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Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation Awards Grant to The Arc Lane County

*Foundation to award \$15,000 to Arc Park during awards ceremony at
Seven Feathers Hotel and Casino Resort Convention Center*

EUGENE, Oregon, June 30, 2023 – The Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation today announced it will award \$15,000 to The Arc Lane County to purchase additional turf for the Arc Park.

Designed for children and youth of all ages and all abilities, the Arc Park is an accessible and inclusive park under construction now in Springfield. The award from the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians will be used to purchase the accessible turf for the second phase of the Arc Park, which includes the community village and a toddler play area.

“We are thrilled to be the recipient of this generous award from the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation,” said Pam Ring, executive director of The Arc Lane County. “The Foundation supports healthy youth development, and we believe the Arc Park will be a welcoming space that will enhance the physical, mental and social emotional well-being of all children.”

The first phase of the park, which includes the Comcast Amphitheater, accessible restrooms and sensory wall, opened last summer. Construction on the next phase of the park will start this summer.

The Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians was founded in 1997 and began its philanthropic efforts in 1998. In their most recent round of giving, the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians awarded \$649,930 to 61 non-profit organizations in Coos, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lane Counties.

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About The Arc Lane County: The Arc Lane County, a grassroots nonprofit, provides services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families living in Lane County. The mission of The Arc is to advocate to enhance the dignity, expand the opportunities and protect the rights of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. The Arc envisions a world in which all persons have the support they need for personal development, independence, and interdependence with family and friends, and inclusion in the community. The Arc Lane County is currently spearheading a \$2.5 million capital campaign to build an accessible and inclusive park in Lane County called the Arc Park. Visit: www.thearclane.org to learn more.

Editor's Note: The Arc is not an acronym; always refer to us as The Arc, not The ARC and never ARC. The Arc should be considered as a title or a phrase.

About the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation: The Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians was founded in 1997 and began its philanthropic efforts in 1998. The mission of the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians is to help in youth education, strengthen youth and family, provide for positive youth development, and add to the quality of life for people in southwestern Oregon. The Foundation has put increasing emphasis upon basic needs so more hungry people get fed. To date, the Foundation has awarded \$21,539,146 to non-profits in seven southwestern Oregon counties. To learn more about the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians, visit www.cowcreekfoundation.org.