Citizen Participation Organization 3

There will not be a CPO 3 Meeting in December

The next CPO 3 meeting will be
Thursday, January 20, 2011, 7:00PM

The tentative agenda includes:

- A speaker from the Bicycle Transportation Alliance and
- An update from Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation on bond measure project implementation, with an emphasis on projects in our area.

Garden Home Recreation Center
7475 SW Oleson Road

CPO 3 News

A development application to add a car wash to an existing service station at 9085 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway has been submitted to the Washington County Department of Land Use and Transportation, Casefile # 10-369-D/SU/NC. A copy of the plans and application are available for review in the CPO 3 file cabinet at the Garden Home Recreation Center. The application and plans may also be reviewed at the Washington County Department of Land Use and Transportation office in Hillsboro. The County requests written comments from the public by December 30. Comments may also be made at a public hearing, but the hearing date has not yet been scheduled. More information about the hearing date and the application is available from Wayne Hayson 503-846-3867 at Washington County.

The briefing schedule for the City of Portland’s LUBA appeal on the Fanno Creek sewer pump station has been revised and reinstated. The City’s application was denied in June of the year. Under the new schedule, the City’s brief will be due January 3. The County’s and Intervenors’ briefs will be due on January 24, 2011. The hearing is likely to be held in February. By state statute the appeal to LUBA is “on the record,” which means no new evidence can be submitted. Only parties to the LUBA appeal are allowed to submit briefs and present argument at the hearing, which will be in Salem. The public may attend the hearing to observe.

-Mike Lilly
From your Washington County Board of Commissioners:

Washington County’s Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness

Like many communities across the nation, a growing number of our friends and neighbors are facing financial hardships. For some, the result can be an unstable housing situation or even homelessness. Washington County saw an 11 percent increase in the number of homeless last year. Nearly 1,400 people experience homelessness on any given night in Washington County, and unemployment is their most frequently-cited reason for being homeless.

On June 3, 2008, our Board of Commissioners approved the Ten-Year Plan To End Homelessness. The Ten-Year Plan, which represents a partnership among organizations and jurisdictions across Washington County, is the cornerstone to developing strategies, programs, and activities that can best assist homeless families and individuals in their move toward housing and self-sufficiency.

The first two years of the Plan’s implementation has resulted in a $6 million investment of federal, state, and local resources to support our community’s homeless services. As we begin Year Three, $4 million of the $5.5 million targeted by the Plan has already been funded. This includes $700,000 in new federal funds to support mortgage and rental assistance, veteran services, mental health services, and employment support.

We can see many concrete examples of the Plan’s positive impact. One difficult, and sometimes deadly, aspect of homelessness is finding safety during extreme weather conditions, especially for children and seniors. Under the auspices of the Plan, community partners in Washington County developed a collaborative solution to address this problem. In partnership with faith-based organizations, Washington County coordinates a Severe Weather Shelter program to provide temporary emergency shelter to homeless persons during inclement weather. During the winter of 2009-10, six church shelters provided 3,221 bed stays and hot meals to homeless individuals.

When the Board of Commissioners approved the Ten-Year Plan, Chairman Brian said the following: "The collective capacity of our compassion and commitment is greater than the depth of this challenge. We believe a reduction of homelessness is an achievable goal in Washington County through this Ten-Year Plan.” Three years into the Plan, we see concrete signs that this compassion and commitment are making a difference for those facing homelessness in our community.

For information on how to get involved, please go to: http://www.co.washington.or.us/Housing/10-year-plan-to-end-homelessness.cfm.

Chairman Tom Brian  
Commissioner Andy Duyck  
Commissioner Roy Rogers  
Commissioner Dick Schouten  
Commissioner Desari Strader

Neighborhood Watch Advisory Board Training

What types of activities might you get involved in through your Neighborhood Watch group?

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) educate people about disaster preparedness and train them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operation. Come and learn how Neighborhood Watch is related to CERT.

The training will be on **Tuesday, January 25, 2011, 6:30-8:00PM** at the Washington County Sheriff’s Office Law Enforcement Center, Training Room B, 215 SW Adams Ave, Hillsboro.

For more information or to register for this class, please call 503-846-2774 or email Darlene_schnoor@co.washington.or.us.
Metro Councilor Carl Hosticka

I'd like to remind you that there are quite a few opportunities to get involved with Metro this month. Whether you decide to participate in one of our upcoming public hearings on a potential capacity ordinance or simply want to enjoy Metro’s natural areas, you’ll undoubtedly find something of interest. The best part is, most events are free or low-cost and registration can be completed online. Follow the links below for more information.

To stay in touch with news and events, subscribe to e-mail updates, RSS feeds, old-fashioned mailings and more on Metro's website www.oregonmetro.gov/connect.

**December Activities:**

- **Public Hearing: Metro Capacity Ordinance.** 2 p.m. Thursday December 16, 2010 at the Metro Regional Center, 600 NE Grand Ave, Portland. Metro is evaluating proposals to create stronger protections for industrial land to ensure it remains available for large manufacturers; to focus public investments to support existing businesses, cities, town centers and transportation corridors; and to provide more affordable housing, among other areas. Four public hearings will be held throughout the region over the next three weeks. To learn more go to [http://news.oregonmetro.gov/1/post.cfm/metro-council-to-focus-on-efficiencies-inside-ubb-this-fall?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+OregonMetroNews+%28Metro+news%29](http://news.oregonmetro.gov/1/post.cfm/metro-council-to-focus-on-efficiencies-inside-ubb-this-fall?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+OregonMetroNews+%28Metro+news%29)

- **Native Plant Center volunteer venture:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, December 18, 2010. Volunteer at the Native Plant Center , 2661 SW Borland Rd, Tualatin and help care for the rare native seeds and plant stock that support Metro's restoration projects. This year's projects include Clear Creek and Gotter Prairie Natural Areas. Fall activities vary and will include transplanting seedlings, harvesting and cleaning native seeds, planting native plugs for prairie habitat seed production, harvesting bulbs for restoration plantings and fall seed planting. To learn more go to [http://calendar.oregonmetro.gov/events/index.php?com=detail&eID=2655](http://calendar.oregonmetro.gov/events/index.php?com=detail&eID=2655)

I hope to see you at one or several of these events.

More things to do, brought to you by GreenScene
Metro GreenScene provides a comprehensive calendar of free and low-cost nature activities, gardening workshops, volunteer ventures and community events offered all around the region by Metro and dozens of other organizations.

To view the online calendar go to [http://calendar.oregonmetro.gov/events/](http://calendar.oregonmetro.gov/events/)
To Visit the GreenScene page go to [http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=24231](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=24231)
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**Planning For Future Water Supplies**

TVWD continues to work with its partners in the Tualatin Basin Water Supply Project (TBWSP), including Clean Water Services and the Cities of Beaverton and Hillsboro, in planning for the project and securing this water source for the future. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation recently released a Corrective Action Alternatives Study outlining a process to identify and evaluate options for addressing seismic issues at Scoggins Dam. The study results will help the project partners address these seismic concerns to move forward with satisfying our long-term water needs.

Updates regarding the project can be found at [www.tualatinbasinwatersupply.org](http://www.tualatinbasinwatersupply.org) and information about TVWD activities can be found at [www.tvwd.org](http://www.tvwd.org).

*Tualatin Valley Water District, November 2010*
Calculating the Green in Green: What’s an Urban Tree Worth?

For urban dwellers, trees soften a city’s hard edges and surfaces, shade homes and streets, enhance neighborhood beauty, filter the air, mitigate storm runoff, and absorb carbon dioxide. Trees may even reduce crime and improve human health. However, these benefits have not been well quantified, making it difficult for urban planners and property owners to weigh their costs and benefits or assess tree cover against competing land uses.

New research from the Pacific Northwest (PNW) Research Station demonstrates that street trees increase home prices in Portland, Oregon, that shade trees reduce household energy use in Sacramento, California, and that these effects can be measured and expressed in dollars.

A study led by economist Geoffrey Donovan, research forester with the PNW Research Station, determined that trees planted on the south and west sides of Sacramento houses reduced summertime electricity bills by an average of $25.16. In a second study in Portland, Donovan’s team found that street trees growing in front of or near a house added an average $8,870 to its sale price and reduced its time on the market by nearly 2 days. These economic benefits spilled over to neighboring properties: a neighborhood tree growing along the public right-of-way added an average of $12,828 to the combined value of all the houses within 100 feet. For more information see http://www.fs.fed.us/pnw/sciencef/scifi126.pdf.

Excerpted from article by Gail Wells, Science Findings, Issue 126, Sept 2010. Pacific Northwest Research Station, US Department of Agriculture

Inclement Weather and CPO Meetings

CPO meetings will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather when driving conditions may be hazardous. Our decisions will match those of PCC which generally posts cancellations of evening events/classes after 3 pm. to the PCC homepage: www.pcc.edu. An alert will be displayed in red near the top of the page.

Depending upon your browser's settings, you may need to refresh the page periodically to see the most up to date information.

If your CPO is scheduled to meet and the weather is bad, check the PCC website. If you see the red alert band at the top of the page, this means your CPO meeting is cancelled. If additional information is available, the alert may include links to other documents. The PCC operator voice recording will be updated to include closure notifications. This recording can be reached at (503) 244-6111, or toll free at 1-866-922-1010. We will also have a recording at the CPO Program telephone number (503) 821-1128.
Public Affairs Forum Topics for December 2010

Special note: forum is meeting in a new location. You are welcome and encouraged to attend. The meeting location for the forum is at the Tanasbourne Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124, 503-617-7614. For a map go to: http://washingtoncountyforum.org/time-place

In winter conditions Washington County's Public Affairs Forum follows the open/close decisions of the Hillsboro school district. Please follow local media information or check http://hsd.k12.or.us/.

December 13, 2010
Topic 1: The Scandinavian Heritage Foundation – Purposes, Mission and Programs.
Speaker: Mike O'Brien Executive Director SHF.
Topic 2: Ride Connection
Speaker: James Uyeda, Development Manager and Jessica Giles, Transportation Specialist.

December 20, 2010
Topic: Holiday program with the Concord Chorale.
Speaker: Don Anderson.

December 27, 2010, January 3, 2011: No meeting

Time: Mondays 11:15 am - 1 pm except on major holidays.
Location: Tanasbourne Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124, 503-617-7614
For last minute updates and additional information about the forum, visit: www.washingtoncountyforum.org

Join THPRD to Help Brighten Holidays for Less Fortunate

The Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District and the THPRD Employee Association are collaborating again to encourage giving to the less fortunate during the holiday season. New toys (for youth ages 4-18) and food will be accepted at most THPRD centers from Nov. 26 through Dec. 16.

Hotline provides updated district weather and closure information: THPRD has a 24-hour inclement weather and emergency closure hotline. During inclement weather, please call our hotline at 503/614-4018 or check our website for an announcement. The district also provides a facility closure policy that outlines when classes and programs may be canceled if conditions warrant.

The phone line and website will be updated whenever new information is received. We also strive to keep the local news media informed whenever weather conditions force a change in our program and activities schedule.

Winter/spring Activities guide online by December 1st, registration begins January 8th
The Winter/Spring 2011 Activities Guide is scheduled to be online no later than December 1st at www.thprd.org. Printed copies will be available in Park District centers and at several community sites starting December 17th.

The community sites include local libraries (Beaverton, Bethany, Cedar Mill, Murray Scholls and West Slope); Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce; Beaverton City Hall; Washington County Visitors Association; and the Beaverton School District Administration Center.

Winter/spring registration for in-district residents starts Saturday, January 8th at 8 a.m. For the first time ever, online and phone registration will begin at the same time. Registration for out-of-district residents starts January 14th at 8:30 a.m.

New THPRD park offers views of Beaverton and Mount Hood. Looking to get above the crowds and the noise this busy holiday season? Check out the Park District's newest park, Matrix Hill Park, which provides a gorgeous view of Beaverton and, on a sunny day, Mount Hood. The park, which just opened to the public, is located on SW Torquoise Loop north of SW Beard Road and west of Murray Boulevard.
Become a Trauma Intervention Program (TIP) Volunteer

Trauma Intervention Program of Portland/Vancouver, Inc. (TIP) is an organization of specially trained citizen volunteers who assist citizens in crisis. TIP is looking for caring people who want to be involved and make a difference in their community.

TIP is recruiting for a January 2011 Training Academy. Training consists of learning the specialized skills needed to assist victims and their family and friends immediately after a traumatic incident or sudden loss. TIP Volunteers are requested by and work with local police, fire and emergency medical crews. Volunteers can be called to assist in any traumatic situation such as:

- Offer comfort and support after the death or sudden illness of a loved one
- Provide emotional and practical support to those who have been robbed, burglarized or assaulted
- Help after a fire
- Support survivors of a suicide
- Help emotionally traumatized victims of accidents
- Witnesses to traumatic events
- Help those emotionally shaken by any crisis event
- Assist at schools or businesses after the death of student or employee

No experience is necessary; just bring your caring heart.

You can register online at: [www.tipnw.org](http://www.tipnw.org) – click on the training tab. A TIP staff member will call you within 2 business days following submission of your registration for a brief phone interview. There is a $50.00 registration fee and attendance at each session is mandatory.

**NOTE:** Registration fee REQUIRED to secure your seat in the class. Please mail fee to TIP, 4800 NE 122nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97230.

Dates and times of classes:
- Thursday, January 13th 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Friday, January 14th 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Saturday, January 15th 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Sunday, January 16th 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- Wednesday, January 19th 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Thursday, January 20th 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- Friday, January 21st 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Saturday, January 22nd 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- Monday, January 31st 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- First three 12-hour on- call shifts 7am to 7pm or 7pm or 7am, scheduled at your convenience.

All training sessions will be held at: Portland Fire Bureau Training Center, 4800 NE 122nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97230 503-823-3937.

Master Gardener Chapter Meetings- 2011, New Location & Day

*The public is welcome to attend!*

**Tuesday, January 4, 2011,** 7:15 pm to 8:15 pm.
Beth Rose, Master Gardener will speak about Mason Bees.

**Tuesday, February, 1, 2011,** 7:15 pm to 8:15pm.
Jim Gersbach with Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center will speak on Poison Prevention in the Garden.

All meetings will be held at First Baptist Church, 5755 SW Erickson Ave, Beaverton, Oregon 97005
For more information, please go to [www.wcmga.info](http://www.wcmga.info).
Now Enrolling at a Location near You!

Parent University is a program offered by your Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Team to cover the basics about keeping children healthy, safe, and drug-resistant. A series of six workshops are available on a variety of topics designed to inform and equip parents to act as the "frontline" of defense against child victimization and harm from risky behavior.

A slight adjustment to last year's successful program will allow more flexibility for neighborhoods, parent-teacher clubs, faith communities, and other interested groups who wish to host Parent U at their own meeting location. Your Crime Prevention Team will be taking Parent University on the road and allowing groups to pick and choose which topics are more interesting or pertinent to their particular situations. The following topics are available upon request.

1. Drug Awareness & Prevention Strategies
   - Introduction to helping children stay safe and make healthy decisions
   - Common drugs of abuse
   - Drug identification & recognizing paraphernalia
   - What to do if you think your child is using

2. Child Safety Strategies
   - Childhood hazards and dangerous people
   - Strangers vs. strange behavior
   - Training children to make safe choices

3. Recognizing Child Molesters
   - Child sexual abuse defined and the extent of the problem
   - The "grooming" process
   - Strategies to protect children

4. Youth Violence
   - Bullying, harassment, and "mean girls"
   - Teen dating violence
   - Prevention and safety strategies—building resiliency

5. Teens & Driving
   - Leading causes of young driver crashes
   - Forming a parent/teen partnership for safe driving
   - Parents as role models and trainers—tips on teaching your child to drive

6. Internet Safety
   - Basic computer components and settings related to the Internet
   - Common risks for youth associated with cyberspace
   - Turning the internet into a positive family experience

*Parent University* is only designed for adults. The training topics are not appropriate for children, so groups who host may want to make alternate childcare arrangements to encourage attendance. Each session lasts two hours. We do ask that groups schedule their preferences at least one month in advance. We can also help with ideas to maximize attendance. Contact the Crime Prevention Office at 503-846-2579 to get in touch with the CP Specialist for your area.

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Show the River Some Love

The Love Your River campaign unites Oregonians working for clean and healthy rivers. Get to know your the Tualatin River and learn simple steps you can take to keep it clean. For more information go to [http://loveyourriver.org/home](http://loveyourriver.org/home).

Each month take a challenge and you'll be entered in a prize drawing for cool gear from REI.
We all want to help our Homeless Neighbors in such tough times. Here is an opportunity for you to donate resources or Volunteer during Washington County’s 5th Annual Project Homeless Connect on Friday, January 28, 10am to 6pm

Sonrise Church, 6701 NE Campus Drive, Hillsboro
Max Stop: Orenco Station (shuttle provided) and Bus Lines #47 and 48

A one-day, one-stop event for FREE resources:

- Medical, Dental, Vision
- Haircuts
- Housing Information
- Transportation Information
- Pet Care and Supplies
- Bicycle Supplies and Services
- And much more!

Please see their web site: [www.phcwashco.org](http://www.phcwashco.org) for more information and comments from other volunteers. Contact Robyn Hoppes, email: info@phcwashco.org. To volunteer go to [www.handsonportland.org](http://www.handsonportland.org). Together, we can make all the difference to struggling individuals and families.

Organizing partners: Pacific University, Sonrise Church, Good Neighbor Center, Hands On Greater Portland, Vision Action Network.