

Higher Education Coordinating Commission

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Memorandum

Date: March 26, 2020

To: Current and Prospective Grantees

From: Doug Denning, OYCC Director

Re: Funding Status Update

Good morning, as promised on the call yesterday, here are the main talking points regarding funding and programming. Please feel free to share this information with your partners as appropriate.

Funding

Oregon Youth Corps funding comes from the Amusement Device Tax. This is a tax that bar and restaurant owners pay on Oregon Video Lottery machines that are in their establishments. All of the machines have "gone dark" until these establishments can once again have dine-in customers. What that means for the tax and our revenue remains up in the air.

To help fill the potential gap, we have begun looking at possible federal emergency grants and will be reaching out to foundations. We will keep programs informed as things develop.

Summer Corps

The contract process is moving forward, with the intention to be ready when and if funding and health standards allow. The agreements are currently being reviewed and edited to be ready to send out for signature as soon as we have more certainty. This is a slightly different answer than stated on the phone yesterday but the intent has not changed. There are too many unknowns with both the health and economic situations right now to make a final decision.

Community Stewardship Corps 2020-2021

Community Stewardship Corps grant applications for the 2020-2021 school year are currently being reviewed and graded by grant evaluators. As with the summer grants, we are moving forward with the intention to be ready when and if funding and health standards allow.

Current Community Stewardship Corps (2019-2020)

If you believe you will not be able to invoice us for your current grant agreement due to unforeseen changes in your programming, please reach out. We want to make sure you stay in compliance and will be as flexible as we can as we work through this together.

