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Thanks to Area Nonprofits and Businesses, Thousands Find Free Access to Essential Needs

Washington, Clark, and Multnomah Counties - July 28, 2009 -Local businesses, nonprofits, and organizations have contributed more than \$6,000 to provide their communities with the most comprehensive guide to health and social services -211info's Community Service Directory.

"Our sponsors really stepped up with generous contributions that are allowing those hit hardest by the recession to easily find the services they need at no cost," said Liesl Wendt, CEO of 211info, the nonprofit support hub for 2-1-1: a free community services helpline. "I want to give special thanks to our gold sponsors, OregonHelps! and CareOregon, for their significant impact in Oregon and Southwest Washington."

Like 2-1-1, the Directory helps people navigate the maze of community resources, with information about more than 600 agencies and 3,000 programs. It includes low- or no-cost health care, family, senior, and employment services.

For decades, 211info has published the Directory along with providing phone services for health and human service information and referral. The Directory is available to order and view at 211info.org.

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About 211info

211info, a nonprofit agency based in Portland, OR, is built on a 25-year history of providing comprehensive information and referral in the Portland-Vancouver metro region. 2-1-1 is the three digit number set aside by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in July 2000 for the sole purpose of providing health and human service information and referral (I&R). 2-1-1 is available for 78% of the United State's population through a network of over 200 nonprofit call centers. There are 4,000 resources in the agency's database, also available at www.211info.org.