



The City Of The Dalles

WINTER 2022

INTRODUCING

Karrie Kall, Police Officer



Officer Kall's son pins her badge

Karrie was born and raised in Klickitat County. After High School, she moved to the Oregon Coast to study Criminal Justice at Tillamook Bay Community College. After college she moved back to Klickitat County and got hired at NORCOR Juvenile TOOLS program in 2014. She worked with troubled state incarcerated youth. Then in 2016 she was hired as a corrections deputy at NORCOR for adult corrections. In the winter of 2021 she decided to make the jump to patrol here at The Dalles City Police. So far she has enjoyed the change and the challenges that come with this new career. She loves the community of The Dalles and beautiful scenery here. She has a 3 year old son and enjoys exploring the outdoors in her free time. Karrie said “I greatly look forward to serving my community in my new role as a police officer in The Dalles”.

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Police Department

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The Dalles/Wasco
County Library
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Library

City Website:
www.thedalles.org

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City Police Deploy New Patrol Cars

The City of The Dalles Police recently purchased two new patrol cars to replace vehicles that had outlived their planned service life. The new cars are all wheel drive Ford Explorer SUV's and they replace the same make and model cars from 2017. The Police Department plans for capital purchases and this allows the expense to be predictable and spread over time. Each new car costs about \$24,000 at the Government rate plus the cost of purchasing and installing specialized police equipment such as light bars, computer stands and more. The cars that ended service had over 90,000 miles on them and high idle time. The Dalles Police maintains the minimum necessary fleet to accomplish our mission of keeping the City safe. This means that every car is in service every day. The patrol cars are an officer's mobile office and it is imperative that they be kept in excellent condition for the officer's welfare as well as safety.

The City also added one new car to the Police fleet, a 2021 Dodge Charger all-wheel drive sedan at a base price of \$28,000. This addition helps to ensure that every officer will have a patrol vehicle during events such as parades or large incidents. Each of these cars are marked with the distinctive black and white livery that clearly identifies it as a police vehicle.

The Dalles Wasco County Library Happenings

Feeling crafty? Each month the library offers Take and Make kits, usually containing some sort of craft or art project. There is something for all different ages; supplies are limited, registration is required. Check out our website at: wascocountylibrary.com to see what we are offering this month.

Of interest to adults:

Screening of *Hood River*

Join us at The Dalles Public Library on Monday, January 31st at 5:30pm, for a free screening of the documentary, *Hood River*.” There will be refreshments available, provided by Ixtapa, of The Dalles.

Coach Jaime Rivera will introduce the film and answer questions after the screening.

This documentary, filmed in 2018, follows the Hood River Valley High School boys’ soccer team as they pursue the state championship and build relationships across cultural divides.

In a small Oregon community, a high school soccer team struggles to overcome class and racial divide in a quest for both individual and team success. While Domingo deals with the deportation of his father to Mexico, and Eric painfully learns how to become a captain and command the respect of his Mexican-American teammates, Coach Rivera struggles to keep the team together amidst the pressure of academics and athletics. This coming-of-age feature documentary focuses on the friendship and maturation of three characters and is set against the backdrop of a segregated American town. Will Domingo graduate? Will Eric become a leader? Will the Eagles win a state championship?



Looking for a book club?

The Dalles Public Library offers a variety of **book clubs for the adults:**

Whodunnit: A Mystery Book Club meets at 5:00 the first Thursday of every month, in person at the Library and on Zoom. For more information and the zoom link, email Aprile at akeith@ci.the-dalles.or.us

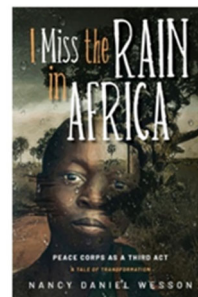
The PRIDE Book Club meets on the second Thursday of each month, from 6:00 – 7:00, via Zoom. Please contact the library for the Zoom link. This book club is open to people over 18 years of age who are interested in reading and discussing LGBTQ books.

The **Third Thursday Book Club** meets, by a strange coincidence, on the third Thursday of each month at 4:00. They will meet in person at the library, as well as via Zoom. This group reads a variety of books, from non-fiction to science fiction.

The **Science Fiction Book Club** meets at 5:00 on the third Tuesday of every month, in person and via Zoom. For more information and the Zoom link, contact Bob at: rshonbrun@ci.the-dalles.or.us.

Author visit

Nancy Wesson, an author from Maupin, will be at The Dalles Public Library on Monday, February 28th at 6:00 to talk about her book *I miss the rain in Africa*. Nancy will read a passage from her memoir, which is about her time as a Peace Corps volunteer in post-war Uganda and then how she adjusted to a new life back home in the United States.



Of interest to teens and tweens:

Teen LGBTQ Book Club

This book club meets at 4:00 on the third Friday of the month. Contact the Teen Librarian, Jeanie, to find out what they are reading, and how you can borrow a copy of the next book.

...and then, what happened?

Are you an aspiring writer or just love books in general? Writers and book lovers of the teen variety can join as a group at 4:00 on the first and third Tuesday of each month in the Teen Room. All writers need feedback and encouragement from beta readers as well as to be inspired when they are stuck. That is what writer's groups are all about. Along with getting help when you're stuck, you can also get help finding your voice.

Magic the Gathering: Magic the Gathering is back in the Library! Come join your friends or make new ones with this fun table top card game. MTG will meet in the Teen Room at 3:30 on Thursdays.

Yu-Gi-Oh Club: The Yu-Gi-Oh Club is back! Beginning January 10th, and every Monday after that, the Yu-Gi-Oh club will meet in the Teen Wing at 3:00 p.m. Bring in your decks and have some fun battling it out with this collectable card game!

Of interest to those school aged (5-10 years old)

Fun Fridays

If you are elementary age (5-10), Fun Fridays is for you. Held in the John and Jean Thomas Children's Wing, over by the chapter books, this event will be from 3:30 until 4:30. For now, we will be doing arts or crafts; coming up will be a STEM program.

Book Clubs

The **Beginning Readers Book Club**, intended for those aged 5-8 that are starting to read on their own. They meet at 3:00 on the second Wednesday of the month. We'll read a book together, enjoy a snack, and then work on a craft project.

The **Chapter Books book club**, intended for those aged 8-10 that are reading chapter books, meets at 3:00 on the third Wednesday of each month. It is expected that they will have read (a least part of) the book selected for this month. We will talk about the book, what we liked and didn't like, and answer a few questions about the book. There will be a snack, and afterwards, there'll be a craft project.

Of interest to the youngest:

Storytimes:

Storytime is usually held three days a week, something for all ages. We hope that you will join us, and bring your children, too!

Baby Storytime: ages 0 – 16 months, is at 10:30 on **Wednesdays**. Babies must have an adult lap to sit on. This 15-20 minute program is full of fingerplays, lap bounces, and songs.

Toddler Storytime: ages 12- months to 3-years, is held on **Thursdays** at 10:30. This 20-25 minute storytime will have songs, fingerplays, a story or two, and maybe a lap bounce. Adult participation is required to help the children learn.

Friday Morning Storytime: This storytime is open to all ages, and is held at 10:30 every Friday morning. Join us in songs, dance, stories, and fun!

Brownfields funding for housing, public health, and urban renewal; seeks additional projects

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently provided a \$600,000 grant to spur economic development and revitalize underdeveloped parcels in and around The Dalles. The grant went to Wasco County, the City of The Dalles and the Port of The Dalles, and last year those entities formed the Brownfields Revitalization Committee to identify and prioritize parcels for funding.

The coalition is currently working with several property owners on redevelopment planning and is seeking others, including those with parcels that could benefit from environmental site assessment.

A “brownfield” is property where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by actual or perceived environmental issues. By completing environmental site studies that would aid in overcoming redevelopment challenges, it is possible to transform brownfields from liabilities into assets that will benefit both property owners and the community.

To date, the coalition has awarded funding aimed at meeting identified community needs. The owners of Last Stop Saloon, Todd Carpenter and Carla McQuade, see the impact of the lack of housing on service workers in The Dalles. With that in mind, they have undertaken the initial steps to redevelop the upper floors of the Last Stop into attainable housing in The Dalles. Working with the coalition, they are undertaking an environmental analysis to understand any barriers to redevelop. They are also using the program to develop a floor plan for the project.

“We desperately need housing in our community, and we need to pull out all the stops to get there,” Carpenter said. “I am grateful for the boost the coalition gave me both to understand development constraints and draw up plans for the space. It is the kind of forward thinking creative thinking we need as a community.”

In this time of COVID, the funding is also being leveraged by the County to upgrade a space for North Central Public Health. In particular, through the coalition, the County is conducting a Phase I environmental assessment and hazardous materials survey on one of its properties. These assessments are the first steps in leveraging additional cleanup funding from the State of Oregon.

One common contamination source in older communities is underground tanks used to store fuel, and it came as no surprise that such a tank existed under the old Tony’s Town and Country Building. With the Urban Renewal agency moving forward on redevelopment of the site, they were able to leverage coalition resources to assist in the removal of that tank and assessment of contamination.

The project is also helping bring new economic life to the area. Dirt Hugger is a home-grown business that makes high quality compost and soil products for the orchard, garden, construction and farming community. Dirt Hugger recently acquired a property on the west end of The Dalles, which was a former auto-wrecking yard. The funds are helping Dirt Hugger assess and fully redevelop the site.

“The Brownfield funds are going to help us go through the steps to rehabilitate and get full environmental clearance on a 60 year old wrecking yard site,” said Pierce Louis, founder of Dirt Hugger.

“Moreover, the Coalition is offering helpful guidance through this technical process. We are excited to restore this land and make it economically and environmentally productive.”

If you have a property you’d like to redevelop or understand a bit more, the Coalition would love to help. Please contact the Brownfield Revitalization Coordinator, Jim Schwinof at 541-296-5481, ext 1131 or email brownfield@ci.the-dalles.or.us

Identify the source of a leak

Identify toilet leaks by placing a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If any color shows up in the bowl after 10 minutes, you have a leak. (Be sure to flush immediately after the experiment to avoid staining the tank.)

Look for dripping sink and bathtub faucets and showerheads. Worn-out washers typically cause faucet and showerhead leaks.

Check under and around sinks for wet spots, a musty smell or bowed cabinetry.

Be alert to wall or ceiling discoloration, bubbling paint or bulging wallpaper.

Look and listen for running or dripping water on refrigerators with ice/water dispensers, humidifiers, clothes washers, dishwashers, and water heaters.

All of the above are signs of a leak, but keep in mind that not all water leaks are plumbing leaks. The water could also be coming from a leak in the roof or around a window. Either way, leaks should be addressed promptly to reduce the risk of water damage.

Water meters in The Dalles are equipped with special meter reading equipment. Please do not open your water meter to look for leaks. To avoid damage to your meter, call a serviceperson if you need help with a meter test on weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (541) 296-5401. A leak detection meter test will take about a half hour. An adult resident must be present during a meter test appointment.

Do you have questions about conserving water? Visit The Dalles Public Works Water Distribution webpage thedalles.org/water_distribution



Service to Country Service to Community

The Veterans Museum located in City Hall at 313 Court Street, has a new display in the display cabinet on the 1st floor of City Hall.

The first “Service to Country Service to Community” display features Stephen E. Lawrence. A native of The Dalles, Steve graduated from The Dalles High School, was a 1st Lt. during the Viet Nam War, the Mayor of The Dalles from 2013-19, and is a published writer.

Stop by to learn more about this Home Town Hero.

Winter Hours (Dec-Feb) 1-4 pm
Other times by appointment
Call 541-370-1248

The Museum is located on the 2nd Floor to the left of the staircase.

Healthy Trees for a Beautiful City

Trees in the city provide many benefits. According to the Oregon Department of Forestry, trees lower levels of noise and dust, reduce temperature, provide shade and increase property value. But sometimes, trees near streets and sidewalks can grow into too much of a good thing and create a safety hazard.

Trees in The Dalles are cared for by citizens, not City staff, except in the Downtown Area. It is the owner's or occupant's responsibility to reduce the hazard when a tree on their property or on the right-of-way next to their property blocks public walkways and streets.

This year the City is asking citizens to make a special effort to prevent damage to street trees. Pruning low hanging branches before a collision breaks them is healthier for trees. Tree trimming also prevents damage to tall vehicles like recreational vehicles, garbage trucks and school buses.

Plan Proper Pruning for Safe Streets

Proper pruning or trimming is important for the health of your trees and shrubs. The best time to plan your late-winter pruning strategy is while branches are bare.

The Arbor Day Foundation website provides tree trimming guidance. "Pruning during dormancy is the most common practice. It results in a vigorous burst of new growth in the spring and should be used if that is the desired effect. It is usually best to wait until the coldest part of winter has passed."

If you want to slow or dwarf the growth of trees and shrubs, prune in mid-summer.



City of The Dalles Municipal Code 11.20.020 regulating street trees requires all trees growing near a sidewalk street or alley to be trimmed so that the limbs and branches are not less than nine (9) feet above the sidewalk and not less than fourteen (14) feet above the street. These trim requirements allow safe passage for pedestrians on sidewalks as well as garbage trucks and school buses traveling on streets and alleys.

City of The Dalles Municipal Code 5.24.020 requires vegetation that impairs the view of a public street or impairs the view of any traffic control device to be controlled or removed. These trim requirements allow vehicles to see oncoming traffic and obey traffic signs.

The Arbor Day Foundation website has a tree care video library to show you pruning basics.

Other resources can be found on the internet or by consulting professionals.

For more information about trimming trees for traffic safety visit the City website [thedalles.org/streets](https://www.thedalles.org/streets) or contact the Public Works Department at (541) 296-5401.

Arbor Day Foundation. (2020, December 15). *Tree Care Tips & Techniques*. Retrieved from Arbor Day Foundation: <https://www.arborday.org/trees/tips/>

BUDGET SEASON HAS BEGUN

**City of The Dalles
Budget Process for 2022-23 Fiscal Year
Budget Schedule
as of January 1, 2022**

Activity	Date
Budget Proposal Spreadsheets to Departments	January 5, 2022
Budget preparation by individual departments	January 5 -February 16
Draft 5-year Major Expenditures List submitted to City Manager	February 11, 2022
Departmental budgets due in Finance Department	February 16, 2022
Budget Narratives due in Finance Department	February 16, 2022
Finance Director prep spreadsheets of Department Budgets	February 16 -March 9
First draft of balanced City budget to City Manager	March 9, 2022
City Manager review & discussion with Department Managers	March 9 through March 23
Finance Director/City Manager Finance Review	March 23 through April 12
Publish First Notice of Budget Committee Meeting (not more than 30 days prior to the meeting)	April 20, 2022
Post on website Second Notice of Budget Committee Meeting	April 21, 2022
Budget Summary to City Manager (expenses categories)	April 12, 2022
Finance Department prepare Budget Books	April 12 through April 19
Distribute Budget Draft to Budget Committee	April 22, 2022
Budget Committee meetings	May 2 through May 6
Final Approved budget to Finance Department	May 7, 2022
Final Budget complete for publishing (LB-1 & UR-1)	May 17, 2022
Publish notice of Budget Hearing & LB Forms	May 17, 2022
Budget Hearing at regular City Council meeting	June 13, 2022
Budget Adoption at regular City Council meeting	June 13, 2022
Deliver required budget & LB 50 documents to County	July 15, 2022

City Manager Julie Krueger is the Budget Officer for the City of The Dalles
She can be reached at jkrueger@ci.the-dalles.or.us

City of The Dalles Meeting Dates and Locations: Currently all meetings are Zoom only.

We encourage citizens to attend meetings. All meetings are open to the public via ZOOM.

Updates and cancellations can be found on the City’s website: thedalles.org

City Council – Council Chamber 5:30 p.m. meets second and fourth Monday of each month, with the exception of holidays. Generally does not meet in August

Urban Renewal Agency – Council Chamber 5:30 p.m. third Tuesday of each month; as needed

Airport Board – Airport 7 a.m. third Friday of each month

Library Board – Location varies 4 p.m. on the third Tuesday

City Budget Committee – Council Chamber as needed and generally the first week of May

Urban Renewal Budget – Council Chamber generally first week of May

Museum Commission – Joint commission with Wasco County at PUD first Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

Historic Landmarks - Council Chamber 4 p.m. fourth Wednesday

Planning Commission – Council Chamber 5:30 p.m. first and third Thursday

Beautification Committee—Council Chambers—5:30 p.m. first and third Monday

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Please email or call anytime - we are happy to discuss your questions or concerns

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