# 2022 Q1 (01/01/2022 - 03/31/2022) HORIZON Quarterly Issues Programs List

significance shows some of the significant issues responded to by the station notes along with examples of programming aired to treat those issues during the quarter noted. The listing is by no means exhaustive and the order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or issues and needs of the community, and then to present programming which addresses those issues and needs. The following list Horizon Broadcasting Group is involved in their communities. Management and staff regularly attempt to ascertain the most pressing

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| 01/02/2022 | REPEAT: Cheryl Csiky                             | Executive Director, In Our Backyard  | Human Trafficking   |
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| 01/09/2022 | Lisa Hurley<br>Jenny Carver-Ross                 | Outreach Director, Partners in Care<br>Hospice House Nurse Manager   | Hospice   |
| 01/16/2022 | Diana Fischetti<br>Lynn Ouchida<br>Dave Clemens  | Executive Director, Street Dog Hero  Community Outreach Coordinator, Humane Society Pet Adoption  Host of Inside Central Oregon  Oregon Wres | International Dog Rescue Pet Adoption Forest Service Fee Free Days, Herat of Oregon Corps, Oregon Wrestling Classic |
| 01/23/2022 | Joy Christiansen<br>Melissa Romo                 | Founder, Choose Joy Foundation Executive Director, Central Or. Autism Movement   | Support for children affected by substance abuse. Autism  |
| 01/30/2022 | Denise LaBuda                                    | Director of Communications, Council on Aging   | Seniors: Isolation & Loneliness   |
| 02/06/2022 | Rys Fairweather<br>Melissa Williams              | Founder, What If We Could<br>Director, Every Child Central Oregon  | Helping local nonprofits Foster Care  |
| 02/13/2022 | David Miller<br>Sally Compton                    | Communications Manager, Tower Theatre Executive Director, Think Wild   | Upcoming events Wildlife education, rescue and rehabilitation   |
| 2/20/2022  | Nicky Merritt<br>Jim Porter                      | Executive Director, Central Oregon Villages President/Board of Directors, C.O. Villages  | Transitional housing for the homeless.  |
| 2/27/2022  | REPEAT: Nicky Merritt Jim Porter                 | Executive Director, Central Oregon Villages President/Board of Directors, C.O. Villages  | Transitional housing for the homeless.  |
| 03/06/2022 | Deborah Bushlen<br>Ofelia Sanchez<br>Dan Denning | Full-Time Care Giver Stroke Survivors Care Giver Water Conservation Prog. Manager, City of Bend  | Stroke Survivors Caregiver Support Programs WaterSmart and water conservation                                       |
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| President, Rotary Club of Crook County<br>Host of Inside central Oregon      | Producer, Lay It Out Events<br>Marketing Manager, McDonald's       | Founder, What If We Could<br>Caldwell Banker – Bain<br>Manager of Communications, Tower Theatre<br>Host of Inside central Oregon     |
| Rotary on the Radio, Scholarships for youth Community Events and Information | Upcoming festivals and events Buckaroo Breakfast at the CO Ag Show | Non-Profits, Charity Supporting What If We Could and the community Upcoming events, COVID Protocols Community Events and Information |

### **PSA**

### **CENTRAL OREGON SCOUTS: TAKE YOUR TREE**

Start Date: December 20, 2021

End Date: January 7th, 2022

Central Oregon Scouts BSA will be collecting and recycling Christmas trees on the weekends of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd and Jan 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. They request a donation of \$10 but will gladly accept any donation over that amount. The money raised will go to support the local Scout troops of Central Oregon.

You can get more information at Take Your Tree [dot] com.

### **PSA**

### **GIRL SCOUT COOKIES**

Start Date: January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 End Date: February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Girl Scouts in Oregon are now selling the new brownie-inspired Adventurefuls<sup>TM</sup> cookie alongside longtime favorites [like Thin Mints® and Samoas®]. 100% of the proceeds from every Girl Scout Cookie purchase fuel local Girl Scouts' adventures throughout the year.

If you know a registered Girl Scout, reach out, or, beginning February 18th, enter your zip code into the Girl Scout Cookie Finder at girl scout cookies.org

### How To Purchase Girl Scout Cookies This Season:

Girl Scout Cookie season in Oregon and SW Washington runs now through March 13, 2022. This year, consumers have a variety of ways to purchase their favorites:

If you know a registered Girl Scout, reach out to her today to find out how she's selling cookies in ways that meet local and state safety protocols.

Beginning February 18, enter your zip code into the Girl Scout Cookie Finder at girlscoutcookies.org to find a booth near you, to purchase cookies from a local Girl Scout troop for delivery or shipment, or to donate cookies to first responders and local causes.

### **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications from people interested in becoming a Search and Rescue Volunteer. Deschutes County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue continues to be one of the busiest search and rescue units in the state of Oregon. Go to the Deschutes County Sherriff's website to learn more...deadline is January 7th.

The 2022 Kids Hot Cocoa Run, Oregon Winterfest 2022 at the Deschutes County Fair & Expo and the Goo Goo Dolls are just a few of the events you can learn more about at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

Open enrollment – the time to sign up for health insurance for 2022 – has been extended this year. It runs from Nov. 1, 2021, to Jan. 15, 2022. Oregon Health Care.gov

A Candlelight Vigil in honor of some friends we've lost recently in Central Oregon, will take place at Sam Johnson Park, in Redmond, from 5 to 7pm tonight. More info on Facebook when you look up "Candlelight Vigil for Our Friends".

Heart of Oregon Corps is inviting youth, families, partners, donors, and media to the YouthBuild Open House in Redmond on Thursday, from 11 - 1. Come see new child and youth development training classroom, preapprenticeship construction classroom, and learn more about the opportunities for Central Oregon youth.

More information at Heart of Oregon.org

Cascades Theatrical Company presents Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express January 14 through the 30th. Go to cascades theatrical.org for more information.

Oregon's largest wrestling tournament the Oregon Wrestling Classic draws over 3,000 wrestlers each year, and happens this weekend at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds. More information at Oregon Wrestling Classic.com

The Forest Service offers several fee-free days annually to encourage visitors to get outside and enjoy their public lands, and they just released the dates for 2022.

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Jan. 17, 2022
- President's Day: Feb. 21, 2022
- National Get Outdoors Day: June 11, 2022
- National Public Lands Day: Sept. 24, 2022
- Veterans Day: Nov. 11, 2022

The fee waiver applies to most Forest Service day-use recreation sites in Oregon and Washington, including many picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers. Fees for camping, cabin rentals, or other permits still apply.

The Autism Color Walk and Family Carnival, a Humane Society of Central Oregon fundraiser and Oregon Winterfest are just a few of the events you can learn more about at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

The Oregon Office of Emergency Management has posted the Oregon Wildfire Recovery Update for Jan. 12, 2022, to the Oregon Wildfire Response & Recovery website.

The American Council of Trustees and Alumni has released a new, interactive tool that presents data on key measures of cost-effectiveness and academic quality for nearly 500 public, four-year colleges and universities. In this report, we find that Oregon ranks 49th in the nation for core curriculum. You can dive into this report at go acta.org

The Cascades Wedding Show happens this Saturday at The Riverhouse on the Deschutes, in Bend, at their Convention Center. Go to cascades wedding show.com for more information and tickets.

The Harlem Globetrotters are coming to the Deschutes County Fairgrounds First Interstate Bank Center on Friday! Visit Harlem globetrotters.com for game times and tickets.

[End 1/30] The Crook County WIC program wants to make sure you -- and your little ones -- have access to food that's also good for you all! You may qualify for food benefits to receive items like milk, cheese, eggs, peanut butter, fruits, veggies and more!

The Bend Chamber announced the recipients of the 2022 Business

Excellence Awards, sponsored by US Bank and The Bulletin.

**Innovation Award** 

Small Organization: Synergy Health and Wellness Large Organization: OSU-Cascades Innovation Co-Lab

Inspiring Workplace Award

Small Organization: Volunteers in Medicine Large Organization: Stahancyk, Kent & Hook

Community Stewardship Award

Small Organization: Latino Community Association

Large Organization: Mosaic Medical

Emerging Leader Award Co-Recipient: Tyler Fix Co-Recipient: Brittania Leja

The Lifetime Achievement Award will be announced January 26.

Cascades Theatrical Company presents Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express through January 30th. Go to cascades theatrical.org for more information.

Sisters Ranger District fire management specialists will resume pile burning near Suttle Lake and the Three Creek Lake areas this week. Ignitions are slated to begin today, and continue throughout the winter as conditions allow. No road or trail closures are anticipated. Smoke impacts are expected to be minimal; however, smoke may be visible from the greater Sisters area, Camp Sherman, and along Highway 26 between Sisters and Santiam Pass.

The Autism Color Walk and Family Carnival is doing early registration for the May 14th event. Early Bird Registration is 11 dollars for adults and 8 dollars for children. The Half Mile family friendly Color Walk also includes a Silent Auction, Bounce Houses, Facepainters a Family Carnival and much more. Get more information at Central Oregon Autism Movement.com

The Bend Chamber has announced the Lifetime Achievement Award recipient of the 2022 Business Excellence Awards, sponsored by US Bank and The Bulletin. The Award goes to is Ken Wilhelm. Ken has provided executive leadership for United Way of Central Oregon since 1988.

The tradition of Plunging into really cold water each winter to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Oregon is back! After a year of Virtual Polar Plunges across the state, Special Olympics Oregon is excited to Plunge with you in-person once again in 2022. It happens at Riverbend park in bend tomorrow, and you can get more information at Plunge Oregon.org.

Dogs don't drink cocktails but Tito's Handmade Vodka is helping Street Dog Hero save lives. They're matching your gifts to fund an upcoming spay/neuter clinic. Help Street Dog Hero double their impact! Learn more at Give - Dot - Street Dog Hero - Dot - Org - forward slash - Titos.

Oregon State University has been ranked one of the nation's five best providers of online education for the fourth consecutive year by U.S. News & World Report, judged on the strength of its faculty and the distance learning opportunities they deliver.

The entire report can be found at us news.com/education

The American Lung Association's 20th annual "State of Tobacco Control" report revealed significant progress in the work to end tobacco use, but products like e-cigarettes and other flavored tobacco products is still creating concern for losing another generation to nicotine addiction. The whole report and more information can be found at Lung.org

Come enjoy a special Valentine's Luncheon, Friday, Feb. 11th from Noon - 1pm at the Redmond Senior Center. Chef Jose will make delicious Paella Barcelona with chicken, shrimp, chorizo, beef, and rice served in the traditional large pan. Space is limited so payment is required with your RSVP. This is a benefit for Redmond Senior Center.

Redmond Kiwanis will be selling limited quantities of See's Candy for Valentine's Day at discounted prices. Members will staff Spokesman Suites, at 226 NW Sixth St., Redmond, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 12, and Monday, Feb. 14. Proceeds benefit Kiwanis youth projects.

Oregon Housing and Community Services has announced that the next Housing Stability Council meeting will be on Friday, February 4. The meeting will be held electronically due to COVID-19 You can find all meeting materials on the website; oregon.gov Join City Club of Central Oregon on February 17 as they discuss and explore the structural, economic and regulatory barriers to creating more childcare options in Central Oregon. The forum will be held in person at the Riverhouse Convention Center and streaming on YouTube. More information at City Club C O.org

According to Google Trends, Thin Mints are the most popular Girl Scout cookie in 38 states, including Oregon. Tagalongs, also known as Peanut Butter Patties, are the second most-popular. They're #1 in EIGHT states. Go to girl scout cookies.org to support the **Girl Scouts** and get your fix.

[END 2/19] **The 2022 Kids Hot Cocoa Run** takes place at noon, this Saturday, at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds. Aspiring princes and princesses are invited to the Kid's Hot Cocoa Run. Costumes are encouraged! Find more information at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

[End 2/20] **The Central Oregon Symphony** winter concerts will be held on Sunday, February 20th at the Bend High School Auditorium. There will be two performances, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and the matinee performance will be livestreamed. Tickets for the performances are limited due to ongoing pandemic protocols. More information is available at C O Symphony.com.

[End 2/21] The **Forest Service offers several fee-free days** annually to encourage visitors to get outside and enjoy their public lands, and the next one is President's Day: Feb. 21, 2022

The fee waiver applies to most Forest Service day-use recreation sites in Oregon and Washington, including many picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers. Fees for camping, cabin rentals, or other permits still apply. More information at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

[2/25] **The State Historic Preservation Office** is offering grants for up to \$200,000 in matching funds for downtown revitalization efforts in communities participating in the Oregon Main Street Network. The Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant funds may be used to acquire, rehabilitate, and construct buildings on properties in designated downtown areas statewide. The grant application deadline is March 1. Go to Oregon heritage [dot] org for more information.

[End 2/25] In less than a year, Oregon State University donors have given \$91.6 million to transform **Reser Stadium**, exceeding an \$85 million fundraising goal. Construction is underway on the \$160.5 million project that, by fall of 2023, will turn the stadium into a national best-in-class football facility. Go to Completing Reser Stadium.com for the most up-to-date information on the project.

[End 2/28] Chick-fil-A, at Hwy 97 and Robal Road, will donate \$1 for every mobile order of \$15 or more placed through the Chick-fil-A App to **Shepherds House**, during the month of February. Chick-fil-A will also donate 5% for every catering order placed online.

[End 3/1] On January 12<sup>th</sup>, **Oregon Parks Forever**, a statewide nonprofit, announced the establishment of the Wildfire Tree Replanting Fund. The goal of the fund is to plant at least One Million Trees. Each dollar donated will plant a tree, and so far, this year, they've planted over 550 thousand trees! You can learn more at O R Parks Forever.org

[3/4] Join [Radio Station] from 4 to 6 today for the **Thomason Auto Group Food Drives!** Sergio will be at Food 4 Less in the Cascade Village in Bend, and Dave Clemens will be at The Grocery Outlet in Redmond taking in donations of non-perishable items and cash, that will be distributed locally to help those in need by Neighbor Impact. That's from 4 to 6 today!

[End 3/5] GoodLife Brewing is bringing back the **Central Oregon Winter Beer Festival** to the GoodLife/Century Center parking lot on Saturday, March 5th. Put it on your calendar and go to Oregon Craft Beer.org/events for more information.

[End 3/12] Daylight saving time begins this Sunday and the **American Red Cross** Cascades Region reminds everyone to TURN your clocks forward one hour and TEST your smoke alarms. Working smoke alarms can cut the risk of dying in a home fire by half. Visit "red cross.org/fire" for more information, including an escape plan to practice with your family. You can also download our free Emergency app by searching for "American Red Cross" in app stores.

[End 3/13] **The Choose Joy Foundation** will be doing BINGO at Silver Moon Brewing every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, starting Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Horizon Broadcasting Group's [or KQAK's or KRCO's] Dave Clemens will be calling the numbers, and the BINGO proceeds will be used to help children of substance abusers.

More information at silver moon brewing.com/events

[End 3/13] **The Prineville Paddy Pint Run/Walk** takes place on March 13th at Pioneer Park in Prineville! Get your green on and come in costume! After the race, Crooked Roots Brewing will host an Awards Party with music, food and prizes! This is a family friendly event with fun for all ages. Proceeds benefit the Oregon Dental Foundation's Tooth Taxi. Register early to save money at GetMeRegistered.com – search for Prineville Paddy Pint Run.

[End 3/13] Last Friday, we did those Thomason Auto Group Food Drives. Sergio was at Food 4 Less in the Cascade Village in Bend, and Dave Clemens was at The Grocery Outlet in Redmond taking in donations of non-perishable items for Neighbor Impact, and it turns out, we raised about 560 pounds of food! Thanks to everyone that helped with that.

[End 3/15] **The Oregon Division of Financial Regulation** is warning Oregonians to use caution when investing in cryptocurrencies, nonfungible tokens, or other new or volatile products. Regulation of these new asset types is still evolving. While there are often promises of big returns consumers often lose money when investing in them. The Division of Financial Regulation is part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. Visit d f r.oregon.gov

[End 3/25] Join Discover Your Forest for a free, family friendly event as your kids earn a **Junior Snow Ranger** badge. They'll learn about the natural world while they develop a life long appreciation for the outdoors and enjoy hands-on learning and interactive fun.! Interested families can join Forest Rangers at the Snowshoe Hut located at Mt. Bachelor's West Village Base Area. The Junior Snow Ranger event is designed for children in the 4th and 5th grade, however activities are appropriate for 7-11 year olds. Learn more at My Central Oregon.com when you click on EVENTS.

[End 3/26] The Madras Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12141 and its Auxiliary invites EVERYONE, veterans and non-veterans, to a FREE "Welcome Home Veterans" spaghetti dinner on March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Jefferson County Community Center. Donations are appreciated and you can get more information at My Central Oregon.com.

[End 3/30] **Voices Against Trafficking** is doing a live event on Facebook and YouTube on Wednesday at 11am. Join to be part of the solution and get more information at Voices Against Trafficking.com

[End 3/31] **The Office of State Fire Marshal** is kicking off a series of webinars this Thursday from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. These educational webinars are designed to provide Oregonians and local community partners with tools to prepare themselves and their properties for wildfire. Look up "Wildfire Risk Webinar at Event Brite.

[End 3/31] March is **National Problem Gambling Awareness Month.** The Oregon Lottery's commitment to problem gambling support is year-round. Since 1992, \$111 million of Oregon Lottery profits have funded problem gambling treatment and prevention efforts throughout Oregon. To get help for a gambling issue, anyone can call 1-877-MYLIMIT. Treatment is free, confidential and it works. For more information, go to Oregon Problem Gambling Resource at o p g r.org.

[4/1 Only] Rotary Club of Crook County is doing a virtual auction right now on their Facebook page, raising money for continuing education for Crook County youth. Find them on Facebook or go to crook county rotary.org

[End 4/1] **Sisters Ranger District** fire management specialists plan to treat up to 1,100 acres with prescribed fire during 2022. Prescribed fire units are dispersed throughout three project areas, including adjacent to Highway 20, within the Sisters Area Fuels Reduction area, and in the Metolius Basin. If conditions are favorable, Sisters Ranger District firefighters will begin spring prescribed fire operations next week.

[End 4/1] The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is hosting free **community shred events and drug disposal**. All events are from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, and the next one is April 2 at the Bend Main Sheriff's Office

[End 4/1] Oregon had the nation's 13th highest **suicide** rate across all ages in 2020, which is actually an improvement from the year before when the state was ninth in suicide deaths, according to the CDC. If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis, help is available at the Safe + Strong website.

[End 4/4] Starting Monday, **REDMOND FIRE & RESCUE** buildings will reopen to the public. Their administrative office hours are from 9am-4pm and they are evaluating bringing back groups for tours, and will have more information in the coming weeks.

[End 4/5] **Shepherd's House** needs the support of the community in providing meals for those experiencing homelessness during the winter. They serve over 130 breakfasts and 130 dinners seven days a week, every night of the year. As a colder stretch of weather hits the region, the needs of those experiencing homelessness continue to grow and more meals are needed. Community groups, churches, neighborhoods, businesses, and individuals are encouraged to participate. Meals are needed in both Redmond and Bend. Find out how you can help at "Shepherds House Ministries.org"

[End 4/7] Oregon Parks and Recreation Department is requesting public comment on proposed Oregon Administrative Rules **guiding take-off and landing of drones in state parks** and along the ocean shore. The deadline for comments is 5 p.m. April 7th. Go to the Oregon Parks and Recreation website for more info.

[End 4/15] **NeighborImpact**, a nonprofit supporting people and strengthening communities, is now accepting cryptocurrency donations via Every.org including Bitcoin, USD Coin, Ethereum and more.

[End 4/16] The High Desert boasts some of the darkest night skies in the continental United States. But with the region's population growth, dark skies are a natural resource being lost. A new, original exhibit examines this issue. Vanishing Night: Conserving Dark Skies in the High Desert opens at the **High Desert Museum** on Saturday, April 16. Get more information at High Desert Museum.org.

[End 4/16] **The Humane Society of the Ochocos** is holding their 4th annual Lucky Dog Casino Night on April 16<sup>th</sup> (at Carey Foster Hall at the Crook County Fairgrounds in Prineville). They'll have a live band, Blackjack, Texas hold'em, Roulet, and food! There's more information at My Central Oregon.com when you click events!

[End 4/30] Business and residential water customers can save money and water through the City of Bend's **WaterSmart** Program. By using the WaterSmart dashboard, you can potentially lower your monthly costs on your water and sewer bill. Visit Bend Oregon.Gov (Forward Slash) Water Smart to learn more!

[End 5/4] Oregon Wildlife Foundation's "Watch for Wildlife" specialty license plate created the "Watch for Wildlife" campaign and license plate to raise public awareness of animal-vehicle collisions in Oregon and the plates will be in DMV offices on May 4th. Voucher holders can get their plates on or after that date. The Watch for Wildlife plate will also be available to the public for purchase at that time. Proceeds from the sale and renewal of the license plate will come back to OWF. Get more information about these plates at my owf.org/watch for wildlife

[End 5/7] At this year's Ripples event, on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, at The Riverhouse on the Deschutes, you will enjoy fine wines, craft beer and cider, live entertainment from Todd Haaby (HOBBY) and Sola Via, enticing silent auction packages, seated dinner with wine on each table and a live auction featuring one-of-a-kind experiences including private dinners and getaways and a paddle raise to support **Deschutes Children's Foundation!** We have more information for you at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

[End 5/14] **Central Oregon Autism Movement** is inviting you to their Central Oregon Autism Walk Fundraiser at Highland Baptist Church on May 14th! Take part in the Half Mile Family Friendly Color Walk, The Silent Auction (with mobile bidding) Bounce Houses, Face painters, a Family Carnival and much more! Central Oregon Autism Movement.com

[End 6/4] The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is hosting free **community shred events and drug disposal**. All events are from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, and the next one is June 4 at the La Pine Sheriff's Office

[End 6/11] **The Forest Service offers several fee-free days** annually to encourage visitors to get outside and enjoy their public lands, and the next one is National Get Outdoors Day: June 11, 2022

The fee waiver applies to most Forest Service day-use recreation sites in Oregon and Washington, including many picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers. Fees for camping, cabin rentals, or other permits still apply.

[End 8/27] The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is hosting free **community shred events and drug disposal**. All events are from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, and the next one is August 27 at the Sisters Sheriff's Office

[End 9/10] The 38th annual **Oregon High Desert Swap Meet, Car Show and Antiques** will be on Saturday September 10th this year...it's always the first Saturday after Labor Day at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds and Expo Center in Redmond. This family friendly event is free for spectators, and there is more information at My Central Oregon.com when you click EVENTS.

[End 9/24] **The Forest Service offers several fee-free days** annually to encourage visitors to get outside and enjoy their public lands, and the next one is National Public Lands Day: Sept. 24, 2022

The fee waiver applies to most Forest Service day-use recreation sites in Oregon and Washington, including many picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers. Fees for camping, cabin rentals, or other permits still apply.

[End 10/15] The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is hosting **free community shred events and drug disposal**. All events are from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, and the next one is October 15 at the Terrebonne Sheriff's Office

[End 11/11] **The Forest Service offers several fee-free days** annually to encourage visitors to get outside and enjoy their public lands, and the next one is Veterans Day: Nov. 11, 2022

The fee waiver applies to most Forest Service day-use recreation sites in Oregon and Washington, including many picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers. Fees for camping, cabin rentals, or other permits still apply.

[TFN] 1 in 8 children in the U.S. live in a household with a parent with a substance abuse disorder. **The Choose Joy Foundation** provides children in Central Oregon with basic needs, and they need your help. To learn more and support their ongoing effort, go to Choose Joy Foundation.org.

[TFN] **Heart of Oregon Corps** is looking for 16-24-year-olds that need work, are looking for a place to gain real-life skills or want to get their GED or High School diploma while earning a stipend and meeting amazing friends? Heart of Oregon Corps has 6 programs hiring youth from all over Central Oregon. Visit heart of oregon.org to find out more. Heart of Oregon Corps, Training Tomorrow's Workforce Today.

[TFN] **Every Child Central Oregon** advocates and supports local children and families impacted by foster care; committing to finding safe, nurturing homes where they can flourish during their time in care. To learn more about ECCO, how to become a resource provider, donate, or volunteer, please visit every child central oregon.org

[TFN] **CASA of Central Oregon** is looking for volunteers to help children in foster care. If you'd like to learn more about becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate, go to CASA of Central Organ.org.

[TFN] If you have a local event or information you'd like to share, tell us about it at **My Central Oregon.com**. My Central Oregon.com, click on events and select submit an event!

[TFN] What If We Could.com is a website for you to connect with over 100 local nonprofits with new opportunities every month to volunteer, give with in-kind donations, or participate in a small fundraising project. Get a co-worker or grab a family member to check it out and get involved at what if we could dot com

[TFN] If you care for someone with Alzheimer's, you are not alone. **The Alzheimer's Association** is here to help. Visit alz.org. Or contact the 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900.

### STATE OF OREGON WARNS INVESTORS ABOUT CRYPTOCURRENCIES, NFTS

News Release from <u>Oregon Dept. of Consumer & Business Services</u>
Posted on FlashAlert: January 20th, 2022 2:23 PM

Jan. 20, 2022

Salem The Oregon Division of Financial Regulation is warning Oregonians to use caution when investing in cryptocurrencies, nonfungible tokens, or other new or volatile products.

Cryptocurrencies are digital assets that have no government backing. They are typically purchased, used, stored, and traded electronically through digital currency exchanges. They can be traded for goods and services, transferred from one person to another, or held for investment purposes.

A nonfungible token – or NFT – is a unique unit of data that is not interchangeable and is stored on a blockchain. They are often linked to digital works of art, photos, and videos.

There are nearly 10,000 active cryptocurrencies and they and NFTs are increasing in popularity. Regulation of these new asset types is still evolving. While there are often promises of big returns consumers often lose money when investing in them.

In fact, earlier this month, the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA) released its annual list of top investor threats, and investments tied to cryptocurrencies and digital assets topped the list.

"Scams promising big returns on cryptocurrencies and NFTs are flooding the Internet," said TK Keen, administrator for the Division of Financial Regulation. "Investors wanting to purchase cryptocurrencies and NFTs should do their homework to make sure they fully understand these investments and their risks before getting involved."

The Division of Financial Regulation encourages Oregonians to follow these tips before deciding to invest in cryptocurrency or NFTs:

- Carefully research these types of investments. Many of these "investment opportunities" are speculative in nature. Before engaging in a transaction, make sure that you understand what you are purchasing, the value of the item purchased, the reason for the valuation, and how easy it is to sell the investment if you want to get out your money.
- Use a digital currency exchange that is licensed with the state to transmit cryptocurrency to someone else.
   Oregon law requires companies that transfer digital currency from one person to another to be licensed as money transmitters. Digital currency exchange companies that purchase or sell cryptocurrency from their own inventories are not required to be licensed.
- Do not spend money you need. The volatility of the digital currency and NFT markets means that you should not purchase cryptocurrency with money that is needed for essential purposes such as food, housing, and gas.

Consumers who have questions about these unregulated assets can call the division's advocates at 866-814-9710 (toll-free).

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The Division of Financial Regulation is part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. Visit <u>dfr.oregon.gov</u> and <u>dcbs.oregon.gov</u>.

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