

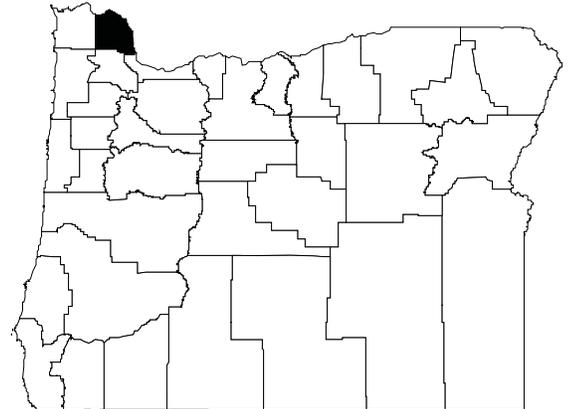


## Community Profile

County Columbia  
 City Scappoose  
 Population 6,700

## Assignment

Organization City of Scappoose  
 Supervisor Michael Sykes  
 RARE Member Nicholas Sund



### About City of Scappoose

The City of Scappoose is a small community (6, 700 population) located 25 miles north of Portland. The City has 30 employees and provides a variety of municipal services to area residents. The City is a lean organization and many Departments have their hands full just addressing daily activities. Many new subdivisions are going through the planning process and are demanding a lot from City's planning staff.

The RARE participant placed with the City of Scappoose will assist with updating the City Planning Department forms by researching the practices of other municipalities and rebranding the CDC Department with new forms. The RARE participant will also work to coordinate the annual town meeting to develop a new vision statement in order to replace the outdated vision statement. In addition, the RARE participant will work with the Economic Development Committee to develop a strategic plan for economic development. Finally, the RARE participant will work with the Parks Development Committee in order to develop a Park Master Plan to replace the outdated Master Plan from 1997.

### Meet Nicholas Sund



Nick received his bachelor's degree in Urban Planning and Environmental Policy with a minor in Sustainable Design from Western Washington University. After attaining his bachelor's degree, Nick interned with the City of Bellingham's Department of Planning and Community Development where he conducted research and public outreach to update the Downtown Master Plan. Nick spent his first year in the RARE Program working as Emergency Coordinator with Clatsop County Emergency Management, and he considers his time with RARE to be a critical component in his career. Now in his second year with RARE, Nick hopes to continue building upon his education and previous experience before pursuing further education. After his second year with RARE, Nick plans to pursue a Master of Landscape Architecture and to use his experience with RARE to help small communities design parts and public spaces that inspire neighbors to connect with each other and their environment.