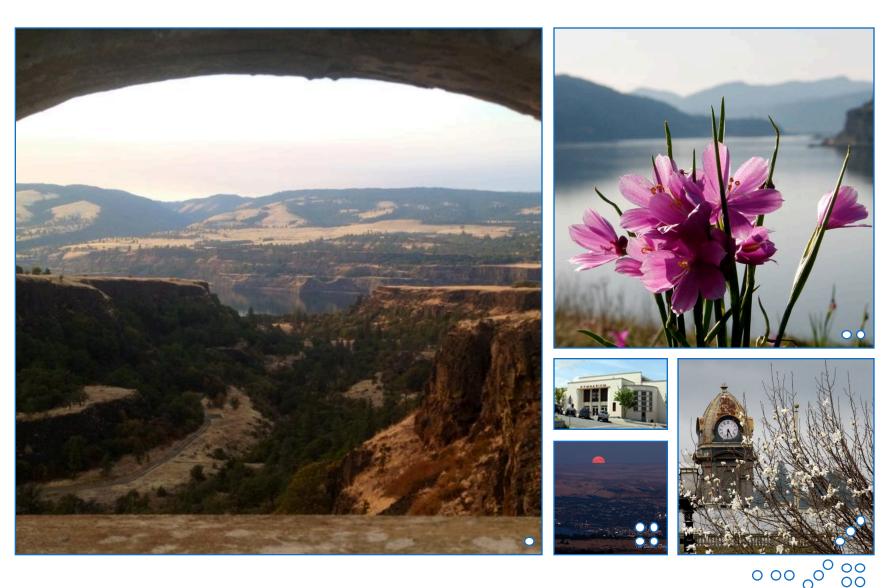
# Creating Sanctuary In the Columbia Gorge



# Fast Forward to 2008-2010

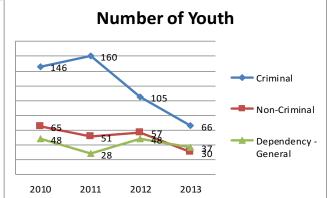
- North Wasco County School District in The Dalles, OR received a federal Safe Schools Healthy Students grant to address poor social outcomes among youth ages 0-18 and their families.
- By 2010, 2 years into the grant. Our data was going in the wrong direction. We knew we needed to do something drastically different.
- We began to ask "WHAT IS WRONG" and that question soon changed to understanding "WHAT HAS HAPPENED"



## **QUICK WINS**

#### Data: 2010

- 27% of middle school students reported being in a fight on school property
- 26% of middle school students and 34% of high school students reported having at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during the previous 30 days.
- 10% of middle school students and 24% of high school students reported using marijuana one or more times during the previous 30 days.



### Data: 2013

- 14% of middle school students reported being in a fight on school property
- 14% of middle school students and 22% of high school students reported having at least one drink of alcohol on one or more days during the previous 30 days
- 8% of middle school students and 14% of high school students reported using marijuana one or more times during the previous 30 days.
- ZERO Juvenile Arrests during Spring Break 2013.
- Total number of office discipline referrals reached its lowest point in 4 years. Dramatic drop of over 700 referrals.

# Long Term Anecdotal Changes

#### **2010 REFLECTIONS:**

- Culture of mistrust among community partners
- Multiple 911 calls from MS/HS every week (day)
- "The Dirty"—lack of community identity
- Public Unrest

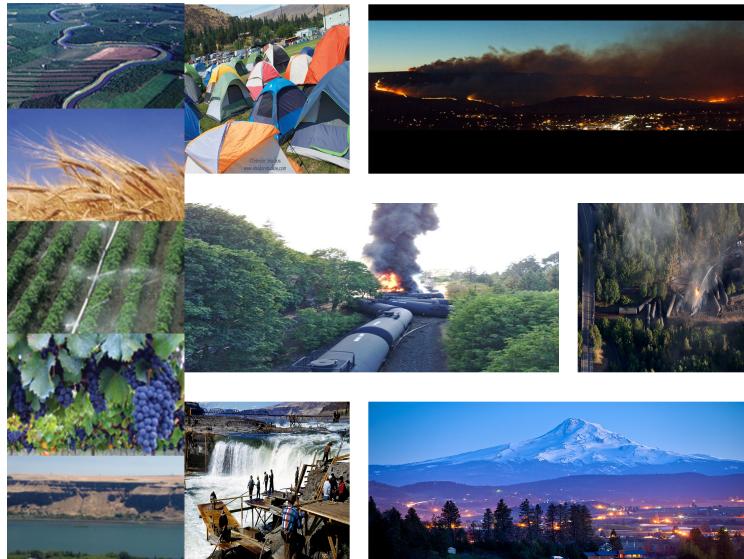
#### **Current REALITIES:**

- Trained over 20% of the population in Trauma Theory
- Widespread cross sector adoption of Trauma Informed Care and Trauma Responsive Programming
- 2016 awardee of the RWJF Culture of Prize for Collective Impact and ability to build collaborative partnerships to enhance community health.
- Consortium for Trauma Informed Care (MARC Awardee)



### HOW DOES ANY OF THIS RELATE TO CLIMATE CHANGE??

- Salmon populations in Columbia River system are down more than 90%
- Agricultural region with over 1.7 million acres dependent on irrigation
- Community response to wildfire
- Transportation related ecological disasters
- Threat of earthquakes or eruptions



## What Steps Did We Take

- 1. Recognize the Problem
- 2. Develop a Common Goal
- 3. Engage Stakeholders
- 4. Adopt a Common Model
- 5. Implement the Model
- 6. Evaluate & Reassess
- 7. Expand Efforts

# 1. Continued Poor Outcomes for Kids & Families

- 2. "Rescript the Future in our Community"
- 3. Community Partner Organizations
- 4. Sanctuary Model
- 5. Mental Health Prevention & Promotion & MARC Grants





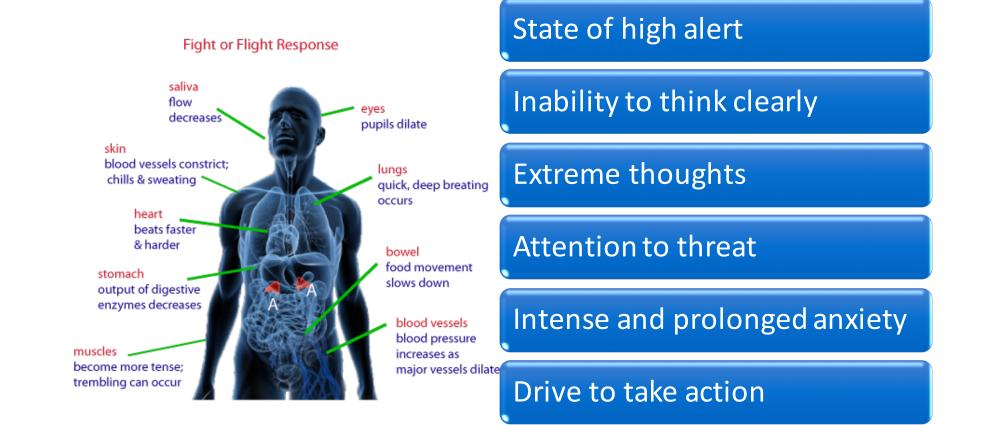
### What is Sanctuary TRAUMA SANCTUARY THEORY TOOLKIT SANCTUARY S.E.L.F COMMITMENTS

## WHAT DO WE MEAN BY TRAUMA?

"Traumatization occurs when both internal and external resources are inadequate to cope with the external threat." Van der Kolk

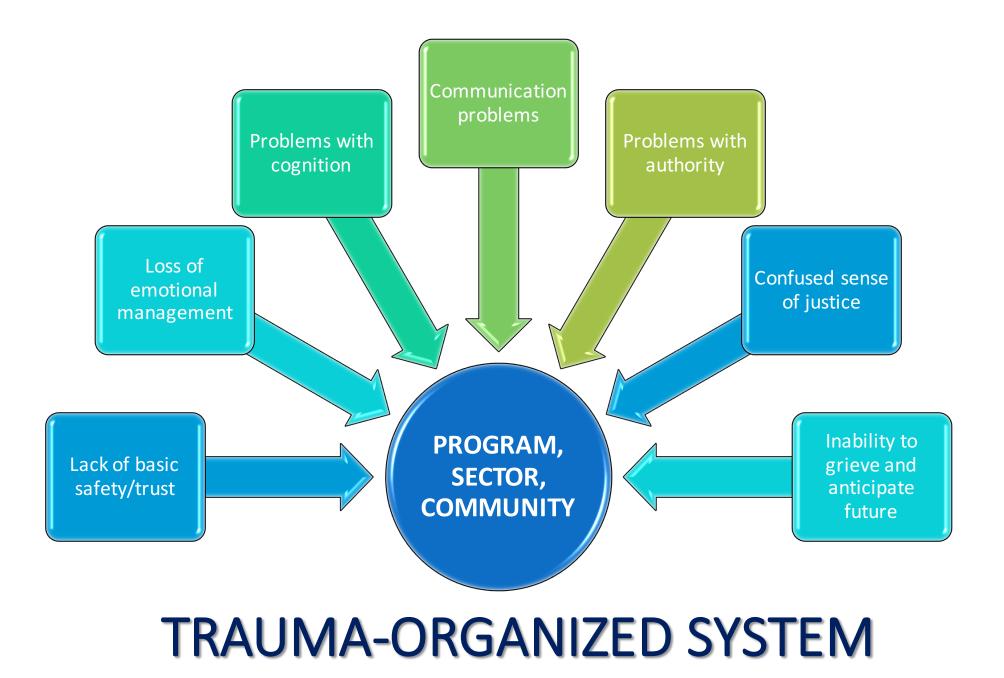


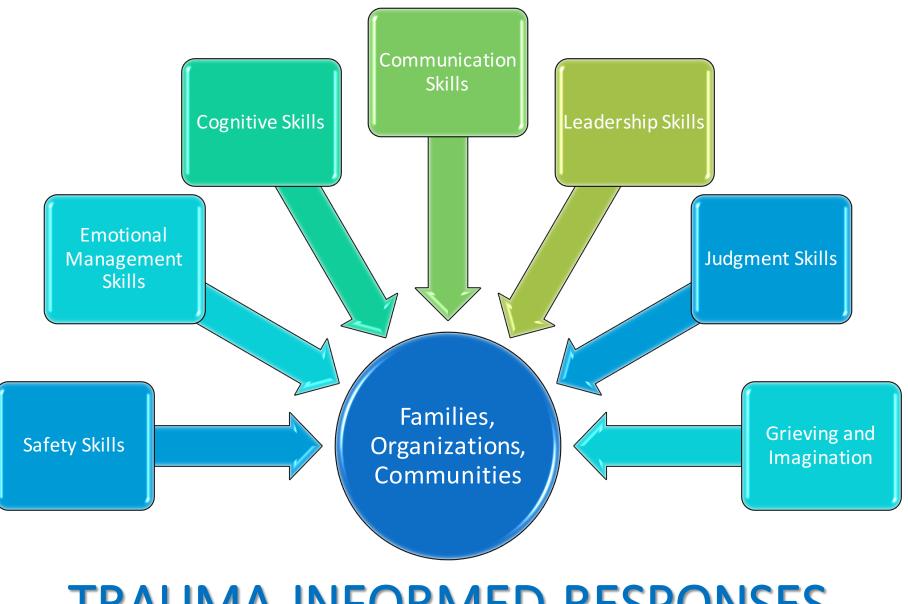
## HUMAN STRESS RESPONSE



## PARALLEL SYMPTOMS







### **TRAUMA-INFORMED RESPONSES**

