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## **Umpqua Health Alliance (UHA) Invests over \$500,000 in 31 Health Improvement Programs in Douglas County**

*Roseburg, Oregon* – Umpqua Health Alliance committed over \$500,000 to 31 different Community Health Improvement Programs in Douglas County in 2024.

Brent Eichman, Chief Executive Officer of Umpqua Health Alliance, said “Umpqua Health Alliance is committed to investing in programs and services that make a real impact on the health and well-being of our members and community. By collaborating with our community partners on work that supports the overall health of Douglas County, Umpqua Health Alliance is committed to meeting the unique needs of Douglas County.”

The selected programs span a diverse range of initiatives, addressing various health needs prevalent within our community. From promoting mental wellness to ensuring access to essential healthcare services, each program has been chosen for its potential to make a meaningful impact.

Some of the key focus areas of the funded programs include:

- Healthy Lifestyles
- Families and Children
- Social Determinants of Health
- Behavioral Health

The recipients of the Umpqua Health Alliance 2024 Community Health Improvement grants and their respective allocations are as follows:

1. Adapt – Art of Prevention: \$10,000
2. Creating Community Resilience – Adverse Childhood Experiences Training Team: \$19,837
3. Douglas ESD – Youth Ready: Education Combines: \$45,500
4. Douglas ESD – Childcare Safety and Health Supplies and Equipment: \$25,000

5. Family Development Center – Cooking with Chef Charlie: \$10,000
6. Family Faith and Relationship Advocates – Empowerment Through Connection: \$10,000
7. Family Faith and Relationship Advocates – True Insight Parenting Strategies: \$10,000
8. FISH Food Pantry – Battling Food Insecurity in Multiple Communities: \$20,000
9. Fremont Middle School – Student Clothes Closet: \$5,000
10. Friendly Kitchen/Meals on Wheels: \$10,000
11. Friends of the Roseburg Public Library – Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library: \$2,500
12. Hucrest Booster Club – Hucrest Elementary Track: \$25,000
13. Maple Corner Montessori School – Outdoor Sport Court: \$25,000
14. Oregon Department of Human Services – First Thursday Expansion Project: \$15,000
15. Peace at Home Advocacy Center – Culturally Specific Services for Latinx Survivors: \$2,820
16. Phoenix School of Roseburg – Youth Community Health Corps: \$7,225
17. Roseburg Lacrosse Club – Youth Involvement Project: \$7,620
18. SMART Reading – SMART Reading Program: \$3,045
19. Tasha’s House – Youth Transportation Van: \$10,000
20. Tasha’s House – Events Support: \$5,000
21. Tri City Elementary School – Children’s Discovery Garden: \$10,000
22. UC Veg – Lifestyle and Nutrition Course: \$20,000
23. UCAN Feeding Umpqua – Mobile Food Pantry Emergency Food Distribution Service: \$58,818
24. Umpqua Community College – Basic Needs Support for UCC Students and Families: \$33,385
25. Umpqua Community College – GED Access: \$19,360
26. Umpqua Doula Collective – Increasing Capacity and Awareness of Doulas: \$5,000
27. Umpqua Heart – Immediate Needs: \$27,890
28. Umpqua Movement Arts Collaborative – Diva Dancers Community Dance Program: \$7,000
29. Umpqua Valley Farm to School – Fueling Family Wellness with Umpqua Grown: \$10,000
30. Umpqua Valley Habit for Humanity – Repairing Homes for Neighbors in Need: \$25,000
31. YMCA of Douglas County – Camp Connections: \$15,000

“This funding is an investment in our community. Working with our community partners, we can support projects that impact the lives of residents in Douglas County,” said Nancy Rickenbach, Chief Operating Officer.

The success of these programs will not only be measured by their immediate impact but also by their potential to create lasting change and foster a culture of health and well-being in our community.

Umpqua Health Alliance continues to look for additional opportunities to support health and wellbeing, and work is already underway for the 2025 grant application process. For more information on these and other funding opportunities, visit [umpquahealth.com](http://umpquahealth.com).

### **About Umpqua Health**

Umpqua Health is the parent company of Umpqua Health Alliance, one of 16 Oregon coordinated care organizations serving the Oregon Health Plan. The Roseburg-based company and its subsidiaries are focused on expanding access, improving care, and reducing unnecessary costs across the clinical space for more than 40,000 Douglas County residents on the Oregon Health Plan.