

Editor's note: The Chairman's Report will resume in a future issue of Siletz News.

Wyden, Merkley announce affordable housing grants for Oregon Tribes

WASHINGTON – U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley announced on April 15 that Oregon Tribes will receive more than \$15 million in federal grants to support affordable housing.

“Quality of life throughout our state requires housing that Oregonians can afford,” Wyden said. “These fresh federal resources for Oregon’s Tribes will help them achieve that essential quality-of-life goal and help to honor America’s historic

obligations for people living and working in these communities.”

“The country is facing its biggest housing affordability crisis in decades, with rents dramatically outpacing incomes – and is so often the case, this economic challenge is hitting Tribal communities in our state especially hard,” Merkley said. “These grants will help develop affordable housing for Tribes in Oregon and I will continue to use my seat on the Senate Appropriations Committee to fight for

these resources and be a strong federal partner in supporting Tribal sovereignty and self-determination.”

The \$15.1 million from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be distributed as follows:

- Burns Paiute Tribe, \$117,109
- Confederated Tribes Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, \$929,652
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua, \$923,649
- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, \$3.08 million
- Klamath Tribes, \$2.77 million
- **Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, \$3.95 million**
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla, \$1.87 million
- Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, \$1.36 million

Most Often Requested Numbers

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians – 800-922-1399
Salem Area Office – 503-390-9494
Portland Area Office – 503-238-1512
Eugene Area Office – 541-484-4234

Contract Health Services (CHS) – 800-628-5720
Siletz Clinic – 800-648-0449
Siletz Behavioral Health – 800-600-5599
Chinook Winds – 888-244-6665

Chemawa Health Clinic – 800-452-7823
Bureau of Indian Affairs – 800-323-8517
Website – www.ctsi.nsn.us

Central Coast NOW in Siletz for meeting

The Central Oregon Coast NOW (National Organization for Women) will come to Siletz for a get-together on May 30 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center on Government Hill.

The event will begin at 5 p.m. with a light meal and continue to 8 p.m. with some brief talks and discussion of things that are important to us all.

For more information, contact Bud Lane 541-444-8320; 800-922-1399, ext. 1320; or budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Hosted by the Siletz Culture Department and the CARE Program

Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors Vacancies

Résumés are being accepted for the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors. Currently, there are two vacant board positions.

If interested, please submit your résumé to Siletz Tribal Council, c/o Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Vacancies are open until filled.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Change of address: Tribal members – contact the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258; 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; or enrollment@ctsi.nsn.us. All others – call the newspaper office.

Elders Council Meeting

May 11 • 1-4 p.m. • Chinook Winds Casino Resort

For more information, contact the Elders Program at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261, or 541-444-8261.

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members of all ages

Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center
May 6 – 6-8 p.m.
June 3 – 6-8 p.m.

Portland

Portland Area Office
May 13 – 6-8 p.m.
June 10 – 6-8 p.m.

Eugene

Eugene Area Office
May 7 – 6-8 p.m.
June 4 – 6-8 p.m.

Salem

Salem Area Office
May 14 – 6-8 p.m.
June 11 – 6-8 p.m.

Classes begin with basic instruction and progress over the year. They also are a refresher course for more-advanced students. Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

We also have equipment in the Cultural Department available for use in grinding and drilling shell or pine nuts or other applications. If you need to use the equipment, call the number below to set up an appointment.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320; or e-mail budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

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