



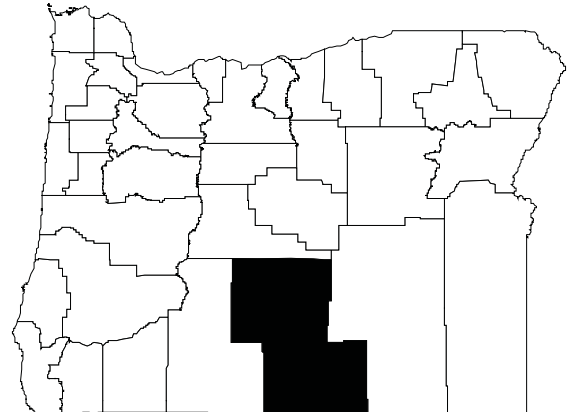
Lake Health District

Community Profile

County Lake
 City Lakeview
 Population 7,919

Assignment

Organization Lake Health District
 Supervisor John Adams
 RARE Member Emmie Harcourt



About Lake Health District

Lake Health District strives for excellence in everything they do. They provide quality care to all citizens of all ages. Lake Health District is looking forward to meet the changing health care needs of Lakeview and the surrounding area. At the same time, Lake Health District a stable organization that is financially sound. Lake Health District involves all of their medical staff through good communication. They support them by trying to meet their professional needs in training, equipment and services. Lake Health District emphasizes good communication with all county citizens who support them financially and through the use of their services. Lake Health District supports their employees through training and education who in turn are caring and committed to patients and to the organization.

The RARE participant placed with Lake Health District will primarily be working on the Lake County Community Food System Assessment. The RARE participant will be hosting FEAST workshops with farmers, ranchers, distributors, processors, and other food system stakeholders; examining current food systems such as food banks, farms, markets, wages, and conditions; and identifying opportunities and making short- and long-term recommendations to strengthen the county food system. In addition, the RARE participant will be working on developing a food system implementation plan for Year 2 that identifies strategies and next steps that came out of the assessment process, identifying fundraising strategies to support implementation, and leading collaborative fundraising efforts. Finally, the RARE participant will work on forming strategic partnerships by participating in collaborative meetings and events, and supporting and participating in partner organization efforts as they relate to food system development.

Meet Emmie Harcourt

Emmie received her Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology from the University of Missouri. After obtaining her degree, Emmie worked as a museum interpreter for the Missouri State Museum leading educational tours and researching and designing new museum programs for teens. Prior to that, Emmie worked as a research intern for the Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology at the University of Arizona where she conducted qualitative research and compiled reports at two urban farms while maintaining an intern-run garden plot. After her term of service with RARE AmeriCorps, Emmie hopes to combine her interests in cultural anthropology and sustainable agriculture while pursuing a master’s degree in applied anthropology, focusing on food system research. She hopes that her time spent serving with Lake Health District will help her to better articulate her particular research interests while gaining more experience with community-based, participatory research methods and community organizing.