

Service Providers and Regional Connections (SPARC)

A Comprehensive Framework to End Homelessness

How We Operate Together

Principles of Partnership

The SPARC Network is built on the understanding that **autonomy strengthens collaboration**. Each partner operates independently while working together to align resources, advocate for one another, and leverage regional funding to achieve shared goals.

1. Mutual Respect for Autonomy

- Every partner retains full control over their operations, programs, and decision-making.
- Participation in the network enhances, rather than replaces, individual missions and goals.

2. Shared Vision with Local Leadership

- A unified commitment to addressing homelessness and housing insecurity across Coos and Curry Counties.
- Local leadership and community context guide solutions to ensure they are relevant and effective.

3. Resource Alignment Without Overreach

- Partners collaborate to align resources and maximize efficiency, without dictating how resources are managed within each organization.
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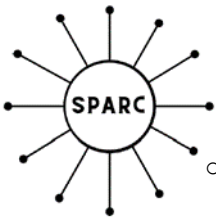
How We Work Together

1. Advocacy and Resource Mobilization

- The SPARC Network amplifies partner voices, collectively advocating for policies, grants, and funding that benefit all.
- Partners leverage the network to access state and federal resources, sharing strategies to strengthen regional applications.

2. Regional Coordination with Local Impact

- Partners come together to identify shared goals and regional gaps.



- Collaborative projects focus on filling these gaps while respecting the unique strengths and priorities of each partner.

3. **Cross-Support and Amplification**

- Partners promote each other's work, building a regional ecosystem where successes are shared and scaled.
- Advocacy efforts highlight collective impact while preserving the distinct identities of each organization.

4. **Flexible Collaboration**

- Partners opt into projects and initiatives that align with their mission and capacity.
- No organization is obligated to participate in projects that don't directly serve their goals or community.

Governance Framework

The SPARC Network Board provides a platform for **shared leadership** and strategic alignment, while respecting partner autonomy.

1. **Representation on the Board**

- Each partner has an equal seat at the table.
- Decisions are guided by consensus, ensuring alignment with the values and priorities of all members.

2. **Role of the Board**

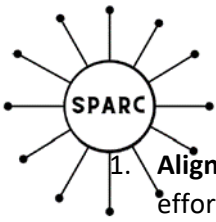
- **Facilitate Collaboration:** Identify opportunities for shared projects and funding applications.
- **Advocate Regionally:** Represent the network in state and federal discussions to bring resources to the South Coast.
- **Monitor Progress:** Track regional outcomes without interfering in partner operations.

3. **Flexible Participation**

- Partners choose their level of involvement in initiatives, ensuring their autonomy is respected.

What Joining SPARC Means

As a SPARC partner, you commit to:



1. **Align Resources:** Identify opportunities to complement each other's work without duplicating efforts.
 2. **Advocate Together:** Use collective impact to strengthen regional funding and policy support.
 3. **Leverage Collaboration:** Share best practices and connect with other partners to amplify your mission.
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Example Collaboration

1. **Housing Development:** A local housing authority leads a project, while healthcare partners provide on-site services. Other partners advocate for funding and community support.
 2. **Mobile Services:** A nonprofit launches a mobile outreach unit, supported by SPARC partners sharing data and resources to reach rural residents.
 3. **Advocacy:** The Board develops a regional funding request, with each partner tailoring their piece to reflect local priorities.
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Why Partner with SPARC?

- **Retain Your Independence:** Your work, your goals—SPARC supports rather than directs your efforts.
- **Amplify Your Impact:** Collaborate on regional projects while keeping control of your resources.
- **Strengthen Advocacy:** Leverage collective power to secure funding and policy wins.
- **Build Regional Resilience:** Align with partners to create a more coordinated and effective system of care.