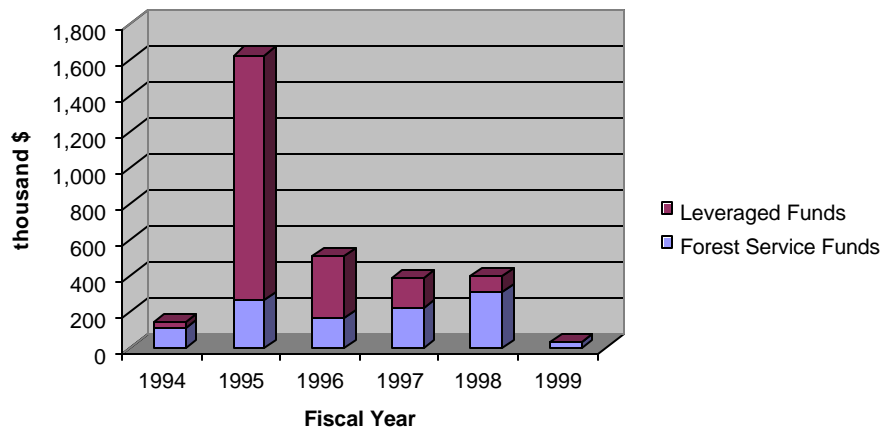
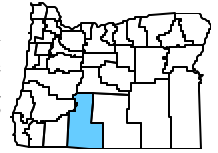




# Economic Action Programs

## Klamath County, Oregon

Klamath County is a nonmetropolitan county in south central Oregon. The landscape is dominated by high Cascade volcanic peaks and many lakes, including the world-famous Crater Lake and Klamath Marsh. The population, fewer than 10 people per square mile, is scattered in small rural communities adjacent to vast stretches of natural and farmed landscapes. Challenges facing these small rural areas focus on basic needs such as strategic planning, community visioning, developing collaborative partnerships, and creating jobs. Just over half of the County's land area is administered by the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management and roughly one-fifth is in private timberland and farmland. Klamath County ranked 3<sup>d</sup> in the state in 1993 for timber harvest.



Recipient	Project Name	Federal ID	Funds		
			USFS	Leveraged	Total
<b>Planning and Technical Assistance</b>					
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Action Plan	OREC-94-024	\$25,000	\$7,600	\$32,600
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Community Action Plan - Crescent	OREC-94-033	\$15,000	\$8,800	\$23,800
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Community Action Plan - Bly	OREC-94-046	\$13,000	\$6,000	\$19,000
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Crescent/Gilchrist Action Plan	ORNW-95-053	\$20,000	\$5,200	\$25,200
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc.	Crescent/Gilchrist Comm. Svcs.	ORNW-98-044	\$25,000	\$7,000	\$32,000
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Chemult Wastewater TA	ORNW-98-055	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$31,250
SoCO Development Inc.	Bonanza Community Center	ORNW-96-039	\$20,000	\$4,964	\$24,964
SoCo Development, Inc.	FireAmbulance Protection Study	ORNW-99-006	\$20,000	\$6,500	\$26,500
The Klamath Tribes	Wastewater Treatment Design	OREC-94-064	\$55,659	\$15,000	\$70,659
The Klamath Tribes	Feasibility Study	ORNW-96-036	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$31,250
The Klamath Tribes	Chiloquin I-97 Strategic Plan	ORNW-97-031	\$32,000	\$8,000	\$40,000
The Klamath Tribes	Destination Resort Master Plan	ORNW-98-018	\$50,000	\$12,556	\$62,556
<b>Education and Training</b>					
Oregon Institute of Technology	College Technology Project	ORNW-98-032	\$15,000	\$13,000	\$28,000
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Smart Firms/Small Town Seminar	ORED-94-001	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
<b>Natural Resource Related</b>					
City of Chiloquin	Spinks Park Renovation	ORNW-98-047	\$16,000	\$4,800	\$20,800



## Economic Action Programs Klamath County, Oregon

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Klamath Arts Council	Conger Heights Master Plan	ORNW-97-059	\$10,000	\$10,960	\$20,960
Klamath County Econ Dev Assoc	Volcanic Legacy Scenic Byway	ORNW-97-072	\$86,400	\$21,600	\$108,000
Klamath County EDA	Welcome Signs	ORNW-99-021	\$8,257	\$2,045	\$10,302
REACH, Inc.	Western Juniper Harvest System	ORNW-98-026	\$183,649	\$47,876	\$231,525
SOCO Development	Bly Community Park/Rest Area	ORNW-97-014	\$22,040	\$24,223	\$46,263
Town of Bonanza	Big Springs Park Enhancement	ORNW-97-012	\$5,039	\$6,397	\$11,436

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### Facility Construction/Environmental Improvement

Chemult Community Action Team	Chemult Day Care Center	ORNW-97-044	\$30,590	\$59,603	\$90,193
City of Chiloquin	Chiloquin Playground	ORNW-97-023	\$33,045	\$22,900	\$55,945
Crescent-Odell Rural Fire District	Community Services Center	ORNW-96-051	\$126,000	\$213,500	\$339,500
Klamath County	Industrial Building Construct	ORNW-95-014	\$250,000	\$1,354,370	\$1,604,370
Town of Bonanza	Health Center Equipment	OREC-97-005	\$4,930	\$9,900	\$14,830

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# Economic Action Programs

One success story from Klamath County, Oregon



## Chiloquin Playground

Investing in its school children seemed like a smart move to citizens of Chiloquin, Oregon. Community-minded folks realized there was no hope of recruiting potential businesses or improving community pride without investing in physically attractive and well equipped schools.

A school or playground is one of the first visual cues to a visitor of how a community views itself. Long-term residents believe that when schools are physically marginal and run-down, children's self-esteem often echoes this condition.

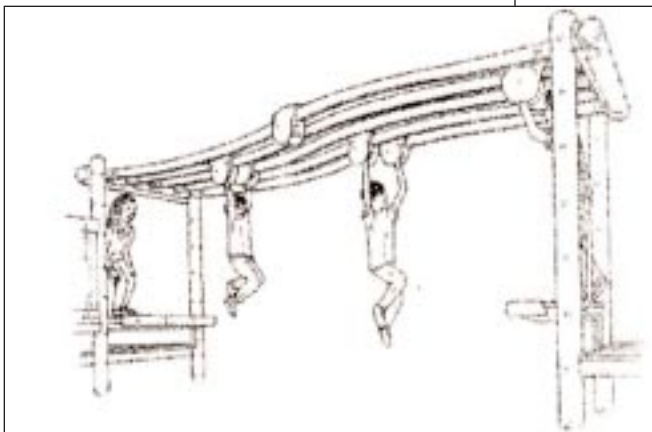
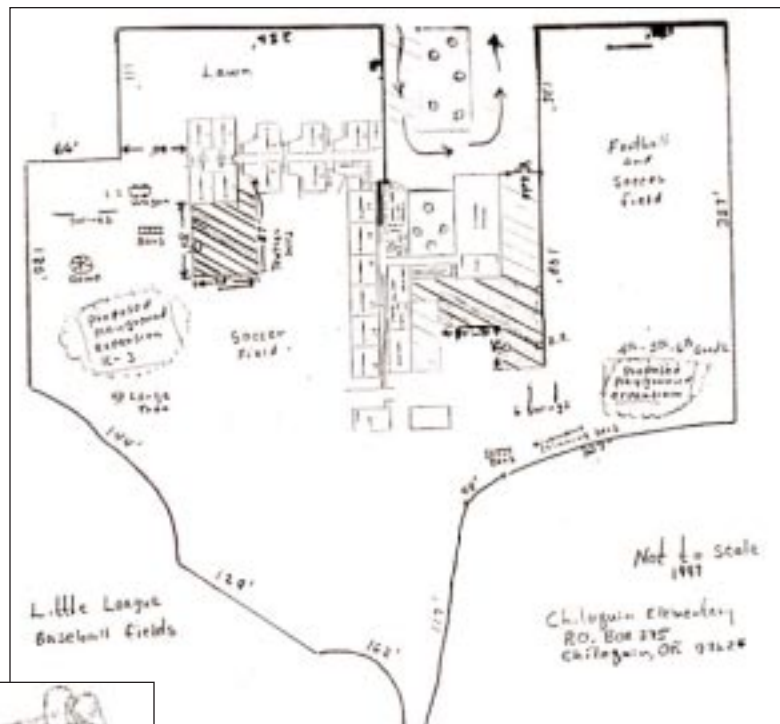
“Revitalization of timber-impacted communities must include our schools”, says Faith Wilkins of the Community Action Team. She adds, “From a child’s perspective, the learning of motivation comes from community efforts equaling physical results.”

Faith reports that the playground project “has been a tremendous success.” A large, very colorful module was purchased for younger children, complete with rope trampoline, monkey bars, 2 slides, and tunnels. Older children now play on 2 smaller modules which include a climbing wall.

Teachers and parents have noticed that there is less fighting on the playground

because “now the kids have something to do. They can play hard and get out that energy,” says Wilkins. “All they had to play on before was one set of swings and a falling down stagecoach.”

Fencing was installed which Faith says has helped “parents feel their kids are a little safer.” Without a doubt, the bottomline for this project is the sense of pride residents, parents, and schoolchildren feel for their school. And that makes quality of life in Chiloquin and business recruitment opportunities so much better.



**Applicant: City of Chiloquin**

**Grant No: ORNW-97-023.**

**USDA Forest Service funding: \$33,045.**

**Total Project Cost: \$55,945.**



# Economic Action Programs

One success story from Klamath County, Oregon



## Chemult Daycare Center

Unemployment is sky high, the available workforce WANTS to work, and there are jobs just waiting to be filled. Sounds like a perfect fit, right? Not if those workers have no day care facility close by to provide high quality care for their kids.

This was the community of Chemult's dilemma. The closest day care facility was 20 miles away. Choices within the community were so limited parents who wanted to work were forced to stay home for lack of childcare. Some who were employed missed up to 5 days of work a month because of unreliable childcare.

The solution? Find funding for a certified child care center in town with a capacity of at least 20 children and before and after school programs as well as summer youth programs. Chemult proceeded to apply to the Forest Service Rural Community Assistance program for funds, receiving \$30,590 for construction of a facility.



**Applicant: Chemult Community Action Team**

**Grant No: ORNW-97-044**

**USDA Forest Service Funding: \$30,590**

**Total Project Cost: \$90,193**



## Economic Action Programs

One success story from the Klamath Tribe, Klamath County, Oregon



### Chiloquin Highway 97 Strategic Plan

What do you do when a brand new gaming facility is built right near two major highways, thousands of vehicles stream by every day, and your business community wants to know how to capture all that potential revenue?

The Chiloquin Area Highway 97 Strategic Vision Plan was a direct result of successful development of the Klamath Tribe's new gaming facility which opened in June 1997. The gaming facility (located just north of the junction of Highway 97 and Highway 62 where thousands of visitors veer off toward Crater Lake) was expected to spawn nearby associated small tribal and non-tribal businesses almost immediately.

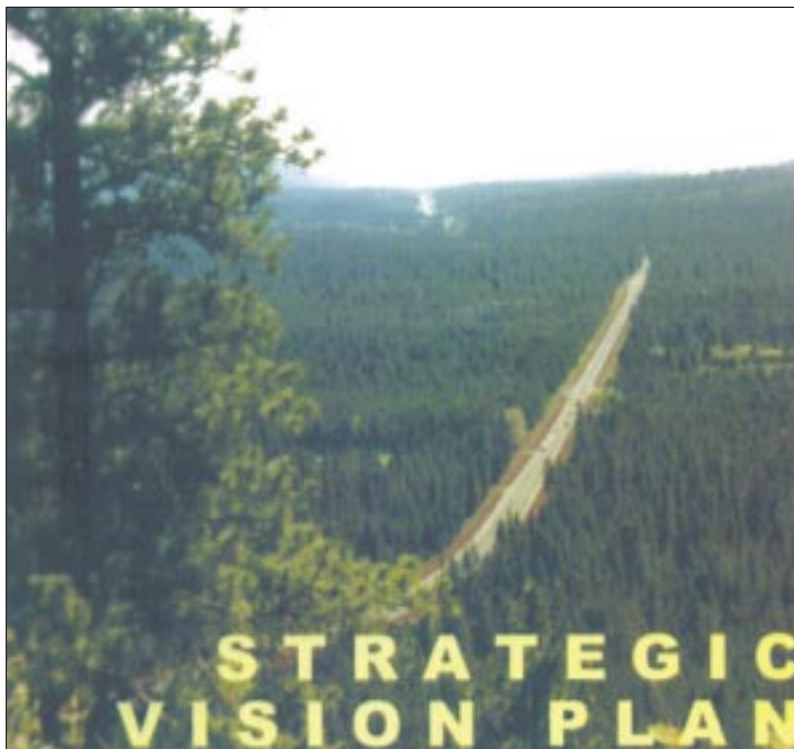
At first, the business community wanted to be sure that any related development would be in sync with local community and Tribal values and preferences. It made sense for local stakeholders to come together and collaborate on a well-designed proactive plan. A key goal was to

develop unifying design concepts such as landscaping, building fronts, color schemes. At the same time, business owners were adamant that no new ordinances or regulations be created.

The road was a little rough at first. Martin Wilkins, Klamath Tribe Planning and Economic Development Coordinator, reports that the initial atmosphere was very hostile, lacking a real sense of trust. But after the first three meetings, the consultant was able to encourage good working relationships among stakeholders.

Together, Klamath Tribe, Klamath County, Oregon Department of Transportation, various interest groups, and small business owners established standards for aesthetics for future development, access, resort destination considerations, recreation trails, and unified signage.

The result? Wilkins says that these development standards will help the county and the Tribe ensure "complementary and harmonious development" along the Highway 97 corridor. And, better yet, consensus and ownership in the product have "set up something for the future"...a sense of trust.



**Applicant: Klamath Tribe**

**Grant No: ORNW-97-031**

**USDA Forest Service  
Funding: \$32,000**

**Total Project Cost: \$40,000**