

# City of Brookings

## MEETING AGENDA

### **CITY COUNCIL**

**Monday, August 13, 2018, 7:00pm**

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

### **CITY COUNCIL**

#### **A. Call to Order**

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **C. Roll Call**

#### **D. Ceremonies**

1. Recognition of Retired Police Chief Chris Wallace

#### **E. Appearances**

1. Connie Hunter – V.A. Mental Health Initiatives

#### **F. Oral Requests and Communications from the audience**

1. Public Comments on non-agenda items – 5 minute limit per person.\*

#### **G. Staff Reports**

1. Park Use Fee Waiver – Brookings Harbor Community Theater [Parks, Pg. 2]
  - a. Waiver Request [Pg. 3]
  - b. Park Use Application [Pg. 4]

#### **H. Consent Calendar**

1. Approve Council minutes for July 23, 2018 [Pg. 7]
2. Approve Planning Commission minutes for June 5, 2018 [Pg. 10]

#### **I. Informational Non-Action Items**

1. July Vouchers [Pg. 12]
2. Committee Vacancies [Pg. 15]

#### **J. Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

#### **K. Adjournment**

\*Obtain Public Comment Forms and view the agenda and packet information on-line at [www.brookings.or.us](http://www.brookings.or.us), at City Hall and at the local library. Return completed Public Comment Forms to the City Recorder before the start of meeting or during regular business hours.


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# CITY OF BROOKINGS

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: August 13, 2018

Originating Dept: Parks

  
Signature (submitted by)

  
City Manager Approval

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Subject: Park Use Fee Waiver for Brookings Harbor Community Theater for a Movie in the Park night.

Recommended Motion: Motion to waive the park use fees in the amount of \$126 for the Brookings Harbor Community Theater.

Financial Impact: Loss of park use fees in the amount of \$126 for an event in Azalea Park

Reviewed by City Manager & Finance Director:



Background/Discussion: The Brookings Harbor Community Theater (BHCT) is requesting a park use fee waiver in the amount of \$126 for use of the snack shack, band shell stage and lawn area in Azalea Park to hold a Movie in the Park event on August 24, 2018 from 5 to 11 pm.

Attachment(s):

- a. BHCT Park Waiver Request
- b. BHCT Park Use Application

8/13/18

We are requesting a waiver for the park use fee for the following event.

Thank you for your time.

Brookings Harbor Community Theater

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JUL 23 2018

CITY OF BROOKINGS

Movie: The Princess Bride

Time: 5pm-11pm August 24th, 2018

We are Brookings Harbor Community Theatre and we would like to host a fundraiser at Azalea park. We would like to present a family friendly, fun evening showing of The Princess Bride to the Brookings community. We hope to have around 200 people in total attending.

We will not charge a cover charge for the movie. We plan to "pass the hat" for donations during the movie. We do plan to sell dinner to those who would like it. We will prepare food in a certified kitchen then use the kitchen at the park to serve foods. All who will be serving and preparing have their food handler cards. Dinner will be a choice of tri tip sandwich, potato salad and a drink for \$10 or hot dog, chips and a drink for \$5. Individual drinks will be \$2, cotton candy for \$2, and popcorn for \$2 will also be sold. No alcohol will be served.

We will need 5 garbage cans to put around the area.

In order to keep people safe we plan to put rope lights around the walkways.

We are planning to have 35 volunteers or more throughout the evening.

Timeline:

5pm-6pm- set up

6:15pm-7:30pm- Community arrives, serve dinner, get ready for the movie

7:30pm-9:00pm- Movie

9:00pm-9:45pm- Assist the community members to their cars

9:45pm-11pm- Clean up

When the show starts we will have volunteers walking around and available for anyone who many need anything and they will act as security to ensure things are going well. We don't foresee any problems and expect families to be in attendance.

We look forward to having a fun event for our community at azalea park.

Thank you.

Carolyn Poston

707-457-2600



# PARK USE APPLICATION PERMIT

The City of Brookings programs, services, and activities are open to all persons without regard to race, age, sex, disability, religion, or national origin.

CITY USE ONLY		Rec'd Date: 7/12/18	By: hy
Department:	By:	Date:	Approved
Parks	Arb	7-16	Y/N
Public Works	Arb	7-16	Y/N
Fire	Arb	7-17	Y/N
Police	Arb	7-17	Y/N
Finance Dept.	Arb	7-17	Y/N

Please sign, date and deliver to the next Dept. Please note comments on pg. 4 under "Comments" and RETURN TO LAURI Distributed: 7/16/18

Event Date(s): 8/24/18 to 8/24/18 Time: 5 am/pm to 11 am/pm Day(s): M/T/W/R/F/Sat/Sun

No. of participants (each day): 35 Nature/Name of Event: Movie in the park

Organization: Brookings Harbor Community Theatre

Contact Person: Carolyn Poston Phone #: 707-457-2600 Cell #: Same

Mailing Address: 60650 Old Country Rd. #25

email: mayposton697@gmail.com Return deposit to: Carolyn Poston

## PARK/LOCATION: (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Azalea ☐ Bud Cross ☐ Easy Manor  
☐ Bankus ☐ Skate Park ☐ Chetco Point  
☐ Stout ☐ Tennis Courts ☐ Oasis  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## AZALEA PARK AREA: (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Gazebo ☒ Bandshell/Stage ☒ Concession Stand - Bandshell  
☒ Lawn area ☐ Kidtown Picnic Area ☒ Restrooms only - Bandshell  
☐ Softball Field 1 ☐ Field 2 ☐ Multiuse Field ☐ Concession Stand - Softball  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_ ☒ Restrooms only - Softball

## Check Yes or No to each of the following:

- Will you be renting picnic tables? ☐ Yes ☒ No Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ Delivery \_\_\_\_\_
- Is this event free? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, how will funds be secured/protected? \_\_\_\_\_
- Will amplification equipment be used? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, noise level must be contained within the immediate area.  
Describe purpose/type: speakers for sound during movie
- Will alcohol be served? ☐ Yes ☒ No Will alcohol be sold? ☐ Yes\* ☐ No If yes, must obtain Liquor License  
\*Additional requirements - see page 8 of application
- Will merchandise be sold? ☐ Yes ☒ No By whom/ Describe purpose/type: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you want to place temporary signs? ☒ Yes ☐ No (Requires prior Park Supervisor approval - see page 1)  
Describe quantity, location, type: 1 sign stating "No drop offs" in lower park

## LIABILITY STATEMENT/AGREEMENT

I/We agree to abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances which pertain to the use of said property and agree to pay for any damage to same, as a result of use. I/We agree to hold the City, its officials and employees, harmless from any liability resulting from use of said property and to obtain any and all required permits and/or business licenses required by the City.

### THE CITY OF BROOKINGS ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

The undersigned agrees to pay for any and all damages occurring during the reserved period. User agrees that the deposit paid herewith will be applied toward damages to the facility or its contents during the reserved period. Any of the deposit not applied to damages will be applied first to unpaid rental fees with any excess refund to user. Normal wear and tear as determined by the City of Brookings shall not be considered damage. User also acknowledges that he/she has read and understands the Rules and Regulations for Brookings City Parks and has reviewed all pages of the application. APPLICANT: It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain required insurance, permits and/or licenses prior to the event and provide proof to the City.

Applicant Name (PRINT): Carolyn Poston

Applicant SIGNATURE: [Signature] Date: 7-10-18

City Use Only: Paid: \$126.- Applicant Notified: \_\_\_\_\_ Parks Notified: \_\_\_\_\_

Rec Deposit 7/16/18

requesting a fee waiver from CC? > Must Submit ASAP



# PARK USE FEE/REQUIREMENT WORKSHEET



THIS PAGE FOR CITY USE ONLY:

Use	# of people	City Resident	Non Profit	User Fees	Deposit Fees	Restrictions/Comments
Park	@200+/-	Y/N	Y/N	\$ 22.-	\$ 22.-	
Bandshell/Stage		Y/N	Y/N	\$ 22.-	\$ 22.-	
Concession Stand w/restrooms - \$82.00				\$ 82.-	\$ 82	
Concession Restrooms ONLY - \$25.00				\$	\$	
Picnic Tables: Qty _____ @ \$20 each				\$	\$	
TOTAL				\$ 126.-	\$ 126.-	
Check #				1	Paid 7/16/18	
City Receipt #						

waiver?

## Other Requirements

## Additional Information/Comments

☐ Site Plan
 ☐ Map
 ☐ On-site visit required.
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

☐ City Business License

☐ Liquor License - Required to sell alcoholic beverages (Must obtain license through the Oregon Liquor Control Commission)

☒ Proof of Insurance attached

☒ Security No. of Officers: 4/5 people Comments: Will need (attendants) to make sure no drop offs and to walk perimeter thru out evening.

☒ Temporary Signs
 Park Supervisor Approval: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Comments:

Department Comments: Submitting waiver request to City Council?  
 more than 2 walking the perimeter will be required (4-5) people AB  
 Sidewalk rope lighting  
 Snack Shack must be cleaned & ready for concert next day.

☐ Security Deposit refund submitted on: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Deposit not returned/reason: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Event cancelled on: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee returned: ☐ in full ☐ partial Amount refunded: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for refund: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Proposal for security in the park during the showing of the movie**

**BHCT**

**August 24th, 2018**

**We will start the event at 6:15. 2 staff will be stationed in all 3 parking lots/ entrances of the park. Staff will be making sure that kids aren't being dropped off by themselves greeting each car with a flier/verbal reminder that "this is not a drop off event."**

**Cars entering the lower Old County parking lot (across from St. Timothy) will be greeted with a "no drop off sign" upon entering (rather than individually greeting each car). This will maintain traffic flow in a condensed area.**

**During the event we will have 2 staff with flashlights walking the perimeter of the event to ensure that people who are attending are in the designated areas. Those areas will be the lawn/gazebo/concession stand/restrooms.**

**Advertisements will state that this is not a drop off event and families will be encouraged to attend together.**

**Security and supervision of this event will be from 6:45pm-11:00pm.**

# City of Brookings

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

Monday, July 23, 2018

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Pieper called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **Roll Call**

Council present: Mayor Jake Pieper, Councilors Bill Hamilton, Brent Hodges, Ron Hedenskog, and Dennis Triglia present; a quorum present.

Staff present: City Manager Janell Howard, Public Works & Development Director Tony Baron, Sergeant Kelby McCrae, Deputy Finance Director Lu Ehlers, Fire Chief Jim Watson, and City Recorder Teri Davis. Also present, new employees Jay Trost, Matt Wedmore, Mike Pundyk, and Caitlin Goins.

Media Present: No media present

Others Present: Approximately 25 audience members.

### **Modification to Agenda**

**Councilor Triglia moved, Councilor Hedenskog seconded and Council voted unanimously to remove Item F2, Travel Oregon Grant Contract, from the agenda.**

### **Ceremonies**

#### *Introduction of New Employees*

Public Works & Development Director Baron introduced Deputy Public Works & Development Director Jay Trost, Parks Employee Matt Wedmore, and Public Works Employee Mike Pundyk.

Deputy Finance Director Ehlers introduced Accounting/Human Resources Specialist Caitlin Goins.

### **Oral Requests and Communications from the audience**

1. Steven Pomerleau of 760 Old County Road addressed Council regarding a blighting issue at 750 Old County Road.
2. Curry County Commission Court Boice addressed Council providing an update on the Klondike Fire.
3. Connie Hunter of 1310 English Court addressed Council regarding the Mental Health/VA Summit. She provided documents which were entered into record.
4. Brooklyn Wease of Curry Community Health introduced herself as the new Tobacco Prevention Coordinator

## **Staff Reports**

### *Confirmation of Public Safety Director*

City Manager Howard presented the staff report.

Sergeant McCrae was asked to speak and to introduce his guests.

**Councilor Triglia moved, Councilor Hamilton seconded and Council voted unanimously to confirm the appointment of Kelby McCrae as Public Safety Director (Police Chief) effective August 1, 2018.**

City Recorder Davis conducted the Oath of Office, swearing in Chief McCrae.

### *Monarch Festival Fund Request*

City Recorder Davis presented the staff report.

Brookings Oregon Monarch Advocates representative Holly Beyer addressed Council in support of the funding request.

**Councilor Triglia moved, Councilor Hedenskog seconded and Council voted unanimously to allocate a \$1,097 grant to the Brookings First Annual Monarch Festival event.**

### *Travel & Adventure Show Fund Request*

City Recorder Davis presented the staff report.

**Councilor Hedenskog moved, Councilor Triglia seconded and Council voted unanimously to allocate \$1,000 to participate in the Travel & Adventure Show Promotion.**

### *Spectrum Digital Advertising Campaign*

City Recorder Davis presented the staff report.

**Councilor Hedenskog moved, Councilor Triglia seconded and Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Spectrum Reach, continuing a digital tourism advertising campaign, for an additional six-months, at a cost of \$500 per month.**

### *Pistol River Wave Bash Event Evaluation*

City Recorder Davis presented the staff report.

**Councilor Triglia moved, Councilor Hamilton seconded and Council voted unanimously to accept the Pistol River Wave Bash Event Evaluation report.**

### *Friends of Music Support Letter*

City Manager Howard presented the staff report.

**Councilor Triglia moved, Councilor Hamilton seconded and Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor to sign a support letter for Brookings Harbor Friends of Music for a grant application to the Oregon Community Foundation.**

### *Authorized Signatures for Brookings Airport Purchase & Transfer Agreements*

City Manager Howard presented the staff report.

**Councilor Hedenskog moved, Councilor Hodges seconded and Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor or the City Manager to execute three agreements involving the transfer and sale of the Brookings Airport including the "Purchase and Transfer Agreement Brookings Airport", "Brookings Airport Federal Obligations Assignment and Assumption Agreement" and the "Brookings Airport ODA COAR Grant Agreements Assignment and Assumption Agreement", and any other necessary associated documents at a cost not to exceed \$130,000.**

### **Consent Calendar**

1. Approve Council minutes for July 9, 2018
2. Accept TPAC Committee minutes for June 14, 2018
3. Accept David Paoli resignation from Planning Commission
4. Accept Tim Patterson resignation from TPAC
5. Accept Jay Trost resignation from Parks & Rec Commission
6. Receive monthly financial report for June 2018

Councilor Hedenskog moved, Councilor Triglia seconded and Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar.

### **Remarks from Mayor and Councilors**

Mayor Pieper remarked that it was nice to see so much support for Chief McCrae's confirmation.

### **Adjournment**

Councilor Hodges moved and Mayor Pieper adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

ATTESTED:

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2018:

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Jake Pieper, Mayor

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Teri Davis, City Recorder



## **BROOKINGS PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**

**June 5, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Brookings Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Rings at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at Brookings City Hall.

Commissioners Present: Skip Hunter, Cheryl McMahan, David Paoli, Loren Rings, Gerry Wulkowicz

Commissioners Absent: Bryan Tillung, Tim Hartzell

Staff Present: Parks & Planning Manager Tony Baron; Administrator Lauri Ziemer

Others Present: 1 audience member

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Public hearing procedures were addressed by Vice Chair Rings

- Vice Chair Rings opened the quasi-judicial hearing regarding File No. MC-1-18 (MC-2-94)

File Description: In the matter of the File No. MC-1-18 (MC-2-94), a request for approval of an application to add a car wash as an accessory use to an existing vehicle service station at 1123 Chetco Avenue, a 1.44 acre parcel located on Assessor's Map No. 41-13-06BD; Tax Lot 3400. The applicant is Colvin Oil Company. The criteria used to decide this matter is found in Section 17.116.090 - Minor Change of the Brookings Municipal Code (BMC). This is a Quasi-judicial hearing and the Planning Commission will make a decision on the matter.

There was no ex parte contact or conflict of interest declared. There was no objection to the jurisdiction of the Planning Commission to hear the matter. The public hearing was opened at 7:02 pm, Parks and Planning Manager Tony Baron reviewed the staff report.

Craig Nips, Colvin Oil, 2520 Foothill Blvd., Grants Pass, OR 97526 stated he was the applicant's representative. He advised the car wash will not have an attendant, will be operated through a kiosk, and open daily until 10 pm. At first he estimates 12-15 car washes per day leading possibly to 100-120 car washes per day; with minimal water usage of 35 gallons and biodegradable soaps that will go into a separator system before introduced into the sewer system.

No participant requested additional time to submit materials and the representative did not request additional time for written rebuttal. The public hearing was closed at 7:20 pm.

Commissioner Paoli questioned if the City sewer system could process the sewer water and encouraged reusing water to minimize the impact on the wastewater treatment plant.

Commissioner Wulkowicz questioned if the southern boundary has the required fencing and landscaping, which it was determined to have.

Commissioner Rings questioned the amount of water going into the sewer system and the business not being charged sufficient SDC costs and monthly sewer rates for processing the large amount of water that will be introduced into the system and putting the burden of maintaining and repairing the system on residential customers. Commission questioned if their role is to determine/consider such rates and the system capabilities.

**Motion made by Commissioner Rings to continue the discussion to see what rate is to be charged and where money is going to be allocated to for the water that is being used. (Motion: Rings, 2<sup>nd</sup> McMahan) By a 2-3 vote the motion failed.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Wulkowicz to approve File No. MC-1-18 (MC-2-94) to authorize approval of an application to add a car wash as an accessory use to an existing vehicle service station at 1123 Chetco Avenue, based on the findings and conclusions stated in the staff report and subject to the conditions of approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hunter. Commission Paoli questioned if they could add the condition that the water be recycled to the maximum extent possible. Motion made by Commissioner Paoli to add to that motion the condition that the water be recycled to the maximum extent possible in the Conditions of Approval. No Seconds.**

**Commission voted on the original motion. By a 4-1 vote the motion carried.**

**Commissioner Wulkowicz made a motion to approve the Final Order regarding file MC-1-18 (MC-2-94), based on the findings and conclusions stated in the staff report and subject to the conditions of approval. Seconded by Commissioner McMahan. The Final Order was approved by a 4-1 vote.**

#### **APPROVAL of MINUTES**

By a 4-0 vote (motion: McMahan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rings, with Commission Paoli abstaining) the Planning Commission approved the minutes of the May 1, 2018 Planning Commission meeting as presented.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

Staff reported that the Planning Commission meeting for July 2, 2018 has been rescheduled to July 10th.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Brookings Planning Commission

Approved at the 8/7, 2018 meeting

## Report Criteria:

Report type: Summary

GL Period	Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Check GL Account	Amount
07/18	07/18/2018	78773	5153	Hodges, Brent	10-00-2005	176.81- V
07/18	07/05/2018	81580	5046	911 Supply LLC	10-00-2005	319.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81581	4859	Brookings Harbor Garden Club	10-00-2005	1,500.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81582	313	Brookings Vol Firefighters	10-00-2005	2,250.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81583	715	Budge McHugh Supply	20-00-2005	2,267.25
07/18	07/05/2018	81584	5567	CAL/OR Insurance Specialists Inc	30-00-2005	683.33
07/18	07/05/2018	81585	5070	Canon Solutions America	10-00-2005	19.19
07/18	07/05/2018	81586	528	Caselle, Inc	25-00-2005	15,390.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81587	193	Central Equipment Co, Inc	50-00-2005	8,000.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81588	5822	Chaves Consulting Inc	49-00-2005	370.20
07/18	07/05/2018	81589	4977	Civic Plus	49-00-2005	9,200.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81590	3834	Clean Sweep Janitorial Service	20-00-2005	2,100.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81591	5827	Coastal Investments LLC	10-00-2005	1,130.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81592	1745	Coastal Paper & Supply, Inc	10-00-2005	589.06
07/18	07/05/2018	81593	166	Dan's Auto & Marine Electric	20-00-2005	153.88
07/18	07/05/2018	81594	259	Da-Tone Rock Products	50-00-2005	187.65
07/18	07/05/2018	81595	1	Tommy Brazier	20-00-2005	97.51
07/18	07/05/2018	81596	1	Jerry Freitas	20-00-2005	2.45
07/18	07/05/2018	81597	1	Lacey Hamilton	20-00-2005	169.81
07/18	07/05/2018	81598	1	Timothy Harbolt	20-00-2005	206.60
07/18	07/05/2018	81599	4876	D'Sinez Signs & Graphics LLC	33-00-2005	775.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81600	3342	Fastenal	20-00-2005	100.29
07/18	07/05/2018	81601	5432	First Community Credit Union	25-00-2005	812.99
07/18	07/05/2018	81602	5065	Gold Beach Lumber	10-00-2005	21.46
07/18	07/05/2018	81603	199	Richard Harper	10-00-2005	400.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81604	162	Kerr Hardware	10-00-2005	1,373.39
07/18	07/05/2018	81605	867	Local Gov't Personnel Inst	10-00-2005	1,149.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81606	4269	Milliman, Gary	10-00-2005	67.50
07/18	07/05/2018	81607	279	One Call Concepts, Inc	20-00-2005	38.28
07/18	07/05/2018	81608	5008	Online Information Services	10-00-2005	182.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81609	5843	Pacific Powder Coating Inc	15-00-2005	5,625.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81610	5872	Pacific Tactical LLC	10-00-2005	1,875.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81611	4	Jennifer Knowlton	10-00-2005	214.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81612	322	Postmaster	25-00-2005	850.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81613	322	Postmaster	10-00-2005	25.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81614	3	William & Rhoda Boynton	20-00-2005	51.36
07/18	07/05/2018	81615	1840	Rogue Credit Union	15-00-2005	2,497.61
07/18	07/05/2018	81616	5298	Sea Clear Window Cleaning	15-00-2005	9,100.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81617	5481	Sourwood Running LLC	32-00-2005	2,000.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81618	5797	South Coast Business Employment Corp	10-00-2005	800.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81619	956	Suiter's Paint & Body	10-00-2005	204.00
07/18	07/05/2018	81620	2863	Verizon Wireless	10-00-2005	507.19
07/18	07/05/2018	81621	861	Village Express Mail Center	25-00-2005	10.84
07/18	07/05/2018	81622	2122	Cardmember Service	10-00-2005	5,279.88
07/18	07/05/2018	81623	670	Western Equipment & Irrigation Dist Inc	10-00-2005	488.13
07/18	07/12/2018	81624	4939	BI- Mart Corporation	10-00-2005	310.86
07/18	07/12/2018	81625	5070	Canon Solutions America	10-00-2005	10.10
07/18	07/12/2018	81626	3015	Charter Communications	10-00-2005	719.96
07/18	07/12/2018	81627	183	Colvin Oil Company	10-00-2005	2,424.13
07/18	07/12/2018	81628	173	Curry Equipment	20-00-2005	193.72
07/18	07/12/2018	81629	185	Del Cur Supply	50-00-2005	302.08
07/18	07/12/2018	81630	371	DEQ Business Office	20-00-2005	150.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81631	4646	Frontier	30-00-2005	401.89

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07/18	07/12/2018	81632	4978	Grants Pass Daily Courier	10-00-2005	81.86
07/18	07/12/2018	81633	202	League of Oregon Cities	10-00-2005	4,963.65
07/18	07/12/2018	81634	4443	Napa Auto Parts-Golder's	15-00-2005	5.89
07/18	07/12/2018	81635	329	New Hope Plumbing	10-00-2005	285.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81636	5641	Oregon Coast Visitors Assn	32-00-2005	500.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81637	252	Paramount Pest Control	10-00-2005	50.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81638	4	Jeff Pendleton	10-00-2005	214.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81639	4	Jenny Rodgers	10-00-2005	214.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81640	866	Pitney Bowes Global Financial , LLC	10-00-2005	249.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81641	5101	Pitney Bowes Reserve Acct	10-00-2005	500.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81642	207	Quill Corporation	10-00-2005	552.02
07/18	07/12/2018	81643	3309	Roberts & Associates	15-00-2005	220.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81644	5856	Julian Savedra	10-00-2005	40.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81645	5448	Stover Engineering	50-00-2005	1,054.55
07/18	07/12/2018	81646	5752	Washington St Univ - Conf Management	10-00-2005	50.00
07/18	07/12/2018	81647	169	Waste Connections Inc	10-00-2005	1,758.53
07/18	07/19/2018	81648	4734	Aramark Uniform Services	10-00-2005	150.00
07/18	07/19/2018	81649	5637	Bandon Well & Pump Co	50-00-2005	1,123.50
07/18	07/19/2018	81650	2407	Blue Star Gas	10-00-2005	5,100.91
07/18	07/19/2018	81651	147	Brookings Glass Inc	10-00-2005	82.00
07/18	07/19/2018	81652	5070	Canon Solutions America	10-00-2005	334.57
07/18	07/19/2018	81653	5858	CH2M Hill OMI	25-00-2005	107,604.13
07/18	07/19/2018	81654	822	Coast Auto Center	10-00-2005	500.00
07/18	07/19/2018	81655	183	Colvin Oil Company	10-00-2005	2,156.05
07/18	07/19/2018	81656	4746	Curry County Treasurer	10-00-2005	629.82
07/18	07/19/2018	81657	317	DCBS - Fiscal Services	10-00-2005	1,388.57
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07/18	07/26/2018	81697	139	Harbor Logging Supply	10-00-2005	166.80
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07/18	07/26/2018	81702	4	Scott Battleson	10-00-2005	214.00
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07/18	07/26/2018	81707	3	Premier Property Management	20-00-2005	49.77
07/18	07/26/2018	81708	3	Premier Property Management	20-00-2005	116.69
07/18	07/26/2018	81709	3	Harry Seebode	20-00-2005	32.25
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Report type: Summary



## Committee Vacancies

Date: August 13, 2018

**Re: Vacant Volunteer Positions**

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Following is a list of all Commission/Committee positions and terms currently vacant:

Position	Held By	Month/ Day	Year Expires	Term/ Years
Budget #1	VACANT	2/1	2021	3
Budget #2	VACANT	2/1	2019	3
Parks & Rec #2	VACANT	2/1	2019	2
Planning Commission #3	VACANT	4/1	2020	4
Planning Commission #7	VACANT	4/1	2019	4
TPAC #6	VACANT	7/1	2021	3

## **CALLING ALL VETERANS, FAMILY MEMBERS & COMMUNITY STATKEHOLDERS!**

**Please join the effort to address the gaps in services and care for our Wild Rivers Veterans!**

**Help build the system that you never had!**

### **VA HEALTHCARE SUMMIT 2.0**

**SAVE THE DATE:** 21 September 2018, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., at Southwestern Oregon Community College Curry Campus Krieger Community Room. Focus group listening sessions will begin at 9 a.m. Please arrive just a few minutes early.

**VETERANS GROUPS:** Bring three or more veterans from your Nonprofit Veterans Organization and your group will receive \$100 and an underwritten membership to the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m.

**9 a.m. – 10 a.m.** Veterans Listening Sessions—facilitators are Elizabeth Estabrooks, ODVA (women's group) and Dr. Kevin Bourgault, PhD, Combat Veteran, US Army, taught at West Point (men's group)

**10:15 a.m.** A very special blessing

**10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.** Special presentations and community conversation about the new VA Mission Act, President Trump's executive orders benefitting veterans, Community Care programs that will benefit rural veterans. Help explore a big idea for veterans during a special presentation about how to create a local Veterans Savings & Loan Co-op Hybrid nonprofit to provide uncollateralized loans for veterans in a tough economic spot. Participate in a veterans community SWOT analysis—share your ideas on the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats to our rural veterans. The SWOT analysis will set the stage for a Veterans Regional Solutions Summit in the Spring of 2019.

**1 p.m. – 2 p.m.** – Lunch, Networking and Fellowship

For more information, please call 541-412-1224.

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# State Health Improvement Plan

## Suicide Prevention



OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR  
Public Health Division

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# Key Questions

- How can OHA leverage community and health systems responsibility for / investment in suicide prevention?
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# Suicide

## Priority Targets

Measure	Baseline	Current Data	2020 Target	Data Source
Rate of suicide	18.7 (2014)	17.8 (2016)	16.0 per 100,000	CDC WISQRS
Suicide attempts among 8 <sup>th</sup> graders	7.9% (2013)	8.7% (2017)	7%	Oregon Healthy Teens Survey
Emergency department visits for suicide attempts	14,423 (2015)	12,623 (2017)	16,000	ESSENCE



## What is Different in Zero Suicide?

Shift in Perspective from:	To:
Accepting suicide as inevitable	Every suicide in a system is preventable
Assigning blame	Nuanced understanding: ambivalence, resilience, recovery
Risk assessment and containment	Collaborative safety, treatment, recovery
Stand alone training and tools	Overall systems and culture changes
Specialty referral to niche staff	Part of everyone's job
Individual clinician judgment & actions	Standardized screening, assessment, risk stratification, and interventions
Hospitalization during episodes of crisis	Productive interactions throughout ongoing continuity of care
"If we can save one life..."	"How many deaths are acceptable?"

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**800-273-8255**  
OR TEXT '273TALK' TO 839863

Recognize Warning Signs | Take Action



We believe firearms are an American way of life—a constitutional right and a necessity in order to protect ourselves and our families.

And with this **RIGHT** to bear  
arms comes **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Everyone experiences tough times. During such times, some of us may not be in the right state of mind to be handling weapons.

Individuals who take their own lives do so in a number of ways, and firearms are the most common. Some individuals will harm themselves no matter what people do to help, but there is a group of people who, if they make it through the rough patch safely, will go on to live full and happy lives. Because of this, temporarily holding a gun for a loved one or friend can help that person get through stressful periods safely.



<http://oregonfirearmsafety.org/firearm-safety/>

# Learnings from Tribal Summit & Coordinated SAMHSA Site Visit

- Culture is prevention
- Supporting recovery from individual, community and cultural trauma is of paramount importance
- Partnership development takes time and sustained investment
- We can and should learn from Tribes and urban Indian programs
  - Integrated behavioral / physical health systems
  - Integrated approach to suicide & opioid and other drug addiction
  - Whole person / whole community approach

# Key Questions

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## **University of Oregon**

### **PhD in Education (2016)**

Dissertation: Navigating Tribal Credentialism: An Ethnographic Case Study of the Higher Education Perceptions in a Pacific Northwest Tribal Community.

## **Duke University**

### **Masters in Public Policy (2002)**

Master's Concentration: Terrorism Planning And Response for WMD Attack – Quarantine and Evacuation along the I-40 Corridor.

## **Central Washington University (1999/1999)**

### **Degrees: Bachelor of Arts Political Science / Bachelor of Science Public Policy**

Minors: Anthropology / Economics / Geography

## **Academic Work Experience**

### **Student Instruction:**

Lecturer for the Department of Political Science at Central Washington University.

Courses instructed included:

- POSC 320 Public Administration (Leadership) (Summer 2008, Spring 2009)
- POSC 325 Public Policy (Fall 2008)
- POSC 361 Latin American Politics (Winter 2009)
- POSC 411 American Indian Politics and Sovereignty (Winter 2008, Fall 2010)
- POSC 461 Contemporary Topics: Identity Politics (Spring 2008)

## **Academic Committees and Service:**

- Vice Chairman for Appeals – Graduate Teaching Fellowship Union Medical Assistance Fund (2015-2016).
- Board Member – University of Oregon, Graduate School – Presidential Advisory Board (2011-2013).
- Peer Mentor – Dog Tags to Ducks Veterans Peer Mentors Program (2012-2013).
- Committee Member - Central Washington University American Indian Minor Steering Committee (2007-2009).
- Panelist 8th International Symposium on Society and Resources Management, in Cordova Spain (2003).

## **Professional Work Experience**

### **Independent Researcher – Veterans Issues (2016-Present)**

Primary activities: Design and execution of qualitative research tools and projects investigating perceptions of Veterans health, housing, incarceration, and employment.

### **Range Safety and Blasting Instructor (2013-2015)**

#### **Northwest Explosives Academy/American Explosives Group - Eugene, OR**

Primary Duties: Basic explosives training and live-fire exercise for law enforcement explosives breach team training.

### **Vice President for Business Development. (2008-2010)**

#### **The Peak, Inc. - Butte, MT**

Primary Duties: Contract creation and business liaison services for a Service-Disabled, Veteran-Owned, small business providing high altitude training services and scenarios for special operations teams and groups.

### **University Lecturer. (2007-2010)**

#### **Central Washington University - Yakima, WA.**

Primary Duties: Direct instruction of upper division political science and public policy courses.

### **Community Development Planner. (2002-2006)**

#### **Suquamish and Skokomish Indian Tribes - Washington State**

Primary Duties: Natural Resources and Economic Development planning services for Tribal communities to include grants, funding, and capital campaign design and management.

### **Technical Hazards Section - Terrorism Planner. (2000-2002)**

#### **North Carolina Emergency Management**

Primary Duties: Management of the Nunn, Lugar, Domenici Terrorism Grant Program, including the drafting of the State Terrorism Plan.

### **Officer Candidate Range Cadre. (1994)**

#### **West Point Military Academy – Range 1: Inchon**

Primary Duties: Introduction to Hand Grenades and Individual Movement and Tactics, Range I: Inchon, United States Military Academy, West Point (1994).

### **Infantryman, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI). (1991-1994)**

#### **Ft. Drum, NY**

Primary Duties: Individual and team training and tactics. Combat deployment – Somalia.

## **Publications**

- Bourgault, K. (2018). Veterans career ladders program: A proposed GI Bill reform. *National Social Sciences of America*.
- Bourgault, K. (2017). Beyond the crazy bird: Constructivist theory, community-based participatory research, and meaningful higher education research design in tribal communities. *National Social Sciences of America*.
- Bourgault, K. (1998). Cushman hydroelectric project: Politics of development and regulation. *National Social Sciences of America*.

### **Editorials, Reports, and Technical Documents**

- Bourgault, K. (Sep 19, 2016). Tribal Power an Important Check on Ruling Elite. *The Register Guard*.
- Bourgault, K. (Oct 30, 2016). How Osama Bin - Laden Won the War. *The Register Guard*.
- Bourgault, K. (Dec 18, 2016). Standing up at Standing Rock. *The Register Guard*.
- GSA Schedule Approval Contract GS-02F-0150V and online catalog ([www.thepeakinc.com](http://www.thepeakinc.com)).
- Bourgault, K. (2002). "Emergency management policy analysis: An investigation of the preparedness and response policies of counties along Interstate - 40/85 corridor in North Carolina." <http://www.co.orange.nc.us/ems/documents/i40i85final.pdf>.
- Skokomish Wastewater Treatment Facility, National Environmental Protection Agency Report (NEPA).
- Skokomish Economic Development Administration Community Economic Development Plan (CEDS).
- Skokomish Flood Mitigation Plan (2004).

### **Grants and Funding**

- \$3.2 Million Congressional Appropriation from Sen. John Tester (MT) for the Peak, Inc., a service connected disabled veteran owned business special operations high-altitude training business.
- \$11 Million for the Suquamish Indian Tribe Community Redevelopment Capital Campaign.
- \$800,000 Grant for the Skokomish Indian Tribe Community Sidewalk Improvement Project.
- \$300,000 for the Skokomish Indian Tribe Emergency FEMA Flood Mitigation Grant
- \$90,000 for the Skokomish Wastewater Improvement Study for the Washington State Department of Ecology.

### **Certifications**

- FEMA Professional Development Series, Oregon Emergency Management Basic Applied Practice Series.

- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - Basic, American Heart Association First Aid, AED Certified, and Emergency Oxygen Provider.
- PADI Master Scuba Diver - with Rescue Diver, Advanced Open Water, Dry Suit Diver, Enriched Air Diver, Deep Diver, Navigation Diver, and Night Diver certifications.
- United States Power Squadron: Advanced Pilot Certified.
- Amateur Radio Operators License - Extra Class. FCC License Call Sign: KG4RXZ.
- FAA Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Pilots Certification.

## **Awards**

### **Military Awards**

- 10th Mountain Division Combat Patch for combat service during Operation Restore Hope - Somalia (06/01/1993).
- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for Operation Restore Hope - Somalia (06/01/1993).
- Army Achievement Medal for Service in Operation Restore Hope - Somalia. (09/20/1994).
- Army Commendation Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster) for service to Bravo Company, 3rd Battalion, 14th Infantry (09/20/1994).
- Good Conduct Medal (09/20/1994).
- US Army National Defense Service Medal (08/13/1991).
- Presidential Meritorious Unit Ribbon (1994).
- West Point Military Academy, Certificate of Appreciation for Training West Point Officer Candidates (08/20/1994).

### **Academic Awards**

- University of Oregon, Graduate School, Most Promising Scholar (2011-2012).
- University of Oregon, Graduate School, GUS Scholarship (2015).
- James Gustafson Fellowship (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015).
- Rose Gross Fellowship (2012, 2013).
- Jane Wiley Scholarship (2011).
- Duke Foundation Graduate Assistance Scholarship (2000).
- Distinguished Scholar, Dept. of Political Science, CWU (1999).
- Ronald E. McNair, Minority Scholar (1997).

## **Recent Pro Bono/Volunteer Work**

- Roseburg VA Mental Health Executive Council
- Lane County Veterans Services Mapping Project
- Lane County Veterans Court Neurofeedback Project
- Veterans Saving and Microlending Project
- Veterans Legacy of Oregon PTSD Program at Camp Alma

**Membership, Training, Certifications, Licenses Memberships**

- Veteran of Foreign Wars
- Disabled American Veterans
- 10th Mountain Division Society
- Phi Kappa Phi International Honors Society
- Phi Beta Kappa International Honors Society
- Wisdom of the Elders Storytelling Association
- OSU Master Gardener Association
- Cascade Mycological Society



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*Taught by Christopher S. Hudak*

**When: September 11 & 13, 2018 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m. (pacific time)**

## Questions?

For questions on registration, please email [registration@rcac.org](mailto:registration@rcac.org) or call Training Dept at (916) 447-9832 ext. 1429.

For questions on content, please contact Judy Hunter at (916) 447-9832 x 1015 • [jhunter@rcac.org](mailto:jhunter@rcac.org)

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**Special Needs:** If you have special needs addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify RCAC at (916) 477-9832 x 1009 at least three weeks prior to the workshop so that we may make accommodations for you.

Counseling agency received HUD approval within the past year? ☐ Yes ☐ No HUD number: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you work in a rural area: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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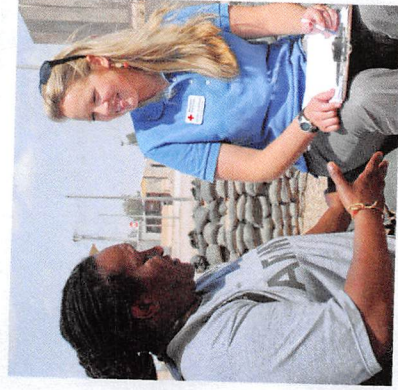
### 3 Distinct Programs

The American Red Cross offers resiliency programs to members of the Armed Forces, veterans and their families:

- Coping with Deployments
- Reconnection Workshops
- Mind-Body Workshops

The programs are similar in their mission to teach effective resiliency skills as preventative tools for the challenges and stress of military life. All resiliency programs are available free of charge, confidential and led by licensed mental health professionals with additional Red Cross training.

For more information and to schedule a training for your Family Readiness Group (FRG), spouses' club, family group, Veteran and Military Service Organizations or other groups, please call your local Red Cross office. To find your local office, go to [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) and enter your zip code in "Local Red Cross" at the top of the page.



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**Resiliency Programs**



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## Coping with Deployments

Developed to support military families during the deployment cycle, these courses teach participants how to build their own and others' resilience.

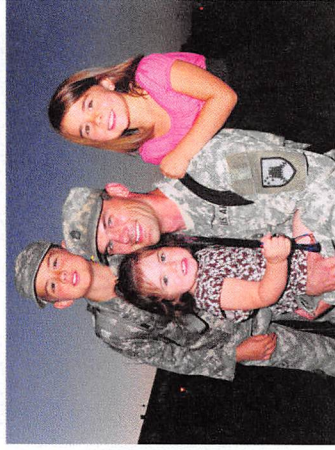
Attendees learn to use psychological first aid to support themselves and others, help children cope with stress, locate resources and make referrals when needed. These courses are intended for the immediate and extended family members, significant others and friends of service members and veterans. Service members and veterans may also attend along with their family members.

*Coping with Deployments courses include:*

- Introduction to Psychological First Aid and Resilience
- Using Psychological First Aid and Building Resilience in Military Children

The courses can be taken separately or as a joint session and are available as in-person, instructor-led courses or as self-guided online courses through the Red Cross Learning Center.

To learn more or register for *Coping with Deployments* visit, [redcross.org/cwd](http://redcross.org/cwd)



## Reconnection Workshops

Service members, veterans and their families learn how to cope with the challenges that come with military-related transitions, such as readjustment after deployment, training missions, relocation and separation from service. Each session addresses a topic relevant to readjustment.

For adults:

- Communicating Clearly
- Exploring Stress and Trauma
- Identifying Depression
- Relating to Children
- Working Through Anger

For children and teens ages 8-18:

- 10-4: Confident Coping
- Roger That! Communication Counts

For children ages 5-8 with an adult buddy:

- 10-4: Confident Coping Buddy Group
- Roger That! Communication Counts Buddy Group

### Format

These workshops utilize small-group discussions to help participants learn to reconnect with their family members, work environments and communities. Group members are encouraged to share their experiences and practice resilience-building activities.

To learn more or register for *Reconnection Workshops* visit, [redcross.org/reconnectionworkshops](http://redcross.org/reconnectionworkshops)

## Mind-Body Workshops

Service members, veterans and their families are taught how to improve their wellbeing through skills that connect the body with the mind. Attendees learn the foundational tools from which they can build a mind-body practice for themselves to reduce stress and improve personal wellness.

Introduction to Mind-Body Skills teaches:

- Breathing
- Mindfulness Techniques
- Stretching and Movement
- Body Awareness and Functioning
- Guided Imagery

Using Mind-Body Skills teaches:

- Drawing
- Journaling
- Meditation and Mindfulness
- Body Awareness
- Self-directed Imagery

### Format

These workshops offer a relaxed environment and encourage participants to practice and reflect on each technique. The focus is on personal growth with minimal discussion around each person's experiences with the skills.

To learn more or register for *Mind-Body Workshops* visit, [redcross.org/mindbodyworkshops](http://redcross.org/mindbodyworkshops)



Southern Oregon presents this years festivities complete with pirate re-enactors, cannon fire, beer gardens, two stages providing entertainment, vendors, food, children's activities and mermaids.

Admission is free.



Patty Mac, Jodie Rice and Otter dress up as pirates + day of the eighth annual Pirates of the Pacific Festival.

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# Mental health board faces criticism

By **Boyd C. Allen**

Pilot Staff Writer

Curry Community Health (CCH) Behavioral Health Director Erin Porter, facing criticism from advocate Gordon Clay, said Thursday that CCH was investigating a recent incident in which, according to Clay, a person having a mental health crisis was turned away at CCH and incorrectly sent to Curry General Hospital for services they do not provide.

The person was then sent to Coos Bay, evaluated by a social worker there and told to wait for a doctor.

Clay, addressing the Mental Health

and Addictions Advisory Board, said the person in crisis waited five hours and left without being treated. Overall, the person sought help for 15 hours.

"It is our responsibility to be a safety net," Porter said.

"What is going to be done?" Clay said. "Where do we tell people to go? Why is there not a piece of paper, a protocol, given to providers to guide people through the process?"

"Some confusion occurred and we need to fix it," Porter said. "I need people to come and talk to me about these kinds of problems. We only

want to help people and do what we can to support them."

CCH is reaching out to people and working to revise its protocols, especially those related to its crisis line and walk-in hours, according to Porter.

AllCare's Lana McGregor emphasized the need for this information because Curry County is one of the few places where emergency services at the hospital do not cover mental health crises.

Board members met Thursday to discuss action plans for the first goal they set at a previous meeting — suicide prevention

and engagement.

Porter reported CCH planned to distribute postcards including contact information for mental health support during September as part of National Suicide Prevention Month.

"CCH was also offering Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training," she said. "But was struggling to get people to sign up."

Classes to train law enforcement personnel in mental health first aid had not been held either, according to Porter, because not enough officers had signed up.

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## Weather Past four days

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
HIGH	60	64	64	64
LOW	53	51	51	53

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## Rain totals Past four days

TUE	WED	THU	FRI
0"	0"	0"	0"

Since Jan. 1...43.75 Normal...42.94  
Since Oct. 1...63.55 Normal...70.73

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Camp Road, and plan to use Peavine Road as a fallback control line if it does. Bear Camp Road remains closed in its entirety, from Agness to Grants Pass.

The challenge lately, Casey said, is combatting "rollout," when a fire races up a steep mountainside, and sends burning material down the other side to ignite other fuel.

That fuel, in turn, can burn up the side it just rolled down as well as the hillside opposite it.

"It's very hard to

said their use of an unmanned drone that can monitor the fire's creep through the thick smoke has been critical in helping managers determine the next moves.

"We don't like to have just one plan," Casey said. "Our primary plan is to stop the fire; our second plan is to understand the fuel types so we know what kind of response we need."

The drone has a 7-foot wingspan, can operate for eight hours on two gallons of fuel

protect your homes, your businesses, your communities, the timber values, recreation," Casey said. "I know a lot of people are concerned about what's going to happen here. We're trying to use all the tools in our tool box to keep it low intensity. We don't want to see extreme fire behavior; we don't want to see this get up and run. As long as we have the inversion, we should be in good shape."

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other illnesses. Children and the elderly are particularly susceptible, although all people should avoid direct contact with the water until the advisory is lifted.

Increased fecal bacteria levels in the ocean can come from both shore and inland sources, such as stormwater runoff, sewer overflows, failing septic systems, and animal waste from livestock, pets and wildlife, officials said in the health advisory.

## HEALTH

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However, Porter said, CCH was working with the Brookings-Harbor School District to implement trauma informed care and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) training.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) states the goal of ACEs and trauma informed care is to provide information about the effects of trauma and how to appropriately treat and build resiliency in those affected.

Advanced Health Chief Transformation Officer Lisa Hendricks reported training 10 master trainers in Coos and Curry Counties in the Neuroscience, Epigenetics,

Adverse Childhood Experiences and Resilience (NEAR) Science curriculum developed by ACE Interface.

She said these master trainers will provide free NEAR trainings in Coos and Curry Counties to educate the public about the impacts of toxic stress as the result of adverse experiences in childhood and share the importance of building resilience.

The next phase will include Family Cafes designed to bring families and professionals together to talk about opportunities to reduce and prevent adverse childhood experiences and identify ways to increase protective factors.

Chair Connie Hunter noted the meeting was going overtime and suggested extending the next meeting

and focusing on addictions programs, the group's second goal.

"We need to continue to identify opportunities and initiatives that need to be put together in a final plan," she said. "We will continue looking forward and improving services for the county."

### Program updates

Porter reported that CCH, in conjunction with the county, was implementing the Sequential Intercept Model to divert inmates with mental health issues from jail and into mental health services as quickly as possible.

The goal is to get people out of jail and to the help they need, she said.

The Sequential Intercept Model model identifies five key points for intercepting

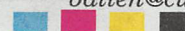
individuals with behavioral health issues and linking them to services while preventing them from getting further entrenched in the criminal justice system, where they often cannot receive proper treatment, according to the SAMHSA.

CCH has increased the number of hours counselors provide to inmates in the jail as well, according to Porter.

### Mental health summit

CCH Executive Director Ken Dukek and Porter agreed to attend the Veterans Mental Health Summit in Roseburg, Sept. 10. The number veterans in Curry County exceeds 25 percent of the population, according to Hunter.

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## MISSING PIECE—REFERRAL TOOL—ONLY AN ACT OF CONGRESS WILL GET IT DONE...

Developing a referral tool has been done in phases because the correct structure matters. Here are the phases:

- (a) Phase One: 2015-2016, CCH staff updated the list of local social services providers as a resource for the social services network to use as an internal referral tool;
- (b) Phase Two: 2016-2017, CCH Advisory Board identified that we still needed to do a community asset map which would identify community partners and determine their roles in the continuum of care and relative to CCH's programs. In fact, I had volunteered to get the VA to help with this community asset mapping but for our region otherwise that is a labor-intensive process that could take over a year and gas. CCH does not have those resources. So, it's up to me, the one who volunteered to put my money where my mouth is.

As the Curry County Community Ambassador participating on the VA's Mental Health Executive Council, I presented the idea that we need to have a community asset map and requested help from the VA. I continued conversations with VA executive mental health staff and elected Congressional officials. With enough squawkers saying the same thing, the VA came to terms with the fact that even they can't do their job without a regional community asset map.

Make no mistake about it, I made these points, in many a meeting. This missing piece of planning was identified and was ultimately addressed in new legislation--the VA Mission Act of 2018. So, I answered a question that Chair Espinoza had asked at the last advisory board meeting that he chaired, and assured all that we could get this done by the VA.

*How do she know?* Because I had direct input on the executive council at VA and during Congressional briefings which I attend by conferencing in. Beyond that, I track all federal legislation concerning veterans as it goes through the process. I have even been a part of initiating legislation and giving input into the writing of such legislation which was a side effect of having been the development director for a nonprofit board that had a seated US Congressman on it. Plus, I worked with Dr. Mikel Harry and helped him get into the position to use his knowledge to change the culture of the VA and improve its processes. There is a history lesson in here that someday I would love to share with you.

- (c) Phase Three: VA Mission Act of 2018 provides for that community asset map in Sec. 106 Strategy regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs High-Performing Integrated Healthcare Network, pages 4 and 5. Please see those pages. The VA uses



different language calling a community asset map a “market area assessment” with a regional and catchment area context.

The VA is being required to produce the first assessment within one year, and subsequent assessments every four years. (I shared this with you at the meeting, complete with highlighted sections—the elements that are to be included in the market area assessment).

This market area assessment is cornerstone to development of a referral tool. A referral tool is what we need to improve our local processes, too. And, that is why misidentifying that our advisory board was criticized is so off-base that it made my head swim when I saw the headline. THIS NEEDS TO BE CORRECTED.

As is the development methodology, the VA is doing “first things first” and taking the first step to determine *who their community partners will be*. The VA acknowledges that the way to solve the problems that exist right now, includes a referral tool at the end of the process. So, instead of beating CCH up for not having this tool, the correct perspective is that it took an Act of Congress to get the VA to get it done. Why?

Because no one—not the States, not local providers, or not county mental health authorities have had the time and resources to do this market area assessment of community social services asset “map.” Everyone acknowledges that this needed to be done. So, in the interim, there is only one thing left that CCH and its Advisory Board can do and is doing, is put together an external referral tool on what we do know, and leave the work of what we don’t know to the VA—they have the resources and have to do it anyway.

- (d) Phase Four: 2018 Advisory Board’s work in progress is to define community partner roles (after first identifying them as they are relative to filling local gaps in care with regards to programs administered at CCH). Simply put, the other piece of developing a referral tool is what we will be working on in our efforts toward suicide prevention education, engagement and creating relationships with community partners in program-related roles. You can imagine my disappointment when this was not even mentioned in the article.



RELEASE DATE: May 31, 2018

## President's executive order supporting mental health care for transitioning service members now underway

VA announced that the White House has approved an interagency plan to implement President Trump's executive order supporting Veterans with mental health care and suicide-prevention resources during their transition from uniformed service to civilian life.

Signed by the president in January, the executive order directs VA, the Department of Defense (DOD) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to collaborate to provide, to the extent consistent with law, seamless access to mental health care and suicide prevention resources for Veterans, with a focus on the first year after separation from military service.

"This collaborative effort represents a critical first step for ensuring that service members transitioning from active duty to Veteran status understand that VA, DOD and DHS are committed to easing the stress of transition by providing the best mental health care possible," said Acting VA Secretary Peter O'Rourke. "Transitioning to civilian life is difficult and, ultimately, this effort will make it easier for our Veterans."

Research has shown that service members in transition to Veteran status are at higher risk of mental health challenges and suicide. The president acted to ensure that new Veterans will receive access to VA mental health care and other services to the extent they are eligible.

Implementation of the Joint Action Plan by the three departments includes 16 important services. Below are three examples:

- Expanding peer community outreach and group sessions in the VA Whole Health initiative from 18 Whole Health Flagship facilities to all facilities. Whole Health includes wellness and establishing individual health goals.
- Extending DOD's "Be There Peer Support Call and Outreach Center" services to provide peer support for Veterans in the year after separation from the uniformed services
- Expanding DOD's Military One Source, which offers resources to active-duty members, to include support to separating service members up to one year after separation.

The White House will closely monitor the outcomes of the Joint Action Plan.

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**Release Date: Thursday, August 2, 2018**

## **VA RELEASES UPDATED VETERAN SUICIDE DATA**

VA released findings today from its most recent analysis of Veteran suicide data for all 50 states and the District of Columbia. This report yields several important insights:

- Suicide rates increased for both Veterans and non-Veterans, underscoring the fact that suicide is a national public health concern that affects people everywhere.
- The average number of Veterans who died by suicide each day remained unchanged at 20.
- The suicide rate increased faster among Veterans who had *not* recently used Veterans Health Administration health care than among those who had.

The report, known as “VA National Suicide Data Report 2005–2015,” is available online.

The analysis is part of VA’s ongoing examination of more than 55 million civilian and Veteran death records that is being used to evaluate and improve VA’s Suicide Prevention Program.

Data from this report were obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)’s National Death Index and then linked to both VA and Department of Defense (DoD) data.

VA is committed to publishing the most accurate suicide data possible. CDC has 2016 data, but VA works with both CDC and DoD to analyze millions of records and data sources to produce an analysis of suicide deaths for all known Veterans. This collaboration adds a layer of complexity to the analysis process thus making 2015 the most current year for which VA is able to publish complete Veteran suicide data. VA is working with CDC and DoD to innovate and refine the data analysis and plans to publish 2016 Veteran suicide data in fall 2018.

The report includes suicide rates from 2005 to 2015 for both Veteran and non-Veteran populations segmented by age, race and gender, and analyzes Veteran rates based on service branch and era, suicide method and suicide risk factors. These data inform the ongoing work of VA and its partners to prevent suicide and expand the network of support for Veterans.

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“Suicide remains a top clinical priority,” said Acting VA Secretary Mr. Peter O’Rourke. “One life lost to suicide is one too many. Suicide is a serious public health concern — in the Veteran population and across all communities nationwide. These data offer important insights to help VA to build effective networks of support, communication and care that reach Veterans where they live and thrive.”

Suicide is a complex issue and is influenced by a multitude of intersecting factors that can increase or decrease suicide risk. The VA Suicide Prevention Program’s public health approach addresses the risk factors associated with suicidal behavior — such as a prior suicide attempt, stressful life events or the availability of lethal means — while promoting the protective factors that can offset risk — such as positive coping skills, feeling connected to other people and access to mental health care.

Data form an integral part of VA’s public health strategy and enable VA to tailor research-backed suicide-prevention initiatives to reach diverse groups across the Veteran population.

In the years since these data were captured, VA has undertaken substantial suicide-prevention efforts, including:

- Expansion of the Veterans Crisis Line
- Creation of new cross-sector partnerships
- Implementation of the Joint Action Plan for Supporting Veterans During Their Transition From Uniformed Service to Civilian Life
- Launch of SAVE online suicide prevention training
- Development of the forthcoming National Strategy for Preventing Veteran Suicide

Learn more about VA’s suicide-prevention resources and programs at [www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide\\_prevention/](http://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide_prevention/).

Veterans who are in crisis or having thoughts of suicide, and those who know a Veteran in crisis, should call the Veterans Crisis Line for confidential support 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year at 800-273-8255 and press 1, chat online at VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat, or send a text message to 838255.

Reporters covering this issue are strongly encouraged to visit [www.ReportingOnSuicide.org](http://www.ReportingOnSuicide.org) for important guidance on how to communicate about suicide.

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## VETERANS ADMINISTRATION: Guiding Principles

The Guide to VA Mental Health Services for Veterans and Families (also available in Spanish : Guia de Servicios de Salud Mental que el Departamento de Asuntos de Veteranos Ofrece a los Veteranos y sus Familias) is intended for Veterans, Veteran family members, members of Veterans Services Organizations, or members of other groups interested in VA mental health care. **You can use this handbook to learn what mental health services your local or regional VA health care facility has pledged to provide to Veterans.** Please see the Guide for more detailed information, brief overview:


- **Focus on Recovery** - Recovery empowers the Veteran to take charge of his/her treatment and live a full and meaningful life. This approach focuses on the individual's strengths and gives respect, honor, and hope to our nation's heroes and their families.
- **Coordinated Care for the Whole Person** - VA health care providers coordinate with each other to provide safe and effective treatment for the whole person—head to toe. Having a healthy body, satisfying work, and supportive family and friends, along with getting appropriate nutrition and exercising regularly, are just as important to mental health as to physical health.
- **Mental Health Treatment in Primary Care** - Primary Care clinics use Patient Aligned Care Teams (PACTs) to provide the Veteran's healthcare. A PACT is a medical team that includes mental health experts.
- **Mental Health Treatment Coordinator** - Veterans who receive specialty mental health care have a Mental Health Treatment Coordinator (MHTC). The MHTC's job is to understand the overall mental health goals of the Veteran.
- **Around-the-Clock Service** - Emergency mental health care is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week at VA medical centers. If your VA does not have a 24-hour emergency room, it must provide these services through a local, non-VA hospital. Telephone evaluations at VA medical centers and the national crisis hotline are also available 24/7.
- **Care that is Sensitive to Gender & Cultural Issues** - VA health care providers receive training about military culture, gender differences, and ethnic issues in order to better understand each Veteran.
- **Care Close to Home** - VA is moving closer to where Veterans live by adding more rural and mobile clinics and working with other health care providers in the community.
- **Evidence-Based Treatment** - Evidence-based treatments are treatments that research has proven are effective for particular problems. Mental health providers receive training on a wide variety of proven treatments. Mental health providers must offer evidence-based treatments to Veterans.
- **Family & Couple Services** - Sometimes, as part of a Veteran's treatment, some members of the Veteran's immediate family or the Veteran's legal guardian may be included and receive services, such as family therapy, marriage counseling, grief counseling, etc.



## VA's Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

**Guidebook--Link:** [https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/MHG\\_English.pdf](https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/MHG_English.pdf)

VA provides a continuum of forward-looking outpatient, residential, and inpatient mental health services across the country. Points of access to care span VA medical centers, Community Based Outpatient Clinics, Vet Centers, and mobile Vet Centers. This guidebook highlights information on the range of VA mental health services and related programs designed to address the mental health needs to Veterans and their families. GUIDEBOOK LINK: <https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/VA-Office-of-Mental-Health-and-Suicide-Prevention-Guidebook-June-2018-FINAL-508.pdf>



Additional and updated information regarding suicide prevention can be found here:  
[https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide\\_prevention/Suicide-Prevention-Data.asp](https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicide_prevention/Suicide-Prevention-Data.asp)



**RELEASE DATE: June 12, 2018**

## **VA and PsychArmor Institute Offer Online Suicide Prevention Training**

**WASHINGTON** — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), in collaboration with [PsychArmor Institute](#), a national nonprofit that provides online education and support to Americans who work with, live with or care for military service members, Veterans and their families, recently launched an online suicide-prevention training video, titled "[SAVE](#)," which is designed to equip anyone who interacts with Veterans to demonstrate care, support and compassion when talking with a Veteran who could be at risk for suicide. SAVE which stands for Signs, Ask, Validate, Encourage and Expedite, offers simple steps anyone — whether a treatment provider, clinician, friend or family member — can take when talking with Veterans at risk for suicide.

"VA is leading efforts to prevent suicide among Veterans, but VA alone cannot end Veteran suicide," said VA Acting Secretary Peter O'Rourke. "We need strategic partners, care providers and communities to join us in this effort. Resources such as SAVE are crucial in helping all Americans support Veterans in their community."

VA suicide prevention coordinators have led the SAVE course at VA facilities and community centers across the nation. VA officials said extending and promoting this important training outside VA is critical in helping everyone play a role in suicide prevention.

The free training video can be viewed at <https://psycharmor.org/courses/s-a-v-e/>. The 25-minute online training course covers three main topics:

- Suicide as a public health issue in the U.S.
- Signs that a Veteran may be at risk for suicide
- Actions people can take if they identify a Veteran at risk.

Veterans in crisis or having thoughts of suicide — and anyone who knows a Veteran in crisis — should call the Veterans Crisis Line for confidential support 24 hours a day and 365 days a year. Call 800-273-8255 and press 1, chat online at [VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat](https://VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat) or text to 838255.

Reporters covering the topic of suicide are encouraged to visit <http://www.reportingonsuicide.org/> for important guidance.

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**Release Date: Thursday, August 2, 2018**

## **Forever GI Bill expands VA educational benefits**

### **15 provisions enhance benefits for Veterans**

Effective Aug. 1, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) implemented 15 more provisions of the Harry W. Colmery Educational Assistance Act of 2017, also referred to as the Forever GI Bill.

These provisions, in addition to the 13 implemented since the law was signed less than a year ago, will have an immediate and positive impact on Veterans and their families using VA benefits to pursue their educational goals.

"We are excited to get the word out about implementation of the provisions," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "From the day the Forever GI Bill was signed into law, VA, in collaboration with Veterans service organizations, state approving agencies and school certifying officials, has taken an expansive approach to ensure earned benefits are provided to Veterans in a timely, high-quality and efficient way."

Some of the provisions that began Aug. 1 include:

- Recipients of a Purple Heart awarded on or after Sept. 11, 2001, are now eligible for full Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits for up to 36 months, if not already entitled.
- Military and Veteran families who have lost a family member can now reallocate transferred Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits.
- Additional Guard and Reserve service now counts toward Post-9/11 GI Bill eligibility.
- Post-9/11 GI Bill students may now receive monthly housing allowance for any days they are not on active duty, rather than having to wait until the next month; and
- Expansion of the Yellow Ribbon Program, which makes additional funds available for GI Bill students, now covers more students.

More provisions are scheduled related to science, technology, engineering and math benefit extensions; increased benefit levels; a pilot program for high-technology training geared toward "upskilling" Veterans to enter the workforce quickly; and another expansion of the Yellow Ribbon Program, which will be implemented by Aug. 1, 2022.

For more information, visit the [Forever GI Bill – Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act page](#).

Visit the [Education and Training webpage](#) for more information. For questions about GI Bill benefits, call the Education Call Center at 888-442-4551 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CST) Monday through Friday. Join the conversation via [Facebook](#) or follow Veterans Benefits Administration on [Twitter](#).

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Curry VA Healthcare Summit 2.0  
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Sept 21  
9 am - 2pm

Swacc Curry Campus  
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## ROSEBURG VA MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018**

8:00 am – 3:30pm

Umpqua Community College  
Southern Oregon Wine Institute  
1140 Umpqua College Rd.  
Roseburg, OR 97470

Registration link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/roseburg-va-mental-health-summit-tickets-47831408029>

The VA Mental Health Summit is a gathering of local Veterans Health Administration leadership and providers, community agencies that serve Veterans, non-profits, Veterans Service Organizations, Veteran and community advocacy groups, as well as Veterans and their family members. The purpose is to provide education, collaboration, and networking across the mental health delivery system and the community at large. Please RSVP through the eventbrite website above.

**VA**



**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

Veterans Health Administration  
Roseburg VA Health Care System

Theme:  
Reaching Out

### Agenda

8:00 - Registration  
8:15 - Welcome and Introductions  
8:45 - Introductions from VA and UCC Leadership  
9:15 – January 2018 Executive Order expanding access and Whole Health Expansion  
9:45 – Break  
10:00 – Reaching out to Student Veterans  
10:30 – Recovery of a Lioness – Jessica Miller  
11:30 – Vendor Fair  
12:00 – Lunch  
1:00 – Breakout Sessions - Special Populations: Veterans with MST, LGBTQ Veterans, Homeless Veterans, Previously Incarcerated Veterans  
2:00 - Care in the Community: Panel Discussion  
3:00 – Summary and Closing

CEUs Pending Approval

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## OREGON RECEIVED WORST RANKING FOR MENTAL HEALTH!

Over the years in Curry County, as an advocate for *sufficient* quality mental health care services, folks may have heard me talk about working in Arizona for Phoenix Behavioral Health Foundation--the development/foundation arm of Phoenix South Community Mental Health Center (the largest community health center in the state during the mid-eighties). Arizona funded less for mental health than every other state in the union and even less than Puerto Rico. So, what does this have to do with the State of Oregon?

As of November, 2015, the State of Oregon received this same dubious distinction of being ranked number 51 (worst ranking) with regards to mental health. The State of Oregon funds significantly but there are a large number of mental health patients/clients in Oregon and that is the bottom line—Oregon's funding currently has not been able to keep up with the numbers in order to address the need. *What did we do in Arizona to impact this ranking and turn things around?*

We formed a coalition of community-based mental health providers and sued the State of Arizona on behalf of individuals (because the clients of the various providers were not getting their needs met after a national emphasis to "de-institutionalize" mental health services).

In Arizona, lawsuits were won on behalf of individuals. The result is that the courts ordered the State of Arizona to fund more for mental health. Additionally, some of those individual test case law suits were on behalf of veterans. *How did this landmark decision affect State and federal policy with regards to veterans and mental health?* Regardless of a regional Veterans Healthcare System's nonperformance, ultimately, the responsibility fell back on the State of Arizona. That is the legal precedent for the rationale behind the V.A. Healthcare Reform Act of 2014 and the current federal legislation that was passed this summer as the V.A. Mission Act. Rural counties will be better provided for under this new legislation.

Back in the day, mentally ill clients were considered CMI--chronically mentally ill. Now, the term used is SMI for Serious Mental Illness which is defined by the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) as:



- A mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder (excluding developmental and substance use disorders);
- Diagnosable currently or within the past year;
- Of sufficient duration to meet diagnostic criteria specified within the 4th edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (DSM-IV); and,
- Resulting in serious functional impairment, which substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities.

Locally, Curry Community Health has done a great job to grow seriously needed mental health services in our isolated rural county. Their Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Board chose creating and developing community partner roles, increased addiction programs, suicide prevention and building staff and providers for peer support and increased training for peer support specialists as our main goals. The current conundrum surrounding Curry Health Network's ability to provide a mental health bed demonstrates another hole in the local efforts to provide for mental and behavioral health needs.

Through this ongoing community conversation at the upcoming V.A. Healthcare Summit 2.0, stakeholders will have an opportunity to provide input and gather information regarding how the V.A. can work better with our rural county. During this summit, we can affect the State of Oregon's public policy in a huge way as well. We have the opportunity to initiate a concerted effort among community-based providers to coalesce in support of our U.S. military veterans, their family members and our other servicemembers—active duty, reservists and our National Guard. Don't forget that we have 26.7 % of our Curry County citizens are veterans—while in south Curry County where population is densest, the numbers are closer to 1 in 3 people are veterans. Only 1 in 3 veterans have enrolled in the Veterans Benefits Administration and are receiving benefits from the federal Veterans Administration.

Because of our continued advocacy, much work is being done to affect the State of Oregon's public policy with regards to mental health and funding for mental health programs.

Locally, we must continue our advocacy to both the State of Oregon and the V.A. in order to address the gaps in care and to provide a continuum of care of mental health services. We must work together to insist that the State of Oregon should



encourage/support/develop and implement community-based partnerships with the V.A. Healthcare System. Our efforts in Curry County are really the nuts and bolts of a model that could affect the way the State and the V.A. do business.

We have been successful thus far in Oregon, to get the Oregon Health Authority, in its efforts to provide community support through its Coordinated Care System, to prioritize mental health in its policy development, which means funding is not that far behind. Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs is providing additional funding for veterans through lottery funds. For example, Lane County Council of Governments applied for a grant under these new funding opportunities and received a grant for just under \$50,000 for case management for veterans' healthcare. We need to look at ways to bring that funding our way.

It is up to community stakeholders to insist that the implementation of the new strategies and innovation policy of the Veterans Administration's be implemented locally. And, that is the reason for a stakeholders' meeting with V.A. Roseburg's Healthcare Systems—V.A. Healthcare Summit 2.0 with an emphasis on mental health--to be held at Curry Campus of Southwestern Oregon Community College on 21 September 2018 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

I will keep you updated as this comes together over the next few weeks. Please RSVP if you would like to participate in the event as a stakeholder and/or as a community partner. Please contact me via cell 602-541-5903 or by Email: [Connie.Hunter@outlook.com](mailto:Connie.Hunter@outlook.com)

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# **STATE OF OREGON—OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY**

## **2018 KEY STRATEGIES FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION:**

### **Population interventions**

- Promote use of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
- Ensure communities implement an array of services and programs to promote safe and nurturing environments

### **Health equity interventions**

- Reduce the disparity of suicide among veterans

[https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/data-sheets/2015/Oregon\\_2015.pdf](https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/docs/data-sheets/2015/Oregon_2015.pdf)

### **Health system interventions**

- Create incentives for public health plans and health care providers to prevent deaths from suicide
- Ensure training for health professionals is available to address suicide risk

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## **2018 KEY QUESTIONS FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION:**

- **How can OHA leverage community and health systems responsibility for investment in suicide?**
- **What organization in Oregon could encourage and support a gun owners initiative to reduce access to lethal means of self-destruction among youth?**
- **How can OHA promote culture as prevention among veterans, Native American populations, LGBTQ+ populations?**

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## **OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY**

### **State Health Improvement Plan: Suicide Prevention**

## **Learnings from Tribal Summit & Coordinated Samsha Site Visit**

- **Culture is prevention**
- **Supporting recovery from individual, community and cultural trauma is of paramount importance**
- **Partnership development takes time and sustained investment**
- **We can and should learn from Tribes and urban India programs**
  - Integrated behavioral / physical health systems**
  - Integrated approach to suicide, opioid and “other” drug addiction**
  - Whole person / whole community approach (BINGO!)**  
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## **OREGON DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Veterans Mental Health Care Survey**

**LINK: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y3GL6LH>**

Thank you for participating in this survey for the State of Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). ODVA and OHA want to learn how they can help Oregon's veterans better access and use mental health care services. These agencies are working with the Rede Group to study this important issue and to create recommendations to improve care.

Once you complete this survey, you can enter your name for a chance to win one of two \$100.00 Visa gift cards.



This survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete and is part of a larger study designed to understand the extent to which veterans use mental health services, the barriers veterans face in accessing these services, and how ODVA and OHA may better serve veterans regarding mental health care.

The information you give us is completely confidential, and we will not associate your name with your survey responses. You may withdraw from the survey at any time.

If you have any questions now or after you have completed the survey, you can contact the Rede Group or ODVA using the numbers below.

The Rede Group  
Alex Muvua  
503-764-9696



ODVA  
Sheronne Blasi  
503-373-2249

# Lottery Funds

April 13, 2018

## VETERAN SERVICES GRANTS PROGRAM - GRANTS AWARDED

Proposer	Location	Purpose	Grant Award
Community Connection of NE Oregon (non-profit organization)	Baker and Union Counties	Veterans Rides to Wellness. Transportation for veterans to local medical appointments.	\$ 50,000
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (sovereign tribal community)	Yamhill, Polk and Marion Counties	Outreach to all veterans, including tribal and provide medical, dental and eye care. Partial funding of request.	\$ 8,688
Coos County Area Transit Service District (a component of Coos County)	Coos County - south coast	Establish shuttle service for veterans between Coos County and Roseburg VA hospital. Partial funding of request	\$ 130,840
Klamath/Lake Community Action Services (non-profit organization)	Klamath and Lake Counties	Emergency housing for veterans/families awaiting rehousing/permanent. Plus job training/SOAR program. Transportation.	\$ 35,000
Lane Council of Governments, Seniors and Disability Division (intergovernmental; assn. of local gov.)	Lane County	Case management for veteran's access/use of community services/benefits; develop action plan, assist on applications.	\$ 46,933
Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest (non-profit organization)	Greater Portland	Outreach and case management for Native American/Alaska Indian homeless veterans address health/mental health care, housing.	\$ 74,990
Oregon City Police Department (City government)	Oregon City	First responder for veteran homelessness prevention and assistance. Rental assistance, job training assistance.	\$ 26,664
Polk County. Family and Community Outreach Department. (County government)	Polk County	Provide homeless veterans meals, stable transitional housing, laundry, shower, connection to veteran service organizations	\$ 39,160
Project ABLE (non-profit organization)	Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Linn, Tillamook, Washington and Multnomah Co	Train veterans as veteran-specific Peer Support Specialists to support veterans with behavioral health issues	\$ 87,725
St. Andrew Legal Clinic (non-profit organization)	Yamhill, Columbia, Clackamas, Washington and Multnomah Co	Provide full legal services to veterans with a focus on issues of economic stability and housing security	\$ 50,000
		Total Grant Awards	550,000



## **Curry Community Health: Protect. Promote. Serve.**

**Organizational Mission Statement:** Supporting and promoting the health and well-being of our community. Curry Community Health is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Curry County, OR as the local health authority.

**Curry Community Health delivers three services—Public Health, Primary Care, Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Addictions Services), as follows:**

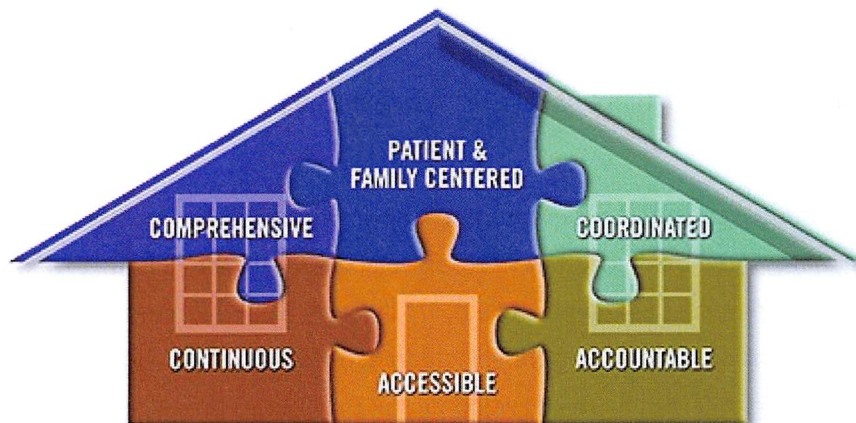
### **(1) Public Health:**

The function of public health is to protect and promote the conditions in which all people can be healthy. This includes ensuring children receive a strong start through maternal care, nutrition, and family planning. It also encompasses identifying and tracking disease, protecting food and water supplies, educating the public about health issues, and preparing for and responding to disease outbreaks and disasters. -----**Environmental Health**-----**Healthy Beginnings (WIC)**-----**Prevention/Promotion**---**Emergency Preparedness**-----**Vital Statistics**-----

### **(2) Primary Care:**

**Make us your Primary Care Home**

Curry Community Health's comprehensive primary care services encompass the complete care of patients and families including preventative, diagnostic, acute and chronic health conditions. Our medical assistants, registered nurses and board-certified family nurse practitioners are committed to providing excellent care for children through seniors. Your wellness is our primary focus.





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### **(2) Primary Care: (continuing)**

#### **Lab Services**

Our on-site lab tests include: urinalysis, glucose, strep, pregnancy, and urine drug screens.

#### **For Your Convenience**

We offer routine exams, long-term follow-up care for ongoing health problems, as well as same-day visits for acute illnesses. Nurse appointments are also available for vaccines, injections, family planning/birth control, and routine monitoring.

#### **Patient-Centered Primary Care Home**

Curry Community Health is a Patient-Centered Primary Care Home that has been recognized for our commitment to patient-centered care. In a Patient-Centered Primary Care Home, you're the most important party of your care. **CCH will...**

- Better coordinate your care to help get you the services you need, when you need them
- Listen to your concerns and answer your questions
- Offer after-hours help and alternatives to the emergency room
- Help you play an active role in your health

### **(3) Behavioral Health: Mental Health**

The Community Mental Health program can be accessed by any individual or family seeking mental health services. CCH staff screen and assess adults and children for mental health conditions, develop treatment plans with clients and parents, and coordinate with state agencies and hospitals for regional crisis/respite care. As much as possible CCH provides locally-based treatment services including individual therapy, family or group therapy, case management, and skills training.

#### **Treatment Services**

Thorough diagnostic, bio-psychosocial assessments are performed on enrollment and are followed by treatment planning that is individualized to meet the special needs of each person. Group therapy currently offered address pain management, anxiety, art therapy, LGBTQ concerns and DBT. Psychiatric services are provided to both children and adults, including medication management for individuals with co-occurring disorders referred by the Developmental Disabilities and Alcohol & Drug programs. Psychiatric services are provided through tele-psychiatry as well as face to face.



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### **(3) Behavioral Health: Mental Health (continuing)**

#### **Children's Services**

Children receive community-based mental health services through psychiatric care, medication management, mental health treatment, case management, family support and skill-building. Services are research-based and tailored to meet the unique needs of each child and family in their community, their schools and their homes. Services are provided to children and their families in the three school districts- Brookings/Harbor, Gold Beach, and Port Orford. No child is turned away for lack of ability to pay.

#### **EASA**

EASA is the Early Assessment & Support Alliance. EASA serves young people ages 12 to 25 who have had a first episode of psychosis within the last 12 months or who are experiencing early at-risk symptoms for psychosis, and their families. The goal of EASA is to identify individuals with a new psychosis as soon as possible in order to minimize the negative impact on their lives. For more information, please visit the EASA website: [www.easacommunity.org](http://www.easacommunity.org)

#### **24/7 Crisis Response Services**

A crisis coordinator is on-call to provide triage services for people in psychiatric crisis in Curry County. The crisis coordinator responds to calls, conducts assessments at Curry General Hospital, makes recommendations to medical staff and assists in connecting the client to relevant services locally and statewide. Crisis walk-in appointments are also available at all clinic locations during business hours. If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, please call 877-519-9322.

#### **Case Management**

Adults with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) receive services coordinated by a case manager. These services include medication management, supportive therapy, crisis services, acute and sub-acute placement services, supported employment, skills training, housing and peer support. Services are recovery-oriented, strengths based and focused on independence and community inclusion. In addition to adults with SMI case management is provided to individuals at risk of hospitalization to assist them in connecting with resources and gaining the skills necessary to remain safe in the community.

#### **Supported Employment**

Supported Employment case managers connect mental health clients with employment training, continuing education, job placement, and on-going support.



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### **(3) Behavioral Health: Mental Health (continuing)**

#### **Supported Housing**

Overseen by a mental health case manager and maintained by a facilities technician, Hammond House provides safe and affordable housing for 8 residents.

#### **Clubhouse**

The Clubhouse is a peer drop-in center designed to support individuals working on recovery from mental illness and addiction. Here you will discover opportunities to learn new skills, build friendships and alliances, obtain support for your recovery as well as supporting others on their journey to wellness.

### **(4) Behavioral Health: Addictions Services**

Services provided by Curry Community Health Addictions Treatment Program include:

- Resources & referral
- Assessment & evaluation
- Individual & group therapy
- Educational
- Case Management
- Consultation
- Residential placement
- Coordination of services
- Family counseling
- UA Monitoring

Curry Community Health Addictions Program provides treatment for the following:

- Alcohol and Other Drugs
- Problem Gambling
- Anger Management
- Domestic Violence
- Victims of Domestic Violence



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### **(3) Behavioral Health: Addictions Services (continuing)**

Our A&D Program offers individual and group therapy utilizing evidence-based practice curriculum. Some of the types of groups offered are: Adolescent, Gender Specific, Educational, Recovery Skills, PTSD/Substance Abuse, and Relapse Prevention. Some of the types of curriculum used are: Stages of Change, Matrix, Women's Addiction, CBT, Cannabis Youth Treatment, The Matrix Model for Teens and Young Adults, and Seeking Safety. We also offer Anger Management Groups utilizing the SAMHSA approved anger management curriculum. Our Domestic Violence Intervention Program follows state guidelines for required content and is facilitated by trained staff.

### **Substance Use and Problem Gambling Prevention**

Evidence-based substance abuse and problem gambling prevention efforts are coordinated by Curry Community Health's Prevention Specialist. Founded on research, Positive Culture Framework, and the six Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) strategies outlined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the strategies utilized to prevent substance use and problem gambling in Curry County include: information dissemination, prevention education, alternative activities, community-based process, environmental approaches, and problem identification and referral. Prevention programs balance concern with hope and reduce risk factors while increasing protective factors to build resilience in youths and communities.

## **SERVICES MISSION STATEMENT:**

To promote and maintain the health and well-being of Curry residents through targeted, effective services and caring community partnerships.





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## **Meet Our Board of Directors**

CCH Board Chair – Ed Conyers

CCH Board Vice-Chair – Everett Dial

CCH Board Secretary/Treasurer – Holly Stephens

CCH Board Member – John Spicer

CCH Board Member – Court Boice

On behalf of the Board, we welcome you to Curry Community Health and sincerely hope you have a positive and supportive experience as you visit with our professional caregivers and their staff. We appreciate your taking the time to learn about Curry Community Health (CCH). Our Board of Directors is Comprised of local volunteer citizens with diverse backgrounds and education who reside in Curry County.

Our Board of Directors is comprised of local volunteer citizens with diverse backgrounds and education who reside in Curry County. We meet as a Board regularly to review key performance indicators, budget, and client care for Physical Health, Mental Health, and Addictions Services. Our job together with the CEO is to make decisions that will assist our staff to serve you well and ensure the organization's wellbeing. We are proud of the accomplishments that CCH has made since its inception and pleased to welcome you to our clinics.





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## **Meet Our Executive Team**

**Kenneth Dukek**, Chief Executive Officer

**Carole Cooke**, Chief Financial Officer

**Carly Kruse**, Corporate Attorney and Compliance Officer

**Erin Porter**, Behavioral Health Director

**Ben Cannon**, Public Health Administrator

### Managers

**Lauren Butterfield**, Facility and Procurement Supervisor

**Jason Womack**, Human Resources & Training Supervisor

**Jan Barker**, Addiction Program Supervisor

**Kristen Davis**, Medical Operations Supervisor/Information Officer

**Mary Trost**, Quality Assurance & Compliance Supervisor

**Dave Frazee**, Mental Health Therapist Supervisor

**Leasa Medina**, ACT Team Lead

**Michelle Wozniak-Hicks**, Public Health Programs Manager

**CEO's Executive Message:** Greetings! I want to personally thank you for being part of our local care system. We strive to provide the best care possible in each of our practice areas: Public Health, Physical Health, Mental Health, and Addictions Services. I ask that you take the time to complete a client survey at any time during or following your appointment. As a client, your feedback is essential in helping us provide you with services that are prompt, courteous, and beneficial to your physical and mental health. As a community service provider, we are focused on health promotion and awareness. If you need information that is not present, please let us know and we will ensure you receive it. Again, thank you for visiting our clinics.

**--Kenneth Dukek, CEO**



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## **IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS FOR CURRY COMMUNITY HEALTH:**

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**Gold Beach/Port Orford 541-425-7545**

**Brookings 541-813-2525**

**Crisis 877-519-9322**

**After-Hours Medical 541-618-4691**

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Pilot, p A5,  
Wednesday,  
July 4th, 2018

# Mental health, addictions board agrees to goals

By Boyd C. Allen  
Pilot Staff Writer

The Curry County Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Board chose creating and developing community roles, increased addiction programs and suicide prevention as their three main goals for 2018-19.

They also voted to combine two other proposed goals — building staff and providers for peer support and increased trainings for peer support specialists — and include them as a fourth target.

The advisory board is mandated by the county to provide community and stakeholder input to Curry Community Health (CCH) as it contracts with the county to provide mental health and addiction services.

CCH's Behavioral Health Director Erin Porter said she wanted goals that were specific, measurable and attainable.

"These goals reflect areas where we are lacking services in mental health and addiction," Chair Mick Espinoza said. "I want to see these goals worked into our plans and see us get grants

and money to support these programs."

This year's goals are similar to last year's, according to the agenda, but "addictions programs" are broader than last year's "opioid programs" and there is more emphasis on peer support and peer support specialists.

Espinoza kept the group focused on the goals and said they should meet more regularly and announce upcoming meetings in more places. The group decided to set recurring meeting times at their next meeting and announce their next meeting earlier.

Jeff Turner from Curry General Hospital and the Curry Health Network said having regularly scheduled and announced meetings would let the community know what the group was doing and added that community information about the group was lacking.

The board agreed to create action plans and determine how the goals will be measured and evaluated at their next meeting.

In discussions about the goals, members noted how difficult it

was to recruit peer support specialists to the area.

Espinoza said the sheriff's office had attempted to do so but couldn't find a candidate with the proper certifications and who would take the job.

Members suggested the meeting was helpful in gathering groups to pair with organizations who could provide people, services and peers.

"Now that we have met about this, we can see how difficult it is (to find peer support staff), and with a group see better how we can achieve this," Espinoza said.

## Other news

Porter said CCH had hired a yoga instructor and would be providing adaptive yoga for pain control to the community free of charge.

Espinoza said area law enforcement had seen a spike in mental health issues with arrests and in the jail. He offered kudos to the jail staff and commander and said law enforcement personnel would receive mental health first aid training on July 11.

Reach Boyd C. Allen at [ballen@currypilot.com](mailto:ballen@currypilot.com).

## **Lane County Has Housed 860 Homeless Veterans Since 2014**

By RACHAEL MCDONALD • JUL 16, 2018

860 homeless veterans have found housing since 2014 through a collaborative effort in Lane County. The goal is to house all veterans in the community.

Operation 365 started as part of a nationwide effort to house 1 veteran for each day of the year.

The work has continued thanks to collaboration between the county, cities and service providers. Alexandra Dreher, Lane County Human Services Supervisor, says the program improved communication between agencies to identify and help veterans who lacked housing. "The goal is to house every veteran and to house everyone in our community. But we have to do that piece by piece. So, starting with veterans is a good start.

Operation 365 gives us an achievable model that we know works when we coordinate as a community." Dreher says 860 veterans have been housed since the program started but she knows of 221 more who are still unhoused in Lane County.

That's thanks to the Homeless Veteran By-name list, compiled by service providers throughout the county.

# VETERANS LEGACY AT CAMP ALMA

**LINK: <http://www.kezi.com/content/news/Local-leaders-visit-veterans-wellness-center-486891421.html>** By: Amber Wilmarth, June 28, 2018

## LOCAL LEADERS VISIT NEW VETERANS WELLNESS CENTER

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"It's a win-win situation for the county and the community," said Lane County Commissioner Jay Bozievich.

VENETA, Ore. -- A local nonprofit is hoping to help veterans in a new way. They've been renovating a former forest work camp in Veneta into a wellness center.

On Thursday, Veterans Legacy invited community leaders to Camp Alma to learn about the Veterans Wellness Center. Both state and county leaders at the tour have strong words of support for the facility.

"It's a win-win situation for the county and the community," said Lane County Commissioner Jay Bozievich.

"As a veteran, I am all in on that. I think this is a great program," said State Senator James Manning.

It's a wellness center that'll help veterans who have medical or psychological needs heal in a serene environment as they start their transition back into the community.

"It's a major need that's well recognized," Dr. John LeBow, the Veterans Legacy Board of Directors President.

Bozievich said it will be a wonderful veteran specific supported housing facility.

"There's over 200 homeless veterans at this time in Lane County any day of the week, so getting 50 of them out here in this program and having them get that case management, and getting that care, getting them reintegrated back into society successfully can save this whole community a lot of money," said Bozievich. "At the same time, they'll be out here producing food...feeding that food hopefully back into Food for Lane County and other programs."

Manning also said this center will benefit the community, and adds that it'll even help connect veterans with jobs.

"They will return back to the community empowered with the tools they need to be successful, to include those who are going into the trades, they'll be able to do that...those pursuing education goals, housing, all those things," said Manning.

The old and vacant work camp has come a long way in the last couple of years, thanks to countless hours of volunteers with Veterans Legacy.

LeBow said the University of Oregon just donated more than 50 bed frames to them. He said they hope to have the facility up and running by September 1st. That's when they bring in their first three to four veterans, and continue to grow from there.



## **VETERANS LEGACY PROGRAM TRANSFORMS FORMER FOREST WORKCAMP**

ALMA, Ore. -- Directors of a new veterans treatment program in Lane County are looking at early fall to open the doors.

It's the Veterans Legacy program near Alma, where the vision is taking shape in a pastoral scene in the coast range southwest of Eugene.

It doesn't look different from the outside, but the former inmate work camp is transforming into a place of new hope for Oregon veterans.

You can't see it well from the entrance, but change is coming to the former Lane County Sheriff's forest work camp as a new sign announces the future program at Camp Alma.

"It feels like coming home, it really does," says newly retired Captain Dan Buckwald from the Lane County Sheriff's Office. He's returning to his roots, returning to the camp where he served for 13 years - this time to help veterans, especially those caught up in the criminal justice system.

"19.1 percent of our prison population are veterans, so we really need to look at how we are addressing that," Buckwald, the Veterans legacy Board Vice President, explains. "What are we doing differently? Because we need to do something differently."



## **VETERANS LEGACY PROGRAM TRANSFORMS FORMER FOREST WORKCAMP**

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Buckwald remembers the large number of vets cycling in and out of jail during his time with the sheriff's office as commander. Many of these vets were arrested for homeless-related crimes. "Because of mental illness or addiction problems," Buckwald explains. "They don't need to be in the jail; they need to be in this kind of environment."

Program leaders say Veterans Legacy is set up to be a critical link between existing services for vets.

"Our advantage is we're not just providing a roof; we're providing therapy the moment they step on this property," says Dr. John LeBow, Veterans Legacy Board President. He says the goal is a fully integrated treatment program in a rural setting using therapeutic agriculture as a key tool.

"They're not here for us to tell them what to do and how to do it," says Clarence Williams, Director of Strategic Planning. "We are here to create an individual support plan."

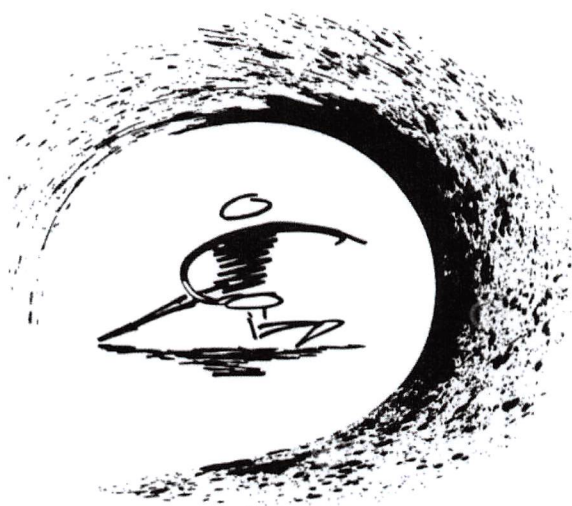
Donations are coming in from other agencies, including a bed set from a dorm at the university of Oregon. Word about Veterans Legacy is spreading.

"They talk amongst each other; they know that this is happening and I'm sure there are veterans that can't wait to be their first outpatient or first in-patient," says Veterans Stand Down director Floyd Bard.

Leaders say five-to-seven vets will be here by September to open the new program.

Ultimately, they plan for up to 50 vets at the Veterans Legacy Camp. Vets with severe PTSD and those fighting substance abuse will be the emphasis of the new program.

# Curry Community Health **DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT**



## **WHEN**

**August 18th  
9:00am-4:00pm**

## **WHERE**

**Buffington Park  
Gold Beach**

**EVENT FOR  
ALL AGES**

## **ADVANCE TICKETS**

**\$20** *INCLUDES DISC,  
LANGLOIS MARKET'S  
WORLD FAMOUS HOTDOG  
MEAL, T-SHIRTS, AND  
GIVEAWAYS*

## **AT THE EVENT**

**\$25** *INCLUDES DISC,  
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## **FEATURING**

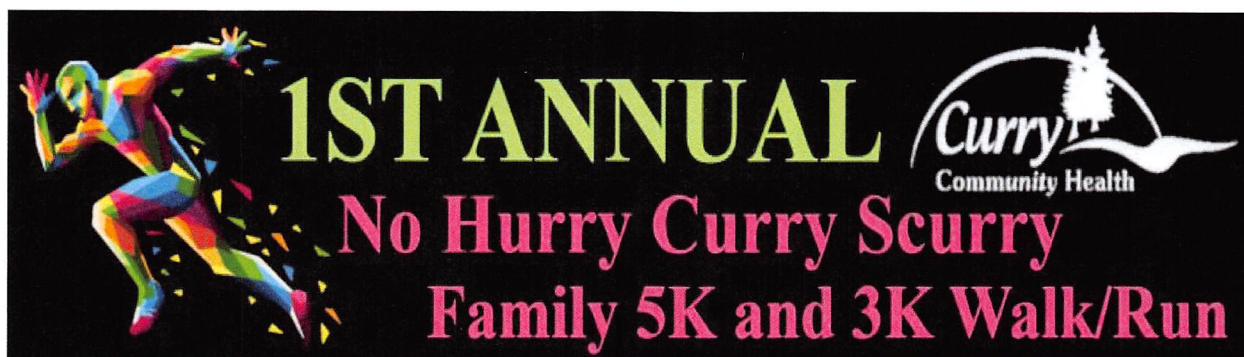
**LANGLOIS MARKET'S WORLD  
FAMOUS HOTDOGS FOR  
SALE! MAKE IT A MEAL FOR  
\$5.00 (INCLUDES CHIPS +  
DRINK)**



## **MORE INFO**

**541-425-7545**

**[www.currych.org](http://www.currych.org)**



# JOIN US FOR A 5K RACE & 3K FAMILY WALK/RUN!

## **Pre-Registration (Before August 25th)**

**\$30.00 for Ages 14+**

**\$20.00 for Ages 13 and under**

## **Pre-register! LINK:**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfd7uLCMfAGAUjVu5yBFMKEMnDs0CxKIBR9shjZXEGeN8l8fQ/viewform>

## **After August 25th**

**\$35.00 for Ages 14+**

**\$25.00 for Ages 13 and under**

Registration opens at 9:00 a.m.-----5K Starts at 10:00 am, 3K Starts at 10:30 am

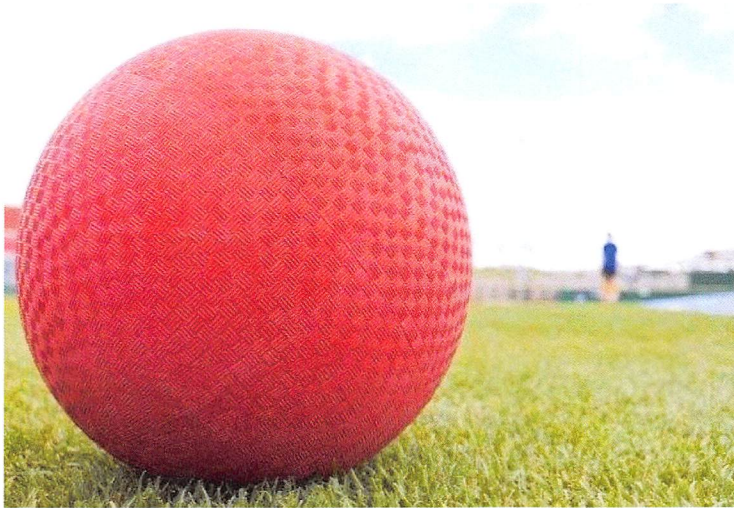
For more information contact Rebecca Vance at (541) 425-7545 ext. 6118.

Special thanks to Salmon Run Golf Course for hosting this fundraiser for a community clubhouse in Brookings!



# JUST KICK IT BACK TO SCHOOL

A Curry Community Health Kickball Tournament



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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 23RD**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 11 AM**

**AZALEA PARK SOFTBALL FIELDS  
BROOKINGS, OREGON**

FREE TO ALL YOUTH AGES 17 & UNDER  
FREE LUNCH, GIVEAWAYS, AND RAFFLE PRIZES

A SPECIAL EVENT TO ENCOURAGE YOUTH TO MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES  
FOR BRIGHT FUTURES!

TEAMS WILL CONSIST OF UP TO 7 PLAYERS. PLAYERS CAN CREATE  
THEIR OWN TEAMS OR CAN BE ADDED TO A TEAM IF THEY DO NOT HAVE  
ONE. PLAYERS WILL PLAY ON THE SOFTBALL FIELDS; GOOD SHOES OR  
CLEATS ARE ENCOURAGED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CURRY COMMUNITY HEALTH'S  
PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION TEAM (541) 813-2535 EXT. 3251.

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**Interested in raising money for your non-profit?  
Become a Partner in this GREAT Rotary Community Fundraiser**

**September 29, 2018 - 11am to 3pm at the Port of Brookings-Harbor Kite Field**



Up to 5000 rubber cats and dogs will be dropped from a helicopter onto a target painted on the kite field at the port. Rotarians and partners sell \$5 adoptions of rubber cats or dogs - for a chance to win the Grand Prize. The cat or dog closest to the target will win the Grand Prize of \$5000; remaining prizes will be awarded in order of value and by order of the cats or dogs closest to the target.

**WE WANT YOU** 👍 -

**your nonprofit group to register with us and sell adoptions.**

**Registered partners sell RCAD adoptions and earn \$1.00 for every adoption they sell. Top three partners earn an additional \$1.00 for every adoption, and the top partner - selling over 750 adoptions - receives a \$250 Bonus. (Rotary top partner in 2017 raised over \$1,000!)**

**(For more information contact Judy May-Lopez, 541.661.2066.)**