



PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Need

Cultivating Skills, Fostering Growth

In the Willamette Valley, we recognize that true community enhancement extends beyond infrastructure and basic needs—it thrives on the personal and professional growth of the people who make this place home. The Willamette Valley Wine Foundation is committed to fostering an environment where community ideas lead to community-led solutions, emphasizing the importance of local involvement in building pathways to implementing these solutions.

Investing in Community Members

We understand the impact of empowering people with the skills and opportunities to transform their own lives and, by extension, their communities. To this end, the Foundation is deeply invested in educational and training initiatives that equip individuals with the necessary tools and economic opportunities for lasting success.



LOCAL LEADERS Building Capacities & Opportunities

Our focus is realized through various impact-driven initiatives for growth. Some examples include:

- In partnership with Clackamas Community College and the CAPACES Leadership Institute, the WVWF has supported the launch of programs that prepare individuals for careers in early childhood education. This approach helps us provide individuals with viable, growth capable career opportunities while also helping to solve the challenge of the lack of available qualified childcare professionals in the area.
- Similarly, our collaboration with Chemeketa Community College is expected to launch a cohort of learners that will participate in training for community health workers that will serve as a vital link for vineyard stewards' (and their families) access to effective and culturally competent healthcare.
- Through State funded programs, the WVWF educates and encourages qualified community members to begin saving through Individual Savings Accounts held by local community partners. The funds saved in these accounts are matched 3:1 by the State of Oregon through charitable contributions and can be used to save for things like opening a business, education expenses, or to save for purchasing a home.

Proposed Expenditure: \$4 Million by 2030