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# LOCAL NEWS

## Food for the Senior Community

### Portland Hollywood Lions Club Host Food Drive on November 5th

On Saturday, November 5th, 2022 between 10:00AM and 3:00PM the Portland Hollywood Lions Club will be holding its semi-annual food drive to benefit the Hollywood Senior Center. This food drive will take place at the Hollywood Grocery Outlet at 4420 NE Hancock St., Portland, OR 97213. The Lions will collect sealed nonperishable food items, including pet food and will also welcome donations of used eyeglasses and hearing aids. Any cash donations will directly support the Hollywood Senior Center - Community for Positive Aging.

The high cost of food, gas, utilities, medical care and rent continue to plague people in Portland. 1 in 5 residents of Oregon suffer food insecurity. Hunger affects children and families, and especially seniors who can be more isolated than other community members. The Hollywood Senior



The Hollywood Lion Delivers Food

Center is a not for profit committed to enriching the lives of adults 55 and older by creating opportunities for social connection, health and wellness, independence and life-long learning. The Hollywood Senior Center is committed to providing services, education, information and recreation for seniors, families and caregivers in Multnomah County and particularly in their Hollywood neighborhood.

Often, seniors keep pets for emotional support and to stave off loneliness. These fur-

ry friends suffer from the same food insecurity as their senior friends, so sealed, new pet food will also be welcomed by the Hollywood Lions.

The Hollywood Lions Club, celebrating its 94th anniversary this year, is committed to service in its community and beyond, including a long relationship with the Hollywood Senior Center, with Lions on the HSC Board of Directors and more. The Hollywood Lions know that "where there's a need, there's a Lion".

## New Public Charter School for BIPOC Students

After more than a year of preparation HOLLA School, a public charter school sponsored by Reynolds School District is now open! They are located in the heart of Rockwood, and celebrate that their staff and students reflect and represent the vibrant diversity found in the neighborhood.

Since the beginning of the institution of education, communities of color have struggled to have their brilliance and capacities fully acknowledged and accepted. At HOLLA School, they interrupt the systematic exclusion of students of color from academic success by challenging dominant norms and centering the racial, cultural, linguistic and ancestral realities of Black, Brown and Indigenous youth, families and staff. Through the intentional honoring and development of identity, skills, intellect, criticality and joy, they hold space for maximizing opportunities for expressions of brilliance for all.



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HOLLA School is already seeing students embody and grow their abundance, brilliance, and creativity- the ABC's of HOLLA School. Students are exploring their interests, making friends and building relationships with their teachers and classroom

mentors, and focusing on a new one-word concept each week that invites them to learn and grow as a community.

It truly takes a village to care for our children, and HOLLA School is proud to be part of that village