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Salem report highlight the ways homelessness impact taxpayers

Report: 'Providers rarely overlap and none are in the same office'

By **ERIC A. HOWALD**
Of the Keizertimes

A report by the Salem city manager delivered to that city's council and mayor and shared with the Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative (MWHI) task force Monday, Jan. 23, sheds light onto the ways homelessness taxes public systems ill-equipped to manage the various issues contributing to the problem.

Steve Powers, Salem's city manager, wrote that city officials have been working to alleviate the strain, but with more than 1,600 people in Marion and Polk counties experiencing homelessness the issues rising to the surface are in need of different approaches.

One of the leading complaints are criminal behaviors, such as someone relieving

themselves in public, illegal camping, possession of alcohol in parks, trespassing and disorderly conduct.

"Behaviors people may find offensive and unsightly, such as panhandling, sitting or sleeping on sidewalks, and sleeping in parks are not illegal," Powers wrote.

Panhandling has been ruled protected speech by the Oregon Supreme Court and sleeping in a public park has been deemed a basic human function protected by the U.S. Constitution by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. So long as the individual is not on private property, in a closed public space, or in a vehicle they are generally protected. Loitering is also not illegal unless there is intent to interfere with passersby.

However, sleeping in parks has led to other frustrations and costs.

"Transients have destroyed sprinkler heads at Marion Square Park so they do not get wet during the night while sleeping on the ground," Powers wrote.

Other impacts, like excessive litter, are being felt in other parks.

Police officers have issued citations and made some ar-

rests to curb the behavior of some individuals, but oftentimes the arrests are not "lodgeable offenses," meaning the Marion County Correctional Facility will not accept them. The result more often, Powers suggests, is creating a cycle of arrest - "arrest, failure to appear, warrant issued, arrest on warrant, failure to appear, warrant issued" and so on.

"Law enforcement is ill-equipped, both statutorily and resource-wise, to approach the problem of homelessness throughout the city," Powers concludes.

Powers suggests an emphasis be placed on creating additional shelter beds and temporary housing for those in need. At best, Marion and Polk counties are equipped to shelter less than have the current homeless population and reaching that level requires violating fire and safety codes at local shelters during emergencies.

He also sees a need for a "one-stop" resource center.

"Law enforcement has a difficult time assisting the homeless in getting them connected with resources because one agency deals with addiction, another with housing, and yet another with

mental illness. These providers rarely overlap and none are in the same office," Powers wrote.

Taking a cue from Salem Mayor Chuck Bennett, the MWHI added the establishment of a one-stop resource center to its list of recommendations once the task force concludes its work next month.

"Our general feeling in the city is that the lack of coordinated resources has created a barrier. We believe that is an important part for helping people out of homelessness," Bennett said.

He added that developing a centralized database to collect information with the goal of getting a better handle on the problem could be part of its services.

Shaney Starr, director of Strategic Initiatives for Dick Withnell, said she supported the idea, but didn't want to accept another recommendation for a project without funding.

"You're making a really good point, but I think this is a chicken-and-egg problem. We need the recommendation to begin assigning the resources for these kinds of programs," Bennett countered.

Starr ended up supporting the recommendation.

Jon Reeves, executive director of Community Action Agency, said elements of the CAA offerings would be willing to relocate under one roof with other agencies.

Another recommendation accepted by the MWHI members involves establishing a sobering center with the cooperation of Salem Health, the City of Salem, Marion County and non-profit organizations.

Sobering centers are equipped to provide safe spaces for severely intoxicated people or those suffering from an acute reaction to drugs until they no longer pose a threat to themselves and others. Those in need of the sobering center would also have access to addiction services.

According to a recommendation outline provided by Bennett, Salem Health's emergency room admits about 10 people per night in need of detox services.

"The result has been really tremendous pressure on the emergency room, and it's as an expensive way to handle sobering as we can find," Bennett said.

The recommendation was approved unanimously.

Today in History

The National Geographic Society is founded in Washington, D.C., for "the increase and diffusion of geographical knowledge." The 33 founders were a diverse group of geographers, explorers, teachers, lawyers, cartographers, military officers and financiers. All shared an interest in scientific and geographical knowledge, as well as an opinion that in a time of discovery, invention, change and mass communication, Americans were becoming more curious about the world around them. The first issue of National Geographic was released the same year. — January 27, 1888

Food 4 Thought

"Always speak the truth, think before you speak, and write it down afterwards."
— Lewis Carroll

The Month Ahead

Continuing Through Saturday, February 11

Noises Off, a comedy by Michael Frayn, opens at Pentacle Theatre tonight at 7:30 p.m. Show continues through Feb. 11. Visit pentacletheatre.org for dates and tickets.

Friday, January 27 – Friday, January 28

First Taste of Oregon, the premier wine, spirits, cider and brews tasting event, 4 p.m. at Oregon State Fairgrounds. Admission is \$10, \$40 for VIP, \$8 for seniors. firsttasteoregon.com.

Saturday, January 28 - Sunday, January 29

Oregon Wedding Showcase at Oregon State Fairgrounds and Expo. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, January 29

Fellini at the Circus. Salem Concert Band concert. Hudson Hall Willamette University, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31

Free admission all day at Hallie Ford Museum of Art, 700 State Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday, February 1

A Midsummer Night's Dream presented by Eugene Ballet at the Historic Elsinore Theatre, 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$29 to \$39. elsinoretheatre.com.

Saturday, February 4

Keizer-Salem Area Senior Center pancake breakfast. 8 to 10 a.m. All-you-can-eat for \$4. Children 5 years and younger are free.

Monday, February 6

Keizer City Council meeting, 7 p.m., 930 Chemawa Road N.E. 930 Plymouth Drive N.E. in Keizer.

Tuesday, February 7

Keizer Economic Development Commission meeting, noon, 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

Wednesday, February 8

Keizer Planning Commission meeting, 6 p.m., 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

Thursday, February 10

Keizer Homegrown Theatre presents *Love Letters* by A.R. Gurney starring Mary Bauer Opra and Joe Egli, 7 p.m. at Keizer Heritage Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. N.E. Tickets are \$15, available at the door or by visiting brownpapertickets.com.

Saturday, February 11

Millstream Knitting Guild meets at Arrowhead Mobile Park Community Center, 5422 Portland Road N.E. in Salem, 10 a.m. to noon. New members welcome, \$24 membership per year. For more information, visit millstreamknitting.wordpress.com.

Sunday, February 12

Keizer Homegrown Theatre presents *Love Letters* by A.R. Gurney starring JoAnne Beilke and Jerry McGee, 7 p.m. at Keizer Heritage Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. N.E. Tickets are \$15, available at the door or by visiting brownpapertickets.com.

Monday, February 13

Keizer City Council work session, 5:45 p.m., 930 Chemawa Road N.E.

Tuesday, February 14

Valentine's Day

Keizer Homegrown Theatre presents *Love Letters* by A.R. Gurney starring Lore Christopher and Lyndon Zaitz, 2 p.m. matinee at Keizer Heritage Center, 980 Chemawa Rd. N.E. Tickets are \$15, available at the door or by visiting brownpapertickets.com.

Free admission all day at Hallie Ford Museum of Art, 700 State Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday, February 17 – Saturday, February 25

Lear's Daughters presented by the Willamette University Theatre Department at M. Lee Pelton Theatre on campus. Performances at 7:30 p.m. with 2 p.m. matinees on Sunday, Feb. 19 and Saturday, Feb. 25. Tickets are \$12. boxofficetickets.com.

Cancer survivor talks begin Feb. 1

The Salem Health Cancer Institute and NorthWest Senior & Disability Services will offer a free series to help cancer survivors lead active and fulfilling lives, starting Feb. 1.

Thriving and Surviving Cancer, a six-week course developed at Stanford University, is open to anyone with a cancer diagnosis who has completed their first series of treatments. Classes are led by two experts; one of whom is either a cancer survivor, or has been a caregiver of a survivor.

Topics include: making decisions about treatment and complementary therapies; exercise to regain health and maintain endurance and flexibility; handling frustration, fatigue, pain, isolation, poor sleep and living with un-

certainty; communicating with family friends and health professionals; eating nutritiously; and setting priorities and fostering supportive relationships.

Participants receive the book *Living a Healthy Life With Chronic Conditions* and the relaxation CD *Relaxation for Mind and Body*. Classes are highly participative, where mutual support builds confidence in living a healthier life.

Meeting run once a week Feb. 1 through March 8, from 5:15 to 7:45 p.m., including a light meal. Location is Salem Health, Building A, 939 Oak St. SE, 7th floor conference room. Park in visitor structure.

Space is limited. Call to register at 503-967-1834 or email health.promotion@nwsds.org.

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hanging questions regarding a number of activities including: a possible fun run sponsored by the Keizer Chamber of Commerce; a volleyball tournament; a disc golf tournament; an event or events to show off the boat launch and access to the Willamette River; and food cart pods.

In addition, some basic services still need to be hammered out such as parking, security, the availability of the Keizer Community Emergency Response Team to be on-site for the duration of the weekend, and lighting for camping areas.

Parking was the one area where KFAB members discussed some available options. Organizers have floated the idea of using the McNary High School and Keizer Elementary School parking lots plan to Salem-Keizer School District officials. The idea would be to offer shuttle service to and from

the park.

"The school district is concerned about people sleeping in the parking lot and, if there is a shuttle, there will need to be security at McNary," Parsons said.

Board members Rob Miller and Bob Shackelford, who are also members of the Keizer Chamber of Commerce, said they wanted to find ways for the chamber to get involved.

Shackelford suggested they might be able to put together a map of Keizer businesses to

hand out to park visitors.

"This needs to be a partnership and want local businesses to reap a benefit, so I like seeing what we can do to get (the Chamber) involved," Parsons said. "We want them to leave the park and see Keizer, too."

Those interested in volunteering to help with some aspect of the event can contact Debbie Lockhart at lockhartd@keizer.org. Donations of money or services to the event are tax deductible.

sudoku

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looking back in the KT

5 YEARS AGO

Mr. Video moving to Schoolhouse Square
The independently owned Mr. Video will open in the former Hollywood Video location at 5003 River Road.

10 YEARS AGO

Boucher's GM is City's Merchant of the Year
Randy Moseley, general manager of Boucher Jewelers will be honored as Keizer Merchant of the Year at the Keizer Chamber of Commerce First Citizen and Awards Banquet at the Wittenberg Inn.

15 YEARS AGO

Raffle to buy defibrillators
The Keizer Rotary Club launched its 2002 raffle fundraiser, with a major goal of buying defibrillator equipment for Keizer Police Department cars.

20 YEARS AGO

Serious crimes drop in Keizer
Serious crime dropped 15 percent in Keizer the past year as police steadily added to their ranks.

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Web Poll Results

Would you know what to do if a loved one showed signs of mental illness?

63% – Yes

37% – No

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIE TIMES

Collateral Beauty (PG-13)
Fri 4:45, 6:50,
Sat 5:20, 9:30, Sun 4:35, 6:30

A Monster Calls (PG-13)
Fri 2:10, 4:20,
Sat 12:50, 2:20, Sun 12:50

Doctor Strange (PG-13) Fri 1:50, 6:30, Sat 3:50, 9:20, Sun 2:00

Jack Reacher: Never Go Back (PG-13)
Fri 9:00, Sat 7:15, Sun 8:20

Hacksaw Ridge (R) Fri 6:00, 8:30,
Sat 4:25, 6:05, 8:35, Sun 6:10, 8:40

Allied (R) Sun 4:55

The Accountant (R)
Fri 8:45, Sat 6:55, Sun 7:20

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (PG-13)
Fri 11:40, Sat 2:55

Trolls (PG)
Fri 12:00, 4:05, Sat 12:00, 1:55,
Sun 12:05, 3:00, 4:15

Storks (PG) Fri 12:35, 2:30,
Sat 12:25, Sun 2:40

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