



## City of Myrtle Point

### Community Profile

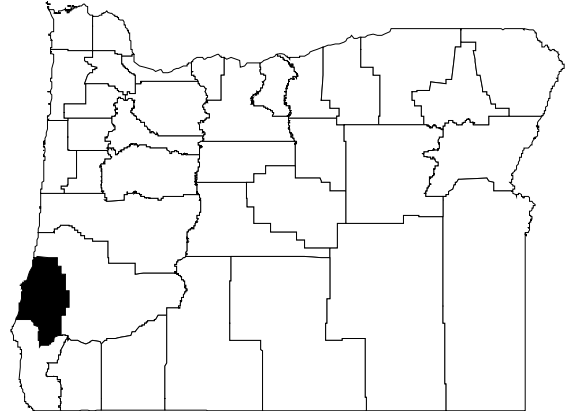
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City Myrtle Point

Population 2,514

### Description

Sponsor City of Myrtle Point



Supervisor Darin Nicholson, City Manager

**Assignment** Myrtle Point, located above the forks of the Coquille River, was a gathering place for Coquille Indians long before the white man arrived in the 1850s. The City of Myrtle Point was the first town platted on the Coquille River. Myrtle Point is a close knit community seemingly preserved in time. The area is regarded by other coastal communities for its pleasant weather, warmer temperatures and beautiful setting. Incorporated in 1887, the City of Myrtle Point is led by an elected Mayor, a City Manager and six City Councilors.

The RARE participant placed with the City of Myrtle Point will help build community capacity by working with the residents to update and develop a number of vital community development documents. Specifically, the participant will work with the City Manager, City Council and various community organizations to update the City's Community Plan; work with the Parks Board and Citizen's Committee to create a Parks Master Plan; and, assist the Library Board, City Council and the community on the development of a Library Master Plan.

### Meet Joshua Shaklee



Joshua Shaklee was born and raised in rural Roseburg, Oregon. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Landscape Architecture the University of Oregon. After attaining his Bachelors Degree, Joshua worked as a Landscape Designer for a private firm in Vancouver, Washington. After five years in the field, he decided to attend graduate school at Portland State University's Masters in Urban and Regional Planning Program. As a graduate student, Joshua served as a public outreach intern at Metro, the regional government for the Portland, Oregon metropolitan area. Following his year with the RARE Program, Joshua hopes to find work as a public servant in Roseburg; here he hopes to contribute in some way to the sustainability of the community through good planning and design.