City of St. Helens

Community Profile

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Assignment

- **Organization**: City of St. Helens
- **Supervisor**: Jacob Graichen
- **RARE Member**: Jasmin Jordan

About the City of St. Helens

St. Helens is an incorporated city of approximately 13,000 people located along the Columbia River. It is the county seat of Columbia County and at one time rivaled Portland as the major river port town. The “main street area” generally consists of a commercial strip along a route between the Columbia River and US30 (Highway 30).

Jasmine will be working primarily with the Main Street Program. What Jasmine will be working on with the Main Street Program are sustainable funding, promotion of the district, community involvement and investment in the district, visual improvements, and economic development through coordinate and support components of the Oregon Main Street Program under the heading of Business Development. Meanwhile Jasmine will also prepare SHEDCO for a life without an AmeriCorps participant as well as with general community development.

Meet Jasmine Jordan

- B.A. in Political Science and International Studies along with a minor in International Business – University of Dayton
- People may be surprised when they learn that my love for the natural world and commitment to international communities began when I was twelve in Australia. People to People, a NGO started by Eisenhower, invited me to join a trip through Australia as a student ambassador. I took the year off my volleyball team to spend time raising the money for the trip. At the time, I had no idea that this decision would lead me to discover my life passion.
- Working in a rural village in Burkina Faso with the Peace Corps has been my most significant accomplishment. During my service, I assisted a subsistence farmers’ association improve their food security by implementing a number of ecological-friendly techniques.