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Former Portland vocalist Liv Warfield joins members of Prince's powerful band, the New Power Generation. Warfield and members of the band will give a special tribute to Prince during the Waterfront Blues Festival.

## Power of Blues Fights Hunger

### Warfield to lead Prince tribute at Blues festival

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For the last 29 years, the Oregon Food Bank has used the emotional power of blues music to help pacify hunger.

This year, 120 artists will be performing over the four-day July 4 holiday weekend event, including Liv Warfield, the soul and R&B sensation and former Portland resident, who will be giving a tribute to

Prince, her late music partner, with members of Prince's New Power Generation band.

The Waterfront Blues Festival is the Oregon Food Bank's largest fundraising event, having raised nearly \$10 million and 1,000 tons in food for Oregon and Clark County, Wash. since its inception in 1988, according to the festival's website.

Much has shifted since the festival be-

gan, the most apparent being the cost for running the event.

"The \$10 required daily admission will help to ensure that Oregon Food Bank is able to fulfill its mission – to eliminate hunger and its root causes...because no one should be hungry – while sustaining a safe, fantastic musical tradition," said Susannah Morgan, Oregon Food Bank chief executive officer.

Four-day passes for the fest are also available, touting different amenities depending on the level of pass purchased, will all proceeds going back into the food bank and into maintaining the festival. A Basic 4-Day Pass for \$40 offers priority re-entry, while the \$85 Blues Buddy pass grants a discounted admission to the festival's after hours performances.

A \$300 Benefactor Pass is already sold out, and the limited \$1,250 Patron Pass

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