

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike Sauerwein, City Manager

SUBJECT: FRIDAY UPDATE

DATE: July 25, 2025

Eugene Symphony in the Park

Join us in beautiful Bohemia Park this Monday, July 28, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm for the annual free Eugene Symphony in the Park. No tickets are required. Just show up, bring a chair or blanket, and a picnic if you would like.

Bloodmobile Blood Drive

Participate in the Blood Drive being held in the Cottage Grove Community Center Parking Lot located at 700 E. Gibbs Avenue on Thursday, July 31, and Friday, August 1 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Appointments are required for the best possible experience, with same-day appointments available at most locations. Remember to bring your photo ID, and for safety, we request no visitors under 16 at the donation sites.

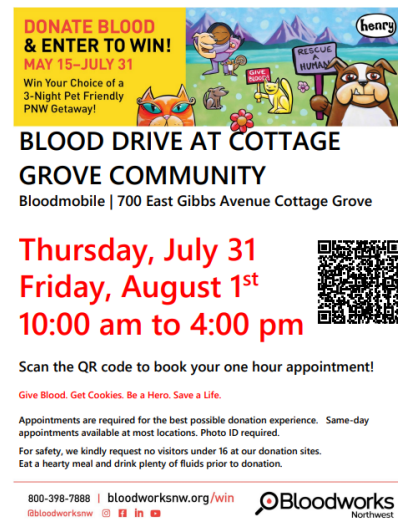
Railroad Track Improvement Project

Central Oregon & Pacific Railroad (CORP) will be installing new rail along sections of the line that run through Lane County. As a result, three railroad crossings in Cottage Grove will be affected by these improvements. Please take note of the following locations and dates when the railroad crossings will be closed.

- S. 6th St / E. Quincy Ave – Closing Wednesday, August 6th from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
- Villard Ave – Closing Thursday, August 7th from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
- E. Chamberlain Ave – Closing Friday, August 8th from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm

Dust Abatement

On Wednesday, July 23, City Utility staff worked with a contractor to apply dust abatement to all the gravel City streets. The dust abatement is a natural vegetable pulp that is safe for the environment and vehicles, reducing dust along the streets.



**DONATE BLOOD
& ENTER TO WIN!**
MAY 15-JULY 31
Win Your Choice of a
3-Night Pet Friendly
PNW Getaway!

**BLOOD DRIVE AT COTTAGE
GROVE COMMUNITY**
Bloodmobile | 700 East Gibbs Avenue Cottage Grove

**Thursday, July 31
Friday, August 1st
10:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Scan the QR code to book your one hour appointment!

Give Blood. Get Cookies. Be a Hero. Save a Life.

Appointments are required for the best possible donation experience. Same-day appointments available at most locations. Photo ID required.

For safety, we kindly request no visitors under 16 at our donation sites. Eat a hearty meal and drink plenty of fluids prior to donation.

800-398-7888 | bloodworksnw.org/win

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**Bloodworks
Northwest**

EDA Main Street Revitalization Project

The flower beds and tree wells are prepared for planting, the sidewalks on the south side of Main Street are nearly finished, and the installation of light poles will begin soon.

The south side of the 5th Street intersection has reopened. Please be aware that a stop sign has been placed on Main Street at this location.

Currently, the south side of the 6th Street and Main Street intersection is closed. Wildish crews have removed the street and sidewalks leading to the alley, installed a new fire hydrant, along with irrigation lines and electrical work. The repaving process is set to start on Monday, July 28th, with the installation of curb and gutter. Wildish crews anticipate pouring the sidewalks by the end of that week. The pouring at the 6th Street intersection is scheduled for the week of August 4th.

The 7th Street intersection has reopened, and a four-way stop sign has been placed at this intersection.

Additionally, on Monday, July 28th, crews will close the south side of the 8th Street and Main Street intersection to begin the replacement process. Wildish will start excavation on the north side of Main Street on Wednesday, July 30th. Excavation will commence at the bridge and proceed east towards 5th Street. Traffic will be diverted at the 5th Street intersection to the south side, and traffic will remain westbound only.

Photos highlighting progress at two separate locations along Main Street.



Grant Funding for Low to Moderate Income Home Repairs

Cottage Grove has partnered with St. Vincent de Paul's Regional Housing Rehabilitation Program (RHRP) to offer grant funding for low-interest or deferred-payment loans intended for critical home repairs that ensure the health and safety of owner-occupants. Typically, the loans are repaid when the home is sold and have a 3% interest rate and 1.720% APR.

For more information, please see the attached flyer.

Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair and Party in the Park

The City of Cottage Grove is excited to announce the 9th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair. This exciting community event will be held on August 2, 2025, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Coiner Park.

There will be various organizations from the area, such as the Oregon Department of Forestry, PeaceHealth, and EPUD, hosting booths and demonstrations. Be sure to visit each booth and collect all the stamps to spin the prize wheel for a chance to win some awesome emergency preparedness items.

We will also have multiple raffles with exciting prizes, including a fully stocked compact go-bag, portable power stations, gift cards, and tickets to a concert at Cuthbert.

For the sixth year, we are collaborating with Party in the Park, who will provide free food and a children's entertainment area with even more games, prizes, and a bounce house. We anticipate another fantastic turnout of both children and adults, and we aim to make this event educational and fun for all ages. Last year, we welcomed over 2,500 attendees.

The Emergency Preparedness Fair began in 2015 with the goal of equipping our community to effectively react to and recover from potential disasters. We strive to provide attendees with the necessary knowledge and tools to stay safe in an emergency.

The City of Cottage Grove and the organizers of Party in the Park look forward to seeing everyone there.



PARTY IN THE PARK
PUT ON WITH COTTAGE GROVE'S
**EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS FAIR**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND
11:00AM - 2:00PM
COINER PARK
1319 E. MAIN ST

FREE ADMISSION & FOOD!
EMERGENCY VEHICLES!
FAMILY FRIENDLY!
RAFFLES!

Logos: NW Natural, OHAZ, OEM, Oregon CPR, Lane County COOP, Pacific Power, PeaceHealth, South Lane HEARTsafe, HOPE IN THE GROVE, PUBLIC HEALTH, City of Cottage Grove Oregon.

Shop in Historic Downtown Cottage Grove and collect stamps.

Turn in your filled stamp cards at the Chamber for a chance to win \$500 in local gift cards each week until construction is finished. We are also pulling two winners from just this week's entries to win \$25 Coffee Gift Cards. We have over 650 full cards turned in so far.


Check out the drawings every Friday live on Facebook and KNND.

For more details, visit: <https://www.cgchamber.com/shop local/>

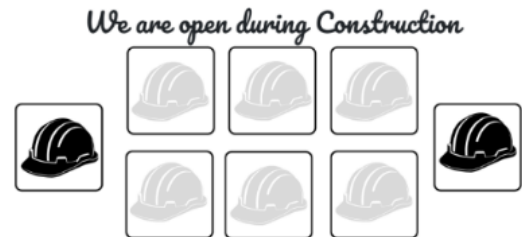


*All Downtown Businesses
are open during Construction*

FREE
Parking



- 415 E Main St
- 500 E Whiteaker Ave
- E Whiteaker & 7th
- E Whiteaker & 8th
- South off Main 8th -7th
- 700 E Gibbs Ave



GET A FREE STAMP WITH PURCHASE AT PARTICIPATING HISTORIC
DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES. TURN IN AT THE CHAMBER

NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

Quote of the Week:

“ Perhaps the greatest risk any of us will ever take is to be seen as we really are.”

~ Cinderella

Has Your Home Seen Better Days?



We Can Help!

Cottage Grove is partnering with St. Vincent De Paul's Regional Housing Rehabilitation Program (RHRP) to apply for grant funds for low-interest*/deferred-payment loans for home repairs critical to the health and safety of the owner-occupant(s).

Typically, loans aren't repaid until a home is sold.

* 3% Interest Rate/1.720% APR

We need to hear from qualifying households!

The goals of RHRP are to preserve affordable housing stock, and to allow low to moderate income homeowners to remain in their homes as long as possible. Project possibilities include:

**Roofs • Foundations • Septic
Dry Rot • Plumbing • Floors
Windows & Doors • Electrical
Heating Systems • Insulation
Siding • Structural Repair
Accessibility Accommodations**

See the reverse side for more.

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U.S. Package
PAID
Eugene, OR
Permit No. 487

St. Vincent de Paul
Society of Lane County, Inc.
2880 Chad Drive
Eugene, Oregon 97408



**HELP US GET THE FUNDS!!!
COMPLETE AN ASSESSMENT FORM
FOUND ON OUR RHRP WEBSITE
OR CONTACT ANDY CLAY**

Last Name First Name
Mailing Address
City, State Zip

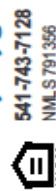
Household Size	Maximum annual income
1	\$51,350
2	\$58,700
3	\$66,050
4	\$73,350
5	\$79,250
6	\$85,100
7	\$91,000
8	\$96,850

Eligible for a RHRP loan? Contact us right away!

If you own and occupy your home, your household fits one of the descriptions listed in the income chart at right, and repairs are needed to fix issues that jeopardize your home's safety and livability, call the RHRP program manager or quickly complete the simple Needs Assessment Form on our website at:

<http://www.svdps.us/what-we-do/affordable-housing/rural-housing-rehabilitation-program/>

Contact Andy Clay today:
email: andy.clay@svdp.us



See the reverse side for more.

