

Investing in the life of the community

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To Members of the Prineville City Council Request for annual support FY 2009-2010

One heartening note in these difficult economic times is how our community is finding ways to collaborate and work together. As the City Council discusses how to invest effectively for the best interests of our community, we ask that you consider continuing the City's annual \$5,000 contribution to the Crook County Foundation.

The Crook County Foundation is very appreciative of the support we have received in the past year. Although support from some sectors was understandably down, we were able to meet the \$10,000 challenge from Brooks Resources for the second year. More importantly, donations from individuals significantly increased in 2008, indicating that visibility of the Foundation and confidence in our efforts are growing among the community and that we are progressing toward development of a wide base of funding from those who support our work.

Our programs are advancing with increasing community participation.

- In June, graduates of the fifth Leadership Crook County class will join nearly 50 past participants ready to serve on community boards, councils and commissions.
- Picnic in the Park returns in July and August with the City Hall Art Show and free concerts in downtown Pioneer Park. We are privileged that the Oregon Army Band will close the concert series on August 26.
- We awarded \$18,000 in college scholarships last year and expect to assist
 members of the Class of 2009 at the same level, pending final reports from the
 Oregon Community Foundation which invests our scholarship endowment
 funds.

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We realize the Council must thoughtfully consider each request. However, we believe your continued investment in CCF will see benefits in an increased number of trained community leaders, more education opportunities for our youth, and a strengthened and vibrant city.

Thank you very much for your past support and we look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

Kristi Steber Executive Director

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