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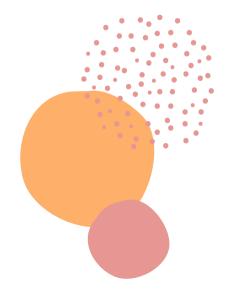
Polk County Service Integration Newsletter



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Polk County Service Integration Newsletter

by Abby Warren

Welcome to the Polk County Service Integration (SI) Newsletter. We are so glad you are here and interested in learning more about who we are and what we are all about. Every month, Polk County SI community partners come together to create an informational hub full of community resources, services, and events.

Polk County SI teams are continually working to reduce the duplication of services while promoting self-reliant, healthy, and successful families and individuals. This newsletter is just one of the ways partners throughout the county share and connect.

If you would like to attend a future SI meeting, you can sign up for meeting reminders **HERE**.

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TEAM RUNDOWN

THE MEETING INFO

Team Meeting Info

We look forward to seeing you at our regional Service Integration Team (SIT) meetings. Each of the 6 Polk County Teams meet once per month.

Team meetings are held from September 2023- June 2024.

SIT Meeting Calendar

Want to join us for a meeting this year? Check out the 2023-2024 meeting calendar!



Please share and invite those who might be interested in attending a meeting. No RSVP is necessary, and anyone is welcome to attend.

TEAM RUNDOWN

THE MEETING INFO - FUNDING

Team Funding Review

Each SI Team starts the year (Sept. - Jun.) with individual pots of funds. See the following for a recap of funding requests and team balances this month.



SI Team Balances

Nov. 2023

Central \$7,7161 \$

Dallas \$ 8,659

Falls City \$2,681 Perrydale

\$3,114

West Salem

West Valley

\$6,788

\$6,309

STAY IN THE KNOW

Attend the AARP Public Forum

By Barbara Cronin

Monmouth-Independence will be having an older adult listening session that is free and open to the public. This will be located at the Monmouth Senior Community Center on Monday, March 11th from 4-6 pm. This interactive discussion will touch on the topics of housing and transportation.

Click **HERE** for flyer

Bambinos Event

By Glenda Dunaway

Bambinos will be hosting a free donor thank you and "learn about Bambinos" dessert at The Gate on Saturday, April 6th from 6-7:30pm.

Click **HERE** for flyer



Healthy Homes Grant Open Now!

By Angel Swanson

The Oregon Health Authority has now opened round one funding for the Healthy Homes Program Grant. This grant is focused on helping low-income households achieve safe and healthy homes. This is also open to communities impacted by environmental justice factors. The purpose of this grant is to assist homeowners and landlords in repairing homes to address any hazards or accessibility needs.

Click **HERE** for website

Western Oregon University Careers in Aging Kick-Off

By Barbara Cronin

WOU will have a Gerontology Alumni Panel that will talk about their career pathways in a variety of fields. This will be located in the Monmouth Senior Community Center on Monday, March 18th from 4-6 pm. It will be followed by live music and pizza!

Click **HERE** for flyer

THE SCOOP STAY IN THE KNOW

A Run to Remember

By Stephanie Torres

It is that time of the year again. The Service Member and Family Support Program will be hosting the Run to Remember. The Run to Remember honors the Brave men and women who have died in service to our country and by reaching out to the survivors, family members and the local businesses, we hope to promote a community of support on behalf of those "Never Forgotten". We will stand in solidarity to recognize the surviving families living in Oregon.

We would love to include your organization/business in the sessions - please register before April 1st.

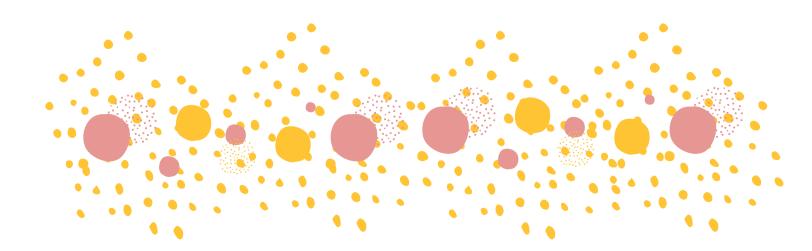
Event Details:

Date: May 18th, 2024 Time: 0700 - 1300

Place: Riverfront Park in Salem (200 Water St NE, Salem, Oregon 97301)

We will send you more details as the event gets closer.

Click **HERE** for flyer



STAY IN THE KNOW

Join the Fight!

By Mel Keller

Fair Housing Council is recruiting paid volunteer testers from all different backgrounds. They will hold an informational Zoom meeting on April 17th from 5:30-6:30 pm.

Click <u>**HERE**</u> for English flyer Click <u>**HERE**</u> for Spanish flyer

MSCC Stay Active, Stay Connected

By Barbara Cronin

Monmouth Senior Community Center invites you to join them to enjoy events, meet new friends, and have fun staying engaged!

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Northwest Human Services New Mobile Outreach Van

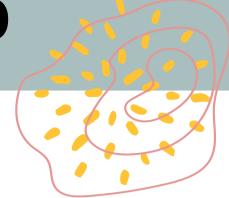
By Kristin Kuenz-Barber

A new mobile outreach van will help Northwest Human Services in its efforts to provide health services to Salem's unhoused and medically fragile community members. The van will be used as a mobile service to different sites to treat minor injuries, provide resources and referrals, as well as make recommendations for any follow-up care. This will help prevent untreated conditions from worsening, reduce the number of avoidable deaths, and the overuse of emergency systems The van will also be beneficial in making connections with people who could be referred to other resources like housing/shelter, applying for OHP, and transportation options to access further healthcare. The team will also use this van as a way to distribute food, supplies, first aid kits, hygiene products, and clothing to those in need.

Click **HERE** for the news article

(https://brightgram.com/salem-or/4070003/salems-northwest-human-services-boosts-homeless-support-with-innovative-mobile-outreach-van/)

STAY IN THE KNOW



Salem Free Clinics Grand Reopening!

By Maria Trujillo

Salem Free Clinics has a new location at the Polk Community Resource Center. Providing free medical services for the uninsured 1-2 Saturdays a month.

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Goodwill Job Fair

By Lori VanRiper

Goodwill Job Solutions is having a multiemployer job fair. This will be on Thursday, March 7th from 11:00 am- 1 pm.

Click **HERE** for flyer

Fair Housing Fridays

By Mel Keller

Fair Housing Council will be putting on a series of free virtual presentations. This will start on Friday, April 5th, and continue every following Friday of the month.

Click **HERE** for flyer

Polk County Art Contest

By Annie Buse

This opportunity is for any youth ages 11-18 and interested in creating artwork that brings awareness to problem gambling, substance use, or mental health resources. 13 winners will be provided a \$25 gift card and have their artwork in the 2025 Polk County Prevention calendar which will be shared with local partners, organizations and schools. The due date for artwork to be submitted is on March 29, 2024. Requirements are shared on the flyer attached.

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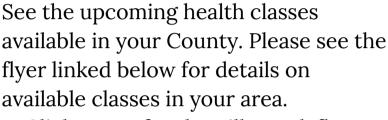
Safe Showers

By Matt Smucker

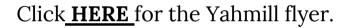
THEALTH & WELLNESS

ADRC: Health & Wellness





Click HERE for the Tillamook flyer.



Click **HERE** for the Clatsop flyer.

Click HERE for the Marion flyer.

Click **HERE** for the Polk flyer.

Click **HERE** for the Statewide flyer.



Safe Showers

By Matt Smucker

Safe Showers are open for drop in every Monday/Wednesday/Friday, 9-noon, or appointments can be made at this link:

https://form.jotform.com/221464262119047.

Guests can take a shower, connect with community resources, charge devices, and get a snack. Donations of grab-and-go foods like instant noodle cups, granola bars, jerky, crackers, and hygiene supplies are much appreciated.

Volunteers are welcome.



THEALTH & WELLNESS

Upcoming at Willamette Vital Health

By Miranda Sebel

Fundraising event

Save the date! Willamette Vital Health (formerly Willamette Valley Hospice) invites you to the 12th Annual Walk-N-Wag, a family-friendly dog walk, on Saturday, June 1st from 1-4pm at Minto Brown Island Park in Salem. Proceeds benefit both community Grief Care programs and the Pet Peace of Mind® program. Those interested in sponsoring can contact Donor Services at 503.588.3600 or donorservices@wvh.org.

More information, including pre-registration, click here: https://www.wvh.org/pets

Grief Survey Extension (through March 31st)

Do you have 3 minutes to help? Here at WVH, we are doing a community needs assessment around grief support in our area. We want to know what is working well and where there might be room for improvement. You can help by completing a quick survey at https://bit.ly/GriefSurveyEnglish. The survey is also available in Spanish at https://bit.ly/GriefSurveySpanish. Click HERE for flyer.

New Support Group

Willamette Vital Health is adding a new drop-in support group, Grief 101. Grief 101 will be the second Thursday of the month from 6 to 7p in the evening and the fourth Thursday of the month from 10:30 to 11:30a and will cover topics like what is grief and tools for coping with grief. This is in addition to drop-in Grief Support Groups Wednesdays from 5:30–6:30pm and Thursdays from 1–2pm and Drop-in Creatively Expressing Grief on the second Wednesday of the month from 1–2pm. These events are free to the public and hosted at Willamette Vital Health, 1015 3rd St NW, Salem, OR 97304. For more information please call 503.588.3600 or email info@wvh.org

