

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike Sauerwein, City Manager

SUBJECT: FRIDAY UPDATE

DATE: August 1, 2025

### **Eugene Symphony in the Park**

Monday night was a beautiful night to enjoy the Eugene Symphony at Bohemia Park. Attendance was high, and the performance was top-notch. Thank you to the Eugene Symphony and guest conductor, Mayor Solesbee.



### **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. 6<sup>th</sup> St / E. Quincy Ave Closing Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 am – August 7<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**


**Villard Ave Closing Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm**

**E. Chamberlain Ave –Closing Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm**

### **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.

**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 1<sup>st</sup>  
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 are available at most locations. Photo ID required.

For safety, we kindly request no visitors under 16 at our donation sites.

Eat a heavy meal and drink plenty of fluids prior to donation.

800-316-7888 | [bloodworksnw.org/win](https://bloodworksnw.org/win)

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## Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair and Party in the Park

Join us this Saturday, August 2, 2025, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Coiner Park for the 9th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair.

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.

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.

Participate in the 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.



## Yard of the Week

Time to play some catch-up. Here are the locations chosen for Yard of the Week for the weeks of July 18<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>. The City of Cottage Grove and the Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize 1320 Daugherty Ave, 1060 Holly Ave. for their time and effort to beautify their neighborhood and the City of Cottage Grove. The Yard of the Week program will run through September 26th, so please continue to submit your nominations.



### **Shop in Historic Downtown Cottage Grove**

Get a free stamp with purchase at participating Downtown Businesses, and then 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/>



### **EDA Main Street Revitalization Project**

The Main Street Revitalization Project continues to move ahead as planned, on time and budget. The Wildish crew is working closely with downtown businesses to minimize disruption, and you will often see them supporting our local shops and helping community members navigate the updated pedestrian and traffic routes.

Wildish began excavation on the north side of Main Street on Wednesday, July 30, starting at the bridge and moving east to the 5th Street intersection. Traffic has been diverted to the south side of Main Street between the 5th Street intersection and the bridge, and remains westbound only.

The south side of the 6th Street and Main Street intersection remains closed. Wildish crews have repaved the sidewalks and installed safety equipment. The 6th Street intersection is scheduled to be poured the week of August 4th.

The 7th Street intersection is now open, with a four-way stop in place.

The 8th Street intersection has been excavated, and the curb and gutter will be formed and poured the week of August 4th. Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation.

### ***Quote of the Week:***

*“Remember, you are the one who can fill the world with sunshine.”*

*~ Snow White*

## 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. Postage  
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Eugene, OR  
Permit No. 487

St. Vincent de Paul  
Society of Lane County, Inc.  
2890 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.svdnp.us/what-we-do/affordable-housing/rural-housing-rehabilitation-program/>

**Contact Andy Clay today:**  
email: [andy.clay@svdp.us](mailto:andy.clay@svdp.us)

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