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## **Pacific Power Foundation supports area child care networks**

Redmond, Ore. – The Pacific Power Foundation has awarded a \$1,000 grant to NeighborImpact in support of The Bend and Redmond Child Care Networks. This grant was in turn matched by \$1,000 from the Deschutes County Children and Families Commission.

The Bend and Redmond Child Care Networks are organized groups of child care providers who work together to improve the quality of care, strengthen their businesses and meet the needs of employers/employees. They strive to provide children the early education and support needed to be ready to enter school. This program, initially funded by the Oregon Community Foundation, is now funded in part by Deschutes County CFC.

“We very much appreciate this generous donation to support child care resources’ work in building and sustaining Child Care Provider Networks,” said Betty Shuler, early care and education director. “We are also grateful that Deschutes County CFC will match these funds, increasing the grant by 100 percent.”

“This is a great opportunity to continue our support of NeighborImpact and its programs,” said Angela Jacobson, regional community manager, Pacific Power. “Investing in the education of our community’s young children is vital to the success of our region and the Pacific Power Foundation is excited to play a role in supporting that important mission.”

Pacific Power Foundation and Deschutes County CFC Funds will be used to pay for staffing, child care provider training and environmental assessments.

**About Pacific Power Foundation:** The Pacific Power Foundation is part of the PacifiCorp Foundation, one of the largest utility-endowed foundations in the United States. The foundation was created in 1988 by PacifiCorp, an electric utility serving 1.7 million customers in six Western states as Pacific Power (Oregon, Washington and California) and Rocky Mountain Power (Utah, Wyoming and Idaho). The foundation’s mission, through charitable investments, is to support the growth and vitality of the communities served by Pacific Power and Rocky Mountain Power. For more information, visit [www.pacificpower.net/ppfoundation](http://www.pacificpower.net/ppfoundation).

**About Deschutes County Children and Families Commission (CCF):** The Deschutes County Children and Families Commission began in 1994. The commission promotes local responsibility for the health of our communities, our children and families. For more information, visit [www.deschutes.org/cfc](http://www.deschutes.org/cfc).

**About NeighborImpact:** NeighborImpact is dedicated to empowering individuals and families to succeed and become engaged citizens in the community. Founded in 1985, NeighborImpact is a private not for profit organization which serves all of Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties. NeighborImpact provides a diversity of services that not only meet basic human needs for food and shelter, but also enrich people’s lives by providing access to increased education, skills and hope for the future. To learn more about NeighborImpact, its mission, programs and the Board of Directors please visit [www.neighborimpact.org](http://www.neighborimpact.org).

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Pictured left to right

Denise Hudson, Child Care Resources Provider Project Coordinator, NeighborImpact

Angela Jacobson, Regional Community Manager, Pacific Power

Betty Shuler, Early Care and Education Director, NeighborImpact