

Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council

Community Profile:

Population 135,500

Location Redmond, Deschutes County

Position Description:

Sponsor Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council

Supervisor Ric Ingham

Assignment

The RARE Participant will be working on the Central Oregon Benchmarks development process. The tasks to be facilitated by the participant are collecting economic data with the assistance of the economic benchmark working group and coordinating the environmental benchmark working group activities and their data collection process. All of the data will eventually be posted to the existing website to ensure accurate, valid, reliable data is available to the public.

The objective of the Central Oregon Benchmarks is to create a system that better represents community concerns and offers information that is most needed by public officials, grant writers, community service and environmental organizations. The benchmarks will be introduced to community leaders, professionals, and the general public through a series of regional forums. The participant will promote the use of the established benchmarks within organizational strategic plans. The final outcome of the benchmark process is to establish a Central Oregon Benchmarks Database that will be made available to the public on the World Wide Web.

The RARE Participant will facilitate the Needs and Issues inventory process and update central Oregon's community funding needs. In addition the participant will research and develop community profiles for the Central Oregon region's incorporated cities.

Required Skills

The RARE Participant should have experience in project management and coordination, group facilitation, possess good technical writing skills, be comfortable working with a diverse group of people and able to organize and launch an extensive public outreach campaign.

RARE Member: *Marilyn Kerr - 2001-2002, Year 8 Participant*

Marilyn Kerr has recently worked as the Manager of Project Process, Director of Laboratory Operations, and a Quality Assurance Consultant at Sacramento Blood Center. Marilyn earned her undergraduate degree in Allied Health from the Oregon Institute of Technology in 1989. Her thesis for a Master's degree in Quality Assurance is currently pending from California State University at Dominguez Hills.