



Bottles brought to BRING.

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● BRING recycles bottles, cans

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information is made available about the workings of BRING.

White Bird Clinic offers professional medical and psychological help for many in the community. Located at 341 E. 12th St., the clinic has one half-time physician and several volunteer physicians working evenings.

The clinic is principally designed to handle drug cases, but they also give help to people who need medical care and cannot afford it. Their services are free, although donations are needed and appreciated.

Appointments for medical help are made in person at the clinic. Walk-in counseling, without appointment, and ongoing counseling are services provided by the psychological department.

A squad of personnel is on hand every minute of the day to handle emergency calls or go to a crisis situation.

A recent addition to Whitebird is the Education Annex, located at 323 E. 12th St. The Education Annex has a separate staff and provides information about drugs, has a resource center with materials available for the public, initiates drug education programs in the schools, and trains people to deal with drug problems.

An organization that acts as a sort of second Chamber of Commerce for Eugene, is Switchboard. It is a referral service for Eugene's counter-culture, as well as providing its own direct services. Switchboard's number, 686-8453, is a number that is useful for many people to know.

In the line of direct services, Switchboard provides a series of bulletin boards for rides, jobs, housing, and sales. It also serves as a counseling and drop-in center.

The majority of time is spent acting as a referral agency for both "straight" and "alternative" services in the area. People are referred to agencies such as Whitebird, Legal Aid, Welfare programs and cooperatives.

Switchboard runs on 30 volunteers and a budget supplied completely by the coordinates and donations. The ASUO provides \$35 a month to cover the

costs of the two business phones.

One of Switchboard's unique services is a crash referral: people in need of a place to stay should call Switchboard and they will in turn be referred to places like communes, homes, Youth Hostel and Family Shelter House.

Eugene's Youth Hostel is the only one of its kind in Oregon. The program just began this summer and is located inside a large house at 416 Jefferson.

For a fee of \$1 a traveller can get a bed, bath, and check his pack for the night. Breakfast and dinner are served for a quarter each.

Like all other community services the Youth Hostel is not overendowed with funds. Donations are always ap-

preciated.

Shelter House is located at 2308 Willamette Street. It is a place where low income families are put up and fed until permanent quarters can be found for them. Eugene Emergency Housing Corporation, a non-profit organization, sponsors Shelter House. In the future student volunteers will be sought to expand the effectiveness of the program.

These are just a few of the services available in Eugene. If you haven't seen one that fits your need in this article that doesn't mean that it doesn't exist. One thing you can bet on—a quick call to an outfit that is listed here will probably give you the answer.



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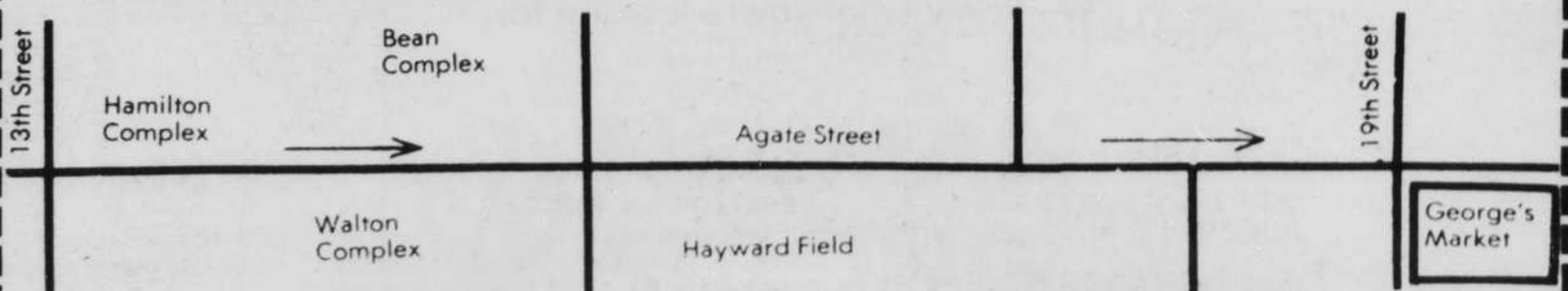
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