child Services Director Patricia Attaway, UCAN Board Chair (& CW-involved grandchildren)

## Multi-stakeholder Collaborative Meetings

The Ford Family Foundation and System of Care (Coordinated Core Organization - CCO/ Umpqua Health Alliance) Monthly Meeting	Over 50 public and private participants from across Douglas County focused on serving children and families.
Douglas Child Welfare & Self-Sufficiency hosted Community Forums (3)	Aviva Health, Bushnell Univ/Douglas CARES, Citizen Review Board, Cow Creek Health and Wellness, Douglas Prenatal Taskforce Comm Engagement, Enrollment Specialist for Head Start and CW Youth Liaison, Executive Director UCAN/Head Start, Executive Director Boys & Girls Club, Family Development Center (Relief Nursery), Former CW Involved Parent/Current Foster Parent, Housing Stability Program, ODHS Self-Sufficiency, Options Program Manager, Oregon Employment Dept, Pastor Winston/Every Child Board, South Central Early Learning Division, Special Education Division, Sutherlin School District Family Liaison, VP Community Health, WorkSource Program Manager & Case Manager

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