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Standing with Teachers

Students from Jefferson High School in north Portland take to the streets on Friday to support teachers and avert a strike in their contract negotiations with the Portland School District. The students also demanded an end to school closures based on racist policies.

Man Imposing as Police Officer

Woman stopped and money stolen from purse

The Portland Police Bureau is making the public aware of an incident where a man posing as an undercover police officer stopped a woman and searched her car.

On Sunday, at about 1:30 a.m., the 33-year-old woman stopped at the Plaid Pantry convenience store located at Southeast Grand Avenue and East Burnside Street. After she drove out of the parking lot, she noticed that she was being followed. The victim told police that the driver following her was flashing his headlights and using a phone with a flashing white and possibly blue light.

Police said she drove to the area of North Vancouver Avenue and

Ainsworth Street near a friend's house, stopped, and got out to confront the driver.

When the man car got out of his car, he flashed a badge in a wallet at her and identified himself as an undercover police officer. The woman said he told her that he saw her talking to a drug dealer outside of Plaid Pantry and then asked to search her car, which she allowed him to do. She watched the man search her car and appear to put something into his pocket.

Police said when she asked the man for his business card, he did not provide it, and drove away. The victim then noticed that she was missing a small amount of money from her purse.

The suspect is described as a white male, 40 to 50 years old, short-in-stature with a skinny build.

The vehicle was described as a white 1990s Buick.

The Portland Police Bureau would like to remind community members that officers performing traffic stops would very rarely be

in a vehicle without clear police markings or official lights. All police officers encountering the public will have a badge and a photo ID from the issuing agency identifying themselves as sworn police officers.

Community members suspecting that someone is impersonating a police officer should immediately call 9-1-1.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to provide it to crimetips@portlandoregon.gov.

New Affordable Housing Funding

In an effort to rehabilitate, preserve, or develop housing that helps solve the unmet needs of people in Portland, the Portland Housing Bureau Tuesday announced the release of a 2013 Affordable Renting Housing Opportunity Fund.

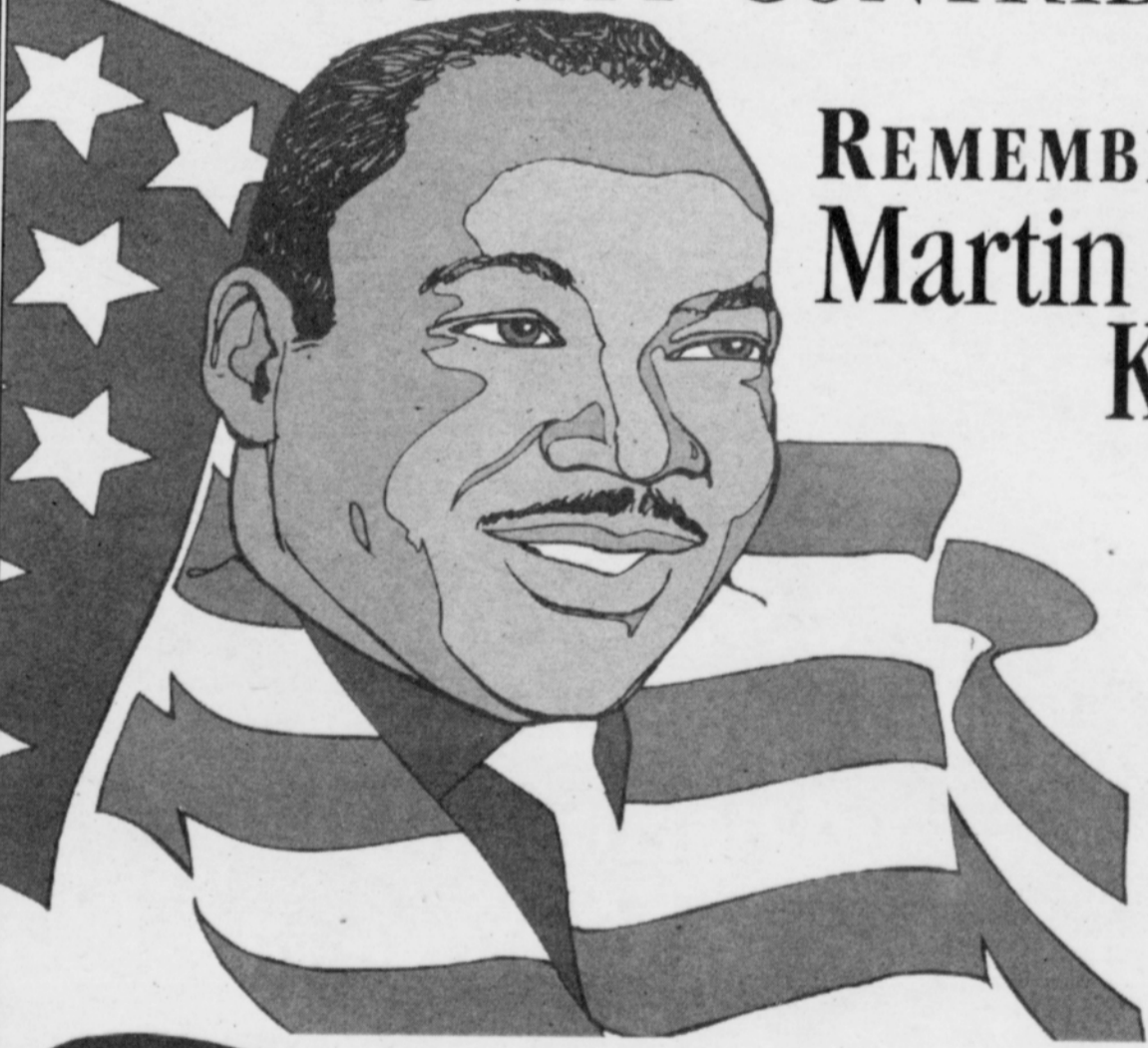
Officials say there will be a total of \$7.4 million available. Proposals must dedicate at least 51 percent of the total project units for low and moderate income housing up to 80 percent or less of area median family income. Applications must also include strong

components focused on contracting for minority, women-owned, and emerging small businesses.

The first review of proposals begins on Feb. 10. The Housing Bureau will accept applications until all funds have been either committed or curtailed.

An information session on the new Opportunity Fund will be held Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Portland Housing Bureau offices, located at 421 S.W. Sixth Ave., Suite 500, in the Steel Conference Room, from noon to 1:30 pm.

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