OREGON
WORKER RELIEF

Recognition of Original Languages (RIO) Report | July 2026

More than 100 community partners have come together to create the Oregon Worker Relief, a rapid community-based system that provides temporary financial support, through programs like the Recognition of Original Languages Fund (RIO Fund). The RIO Fund supports individuals who provide interpretation services of languages spoken by small ethnic minority groups or languages spoken by indigenous groups.

Amount Disbursed

$151,580

RIO has delivered over **One Hundred and Fifty Thousand** in disaster relief to interpreters of indigenous or limited diffusion languages.

$1,458

Average aid disbursed to the interpreter community members, who provided interpretation services to an Oregonian who speaks an indigenous or limited diffusion.

Number of Recipients Who Received Aid

104 Applications

Have been approved since the opening of the RIO fund in June 2024.

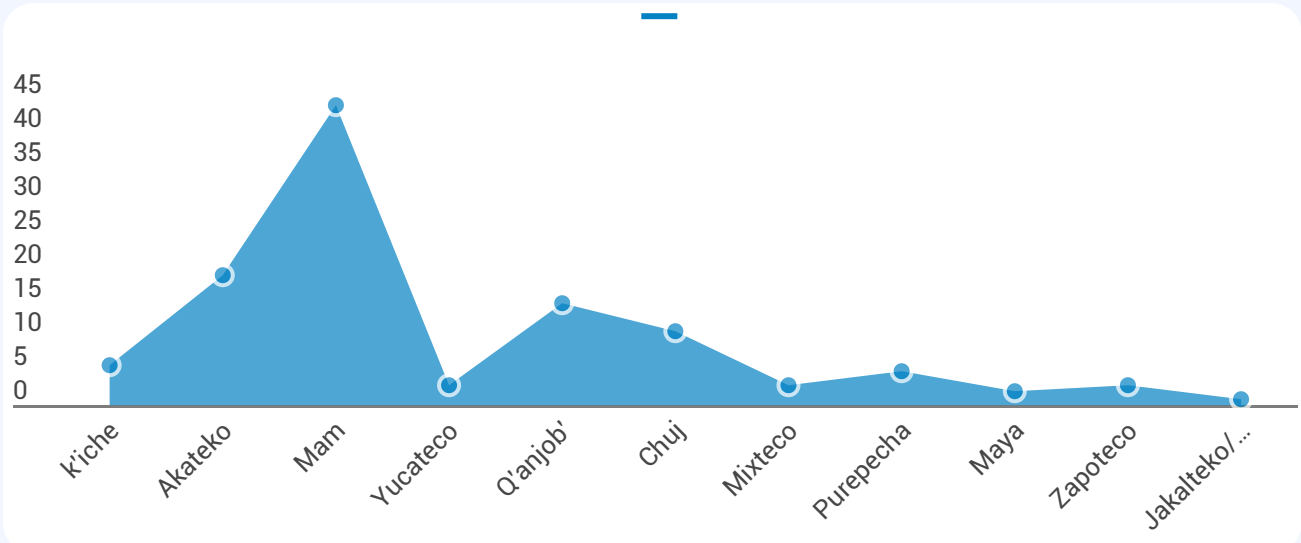
75% Approval Rate

Over 70% of applications receive aid through RIO.

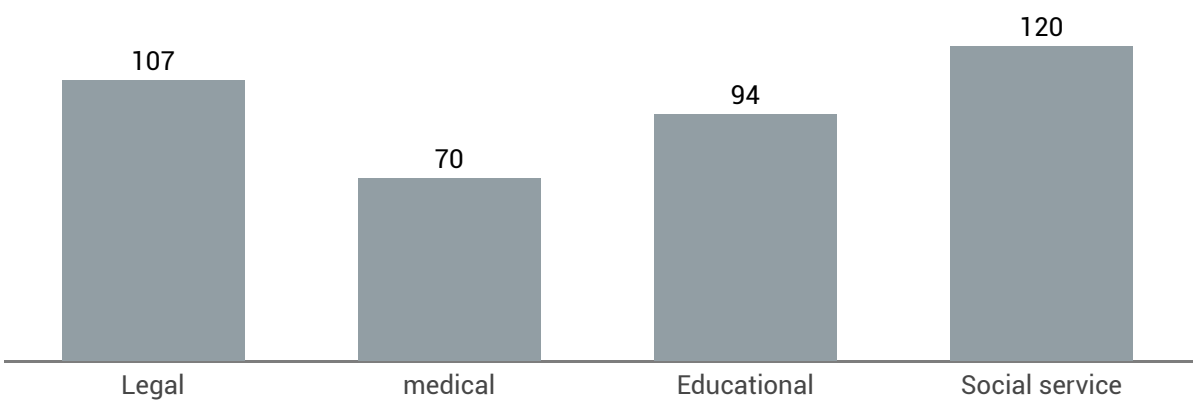
Financial Relief Disbursed Throughout Oregon

OWR's presence in Oregon is significant. RIO has provided financial relief in 8 of 36 Oregon counties since RIO opening.

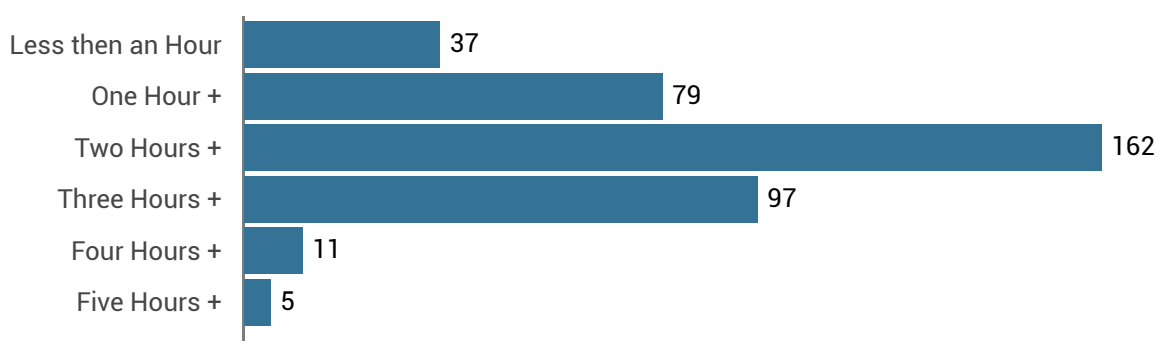
RIO Recipients' Interpretation Languages



Interpretation Services Provided by RIO Fund Recipients



Interpreting Time for RIO Recipients



Community-Based Organizations

25

Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) conduct statewide community outreach.

Community Navigators

150+

Community Navigators assist program-eligible Oregonians through the OWRF application process.

Digital Inclusion

100%

Payments that were instantly delivered by mobile phone. Our **Digital Inclusion Principle** seeks to build skills for a post-pandemic civic space.

Oregon Worker Relief provides an opportunity for institutional philanthropy and individual donors, large and small, to support immigrant Oregon workers and ensure our collective prosperity.

Oregon is defined and enriched by diverse experiences, cultures, and traditions that connect neighborhoods to statehood.

To find out more information, please visit workerrelief.org!

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