

**From:** James Knight [<mailto:jimpatknight@gmail.com>] **Sent:** Sunday, March 16, 2014 6:10 PM **To:** Lara Christensen **Subject:** Oral History Project of Oregon Land Use Program

Hello Ms. Christensen:

My name is Jim Knight. The reason for contacting you is to seek your advice and assistance regarding the above project.

First, some background. I retired from the state's land use agency, the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) in 2003 after 29 years of service to the people of Oregon. After leaving the department, I've kept in touch with several of the current staff as well as some of my former colleagues.

Late last year I agreed to "rejoin" the department as a volunteer to assist the staff in carrying out an oral history of the state's land use program. This project, approved by the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) in late 2012, is a result of honoring the 40th year anniversary of the enactment of SB 100 in 1973. As you can imagine such a project is no small undertaking in view of the range and scope of the issues, politics, accomplishments, and personalities involved over the last four decades.

Not surprisingly and the reason for this email, is prompted by DLCD's budget situation, which like many agencies, is not good. This is particularly true in seeking resources to support an oral history project. To lend staff a hand, I agreed to do some "research" to see what advice, assistance and obviously, funding, might be available not only from your organization, but any other interested non-profit foundations and similar bodies you could recommend.

Specifically, the information and advice I'm seeking include the

following:

-- Any grants or gifts that might be available for our project and how to go about applying for such assistance. If you can I'd appreciate it if you can send along the name and contact information of the individual or persons I should speak with about obtaining such assistance.

-- The willingness of your organization or any others you may know about who might consider partnering with DLCD to undertake this project.

-- Recommending or referring me to any supportive individuals who you think might be interested in helping to finance this project.

-- Any other advice or suggestions you can pass along that you might think would be useful to DLCD in making this project a success.

If you need to call me about any of this, our home number is [503-581-1284](tel:503-581-1284). To send any written material via "snail mail" our address is 3826 Orchard Heights Avenue NW, Salem 97404.

Thank you for any assistance you can provide. If the question comes up, I and certainly my staff contact at DLCD, Rob Hallyburton, are more than willing to meet with your office or any others to answer questions and provide more information about the project.

Jim