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## EAST SIDE CSO PROJECT

### City of Portland

Bureau of Environmental Services

Subcontractor, Supplier, and Service Provider Meeting

January 25, 2006  
5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

### OAME

4134 N. Vancouver  
Portland, OR 97217

Interested Firms are invited and encouraged to attend this introductory meeting to discuss upcoming bid opportunities on the East Side CSO Tunnel Project.

Representatives of Kiewit - Bilfinger Berger and Group AGB will be present to discuss the Project's Subcontracting Plan and KBB's commitment to maximizing the use of M/W/ESB and local firms.

For questions regarding this meeting contact Anthony Lincoln at (503) 736-2564.

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In addition, waiting lists are currently open for other Public Housing properties owned and managed by the Housing Authority of Portland. Please see [www.hapdx.org](http://www.hapdx.org) for a list of open waiting lists and a description of the application process for those communities. You can also call the Public Housing hotline at (503) 288-5750 for more information.

New Columbia is committed to serving eligible applicants and will not discriminate against any person on the grounds of age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, sexual orientation, marital status, or physical or mental disability.

## Troubled Drug Benefit Plan

### Many elderly unable to get medicines

(AP) — Since the Bush administration's prescription medicine program began on Jan. 1, tens of thousands of elderly people have been unable to get medicines promised by the government. Some 20 states, including Oregon have had to jump in to help them.

And while officials promised anew on Tuesday that a fix was on the way, Democrats pointed to the confusion surrounding the rollout and pounded the administration and its GOP allies in Con-

gress.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts cited a "systemwide failure" that he said "puts the health of our frailest citizens at great risk." Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York likened the government's response to a "man-made disaster" to its missteps on Hurricane Katrina.

The time for all levels of government to act is now," 14 Democratic governors said on Tuesday in a letter to President Bush.

"The political fallout is potentially enormous," said Ross Baker, a political science professor at Rutgers University. "This is a program that touches tens of millions of people. And any-

time that a government program is working poorly, and is affecting adversely so many people, it's bound to have huge consequences."

Under the program, some 42 million disabled and older people are eligible to enroll in private plans that will subsidize their prescription drug costs. The sign-up period closes May 15.

The administration has pledged to repay those states that have jumped in to pick up temporarily the cost of prescription drugs for low-income seniors and others turned away at pharmacies because of confusion in the new program. It also told insurance companies that they must provide at least a 30-day supply of drugs to beneficiaries.

## Students Return to New Orleans



Xavier University freshman Adrienne Noble (left) lights the candle of fellow freshman Joanna Hill during a commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Monday at Loyola University in New Orleans. Hundreds of students from Tulane, Dillard, Xavier, and Loyola Universities gathered to honor the fallen civil rights leader. (AP photo)

(AP) — Hurricane Katrina closed several major New Orleans colleges last semester, but the start of classes Tuesday at Tulane, Xavier and Southern Universities marked a welcome return to routine.

"I don't think I've ever been so excited about the first day of school. I'm so happy just to be back," said Alissa Bigger, a Tulane sophomore. "It's proving there's hope for the city. If the school can run, we can go back to doing normal things."

None of the colleges are fully up to speed, and it could be years - if ever - before all are back to their former size. But with their energy, opti-

mism and free-spending ways, college students could be just what this struggling city needs right now.

"Most of you have returned at a time when many would have stayed away," jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis said Monday night at an event on Tulane's campus welcoming back the city's students, before playing a set with a band that included his pianist father, Ellis.

"And now that you are here, you have the opportunity to set a new tone, not only a new tone for New Orleans, but ... a new tone for our nation."

Gov. Kathleen Blanco told the students their return was a

boost for the city, and asked them to commit their summers to helping rebuild the state.

"Your state needs you," she said. "We need your minds, your good ideas, your contagious energy, your spirit, to rebuild."

The half-dozen or so major colleges in the city have plenty of problems of their own. Many classes will be held in trailers and hotel conference rooms while they continue to repair of hundreds of millions of dollars of campus damage, and overall enrollment is considerably lower than before the storm. They have laid off hundreds of faculty and staff to try to meet budgets.

## Clinton Says House Run Like 'Plantation'

(AP) — Sen. Hillary Clinton on Monday blasted the Bush administration as "one of the worst" in U.S. history and compared the Republican-controlled House of Representatives to a plantation where dissenting voices are squelched.

Speaking during a Martin Luther King Jr. Day event, Clinton also offered an apology to a group of Hurricane Katrina survivors "on behalf of a government that left you behind, that turned its back on you." Her remarks were met with thunderous ap-



Sen. Hillary Clinton

plause by a mostly black audience at the Canaan Baptist Church of Christ in Harlem.

The House "has been run like a plantation, and you know what I'm talking about," said Clinton, D-N.Y. "It has been run in a way so that nobody with a contrary view has had a chance to present legislation, to make an argument, to be heard."

"We have a culture of corruption, we have cronyism, we have incompetence," she said. "I predict to you that this administration will go down in history as one of the worst that has ever governed our country."

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