



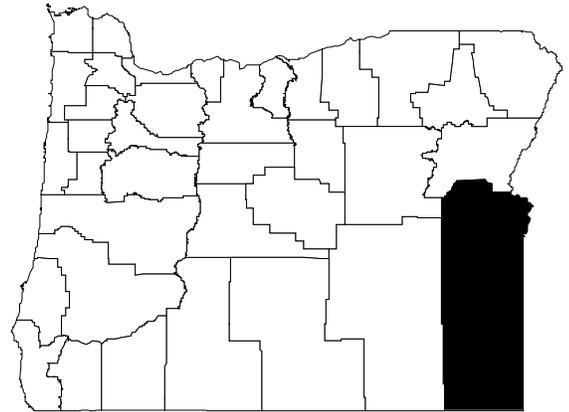
Revitalize Ontario!

Community Profile

County Malheur
 City Ontario
 Population 11,500

Assignment

Organization Revitalize Ontario!
 Supervisor Charlotte Fugate
 RARE Member Kayla Kirskey



About Revitalize Ontario!

Revitalize Ontario’s purpose is to develop and promote a healthy and prosperous downtown within the context of cultural and historic preservation. The RARE AmeriCorps member will be responsible for facilitating communication between the nonprofit organization, the city, and the public to further Revitalize Ontario’s mission of enhancing the historic downtown. This position requires a lot of in-person communication with downtown businesses, presenting at formal City Council meetings, meeting with the Chamber of Commerce regularly, and working with the City Planner and City Manager.

Kayla is tackling a number of projects including: revising zoning ordinances established in 2009 to encourage development and follow historic guidelines, developing a database of all downtown business owners and property owners, commissioning a welcome sign for the City of Ontario, planning various fundraisers, mixers, and community events, and expanding board membership and sustainability.



Meet Kayla Kirskey

- B.S. in Economics with a minor in Planning, Public Policy and Management – University of Oregon
- People may be surprised when they learn that I went sky diving for my eighteenth birthday. They wouldn’t be surprised, however, with the manner I went about doing it. My friends know me to be extremely organized. The decision to sky dive was no different than any other. As I approached my eighteenth birthday, I researched ways I could commemorate the occasion. Though I reflected upon many choices, I ultimately made my mind up to sky dive. It was something not a lot of my friends had done, and I knew it would scare me. After making my decision, I looked into prices, locations near me, and the logistics involved in the activity. Once I decided upon the adventure company, I booked my jump and waited patiently for my birthday.