

Summer 2021



Thank You for Helping Us Celebrate 50!

We loved getting to virtually celebrate 50 years of The Child Center with everyone who made it to our virtual event on June 9th. If you weren't able to attend, you can view the videos that were presented as part of the event by heading to bit.ly/TCC50thVideos to visit our YouTube.

A big thank you to our event sponsor, Chambers Construction, for their support and helping to make this event possible! The event raised \$3,000, in no small part due to generous donations for our silent auction from Sunriver Brewing Co, Prince Pucklers, The Healthy Pet, Plank Town Brewing, Green Leaf Garden Center, Jerry's Home Improvement Center, Takelma Roasting Co, Seven Feathers Casino & Resort, and Liz Tran and Chihuly Glass & Gardens.

Next up to [continue celebrating our 50th year](#) will be a (tentatively) in person, family friendly event on [October 16th](#) so keep an eye out for information about celebrating with us in person soon!

We Have a Crisis Response Program Van!

With generous sponsorship from Mercedes-Benz of Eugene, our Crisis Response Program has a sprinter van for use as part of our work with Looking Glass Community Services and Jasper Mountain SAFE Center. The van will be available to use when families have a child who needs transport to Looking Glass or Jasper Mountain as part of respite care, as well as providing our team with a form of dedicated transportation for responding in the community as needed. We also want to thank Siletz Tribal Charitable



Contribution Fund, Chambers Family Foundation, PacificSource Foundation, and Trust Management Services for their support that allowed us to purchase the van.

Announcing TCC's Department of Research

With so much expansion over the years, we thought it was about time to bring a Research Program to TCC. Dr. Joshua A. Melton joins us as the Director of Research, with a background in evaluation and quantitative methods. Dr. Melton will help us develop protocols to better track and evaluate our work. Beyond helping us identify what is working well and what could be improved, the Department of Research will allow us to better explain what we do to grantors and funders, and to all of you in annual reports!

Already, Dr. Melton has been meeting with each of our 10 programs, working with them to identify data points, figuring out more efficient systems, and helping TCC to continue providing excellent, responsive, and evidence-based services.

Summer STAR Program



With support from Oregon Community Foundation, we're able to offer two summer camps that run through the end of August. These camps serve middle and high school youth from the Bend, Redmond, Sisters, and La Pine area communities, engaging them in outdoor activities coupled with socio-emotional learning. STAR stands for Smart, Talented, Able, Resourceful, and the blend of outdoor adventures and socio-emotional learning will help the youth attending our camps feel that they are all STARs.

While camp is always a great opportunity for any child, after often more than a year of experiencing some degree of social isolation, many kids in our communities are in need of these summer experiences more than ever. With OCF's support, we are able to provide this experience free of charge!

Your Support Helps Continue Our Work

We are so grateful to receive continued support from so many members of our community and area grantors. Thank you to the following for helping us continue to serve children and their families:

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The support from our community means the world to us. If you would like to support TCC, you can visit our website at www.thechildcenter.org and click the donate button in the righthand corner, or mail donation checks to The Child Center, Attn: Lupe Gardner, 44 Club Rd Suite 210, Eugene, OR 97401.

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