

Wallowa County Vitality Summit – Presenter Questionnaire

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Mission and purpose in Wallowa County:

The mission of Community Connection of Northeast Oregon, Inc. is to advocate for and assist senior citizens, children, low-income persons, and person with disabilities in attaining basic human needs and in becoming more self-sufficient. This will be accomplished by providing direct client services; stimulation a more efficient use of existing resources; broadening the available resource base; and providing decent , safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low and moderate income persons.

Key metrics/outcomes/impact for the past year:

Serving all of Wallowa County

Nutrition: Annually

Over= 5000 Meals on Wheels for Senior or people with disabilities

11,000 Congregate meals

3400 Summer Lunch program

Medical Transportation:

Medicaid-20-30 wk

Non Medicaid- 5-10 week (with a 10% increase from last year)

Public Transportation:

Providing over 10,000 trips per year.

Food Bank:

190 Food Boxes per month

Energy Assistance: Over \$169,000.00

****funds that go directly back into the community to local vendors.***

Housing:

Over \$19,000.00

Rehab over \$98,000.00

Mortgage Assistance

Current top 3 priorities/focus areas:

- ***Seniors and people with disabilities, Low income households***
- ***Direct Supportive services to help build self sufficiency.***
- ***Connecting people with community resources.***

Challenges that you most need help with, either from another organization or the community at large:

Medical Community

Set up Benevolence Medical Fund that would meet specific medical needs for the community. Medical providers or members of the community would be able to contribute towards this fund. This would be used for: Dental, Prescription or other urgent needs as designated by the medical provider. We would like to collaborate with providers to develop specific criteria when using these funds.

Top 3 opportunities you see for the coming year:

Work closely with CCO's

Continue to be a part of the community by filling in gaps of services

of current active/serious collaborators:

We work with the community as a whole.

Who would you like to collaborate with more? **Medical Community**