

Community Action Team offers homebuyer assistance program

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Community Action Team has a program to help first-time homebuyers by providing assistance with a down payment in Clatsop, Columbia and Tillamook counties. The assistance is in the form of a grant, and is applicable for closing costs and a down payment, up to \$15,000. There are income eligibility and area loan limit requirements for the down

payment assistance program. The participant must qualify as a first time home buyer who has not held title on a property within a three-year period at the time of closing. Additional requirements include, at no charge to program participants: eight-hour ABC's of Homebuying workshop, eight hours of one-on-one housing counseling, and two hours of fair housing training. Program funding is provided first come, first served,

based on readiness to proceed and as funding allows. The intake packet to be completed includes: a budget sheet, financial worksheet, privacy policy/conflict of interest disclosure, authorization for release of information, and home ownership program responsibilities and expectations. To apply, call the Community Action Team at 503-325-8098 or email Cindy Peake at cindkp@cat-team.org

SELF-HELP GROUPS

Al-Anon (Astoria) — 7 p.m. Tuesday, Peace Lutheran Church, 565 12th St.; 12 p.m. Wednesday, First United Methodist Church, 1076 Franklin Ave. For information, call 503-325-1087.

Al-Anon (Clatskanie) — 7 p.m. Monday, Faith Lutheran Church, 1010 N.E. Fifth St., Clatskanie. For information, call 503-728-3351.

Al-Anon (Nehalem) — 7 p.m. Monday, Riverbend Room, North County Recreation District, 36155 Ninth St. For information, call 503-368-8255.

Al-Anon (Seaside) — 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, call 503-810-5196 for information.

Al-Anon (Tillamook) — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, St. Albans Episcopal Church, 2102 Sixth St., call 503-842-5094 for information; 9 a.m. Thursday, 6505 Headquarter St., Tillamook; noon Friday, 5012 Third St., call 503-730-5863 for information.

Al-Anon Family Groups information — Oregon Area Al-Anon website, oregonal-anon.org

Alateen (Tillamook) — 4 p.m. Monday, 5012 Third St. For information, call 503-730-5863.

Alcoholics Anonymous — To find a meeting in Clatsop County, call 971-601-9220, in Tillamook County, call 503-739-4856, or go to aa-oregon.org

Celebrate Recovery — 6 p.m. Thursday, The Table Church, 852 Broadway, Seaside. Faith-based 12-step program designed to help anyone struggling with hurts, habits and hangups, including drugs and alcohol, anger, co-dependence, domestic abuse or sex, food or pornography addictions. Being religious not required. Free dinner and child care provided. For information, call D.B. Lewis at 503-741-5977.

Eating Disorders Anonymous — 1:10 to 2:10 p.m. Wednesdays, River Zen Yoga, 399 31st St. A 12-Step program. For information, call Susan Williams at 510-417-5553.

Men's Sexual Purity Recovery Group — Tuesday nights. Part of the Pure Life Alliance (purelifealliance.org) in Portland. For information, call the confidential voice mail at 503-750-0817 and leave a message.

Narcotics Anonymous — The Northwest Oregon Area of Narcotics Anonymous (NWOANA) holds meetings in Clatsop County. For full schedule details, as well as upcoming special events, call the Helpline at 503-717-3702, or go to na.org

Overeaters Anonymous — 1 p.m. Sunday, Suzanne Elise Assisted Living Community library, 101 Forest Drive, Seaside. Call 503-738-0307 for information.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) (Astoria) — 5 p.m. weigh-in, 5:30 p.m. meeting Tuesday, First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. For information, call Trisha Hayrynen at 503-298-9058.

TOPS (Seaside) — 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. meeting Tuesday, North Coast Family Fellowship Church, 2245 N. Wahanna Road. All are welcome. For information, call 509-910-0354.

TOPS (Warrenton) — 9 to 9:45 a.m. weigh-in, 10 a.m. meeting Wednesday, First Baptist Church, 30 N.E. First St. For information, call Marilyn Barnard 503-861-2918 or Glennys Sherman at 503-338-8214.

Wickiup Senior Center hosts New Year's Eve party

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The Wickiup Senior Center will host a New Year's Eve party on Monday evening.

The event starts at 6 p.m. and features bingo and cards. For more information, contact Mark Tischer at 503-458-6482.

SENIOR NOTES

Alzheimer's Association Oregon Chapter — Information, referral and counseling services for families and caregivers of people with Alzheimer's, dementia and other related disorders. For information, call 800-272-3900 (24 hours a day).

Astoria Alzheimer's & Other Dementia Family Support Group — 2 to 3:30 p.m. third Monday, Clatsop Care Center, 646 16th St., first floor conference room. Open to all family members of people with dementias. For information, call Rosetta Hurley at 503-325-0313, ext. 216, or email support@clatsopcare.org

Clatsop Behavioral Health After Hours Crisis Line — 503-325-5724.

the Oregon Food Bank Network. Call for area locations and hours.

Grief Support Group, Seaside — 2 to 4 p.m. first Thursday, Bob Chisholm Community Center, Meeting Room 1, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. For information, call Lower Columbia Hospice at 503-338-6230.

Lifespan Respite — 503-325-1400. Provides information, referral, training and paid respite for family caregivers.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline — 800-273-TALK (8255). A 24-hour, toll-free suicide prevention service for anyone in a suicidal crisis. TTY users should dial 800-799-4TTY (4889).

families.

Oregon Home Care Commission Registry and Referral System — 877-867-0077, or-hcc.org. Provides lists of home care workers available to hire.

Oregon Law Center — 877-296-4076. Provides free services in civil cases to low income people. Partners with Clatsop Community Action (CCA), Community Action Resource Enterprises Inc. (CARE), and the Bob Chisholm Community Center to provide in-person clinics in Astoria, Tillamook and Seaside each month.

Partners for Seniors — 503-717-7174. Serves South Clatsop County seniors with volunteer visits, transportation, light housekeeping, yard work, minor home repairs, daily phone calls.

Clatsop Community Action — 503-325-1400. Respite care services, low-income energy assistance, emergency food assistance, housing information, emergency personal care items.

Columbia Senior Dinners — 11:30 a.m. weekdays, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria Senior Center. Cost is \$6. For more information, or to have a meal delivered, call 503-325-9693.

Exploring New Concepts of Retirement Education (ENCORE) — 503-338-2408. Provides a wide assortment of educational experiences for individuals older than 50.

Elder Friendship Line — 800-971-0016. Available from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; crisis calls taken 24/7.

Food Pantries — 503-325-1400. Clatsop Community Action serves six food pantries in Clatsop County through

National Alliance on Mental Illness — 800-950-NAMI (6264) or locally, 503-717-1835. Separate support groups for people with mental illness and families of those with mental illness are available.

Northwest Oregon Housing Authority — 503-861-0119. Rent assistance based on income.

NorthWest Senior and Disability Services — 503-861-4202 or 800-442-8614. Medicaid services, food stamps, information and assistance, family caregiver support services, Medicare choice assistance, home delivered meals, senior meal sites and senior peer counseling.

Oregon Aging and Disability Resource Connection — 855-ORE-ADRC (673-2372), adrcoflore.org. Information and services for older adults, people with disabilities, their caregivers and

Senior Center, Astoria — Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., 503-325-3231.

Senior Center, Seaside — Bob Chisholm Community and Senior Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393.

Senior Center, Warrenton — Warrenton Community and Senior Center, 170 S.W. Third St, Warrenton, 503-861-3502 Mondays and Thursdays.

Senior Peer Mentor Program — Free assistance to seniors, age 60 and older, who are struggling with mild to moderate depression and/or anxiety in Clatsop and Tillamook counties, offered by NorthWest Senior & Disability Services. For information, call 503-861-4210.

Veteran Benefits — 800-827-1000.

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