

Tillamook County tourism grant programs 2015- present



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Presented by Nan Devlin, Executive Director Tillamook County implemented a 10% countywide lodging tax in 2014, subject to the 70/30 split



It was voted in because Tillamook County roads were rated worst in the state. And they needed money for repairs (30%). Based on Sustainable Tourism Principles

-People -Place -Profit To thank voters, the commissioners promised to invest the 70% back into the community

They may not have known that they were launching community-based tourism.

Two grant programs established in 2015 after one year of TLT collection

- Marketing grants for businesses and nonprofits involved in tourism (\$100,000 per year)
- Tourism-related facilities grants, as outlined in ORS 320.300, for agencies and nonprofits (varies from \$1 million to \$400,000 per year)

Reviewed, scored, approved by TCVA board of directors; managed by TCVA team

Reviewed, scored, ranked by county-appointed Tourism Advisory Committee; approved by County Commissioners; managed by TCVA team

Marketing Grants: \$1.2 million awarded to businesses & nonprofits

Websites Advertising Guidebooks/brochures Videos Social media Events Billboards Story placement Tourism Facilities Grants: \$5 million awarded to agencies and nonprofits

Parks Restrooms Venues Property improvements Trail improvements Museums Parking Plus: destination management investments

\$9.5 million

Kiwanda Corridor Project Salmonberry Trail County Fairgrounds improvements Wayfinding For more info on TCVA grants, go to tillamookcoast.com/grants

See what grants have been awarded at tillamookcoast.com/industry -Click on "financial"



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