

Bonamici Calls for Restoration of Funding for Children's Health Insurance, Community Health Centers

Bonamici visits Virginia Garcia's Century High School Health Center

Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) visited the school-based health center at Hillsboro's Century High School and met with students, staff, and health care advocates about the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Congress allowed funding for CHIP and Community Health Centers to expire on September 30, 2017. Oregon receives \$250 million per year in CHIP funding, which covers about 98,000 Oregon children. Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center operates the school-based

health center at Century High School and relies in part on CHIP and Community Health Center funding.

"Congressional leadership has shown disregard for the health and well-being of vulnerable children by allowing the Children's Health Insurance Program to lapse," said Bonamici. "School-based health centers help students get the care they need, and make life easier for working families. Virginia Garcia relies on stable CHIP and Community Health Center funding to provide quality health care at their six school-based health centers and five community-based primary care clinics. I call on my colleagues in

Congress to restore funding for CHIP and Community Health Centers in a bipartisan bill without delay. We should be improving access to health care, not making it harder."

"We were very excited about the opportunity to show off the Century School-Based Health Center in Hillsboro to Congresswoman Bonamici," said Serena Cruz, Executive Director of the Virginia Garcia Memorial Foundation. "Not only does the clinic provide critical access to comprehensive health care to kids 0-21 years of age, it brings it to them at the schools, ensuring that they don't have to miss school just to go to

the doctor. The support we receive from our federal partners ensures that the kids of Washington and Yamhill counties will continue to receive the care they need to stay healthy. We deeply appreciate the support and exposure that Congresswoman Bonamici has given this critical issue."

In Congress, Bonamici has been a champion for school-based health centers because they provide students with convenient access to physical and mental health care without requiring that parents take time out of their work day to transport their children to an off-campus clinic.

Vernonia Police Blotter October 15-30, 2017

Reports/Arrests

- October 15, 2017 Arrest on a Warrant near Bridge Street
- October 17, 2017 Report of a Motor Vehicle Crash near Bridge Street
- October 20, 2017 Report of Fraud near Bridge Street
- October 21, 2017 Cited for Driving Under the Influence near East Bridge Street

Citation/Other

- October 20, 2017 Cited for Failure to Obey a Traffic Control Device near Adams Avenue
- October 28, 2017 Cited for Failure to Obey a Traffic Control Device near Adams Avenue

Vernonia Police Department responds to calls that do not always end in Arrest, Report, or Citation. 10/01/2017 through 10/30/2017 VPD had 236 calls for service.

International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day

Saturday,
November 18, 10 am
Grace Family Fellowship

If you have lost a family member or loved one to suicide please come to help heal and to find support.



The Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Main Station, 12525 HWY 202, Mist, OR. Agenda items include, but are not limited to, usual order of business, citizen input, Fire Chief's report, financial reports, and any other business needing to be discussed.

Vernonia City Council Meetings and Closures

City Council Meetings are scheduled for 7:00 pm:
Monday, November 6, 2017
Monday, November 20, 2017

City Closures are scheduled for:
Friday, November 10, 2017
Veterans Day Observed
Thursday, November 23, 2017
Friday, November 24, 2017
Thanksgiving Holiday

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November 11

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