

Meeting with Linda Maxon of Coast Community Health

I met with Linda Maxon, CEO of Coast Community Health, on 4/25/19. They are in the process of building a health center in Port Orford. The Umqua Bank donated their building to them and they own another piece of property next to the elementary school. They applied for a large federal grant recently and they plan to do the following:

1. Renovate the old bank and use for an interim health clinic with 2 exam rooms and a pharmacy. After the other two structures are built next to the elementary school, these 2 offices will be converted to dental exam/treatment rooms and a third room will be added for a total of 3 dental rooms.
2. One of the structures will be a 6000 sq. ft. building that will house medical services and a pharmacy and will include a social worker, a physician, a nurse practitioner, and support staff. The medical doctor and nurse practitioner will each be available 2 days per week and expand as needed.
3. The other building will be a 2800 sq. ft. outreach center and will include Community Health Workers, social services, laundry, showers, assistance with Medicare and Medicaid applications, and other services like drug and alcohol counseling to help those in need.
4. There will also be 2 mobile homes that will be used for up to 6 OSHU medical students that will have rotating 1-month internships at Coast Community Health, Curry Health Network, and South Coos Hospital.
5. The Umpqua temporary medical site should be up and running by May 2019 and the new facility next to the school should be up and running by early 2020.

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