

PAL

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the center because there's nothing else out there for the kids," she says. "The area has been underserved for a long time."

During the school year, parents drop students off year-round for after-school activities. The program includes tutoring and activities such as French, art, music, dance, cooking, math club, zumba and more. An archery class, coached by police officers Hank Hays and Mike Brown, runs every Thursday followed by Chess for Success. This summer the youth center is offering a day camp Monday through Friday and the teen evening basketball, Thursday through Saturday.

Teens are constantly asking Williams and his staff to hold more dances, talent shows and field trips. A visit by the Up and Over Tour performance group was a big hit, for exam-

PAL is what gang prevention and intervention look like at the grassroots level.

ple. "Mighty" one of the group's members is a PAL staffer.

At the East Portland Community Meeting against Youth Violence, community members stressed the need for evening activities for teens. Sandra Casilles, a parent trainer with the nonprofit Center for Family Success, said her wish list includes a youth center with facilities as good as the Boys and Girls Club in Northeast Portland.

"We really need to keep our youth busy with positive activities," she said.

But funding for PAL's evening hours ends with the summer. And Ten Eyck's more modest goal is to open on Saturdays.

"I'd love to be able to open all day Saturday year round," Ten Eyck said. "It comes down to funding for staff."

"Gang activity is up a lot in the city and we definitely think of the PAL Club and the late-night basketball program as something that is giving kids a safe place to be where they can just be themselves and they are not pressured or harassed to be in that lifestyle," she said. "So the more we can offer the better."

"Taking gang affected youth and helping them is very difficult for some organizations. We have expertise and staff who know how to help those youth."

Ten Eyck is also looking at partnerships with other agencies, including Portland Opportunities Industrial Center, which will open its new alternative high school at S.E. 183rd and Division Street this fall. A plan to work together on a youth employment program is in the works, Ten Eyck says.

Youth trust the outreach workers and PAL staff because they meet them where they are at. That relationship helps make sure youth have a place to get help when they need it.

"They need adults they can count on, who are neutral, and that's what our staff is there for," Ten Eyck says.

POIC offered PAL \$20,000 to help with renovations. But without the rest of the funds secured to complete the work by POIC's September deadline, PAL couldn't accept.

A New York City study found that two factors protect young people from risky behaviors: having an adult who cares about them and being part of a youth group. Teens find both these protections at the PAL club.

At PAL, they have a community of friends and adults who care about them. They can hang out in the games room, play

Evelyn Burell, 70



Evelyn Burell was born Earline-"Evelyn" Deloris Bowden on Jan. 12, 1942, in the little town of Osceola, Ark.

On June 25, 2012, at the age of 70, the Lord called Evelyn home to be at peace.

Services were held July 2 at Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church.

Evelyn leaves behind her immediate family, four grandchildren, four siblings, a host of nieces and nephews, and relatives and friends.

She was the third child born to the late, Erskine and Ruby (Mabry) Bowden. Her siblings; Mae Frances, Erskine "Junior", Robert, Lonnie, Nancy Joann and Leila all made Portland their home.

basketball in the gym, read or watch a movie on Friday night.

From June 25, the PAL Portland Youth Center's Summer Hours are:

Monday - Wednesday: 10:00 am - 6:30 pm

Thursday and Friday: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm (After 7 pm 13 and up only)

Saturday Noon - 10:00 pm (After 7 pm 13 and up only)

Want to help PAL? Volunteers and donations are always welcome. Drop off donations at the center or at the PAL main office 449 N.E. Emerson St. Portland. 503-823-0250

Membership fees for the Youth Center are \$50 for the School Year Program, and \$50 for the Summer Program. Membership is \$30 if the youth qualifies for free or reduced lunch. Payment plans and scholarships available.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

**CITY OF PORTLAND
RFP NO. TRN094**

**Department of Transportation
Price Agreement for Construction Inspection
and Engineering Support**

Proposals Due By: 4:00pm, Wednesday July 18, 2012

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS The City of Portland, Bureau of Transportation requests proposals from interested parties for Construction Inspection & Engineering Technician personnel. The Request for Proposals may be obtained from the City of Portland website at: <http://ebidsystems.com/cityofportland>

Proposals shall be received at 1120 SW 5th Ave, Suite 800 until 4:00p.m., July 18, 2012 attention Todd Liles.

Direct any questions regarding this solicitation to: Todd Liles, 503.823.6992, todd.liles@portlandoregon.gov

There will not be a pre-Proposal meeting.

Proposals shall be reviewed by an evaluation committee in accordance with Chapter 5.68 of the City Code. The resulting Price Agreement Contract(s) will include Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding, which will require conformance by the Consultant with all applicable federal laws and reporting requirements. Proposers shall comply with the City's M/W/ESB and Equal Employment Opportunity Programs. The City of Portland is committed to increasing contracting, sub-contracting and employment opportunities for minority, women and emerging small businesses. Proposers are required to evaluate project requirements to maximize use of M/W/ESB firms. Proposers are advised to investigate all potential sources of M/W/ESB and maximize outreach to increase participation. Attention is called to Chapter 3.100 of the City Code relative to certification as an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer and compliance with the Equal Benefits Program. EEO certification and Equal Benefits Program compliance requirements are available on the Bureau of Purchases website at:

www.portlandonline.com/omf/purchasing

INVITATION FOR BID

**KITSAP TRANSIT
RFP KT12-444**

**SECURITY SERVICES
PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
AUGUST 9, 2012 - TIME: 2:00 P.M.**

Kitsap Transit is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to perform Unarmed Security Guard Services at its base locations north and south of Kitsap County; several buildings and park-and-ride lots throughout Kitsap County. Contractors shall comply with all federal, state, and local regulations and mandated work practices, and shall be capable of performing the work in the contract.

Proposal documents may be downloaded at <http://www.kitsaptransit.org/capital/Proposals.html>, obtained at 60 Washington Ave., Ste. 200, Bremerton, WA 98337, or by email from gaylet@kitsaptransit.com

Mailed or hand-delivered, sealed bids will be accepted at Kitsap Transit's Main Administration Office, 60 Washington St., Ste. 200 (2nd floor Reception Desk), Bremerton, WA 98337-1888, Marked RFP KT #12-444, on or before 2:00 p.m. PST, on August 9, 2012. Faxes will not be accepted.

Kitsap Transit reserves the right to reject any and all proposals without cause and to waive any informalities or irregularities.

Kitsap Transit, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat., 252.42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations Department of Transportation, subtitle A, of the Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the DOT issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin in consideration for an award.