



WEST LINN UPDATE

March 2014

West Linn Community Grant Applications Now Available

The City of West Linn has a limited amount of funding available to support community organizations' yearly events, operations, and activities. Community organizations are asked to submit a standardized form so all requests received by the City of West Linn can be similarly evaluated during the community grant allocation process for fiscal year 2015. The biennial budget includes an allocation to qualifying community-based organizations.

The community grant application form is designed for community-based organizations that are interested in receiving grant funding for specific, planned events and activities occurring between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015.

Application forms are due by March 14, 2014 and must be emailed to cwl_communitygrants@westlinnoregon.gov. Submitted application forms will be evaluated by the citizen members of the Citizens' Budget Committee and grant allocation recommendations will be forwarded to the City Council for their approval at a June 2014 City Council meeting.

Historic Resources Rehabilitation Grant Opportunity Now Available

Funds are still available for the 2013 round of the rehabilitation grant program for restoration, rehabilitation, and repair of historic buildings. To be eligible for the grant, the building must be an eligible contributing building in the National Register Willamette Falls Neighborhood Historic District or listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places. Projects must be on the exterior of the building, but cannot be new construction or an addition. All projects must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

Grant applications are available in the Planning Department at City Hall or online at WestLinnOregon.gov. Applications must be submitted by March 24, 2014 and will be reviewed by the Historic Review Board in April 2014.

The grants are limited to a maximum of \$2,000 and require a 50 percent match. The project must be completed with all paperwork submitted by July 31, 2014. Please direct any questions to Sara Javoronok, Associate Planner at 503-722-5512.

Willamette Falls on YouTube!



A recently-produced video about the history of the Willamette Falls is now available on YouTube! Here's an overview of this PGE-produced documentary:

"Where the Future Began reveals the dramatic story of cultures, risk-takers, and entrepreneurs tapping into 'one of the great geologic secrets of North America.'

Willamette Falls, among the largest waterfalls in the nation, was the last stop on the Oregon Trail, the birthplace of a state, and a place where dreamers unlocked the potential of electricity, and changed the world forever. Today, Willamette Falls continues to inspire."

Check out this great video on the City's web page at WestLinnOregon.gov!



Summer Street Projects Map

The City of West Linn is planning many important street maintenance projects for this summer. Stay informed about potential road closures and delays using this map: <https://westlinnoregon.gov/maps/future-street-improvements>



Sign Up for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is the library's new reading program for families and caregivers with children who have not yet entered kindergarten. We encourage parents and caregivers to read aloud to the children in their care every day and this program offers prizes and incentives to encourage families to reach that goal. Sign up for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten at the library beginning February 1, 2014!



The West Linn Sustainability Advisory Board wants to know:

What will the future hold for your city? Be proactive!

Please join our community workshop series and collaborate with your West Linn neighbors and businesses in a free facilitated workshop series to design a prosperous future for West Linn:

- Identify and map out systems for energy, water, waste, food, and local economies.
- Come share your ideas so we can turn our visions into viable community-building projects.

There are three meeting dates and times; all meetings are at Rosemont Ridge Middle School. Childcare & lunch provided.

- March 15, 2014 - 10:00 - 2:00
- April 19, 2014 - 1:00 - 5:00
- May 31, 2014 - 1:00 - 5:00

We hope to see you at this important workshop series!

Questions? Please contact Zach Pelz at City Hall at zpelz@westlinnoregon.gov or 503-657-0331.

Sale of Dodge Way House Benefits Adult Community Center

From the West Linn Tidings: The city of West Linn bought a property on Dodge Way from the Department of Housing and Urban Development in May 2011 for \$1.

Almost three years later, after investing several thousand dollars and staff resources into revamping the home, the city closed a sale on the property for \$205,000. After closing costs, the total profit for the city came in at \$197,249, according to City Manager Chris Jordan.

The city is required to use the funds for community development, and the city council voted Dec. 30 to direct the money to parks and recreation for the West Linn Adult Community Center expansion project.



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