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Grant given for journalism workshop

■ **MONEY:** The Oregonian's grant will help fund statewide assessments and follow-ups with participating students

By Jennifer Schmitt
Community Editor

Thanks to a \$90,000 grant from *The Oregonian*, the School of Journalism and Communication will be able to expand and improve its annual journalism workshop for high school minority students.

The three-year grant will enable program organizers to do "more intensive recruiting for the program," said John Russial, work-

shop organizer and assistant journalism professor.

In past years, the program has been able to keep in touch with students after they left the workshop. Part of the new grant will also fund statewide assessments and follow-ups with participating students.

"This year we will be able to keep in touch with the students through the year and see if they continue with a career in journalism," Russial said. "We can act as mentors for them and see if

they have any questions we can answer for them."

Every summer for the past two years, 10 to 20 minority high school students per year have been able to get hands-on experience producing a newspaper as part of a week-long workshop at the University.

Students are chosen from high schools throughout the valley, from Portland to Medford, Russial said.

"I have been really impressed with the

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Can you take a little more off the top?



Roger Williams, a fine arts major, chips away at a sculpture by the mill race studios on Monday afternoon. The sculpture has been almost a year in the making, so far.

MATHEW STIFFLER/Emerald

City Council proposes budget cuts

■ **SERVICES:** Twenty of the 36 services provided by the city were labeled as "core" services

By Eric Collins
Community Reporter

In the City Council's quest for reducing \$8.8 million from the city's budget, councilors were able to propose about \$5.5 million in city service cuts during a Monday evening work session designed to gain council consensus on important city services.

"Well, it was the next step.... It's the first time we had to face the notion of cuts," said City Council President Laurie Swanson Gribbskov. "I would say that we are in the ballpark, at this point, of getting our arms around and starting to understand \$5 to \$7 million dollars worth of cuts."

Twenty of the 36 services the city provides were singled out and defined as "core" in an effort to minimally reduce — but not eliminate — what the council believed were important services. The remaining 16 services were suggested to be ones that could either be impacted highly by cuts or eliminated.

The main focus of "core" services surfaced around public safety, where seven of the eight public safety services provided by the city were identified for possible minor cuts in funding. Among these included policing and prevention, fire and emergency medical services and public safety records.

Another notable making the "core" list was the Library, which could take a proposed \$125,000 hit, forcing it to reduce operating hours. All told, the council was able to propose \$3.1 million in low-cut savings from the list of "core" services.

Out of the remaining 16, the proposed hardest hits came to the Hult Center, Cuth-

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University Housing denies request to pull Gardenburgers from menu

■ **BOYCOTT:** MEChA has collected more than 400 signatures supporting its cause

By Dana Williams
Multicultural Issues Reporter

"It's like beating your head up against a wall," Angelica Romero, MEChA director said after meeting with University Housing officials Friday. Housing official's refused MEChA's request to pull GardenBurgers from the menu.

University administrators said they want to give all students the opportunity to choose to boycott GardenBurgers in support of the Oregon farmworkers' union.

"If the University makes a choice for all of the students, it removes the students' own ethical responsibility to define the situation and make choices," Dave Frohnmayer, University president said.

The University now serves Grillers, an alternative vegetation patty, along with GardenBurgers in the residence dining halls after agreeing to support

MEChA's efforts to educate students on the issue.

"So far what our customers are telling us is that we actually have some people choosing not to eat GardenBurgers," Mike Eyster, director of housing said.

About half of the students who ate vegetarian burgers in the dining halls on Feb. 12, chose the Griller.

MEChA said it wants the University to take a stance on the issue by removing the GardenBurger from the campus based on the fact that students are eating fewer GardenBurgers. Other student groups support the boycott, and MEChA has collected more than 400 signatures outside of residence halls supporting the boycott.

"I feel like Housing made a statement with regards to how this University is unsupportive of issues like human rights," Romero said in reference to the Universities refusal pull GardenBurgers in

support of the farmworker's union. "Although that's the statement they make today, I don't feel like that's the true reflection of how this University has acted in the past."

Former University President Myles Brand decided the University should not purchase any table grapes to support farmworkers rights.

"I think that shows that this University can play a major role in making a conscious decision about human rights issues."

MEChA students take this issue personally.

"The history of our people has really involved a lot of struggling in the fields," Romero said.

"We are free as individuals to take any number of positions, but when we speak as an institution we must be careful to be as politically neutral as we can," Frohnmayer said. Housing officials advised

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