

SELCO Pledges \$15,000 To "Expanding The Vision"™ Capital Campaign for St. Charles Foundation

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The St. Charles Foundation today announced that it has received a \$15,000 capital campaign pledge from SELCO Community Credit Union. "As an organization celebrating its 70th year of serving members, SELCO understands the power of long-term thinking and creating a bold vision for the future. Clearly, so does St. Charles," said Ava Milosevich, President and CEO of SELCO Community Credit Union. "We look forward to seeing the benefits that their work and this donation will have for the community in the years to come."

Mike Stanley, Manager of both Bend Oregon branches of SELCO Community Credit Union, focused on the importance of family in addressing this gift to the community capital campaign. "As a member-owned financial cooperative, we learned long ago that strong, healthy families are the key to a thriving community," said Stanley. "We are proud to partner with St. Charles to ensure that the families in our service areas are not only financially stable, but have their healthcare needs addressed too."

SELCO Community Credit Union was established in 1936 and is headquartered in Eugene, Oregon. With a network of 11 branch offices located throughout western and central Oregon, SELCO provides services to more than 80,000 credit union members locally and worldwide through its advanced network of ATMs, internet banking services, and telephone access. SELCO opened its first branch in Bend in fall of 2000 at 501 NE Bellevue Drive, and has just opened a second branch in the Old Mill District, at 88 Scalehouse Loop in Bend. A Redmond branch is planned for early 2007.

"SELCO Community Credit Union shares our vision for a growing, vibrant region," said Cascade Healthcare Community CEO Jim Diegel. "We welcome their support, and appreciate their interest in helping to build a healthy Central Oregon. Our ability to continue to meet the healthcare needs of our region is dependent upon the support of organizations such as SELCO Community Credit Union -- those who recognize that the health of our community is everyone's business."

The “Expanding the Vision” capital campaign for Cascade Healthcare Community will help support a record \$128 million investment in facilities, technology and equipment at St. Charles Medical Centers in Bend and Redmond to help keep pace with exploding growth in the region. In Redmond, projects include a three-story expansion that will include private patient rooms, enhanced surgical facilities, expanded public areas and room for future expansion to meet the needs of continued growth. Projects in Bend include an expanded emergency department, a new medical diagnostics unit, additional inpatient beds, a new power and utilities plant, a new helicopter for Air Life of Oregon and an expanded Family Birthing Center and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). The investment is also paying for the electronic medical records system in Bend and Redmond, helping to reduce the risk of medical errors, improve patient care and increase efficiency.

To make a pledge to the “Expanding the Vision” capital campaign, contact the St. Charles Foundation at (541) 383-6996 or visit www.scmc.org/foundation.

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