

**Abstract:**

The purpose of this grant is to create a beta version of workshop materials, which will be tested and revised, for use in Atlas Workshops for Oregon K-12 teachers. The workshop packet will contain the materials to teach teachers how to read and interpret maps, how to use the Student Atlas of Oregon in a wide variety of disciplines and classroom settings, and provide a format for those teachers to instruct (in-service) their colleagues in their schools and districts on how to use maps. The beta version of the Atlas Workshop materials will be created during the winter of 2009. It will be tested (as a workshop for teachers) during spring 2009 at three meetings of K-12 teachers (15 participants each) organized by the Oregon Geographic Alliance (in Monmouth, Bend, and Ashland). Based on the test workshops, appropriate revisions will be made and an initial set of workshop packets produced. We will use this seed money, and the products it develops, to seek external funding for a statewide program of Atlas Workshops.