



18th Social Service Fair Report

Rosewood Initiative 05.21.21

Partner – The Rosewood Initiative

Number of guests - 177

Participating Nonprofit Support for Resources:

211

Care Oregon

Cascadia Behavioral Health

City Team

DHS

DPI Staffing

DPI Security

Easter Seals

Free Geek

Lines for Life

Lifeworks NW

Living Yoga

Lutheran Community Services Northwest

Meals on Wheels

Oregon Medicare Insurance

Meals on Wheels

Medical Teams International – Urgent Dental

Multnomah County Emergency Services

Multnomah County Snap Outreach

Multnomah County Library

New Avenues Ink

Oregon Food Bank

Oregon Health Plan

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace

Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Outside In

PGE

Quest Acupuncture

Salvation Army

SE Works

Urban League

Trash For Peace

Tri Met

University of Western States – Chiropractic Care



Service Providers Present:

Employment Resources – 12 interested

Donations Distributed:

Bob’s Red Mill dry goods (4 boxes of bars)

Dave’s Killer Bread –225 loaves

Food – 3,000 lbs

PPE – 250 masks and 100 bottles sanitizer

Multnomah County Library - 7 boxes new books

Columbia Clothing – 20 boxes (for distribution later)

Care Oregon Toiletry bags - 100

Multnomah County Donation – 100 Toothpaste, Women’s Health Products, hand soap

Monetary Sponsors of the Fair: The DPI Group, The Rosewood Initiative, CSN

Number of Volunteers: 44 volunteers and participants /4 Security Officers / 160 volunteer hours

Data from the Intake Form:

What do you identify as?

Male – 19%

Female - 80%

PND - 1%

1. Ethnicity?

White	17%
Black	6%
Hispanic	28%
Asian	44%
Native Hawaiian	1%
Pacific Island	1%
Other	1%

2. Where did you sleep last night?

Car – 2%

Friend / Family – 11%

Own Place – 84%



Tent – 1%

3. Location (changing format on this one)

Clackamas County -	1%
Eastside -	85%
Eastside;Northside -	1%
Northside -	8%
Other -	1%

4. Referral Source

Shelter	0%
Nonprofit / Caseworker	5%
Flyer	5%
Website / Email	4%
Friend	30%
Facebook	12%
Other	28%

5. Employment

Yes: 30%
 No: 52%
 P N D: 0%

6. Receive Financial Assistance

Yes: 52%
 No: 28%
 P N D: 0%

7. Disability

Yes: 15%
 No: 68%%
 P N D: 11%

8. Veteran:

Yes: 4%



No: 82%

9. Have you attended any of our previous fairs?

Yes: 23%

No: 61%

This fair was in a repeat location at the The Rosewood Initiative. It was a walk-through event. We spread out the event, moving some of the offerings inside the community center and outside into the parking lot. The flow felt very well organized and spread out. We did not alter any Covid precautions for this event even though the changes were unfolding as the event took place. The attendance was a little light in comparison to last time. There was also a large last-minute push for volunteers. We need to find ways to not have this be this way prior to each event in this location. We are discussing adding these events to Hands On Portland to make sure the public knows about the opportunities. We are also seeing a drop in guests, so may look at reducing number of occurrences for this location moving forward. We need to have a meeting to assess. Our partner agency is great and the space they offer works well for this type of event. I think moving forward, we need to have one point person at the nonprofit agency for contact and we need access to the space the day before the event as well. We added more community celebration to this event and music and it made it more fun. I would like to continue to make these events more of a community celebration vs a low energy event. We need to add more fun to our community gatherings in our city. At our next scheduled event, I would also like to increase our offerings related to wildfire preparedness as we will be quickly approaching this season and I want to make sure our community is prepared.

What would I do differently or add next time...?

1. Increase outreach to neighborhood nonprofits
2. Ask for more Spanish speaking volunteers and partners.
3. Add more vendors and volunteers as we can be outside and space isn't an issue.
4. Add more opportunities to celebrate at these events.