

South Coos Opportunities Organizing Project (SCOOP) Group

Community Profile:

Population 7,527

Location Coos County

Position Description:

Sponsor SCOOP

Supervisor Mary Bosch

Assignment

The RARE participant will serve as the SCOOP Coordinator and will work with the community partners. The participant will organize ways to articulate regional and community needs for infrastructure and other development that sustains community livability and will convey those messages effectively to the decision-makers and the public. This will include implementation of the recently completed action plans.

Required Skills

Community organizing and outreach, grant writing, and small group facilitation and strategic planning processes.

RARE Member: *Celia Claybourn - 2000-2001, Year 7 Participant*

Celia Claybourn's social service experience includes three years of working as a grant writer for a non-profit organization operating three emergency shelters. Services funded and implemented during this time included a case manager at the homeless shelter, counseling, case management, a public awareness specialist at the domestic violence shelter, and a significant expansion of a community counseling program for children and their families operated through the children's shelter. She has worked as a facilitator for a substance abuse prevention partnership, a technical editor for an international engineering research consortium, and as a programmer at a university computing center help desk. Celia graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University (BS) and Texas A&M University (MS), both in sociology.