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2020-2021 IMPACT REPORT





Dear Friends.

In our rural communities in Oregon, we like to be self-reliant, but if we are completely honest with ourselves, from time to time we all need a little help. If you are looking at your bank balance and are going to come up short by the end of the month, where would you go to get help paying the rent? Your family? Your church? What if you had nowhere to go or have been turned away wherever you go? For 30 years there has

> always been a place you can go where you will be greeted with a smile and treated with respect when you need a hand up. That place is Community Action Resource Enterprises (CARE), Inc.

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Like so many of us, over these past 30 years there have been good times and some not so good times for CARE. Despite the circumstances, however, CARE remains dedicated to finding a way to bring the community together to support those in need. This is what CARE did when it brought the first homeless shelter to Tillamook County in 1985, when it was operating as the regional extension of Community Action Team. This is what CARE did when it took over the Tillamook Regional Food Bank for a time and started a community garden program that would eventually become Food Roots. This is what CARE did when it helped build 60 affordable

housing units at Holden Creek Village. And this is what CARE continues to do today through its COVID-19 relief fund.

In the following pages some of you might be hearing about these programs for the first time. Some of you may be quite familiar with them but are just now hearing about their historic connection to CARE. What I think we will all come to know through these pages is that CARE is a dynamic organization, constantly evolving to meet the changing needs and novel circumstances of this community we all love so much.

This report is a testament to CARE's past and to you who make this all possible through your support. But this is not just about the past, but about the future of CARE and Tillamook County. The challenges facing our community today - from the COVID-19



pandemic to the housing crisis - demand strong, impassioned leadership and a firm dedication to results. This is the hallmark of CARE, its staff, and the community it serves. I hope that you will join me in continuing your support for CARE so that the community you love will have this valuable resource for another 30 years.

> **Betsy Johnson** Oregon State Senator



### **EMPOWERED BY CARE**

"I always dreamed I would work in a field where I could help people," reflects Diana, CARE's Veteran's Services Case Manager.

"And so, I was in shock when I received the call with an offer to come work at CARE."

Diana's journey to working at CARE was neither easy nor direct. She was first introduced to CARE in 2006, but for a very different reason. "I came to CARE for assistance with my electric bill. We had recently moved to Bay City and had fallen on hard times. Being new to the area we had no idea where to turn. That is, until I was referred to CARE by a nice lady at Tillamook PUD. I never needed this type of help before and so I had to battle a tremendous amount of anxiety about going to CARE to the point where I was sure I'd be denied before I even asked.

"When I finally mustered the mental strength to go to CARE there was a big line, which was very intimidating to me at that time. When my turn came to be helped, the lady who assisted me was amazing! She seemingly knew all the right things to say to get me to really open up about what I needed. She helped me feel unashamed to be asking and receiving assistance. She was very inspiring!"

CARE was able to help Diana with her PUD bill, empowering her to remain in Tillamook County and build her life in this community. Emboldened by a newfound sense of stability and security, Diana began the hard work of building a life for herself in our community. "I decided



social services is where my passion really belonged. I always dreamed I would work in a field where I could help people, much like I was helped all those years ago."

Unfortunately, graduating from Western Oregon University right before the pandemic hit, the job prospects Diana felt she was sure to find all but dried up. She feared the worst.

"My self-esteem had taken such a beating from all the 'Thanks, but No Thanks' responses from job applications. I felt defeated and wanted to give up...but then I received an email from Faye Newcomb at CARE, letting me know I was referred to CARE for a position that was open in Case Management. The irony is that John Sandusky, CARE's first Executive Director and my college History professor, was instrumental in helping me stay in college when the going got unbearable. It is funny how life interconnects people."

Diana is a testament to CARE's mission of empowering people as she now works to advance that mission by creating a healthier and more resilient community in Tillamook County through her work with our local veterans.

# 30 YEARS OF FINDING A WAY

"Ijustkeptsayingit'snotimpossible, therehastobeaway...that'swhatwedoat

CARE, we find a way. There's always a way," muses Erin Skaar, CARE's

second Executive Director, as she sits in the shadows Holden Creek

Village, Tillamook County's new, 60-unit affordable housing apartment building. "Within my first six months at CAREI was told that we will not be building any affordable housing in Tillamook County, and I was given a litany of reasons why.

So, when I look back at what I was a part of at CARE, I am super proud of [Holden Creek] because it was never supposed to be possible. I was told it was not supposed to be here."

'It's not impossible, there has to be a way' is a belief Erin shares with the other two Executive Directors who have led CARE over its three decades serving Tillamook County. Or, to put it another way, "I always like to see if there is something we can do to fix trouble," observes John Sandusky, CARE's founding Executive Director reflecting on his own time at CARE.

John was referring to CARE's support of Nestucca Valley Early Learning Center, which was known at the time as Cedar Creek Child Care, but he could easily have been referring to countless projects CARE took up and handed off over the last 30 years.



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CARE's Original Logo



**John Sandusky** CARE Executive Director Founding Member 1991 – 2008



**Erin Skaar** CARE Executive Director 2008 – 2020



During that time CARE not only contributed to Nestucca Valley Early Learning Center but to Tillamook Early Learning Center and Tillamook Head Start as well. They stepped in to manage the regional food bank before Oregon Food Bank returned to operate the program. They adopted the Healthy Families program from the hospital, opened two Assisted Living Facilities, operated a homeless shelter for a time, and also started a community garden program that begat the organization Food Roots.



This is just to name a few projects in our community that CARE has touched over the years. The forerunner to what would become CARE came to Tillamook County in 1985 when Community Action Team in St. Helens received the funds to expand their services into neighboring counties. John was hired that year to supervise the shelter that was started to address the growing homeless crisis in Tillamook County. As services continued to grow, the local advisory board decided to incorporate as an independent nonprofit organization in 1991, and so CARE was officially born 30 years ago.

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As CARE looks ahead to the next 30 years, "We will always be an organization that believes nothing is impossible and that by bringing the right people together, we can always find a way to solve the biggest challenges facing our community", asserts Peter Starkey, CARE's third and current Executive Director.

"When John was told that you could not have a homeless shelter in Tillamook County, CARE found a way. When Erin was told that you could not have an affordable housing development, CARE found a way. Today, COVID-19 has racked our community. We are in the midst of a housing catastrophe. A lot of people are struggling. But I know that we will find a way.

Thanks to the strong foundation built by Erin and John, the CARE Board of Directors, and not least of all our caring and talented staff, nothing is impossible for our community in Tillamook County!"





**Peter Starkey**CARE Executive Director
2020 – Current



#### CARE's New Logo - 2021

Inspired by the ASL sign for community and stakeholder feedback that CARE is a guiding light, this new logo was designed in collaboration with students from the Oregon State University College of Business.



# "GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN THE MICRO SHELTERS..."

Sitting on the phone from his micro shelter unit on the campus of the Tillamook Adventist Church, Vernon exclaims, "This is like a new beginning for me. Up until now, everything has been a constant struggle, but now I am looking forward to enjoying life. I am getting my life back!"

Vernon moved into the micro shelter village in July 2021. Now he is on the verge of having his very own apartment, the first permanent housing that will be all his in 25 years.

Originally from Lane County, Oregon, Vernon moved around a bit between Oregon, Washington and California, but Lane County was always home. When his mom got sick with cancer, he moved back in with her to be her caretaker. When she died in 1996, he found himself with nowhere to go.

He started living with friends, bouncing from one house to the next. When he could not find a place to stay, he would simply sleep in his car. Eventually he came to Tillamook to live with some friends, but what he found was more of the same. Then a glimmer of hope finally emerged.

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**Vernon found CARE through the Project Homeless Connect event.** There he was introduced to Michele Wayne, who would become his housing case manager at CARE. Vernon would continue to struggle for the next few years, searching for but not finding stable housing. Then in July, Michele called Vernon to offer him a spot in one of CARE's new micro shelters.

CARE uses the Coordinated Entry System to track and monitor its housing programs and clients. When Vernon met the requirements for a micro shelter and space became available, this Coordinate Entry System alerted his Case Manager so he could be pulled from the list and offered housing. This is how all families find housing through CARE.

"Good things are happening in the micro shelters," explains Vernon. "I meet with Michele every week to work toward my goals. In the micro shelter, I can calm down and relax for a minute. I can focus on what I need to do to achieve my goals. This program is giving me a sense of security. It is giving me a secured outlook on life."









### SHELTER HISTORY

The only reason CARE is here today is because of a homeless shelter.

In 1985, when Community Action Team first came to Tillamook County, the outcry was for a solution to the homelessness crisis in the county. The first step was to open a homeless shelter, which came to be known as 'the C.A.T. House.'

Rebranded as 'the CARE House' after 1991, the shelter was housed in different locations around Tillamook, and eventually closed in the early 2000s, but remains a constant reminder that shelter and serving those experiencing homelessness is core to CARE's history and identity.





#### MICRO SHELTERS

In 2021 CARE welcomed its first guest into its new micro-shelter village on the campus of Tillamook Adventist Church. A project three years in the making, this was CARE's first foray into providing sustained shelter for those experiencing homelessness since closing the CARE House. The micro-shelter project is designed for clients who are housing ready but are unable to secure stable housing.

The micro-shelters provide safe, clean, secure shelter in a community environment where residents meet with a housing case manager weekly as they work toward securing permanent housing solutions. The units each come with a heater, microwave oven, a small refrigerator and two small platform beds, allowing a parent and child or a couple to stay together. This is a pilot project that CARE hopes can be reproduced throughout the county.



#### WARMING CENTER

Cold temperatures, extreme wind speeds and severe rains can make our beautiful environment on the Tillamook Coast a lethal one for those experiencing homelessness. Believing that no one should perish due to exposure, CARE founded a low-barrier winter shelter, the Tillamook Warming Center, based on the model used by the American Red Cross.

Partnering with a local church to provide a safe space to spend the night during extreme weather the Warming Center opened in the winter of 2011/2012. Since then, the shelter has been open every winter thanks to the support of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, First Christian Church and our many volunteers.

When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, CARE didn't miss a beat, partnering with the Western Royal Inn to provide individual rooms to prevent the spread of illness for those seeking shelter.

### HOUSING COMMISSION

Bill Baertlein walked into Erin Skaar's office at CARE shortly after he was elected as a Tillamook County Commissioner in 2012 and two hours later when he walked out, the idea for the Tillamook Housing Task Force had been born.

Three years later, the County Commissioners convened the first meeting of the Task Force, bringing together local leaders and stakeholders to take on the growing housing shortage affecting all parts of Tillamook County.

In 2017 the Task Force produced Tillamook County's first major housing study which outlined the dire state of our county's housing situation.

This report also showed the need for a dedicated Commission to inform the Commissioners on solutions for our housing crisis, and with that the Tillamook County Housing Commission was founded in January 2019.

Today the Housing Commission continues to drive the County's work on housing solutions under the leadership of County Commissioner Erin Skaar, CARE Executive Director from 2008 through 2020.

### HOLDEN CREEK VILLAGE

Opened in 2021, Holden Creek Village brought 60 units of affordable housing to our community, which is in desperate need of affordable and workforce housing. Developed as a partnership between Northwest Oregon Housing Authority and KemperCo LLC, CARE was instrumental in bringing these parties together.

The inspiration for this project was born out of a serendipitous meeting on the beach between old friends Jim Murray, a past CARE Board member, and Thomas Kemper, the founder of KemperCo LLC.

This project – which includes 18 one-bedroom units, 24 two-bedroom units and 18 three-bedroom units – allows families of all sizes to afford a place to call home. Holden Creek proved instrumental in not only providing a home for 60 families, but in providing a blueprint for CARE to bring similar projects to Tillamook County for the many families in need of affordable and workforce housing.

60

NEW AFFORDABLE
HOUSING UNITS IN
TILLAMOOK IN 2021

120

NEW BEDROOMS
FOR LOW-INCOME
RENTERS





### **ASSISTED LIVING**

Recognizing the need for more assisted living options for low-income seniors, the State of Oregon changed their Medicaid reimbursement policies in the 1990s to include services provided in Assisted Living Facilities (ALF).

When this change occurred, representatives from the State approached CARE to bring badly needed low-income housing to Tillamook County seniors. CARE agreed, and in 1994 the Kilchis House opened, followed by the Nehalem Bay House in 1999. These facilities brought 64 Assisted Living beds to Tillamook County.

The industry standard to profitably operate an ALF is to cap the number of Medicaid residents at about 10% of the total resident population. When CARE opened the Kilchis and Nehalem Bay houses, they were able to offer 30% of their beds to Medicaid residents while outsourcing operations to a management company.

Knowing it could do better, CARE assumed direct management of the ALFs in 2012. Under CARE's direct management these houses were at times able to make as many as 80-90% of beds available to Medicaid recipients, providing more low-income seniors with affordable housing options in their home community.







Angelica Mendoza, Healthy Families Home Visitor

"...one thing is certain, having been inspired by Angelica and the Healthy Families program, Merlin is set to be an inspiration to another generation of kids..."







98% CHILDREN ENROLLED WITH PCP

86% CHILDREN UP TO DATE ON IMMUNIZATIONS

92% 2-YEAR OLDS UP TO DATE ON IMMUNIZATIONS

88% PARENTS READING TO THEIR CHILD 3+ TIMES A WEEK

97% PARENTS REPORT HE HELPED WITH SOCIAL SUPPORT



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### **INSPIRED BY CARE**

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As she prepares for the start of the school year at Portland Community College, Merlin reflects on the journey that brought her to where she is today, on the cusp of becoming a pediatric nurse. "I am 19 years old now, and Healthy Families has been a part of my life since I was born!"

Merlin is the oldest of 5 girls in her family, and while only one of those sisters also participated in the program, Healthy Families Home Visitor Angelica Mendoza has been a part of the lives of everyone in the family. "Angelica is always there for us for whatever we need. She met my mom though the Healthy Families program and they have grown into good friends"

Merlin knew from an early age that she wanted to help people. "Angelica inspired me to help those in need. I love kids and like Angelica I want to help those in need, especially kids." Nursing became the clear choice for Merlin as a Freshman at Tillamook High School when she aced her first anatomy assignment. The remarkable thing, however, was that she was mistakenly given this assignment by her history teacher. Her completed assignment was passed on to the Healthcare teacher, who was so impressed that she encouraged Merlin to pursue a career in medicine. How did she ace an assignment for a class she had never taken before? She loves to read.

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"From the time I was young Angelica always encouraged me to read. When she would visit us, I would get rewarded for my reading," recalls Merlin. "To this day, I still love to read, but most of my time now is spent reading up on medical terminology." Although she was the youngest one in her high school healthcare classes, Merlin was motivated and eager to explore. She spent time job shadowing with paramedics and at Tillamook Adventist Hospital before starting her college life at Tillamook Bay Community College.

Thanks to the Healthy Families program, Merlin is succeeding in all aspects of life. She was recently married and enjoys a variety of healthy lifestyle activities like jogging, hiking, cycling, and her favorite activity, kayaking. Merlin is not sure where her career will take her, but one thing is certain, having been inspired by Angelica and the Healthy Families program, Merlin is set to be an inspiration to another generation of kids as a pediatric nurse.





### "A LITTLE HELP ALONG THE WAY..."

Anyone who has experienced tooth pain knows just how excruciating it can be. Now, imagine what it feels like to be the mother of a child that is suffering from this pain, and you have no insurance and no money to pay the dentist. This was Michele's experience in 1996. Her son injured his tooth in school and by the next morning, his face was completely swollen.

She could not afford the dental work her son needed or the medicine that would cure his infection.



Fortunately, Michele was referred to CARE, where they paid for her son's medication and referred her to a dentist who would cover the cost of care.

"Michele is a testament to how even the smallest act of generosity... can be a turning point in one's life..."

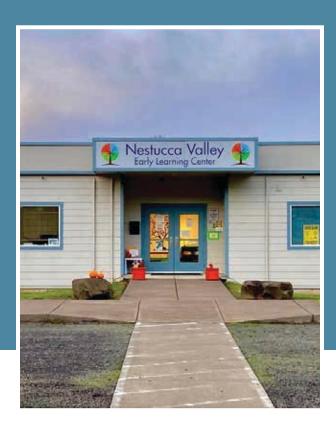
Twenty-five years later, Michele is now a Housing Case Manager at CARE. In 1996 she had just returned to Tillamook and her only income was through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. In 1999 she entered recovery. Then, she was able to get her daughter into Head Start where she became a volunteer.

From volunteering at Head Start she was eventually hired by Head Start, where she worked for 13 years. Her work as an advocate for parents regularly brought her to CARE, where she would later become a Housing Case Manager in 2014.

For more than two decades Michele has been helping Tillamook County families. She is where she is now because of hard work and dedication, but with a little help along the way. Michele is a testament to how even the smallest act of generosity, like a free dental procedure, can be a turning point in one's life and she daily contributes to CARE clients finding those same turning points in their own lives.









### NESTUCCA VALLEY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Founded as the Cedar Creek Child Care Center, the Nestucca Valley Early Learning Center started out in a three-bedroom house in Hebo.

Outgrowing this limited space, the Center reached out to John Sandusky and CARE was able to bring together local leaders and stakeholders to find a path forward for this critical resource serving parents and children in southern Tillamook County.

CARE was able to secure a Community Development Block Grant while also bringing along the Ford Family Foundation, the Meyer Memorial Trust, US Bank, the Siletz Tribal Charitable Fund, the Collins Foundation, Spirit Mountain Community Fund, Juan Young Trust, Ann and Bill Swindells and the Oregon Community Foundation to build the facility where NVELC currently resides at 30720 Hwy 101 in Hebo.

To learn more about the Nestucca Valley Early Learning Center visit their website at www.nvelc.com.

### TILLAMOOK EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Before there was CARE in Tillamook, there was the Childcare Resource and Referral Service.

This program was administered out of St. Helens by Community Action Team (CAT) before being handed over to CARE shortly after it was incorporated in 1991. Charlotte Hickman ran this program for CARE before moving over to lead the Tillamook Bay Child Care Center, which would later become Tillamook Early Learning Center (TELC).

Charlotte strengthened an already productive relationship between CARE and Tillamook Bay Child Care Center, and when it came time for them to move out of the United Methodist Church and into their own space, CARE secured a Community Development Block Grant to construct a building at 1100 Miller Avenue, where TELC and Head Start reside to this day.

To learn more about TELC and their amazing work, visit their website at www.tillamookelc.org.





### **FOOD BANK**

The preferred model for the Oregon Food Bank is to work through locally operated regional food banks to distribute their resources across the state. When the Oregon Food Bank transitioned to this model in Tillamook County during the mid-2000s, CARE stepped in to ensure that our community would continue to have this vital resource.

Working out of a warehouse on 4th & Pacific in downtown Tillamook, CARE started out with only an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer to manage this operation. From there the program would grow and soon CARE would hire Nicole Brown as the first permanent employee to manage the program. Under CARE's stewardship, the Food Bank brought on new food pantries across the county and expanded the Summer Grub Club program.

After a few short years the Oregon Food Bank returned to manage the operations of the Tillamook Regional Food Bank, but in their absence our local Food Bank not only survived but thrived through CARE's stewardship.



### **FOOD ROOTS**

In 1999 Shelly Bowe wanted to share her passion for food security and love of gardening with family through her work as the manager of CARE's early childhood programs. The plan did not take off, but she was encouraged by John Sandusky to pursue grant funds for a community garden as a side project.

The project was funded, and the first community garden in Tillamook County was planted by CARE. Under Shelly's leadership, what started as one community garden grew into the CARE Community Foods Program. In 2006 Shelly and the Community Foods Program stepped out from CARE to form the independent organization Food Roots.

What started as a single community garden has blossomed into an organization that is actively fostering a resilient food system serving all the residents of Tillamook County.

To learn more about Food Roots and their amazing work, visit their website at www.foodrootsnw.org.



### SOCIAL SERVICES

#### COVID-19

From the outbreak of the pandemic through September 2021 CARE served 712 individuals, representing 286 households in our community through COVID-19 relief funds. Included in those households where 279 children.

Intotal, these households received \$574,399 in pandemic-related assistance, including \$502,533 through the CARES Act and American Rescue Plan Act. An additional \$71,866 in pandemic relief came from our community, rallying to support our friends and neighbors in need during this unprecedented time.

To put this in perspective, the total amount of support provided thus far is equal to 680 months (over 56 years) of housing stability for low-income families and workers in our community.

\$71,866 +

COMMUNITY-FUNDED PANDEMIC RELIEF

\$502,533

FUNDS THROUGH CARES ACT AND AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

\$574,399

IN PANDEMIC-RELATED ASSISTANCE (AS OF 7/01/2021)

### during the pandemic CARE helped...



**712** 



286





#### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

In 2018 a permanent home for poverty fighting services in Tillamook County was secured when CARE completed its first-ever capital campaign and purchased the buildings on its First Street campus in downtown Tillamook. This project was the culmination of years of growth at CARE as the organization grew from a staff of 7 employees to more than 50, including direct administration of two assisted living facilities.

Purchasing these buildings also provided CARE with room for further growth and the ability to accommodate more staff and services. The capital campaign that funded this project also showed the capacity CARE had to expand its fundraising efforts. In the years leading up to the capital campaign, CARE averaged about \$45,000 a year in philanthropic revenue. Since the capital campaign, that figure has jumped to just shy of \$400,000 a year. This means more services and new, innovative programs to continue the fight against poverty in our community.



20%

OF HOUSEHOLDS IN TILLAMOOK COUNTY

### including

**†** 8,575

**INDIVIDUALS** 





### **ENERGY ASSISTANCE**

What good is a home if you cannot live in it? How can kids grow healthy and strong if they live in a home with no power or heat?

CARE's energy assistance programs seek to keep homes livable for low-income families in Tillamook County and to prevent these families from falling into poverty and homelessness due to an inability to pay for heat and power.

Since 2011, CARE has provided \$673,191 in energy assistance. The majority of this support comes through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), a service available to Tillamook County families because of CARE's status as a Community Action Agency affiliate. LIHEAP came to Tillamook County in the transition from Community Action Team to CARE in 1991, making it one of CARE's longest standing programs.

\$673,191

PROVIDED IN ENERGY ASSISTANCE SINCE 2011

1,385

MONTHS OF
RENT ASSISTANCE

5,629

PEOPLE HELPED TO FIND OR RETAIN STABLE HOUSING

1 in 5
households
in Tillamook
County has
been helped
by CARE.

### HOUSING ASSISTANCE

One of the bedrock services throughout CARE's history is Housing Assistance. CARE's Housing Assistance services include a wide range of state and federal programs designed to address and prevent homelessness for low-income families and workers.

Over the last 10 years, CARE helped 5,629 of our friends and neighbors in the community find or retain stable housing. This occurs through a combination of monthly rent assistance, rent deposit assistance, eviction prevention, rapid rehousing and housing case management services.

## THANK YOU, DONORS!

For your lifetime of giving to CARE Inc. & helping neighbors in need in Tillamook County for 30 years!



\$250,000+



\$100,000+

**Oregon Community Foundation** 

Loren E Parks Foundation

\$50,000+

CareOregon

**Collins Foundation** 

**Spirit Mountain Community Fund** 

\$25,000+

**Adventist Health** 

Columbia Pacific CCO

**Judith Schwartz-Sorrel** 

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Columbia Bank

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Catherine & Steve Wetterling



CARE is Tillamook's locally grown non-profit organization helping to alleviate the effects of poverty in Tillamook County. Founded in 1991, CARE provides a variety of services including placement into housing with case management, basic needs support, energy assistance, home visitation for families with infants, and senior and disabled assisted living.

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