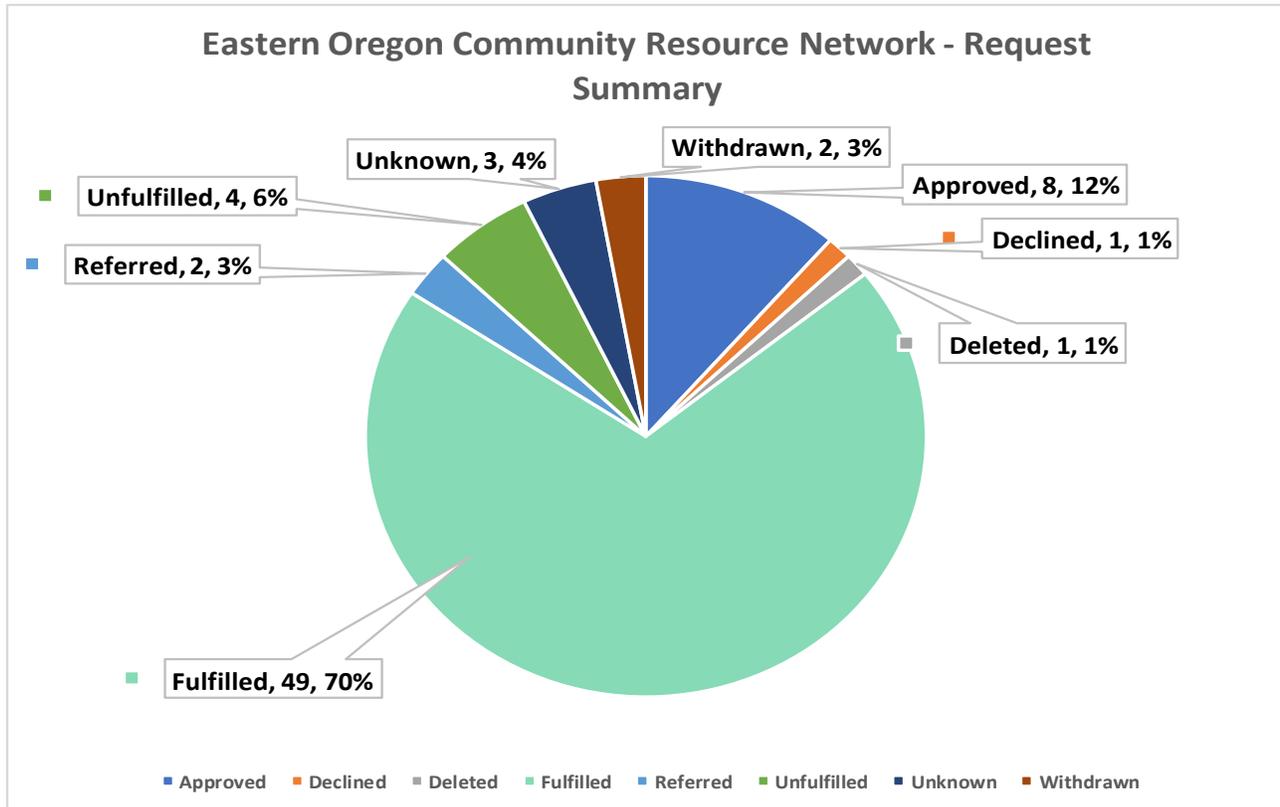


EASTERN OREGON COMMUNITY RESOURCE NETWORK



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EOCRN Requests

Currently EOCRN has 62 closed requests. What is being requested?

1. **45% Household Items**-Mattresses; bedding; furniture; etc.
2. **20% Health and Safety Needs**-CO2 Detector; Shower Chair; Toilet & Lift Chair; Deodorants; etc.
3. **17% Basic Needs**-Food; utility bills; place to park trailer, etc.
4. **12% Infant and Child Requests**-Infant clothing and supplies; clothes for older children; high chair; etc.
5. **6% Employment Requests**-Need for part-time work; community service work, housekeeping; etc.

Join EOCRN Today-Make a Difference, Be Part of the Solution!

Community Spotlight: Department of Human Services' Employment Related Day Care (ERCC)

What is Employment Related Day Care (ERDC)?

Working families may be eligible for financial help with child care costs. ERDC is a subsidy program. This means eligible families still pay part of the child care cost as a family copay. This amount depends on the family's income and size. **However, currently the family the copay amount is waived due to covid.**

Who can qualify? Parents must: 1) be an Oregon resident; 2) be employed with both parents/caretakers working in a two-parent family, unless there is an exception for a medical condition; and 3) meet income eligibility. **Income limits are currently increased due to covid. For example a household of four people, earning \$6,313/month would qualify for ERDC assistance, and currently have a zero copay.**

Where do I look for ERDC child care providers? 211info has a list of providers that accept the ERDC payments. Call them at 211 or use the search feature at 211info.org. Families may have relatives become ERDC providers specifically for their relative children (grandparent, great-grandparent, aunt or uncle or a sibling living outside the home), which can exempt them from certain child care licensing requirements.

Learn more at <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/ASSISTANCE/CHILD-CARE/Pages/index.aspx>

Summer Meal Programs

Summer is coming and it's time to think about how children will eat healthy when school is out. During the school year, more than 22 million children receive free and reduced price breakfasts and lunches through the School Breakfast and National School Lunch Program. When school is out during the summer months, many children no longer have access to even one nutritious meal each day. Research shows a lack of nutrition during the summer months may set up a cycle for poor performance once school begins. Summer Meal Programs help fill the gap.

To find a Summer Meal Program in your area call 211; text "Food" to 877-877; or use the USDA Meals for Kids Interactive Map.



??????? Frequently Asked Questions About EOARN ??????????

What counties are participating in Eastern Oregon Community Resource Network?

Modeled after Marion County's CRN, EOARN provides an avenue for organizations and community members to seek and share resources that are not being provided by others. After months of planning, EOARN was launched in September 2020 with participants from Baker, Union and Wallowa Counties.

Members outside the three counties are welcome to join. We recognize that many organizations serve a geographical area wider than just Baker, Union and Wallowa Counties. We ask that requests should only be for services and needs in Baker, Union and Wallowa Counties.



Baker, Union, and Wallowa Counties

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