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AllCare Health Plan Gives \$300,000 to Rogue Community College for Health Occupations Programs

GRANTS PASS/MEDFORD, Ore.--AllCare Health Plan Inc. today presented Rogue Community College Foundation with a check for \$100,000 and a pledge for another \$200,000 to go toward the College's Health Occupations programs.

"AllCare Health believes we must be leaders in addressing the current health care workforce shortage," said Doug Flow, CEO of AllCare Health. AllCare Health, formerly known as Mid Rogue Independent Physicians Association, is a physician led coordinated care organization providing medical services to people in Jackson, Josephine, Curry and Douglas counties.

"Rogue Community College is attracting bright, motivated and extremely capable people hoping to make our community a better place by becoming health care professionals," Flow continued. "This grant is an investment to ensure that students from Southern Oregon can achieve their professional goals and dreams."

The \$300,000 gift to Rogue Community College (RCC) will be matched dollar for dollar as part of an \$8 million matching grant from the State of Oregon. The funds will create a sorely needed expansion of Health Occupations and aid in the construction of and/or improvements to classroom and laboratory space, equipment, and ancillary needs, and provide more students with opportunities to become trained health care professionals ready to enter the job market.

"There is a great and growing need for health care workers in Southern Oregon," said Peter Angstadt, president of RCC. "We are on a mission to get local people trained for those jobs, and we thank AllCare for joining in this mission with such generous support."



Angstadt added that growing Health Occupations will provide multiple benefits for the local economy. Judy Basker, director of the RCC Foundation agreed, saying, "There are few greater needs in the Rogue Valley than for jobs, especially in the health care field. If we are able to find donations to match the full \$8 million being offered by the State of Oregon, it's a win-win for the entire community."

To date, RCC Foundation has raised over \$2 million for the State of Oregon matching grant. To contact the RCC Foundation, call 541-956-7327 or email *RCCFoundation@roguecc.edu*.

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