



## GO Kids Grant Awards 2022

### Southern Priority: Early childhood education activities that increase kindergarten readiness

#### Southern

Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lake

Organization / Project	City	Grant Amount	Analysis
<p><b>Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley</b> to support early childhood education activities that increase kindergarten readiness, 2022-23</p>	Grants Pass	\$20,000	Boys & Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley will launch Kinder Take-Off: Summer Kindergarten Readiness Program for 60 incoming kindergarteners in low-income families in Talent, Grants Pass, and rural Illinois Valley. The program was piloted in Talent in 2020 with the goals of physically orienting kids in schools and classrooms, pro-social school and play behaviors, and getting familiar with daily school routines. This pilot piqued interest from parents and partners in other areas. Parents and schools identify needs and priorities. Partner organizations such as 211 and UniteOregon offer referrals; Rogue Community College offered space in Illinois Valley.
<p><b>Friends of the Klamath County Library</b> to support early childhood education activities that increase kindergarten readiness, 2022-23</p>	Klamath Falls	\$10,000	The Friends' Dolly Parton Imagination Library program sends a book every month to the home of enrolled kids under 5. Having access to books at home is a key tool for kindergarten readiness. Friends' volunteers reach out to rural and low-income families to sign up by hosting a Community Baby Shower where they take sign-ups and partnering with WIC, Head Start, Sanford Children's Clinic, DHS, CASA, day care providers and 10 branch libraries. OCF Funds will pay for books.
<p><b>Kids Unlimited</b> to support early childhood education activities that increase kindergarten readiness, 2022-23</p>	Medford	\$10,000	Kids Unlimited has four preschool classrooms in Jackson County. Through preschool tuition scholarships, they will remove the barriers of poverty and language for Latinx 3- and 4-year-old kids whose families are unable or ineligible to qualify for other preschool tuition relief. A Migrant Parent Advisory Committee provides input and leadership; input is also gathered at Migrant Parent Meetings and monthly parent education/family activity nights. Many staff are part of the Latinx community and/or are Kids Unlimited alumni.
<p><b>Lutheran Community Services Northwest - Klamath Falls</b> to support early childhood education activities that increase kindergarten readiness, 2022-23</p>	Klamath Falls	\$15,120	A Family Gathering Place Relief Nursery will offer field-trip opportunities for enrolled families to learn and practice positive parent-child interactions, child social interaction, self-regulation, and listening skills. Rural and low-income community members have staff and volunteer positions, they solicit input on programming from parents on their steering committee or program work groups. While they are a new relief nursery program, they have partnerships with DHS, Tribes, Head Start, and other local agencies.
<p><b>Southern Oregon Child and Family Council, Inc.</b></p>	Central Point	\$45,000	The Listo Family Literacy Program will provide culturally specific family literacy programming/support to ~110 low-income Latinx families in Jackson County. Listo has 25 years of experience working with our Latino/a/x

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communities and ultimately teaches the entire family to read, creating generational change. Parents are involved in a leadership group and respond to surveys and program staff are from the community. They partner with Southern Oregon ESD and Migrant Education as well as partnering with fire affected families living in hotels.

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<b>Total Applications: 5</b>	<b>Grand Totals:</b>	<b>\$100,120</b>
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