

Orcas Senior Center Nonprofit

2018 Annual Report/Appeal

Age Well on Orcas

Make a wish and plant a seed for the future.



Help us build a future where we can all age well on Orcas.



In 2018, the Orcas Senior Center Nonprofit (OSC) embarked on a journey of growth built on the voice of the community in result of our Aging in Place survey and needs assessment conducted in 2017-18. We listened and our programs have responded! With your support, we have launched new initiatives like **Senior Preparedness** informational events and kits geared to islanders, the **RX Assist** program has saved islanders a combined \$25,000+ so far this year, a **Tech Committee** is planning our first access and learning offerings, our Tues/Thurs **Coffee**

Shop is in full swing, and **Meetings of the Minds** lecture series will begin in November 2018. We are in the planning stages of new programs like a Home Maintenance needs assessment and offering a Phone Pals addition to Hearts and Hands. We have recently hired a new program and activities coordinator and are just getting started!

For 2019, in an effort to continue programs geared towards islanders needs, we are asking that you **INCLUDE A WISH ON THE ENCLOSED CARD WITH YOUR APPEAL ENVELOPE TO HELP US PLANT SEEDS FOR THE OSC'S FUTURE.**



ABOUT US

Did you know our organization started as a grassroots movement in the mid 1970's?

Our membership reached over 600 islanders in 2018 and we are growing! The OSC Nonprofit is supported by the Orcas Operations Committee, a strong and creative staff team, and an amazing team of volunteers. Visit our website to learn more (www.orcasseniors.org).

LET'S START A CONVERSATION!

A Note from Hearts & Hands Director, Tom Eversole

Aging on the Salish Sea

There is a myth that seniors on Orcas Island are well off and can access services they need through private or public resources. My observations as Director of the Hearts and Hands program since November 2017 are different, and the need for support services for elders is growing. By 2020, more than half of islanders will be 55 or older, according to the State of Washington's Forecasting Division. Many elders cannot age safely at home here. Their home maintenance has been deferred for years. Home maintenance and repair emerged as a critical need in the 2017-18 needs assessment conducted by the OSC. We are undertaking efforts to establish a collaborative, affordable community response.

Keep a watch out for more from Tom in the local papers!



HOW IS OUR BUILDING UTILIZED?

As we all grow and expand our offerings, we are creatively looking for more space! The OSC nonprofit owns 51% of the Senior Center building with a kitchen to house the nutrition program, foot care, all other nonprofit programs/events, and staff, committee, and volunteers. San Juan County (SJC) owns 49% of the building for offices that house county programs on Orcas for Senior Services, Public Health/WIC, Immunizations, Family & Children, Juvenile Court, Building Permits, environmental programs, and more.

Our Vision for the Future...

In 2018, the Orcas Senior Center Nonprofit (OSC) Operations Committee produced an updated mission and vision during their annual strategic planning session lead by an OICF consultant.

OSC MISSION STATEMENT

Orcas Senior Center (OSC), Orcas District of the Senior Services Council of San Juan County 501(c)3, engages the community to provide services, advocacy, and support needed so that people live and age well on Orcas Island.

OSC VISION STATEMENT

In 2025, we envision OSC serving as a community convener and leader in assisting people to age well on Orcas by promoting prolonged independence and improved quality of life. Its governance is clear and direct: policies and procedures are in place, fostering clarity and accountability. Members of the OSC Board of Directors possess the range of expertise, talent and skills necessary to set effective policy and establish committees to achieve the organization's strategic goals. It is a "working board" that engages volunteers, employees and sponsors.

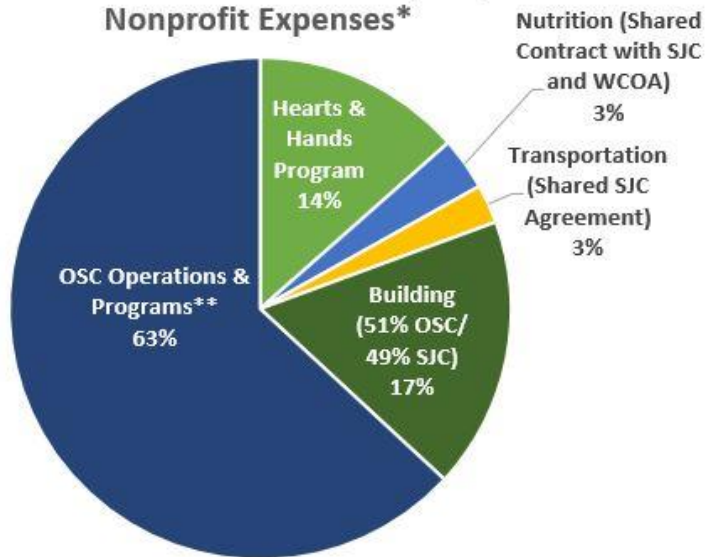
OSC recruits, retains and remunerates employees who effectively implement service programs responsive to the community's needs. Services, activities and events are innovative, effective and dynamic, capitalizing on intergenerational community involvement. The Senior Center is housed in a facility that is conducive to achieving its mission and effectively meeting its business needs, serving as a physical and technological hub for activities that engage seniors and people with disabilities in the daily social life of the community. It provides adequate space for staff to work, members to gather, and partner organizations to operate while forming a network of "living and aging well services". The Center conducts outreach through satellite facilities or sub-groups in hamlets across Orcas as needed.

Success of the organization is supported by robust infrastructure, which in addition to the building itself, includes up-to-date information technology (IT), telecommunications, entertainment, education and business capacity for members and employees. With partners, it meets the transportation and nutritional needs of seniors and those with disabilities. Business systems, accounting, records and audits are current and efficient. Intellectual property is protected and preserved.

The OSC has established a well-known and respected "brand." Community opinion and support of the organization is positive and strong. The organization presents ongoing and effective outreach and communications in an effort to inform members and the broader community about needs and resources, so they are well connected and utilized. It is successful in sustaining financial support that will assure an upbeat, contemporary and effective organization to serve Orcas elders and the next generation to come.



2018 Orcas Senior Center (OSC) Nonprofit Expenses*



* Above percentages of 2018 OSC expenses totaling \$200,100.00 (projected Nov-Dec)

**Includes workshops, exercise & art classes, support groups, events, payroll, general office expenses

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

San Juan Nutrition Project (Meals on Wheels and More), Senior Transportation programs, Senior Activities to stay Healthy and Independent (foot care, health screening clinics, exercise classes), Hearts & Hands Companionship, Senior On/Off-island Trips, Senior Support Groups (loss/grief, care giving), Mobility Equipment storage (contract with Lion's Nonprofit), Mutigenerational Community Events, Senior Social Events, and new initiatives such as Tech Access/Learning, Rx Assist (Pharmaceutical Discounts), and Senior Preparedness.

Your Donations keep us THRIVING!

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OSC HERITAGE DONORS

Pledge an annual gift of:

Bronze: \$ 500/yr.

Silver: \$ 1,000/yr.

Gold: \$ 5,000/yr.

Platinum: \$ 10,000/yr

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