

* Our warmest wishes this holiday season!

AGE+ AND JFRF



What YOUR support helped us achieve on behalf of older adults in 2019

Housing and Services

This year, our Housing and Services initiative took off at full speed. We hired a community liaison in the Hood River / The Dalles region, identified key organizational and leadership partners, and developed our Circles of Care programming. The focus of Circles of Care is to ensure older adults have access to volunteer services that support them as they age which, in turn, strengthens communities. Older adults feel supported and may have opportunities to support others in ways that would otherwise seem impossible.



Meyer Memorial Trust Grant

AGE+ is honored to announce that we were awarded continued funding over the next two years to help support our Housing and Services initiative. This generous funding from the Meyer Memorial Trust will propel our community building work, affordable housing development, community asset mapping and Circles of Care programming to grow in more rural communities. It will also allow us to engage in pre-development activities for building an innovative housing model to support older adults in the Columbia River Gorge area of Oregon.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Our Ties That Bind initiative that benefits grandparents and kinship caregivers raising children received huge praise when DHS adopted our model for their state navigator program. We look forward to lending our expertise to them as they work to serve grandfamilies across Oregon. Additionally, this year, our virtual support group doubled in size, signaling that this initiative is needed now more than ever.



Celebrating Older Adults in Rural Oregon

AGE+ and JFRF supported the Mid-Columbia Senior Center in The Dalles, OREGON to celebrate the first Wasco County Ageless Awards. This event honored older adults in the region who are making important contributions to their community. [Click here](#) to read more.

Most Successful Ageless Awards Ever!

The 2019 Ageless Award Luncheon was monumental. With your help, we raised a record-breaking \$200K and had more than 350 guests. We also introduced you to AGE+ as a companion organization to JFRF, designed to carry out our mission in Oregon. Thank you to all who supported the luncheon and to our distinguished 2019 honorees: Bernie and Bobbie Foster, Antoinette Hatfield, and Bob Moore.

AGE+ on a World Stage

JFRF/AGE+'s CEO and founder, Keren Wilson, gave the keynote at the 2019 Aging and Rejuvenation Conference in Berlin, Germany. The focus of her talk was our asset based community development approach to building support for aging populations in resource constrained areas.



Community Conversations in 2020

AGE+ will be kicking off a series of community conversations next year. We will visit communities, especially in rural and suburban areas, and listen to what the people who live there feel they need in order to help older adults thrive. Our goal is to help strengthen communities across Oregon as they address the changes needed to assure a healthy community for everyone.

Save the Date!

The 2020 Ageless Award Luncheon will be on Thursday, April 23, 2020 at The Nines in Portland. [Click here](#) to learn more or secure your seats! In 2020, we are honoring Secretary Bev Clamo, Gary Maffei, Terry Pancoast and LeRoy Patton.



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