

## Oregon Food Bank, Clackamas County

## **Community Profile**

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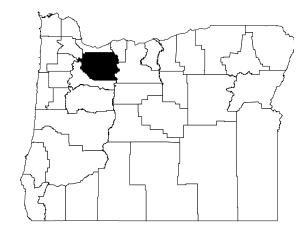
Population 159,980

## Assignment

Organization Oregon Food Bank

Supervisor Tarn Allen

RARE Member Julia Reynolds



## **About Oregon Food Bank**

Oregon Food Bank's (OFB) mission is to eliminate hunger and its root causes. Formed in 1982 as Oregon Food Share, the organization merged in 1988 with Interagency Food Bank to become Oregon Food Bank, a nonprofit, charitable organization that serves as the hub of the OFB Network, a statewide network of 20 Regional Food Banks (RFBs) – four are OFB branches – and over 900 agencies and programs serving Oregon and Clark County, WA.

Julia Reynolds is placed with Oregon Food Bank where she will conduct a comprehensive inventory of regional food systems and resources in Clackamas County. She will examine local food self-sufficiency including local retail, livable wage farming, and local farmers markets. Julia will work to form partnerships with the local farming and agricultural community as a means to increase involvement, and to increase the ability to produce and market locally grown products.





Julia received her Bachelor of Arts in International Studies and Geography from the University of Iowa. After attaining her Bachelor's degree, Julia worked for Kusamala Institute of Agriculture and Ecology in Malawi as the Community Mapping Coordinator, where she developed and ran community mapping workshops and trained Kusamala employees as community mapping facilitators. Now with the RARE program, Julia hopes to develop her leadership skills and learn how to motivate others for change through first-hand experience. Though she isn't certain about what she wants to do after her year with RARE, Julia would like to obtain a Master's degree in either Geography or Community Planning and work with others in the arena of food and environment.

