

Drug Using Probationers/Parolees Face New Sanctions, Jail Beds Increase

Multnomah County officials announced the opening of the Drug Return Offender Program (DROP) which will make jail space available to immediately incarcerate parolees and probationers who test positive for drug use.

In a related action, an additional 28 beds will be opened in the county's Restitution Center, increasing the overall capacity of the adult corrections system.

Multnomah County Chair Beverly Stein said "there are no simple solutions to crime, but we don't need to feel helpless. The new and expanded programs we are announcing today represent the kind of innovative thinking that can really make a difference."

"The DROP program allows us to provide swift and sure consequences to offenders who use drugs while on parole or probation," noted Tamara Holden, Director of Multnomah County's Department of Community Corrections. "This puts a powerful tool in the hands of our Parole and Probation Officers, and it allows us to intervene in the lives of these offenders before they slide all the way back into addiction."

Under the DROP program, the first time an offender tests positive for drug use, he or she will spend 5 days in jail. The second



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occurrence will bring 10 day stay and the third 15 days. A similar program has been operating in Jackson County for some time and has produced a measurable decrease in drug use by parolees/probationers.

To secure space for the DROP program the Department of Community Corrections is transferring funds to the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office to "rent" a 28 bed unit in the courthouse jail. By setting aside these beds for this program, the DCC can insure that those offenders who are sent to DROP will do the full amount

of time without danger of release through the jail's matrix system.

The funds which are transferred to the Sheriff's office will then be used to open additional beds in the County's Restitution Center. "This participation will allow us to increase the Restitution Center population to its full capacity of 120 residents," said Sheriff Bob Skipper. "With this addition we will have increased our total jail capacity to 1,371 beds. This is the highest number of jail beds we have had in Multnomah County."

The Restitution Center provides a structured environment which facilitates the reintegration of offenders into society. Restitution activities include work release, payment of room and board, payment of court ordered restitution and required community work projects.

Stein praised the cooperation between the Sheriff's Office and the DCC. "Taxpayers can be proud that we are developing new ways to make the most efficient use of our facilities. Both the expanded capacity of the system and the focus on quick response to offenders who are using drugs will increase public safety. The DROP program will reduce recidivism and make our community safer."

Parents Of Children With Asthma & Allergies

Parents Of Children With Asthma & Allergies Support

Group will meet on Monday, March 14 at 7:30pm at Allergy Associates, 233 NW 16th, Portland, OR

The topic, "Nutrition Rationale in the Treatment of Asthma," will be presented by Maureen Sandler-Becker, N.D., L.A.C., L.I.C.I.D.

Parents of Children With Asthma & Allergies Support Group is free and open to anyone interested in information on children with asthma or allergies.



COMMISSION MEETING

Date: March 9, 1994
Place: Portland Building
1120SW Fifth Ave., 11th Floor
Portland, Oregon
Time: 8:00 a.m.

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Industrial Extension Service Beginning

The Industrial Modernization Program, created by the 1994 Legislature, is beginning to take shape, establishing an industrial extension service for Oregon businesses. The extension service will provide public or private expertise and resources on appropriate technologies, work organizations, or workforce techniques for manufacturers to improve their global competitiveness. Examples of ways that businesses can use the service include production engineering, prototype testing, or ISO 9000 training. The industrial extension service is a partnership between the Oregon Economic Development Department, the Oregon Advanced Technology Consortium and Oregon State University, with the support of other education and industry leaders.

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Furse Honors Portland Police Chief Moose

Congresswoman Elizabeth Furse honored Portland Police Chief Charles Moose during Wednesday nights (February 23, 1994), congressional Special Orders celebrating Black History Month. Furse paid tribute to the bureau's first African American police chief for serving as a role model and leader for young African American men. Following are her remarks.

"The message has come from around the nation; it has been delivered loud and clear from African Americans who know. The message is that it's vital that young African American men have role models, mentors and leaders in their own community. They need to see that there is hope for their future, and that there are alternatives to guns, gangs, violence and drugs. It is only then that we can hope to stem the violence, destruction and disillusion of so many people's lives."

"I'm pleased to stand here today and honor Portland Police Chief Charles Moose, the first African American police chief for the city of Portland. He is a strong advocate of programs that highlight youths, gang prevention, education and community policing. He is known by name by many people in the community. He is a man who still walks the beat and stays in touch with people in their neighborhoods."

"But Chief Moose is more than just head of a large metropolitan police force in my home district. He also leads by example. When he was promoted to the top slot at the Bureau, he could have moved to the suburbs and avoided problems that often plague cities, like decay, hopelessness, violence and crime. But Chief Moose made a commitment to the city and to the people of Portland. He moved into the heart of the African American community. He wanted to send the



Police Chief Charles Moose

message loud and clear that people, especially young African American men could rise above their surround-

ings and accomplish great things. Despite the heavy demands of the police bureau, he found time to complete his masters and his doctorate degrees."

"Chief Moose is a man worthy of honor, and we all benefit from the role he serves in our community. And while he leads by example, I call upon other African Americans in my home district in Oregon to stand up and become a mentor for a young man - just help one man grow to stand taller in our community. There is no greater reward or gift than giving hope to a young person. And I believe that being a mentor should extend beyond Black History Month. Chief Moose delivers the message effectively that our children deserve year-round attention.

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Statewide Industry Council Explored

The Oregon Economic Development Department has launched an organizing meeting to help the professional services industry explore the feasibility of a Coordinating Council for Oregon's Professional Services industry. The association would include the many business services that grow other industries.

Contact: Sandra Suran, Coordinating Council for Professional Services, The Suran Group, 503-274-9381.

Washington Lottery

Wednesday 2/23/94
18-24-30-32-33-35
No Jackpot Winner

Match	#Winners	Prize
5 of 6	52	\$823
4 of 6	3,455	\$24
3 of 6	63,148	\$3
Sat Jackpot		\$6,000,000

Saturday 2/26/94
08-17-30-27-31-49
No Jackpot Winner

Match	#Winners	Prize
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4 of 6	4,371	\$24
3 of 6	80,983	\$3
Wed Jackpot		\$7,000,000

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