City of Brookings

Community Profile
 County  Curry
 City    Brookings
 Population  6,450

Assignment
 Organization  City of Brookings
 Supervisor  Loree Pryce
 RARE Member  Austin Dunn

About the City of Brookings
The City of Brookings is located on the Southern Oregon Coast, just miles from the state line. Brookings is a municipal government with 51 employees, serving a population of roughly 6,500. The City functions under the Council-Manager form of government with four City Councilors and a Mayor elected by the citizens. Services provided by the City of Brookings include police, fire/rescue, street maintenance, water/sewer operations, building safety, land use planning, urban renewal and park maintenance.

Austin Dunn is placed with the City of Brookings and will help move forward an array of projects leading to improved downtown development standards, greater walking and biking network connectivity and increased public access to local beaches. Austin will develop regional mapping for tourist and recreational activities and amenities; provide input on suggested municipal code updates for improving water quality; conduct and report on research related to economic development and recreational tourism.

Meet Austin Dunn
Austin received his Bachelor of Arts in Geography and International Studies from the University of Iowa. During college, Austin volunteered for two months at the Kusamala Institute of Agriculture and Ecology in Malawi, Africa, where he helped manage their permaculture demonstration farm. After attaining his Bachelor's degree, Austin received a Young Explorers Grant from National Geographic, which he used to return to Malawi to continue and expand his work. Austin hopes that the RARE program will help him gain the skill set he needs to be a positive force in rural America. After his year with the RARE program, Austin wants to continue pursuing his chosen career path.