

Warm Springs Ventures

(CORE)

Community Profile

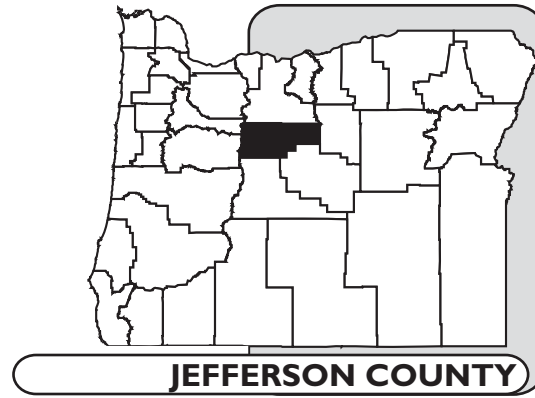
Population 4,231

Location Warm Springs

Position Description

Sponsor Warm Springs Ventures

Supervisor Jeff Anspach,
CEO



Assignment There are five RARE positions sponsored by the CORE Collaborative. CORE, which stands for Connecting Oregon for Rural Entrepreneurship, is a collaboration spearheaded by Oregon's Rural Development Initiatives. While each of the five RARE assignments vary based on the needs of the specific communities, all CORE positions share a focus on creating and sustaining entrepreneurship development systems in economically distressed target areas. The RARE participants work closely with their sponsoring organizations hosting appropriate trainings on entrepreneurship, conducting a youth entrepreneurship programs with local high school students, and supporting the efforts of growing farmers' markets and buy local campaigns. While local leaders and entrepreneurs spearhead CORE's regional efforts, a CORE Statewide Advisory Board will bring together diverse lessons learned to ultimately impact statewide policy change.

At Warm Springs Ventures, the RARE participant is working to increase the economic vitality of the region. Specifically, the participant is conducting feasibility studies, facilitating outreach activities to neighboring communities, and taking part in economic development groups and associations. Additionally, the RARE participant promotes entrepreneurship through education such as computer literacy trainings, business planning and consulting services, and acting as a local chamber of commerce.

RARE Participant



Evan Abramowitz

Evan Abramowitz grew up in North Carolina and graduated from University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill where he earned a degree in Public Policy with a focus on City Planning and Entrepreneurship. His interests are rooted in the question, "What makes good neighborhoods?" While at Chapel Hill, Evan took the opportunity to study abroad in Brighton, England. From this experience, him learned to embrace the unknown and inspired to pursue adventures and new challenges. Before moving to Oregon, Evan worked for a small economic development consulting firm in Annapolis, Maryland, where he expanded his writing and technical skills. Evan sees his RARE experience as an opportunity to improve rural communities, gain valuable experience, and live in Oregon.