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Food Bank provides boxes, seeks help

If you receive SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance, you automatically qualify for assistance at the Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9675 Grand Ronde Road.

Upcoming food box distributions are scheduled for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21; and 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug 26.

No one will be turned away in need of a food box.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box may fill out an authorized representative form and that person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year.

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – iskam məkhmək haws – is run by Marion-Polk Food Share, which has been leading the fight to end hunger since 1987 because no one should be hungry.

"It takes a community to fight local hunger," says Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose. "Your gift of time and talent means so much to individuals, families and children who are struggling. We are looking for assistance in repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes on distribution days and end-of-the-month inventory. Groups are welcome and other opportunities are available."

Call on non-distribution days to ensure someone is available to assist you. You also can sign up for a monthly e-mail for the Food Bank calendar and events, as well as follow the Food Bank on Facebook. Contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or at fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

• Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:

www.facebook.com/CTGRgov

• Grand Ronde Tribal Council:

www.facebook.com/The Confederated Tribes Of Grand Ronde Tribal Council

• Grand Ronde Higher Education:

www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed

• Grand Ronde Youth Education:

www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation
• Spirit Mountain Community Fund:

www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund

• Grand Ronde Station:

www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation

- Grand Ronde Royalty: www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty
- Veterans Special Event Board:

www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community

- Community Garden: www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden
- $\bullet \ Grand \ Ronde \ Food \ Bank: \\ www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank$

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

Below is the most current information on the meeting days and times for Tribal Committees and Special Event Boards:

- Ceremonial Hunt Board meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- Cultural Trust Board meets as needed at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center. Chair: Perri McDaniel.
- Culture Committee meets at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center. Chair: Betty Bly.
- Education Committee meets at 5:15 p.m. on the first Monday of the month in the Adult Education building. Chair: Tammy Cook.
- Elders Committee meets at 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Julie Duncan.
- Enrollment Committee meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Robert Schmid.
- Fish & Wildlife Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Harold Lyon.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of the month in the Health and Wellness Center. Chair: Patti Tom-Martin.
- Powwow Special Event Board meets TBA at the Community Center. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- Social Services Committee meets at 3 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Social Services conference room. Chair: Alan Ham.
- Timber Committee meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Bob Mercier.
- Veterans Special Event Board meets at 5 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the Community Center. Chair: Steve Bobb Sr.

To update information on this list, contact Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes at 503-879-1463 or dean.rhodes@grandronde.org.

Paddle on the Willamette



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

The annual Tribal Canoe Journey is taking a one-year hiatus due to lack of a host Tribe, which gave the Grand Ronde Canoe Family an opportunity to hold a Willamette River Paddle on Monday, July 20, to Wednesday, July 22. Members of the Grand Ronde Canoe Family carry ulxayu down the boat ramp at Clackamette Park in Oregon City for the start of their Willamette River Paddle on Monday, July 20. The boat ramp at the park was closed for safety reasons, so the canoe had to be carried to be placed in the Willamette River.



Grand Ronde Canoe Family members Zoey Holsclaw, left, and Kyoni Mercier pick which paddle they want from Kailiyah Krehbiel as the Canoe Family prepares to start its Willamette River Paddle from Clackamette Park on Monday, July 20.



ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

<u>Powwow SEB</u> 2 Vacancies

Election Board 1 Vacancy for an alternate

1 Vacancy

<u>Timber Committee</u> 1 Vacancy

Please send completed applications to Stacia Martin, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

Clothes Closet open Monday, Friday

The Clothes Closet is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Friday on the Tribal campus near the Elders Activity Center at the end of Blacktail Drive.

It accepts clothes, small appliances, small pieces of furniture, electronics and household goods that are clean and in good condition. It does not accept books, large TVs or large furniture, but there is a community board where people can post those items.

Donations are accepted during regular business hours.

For more information or emergency clothes, contact Lori Walker-Hernandez at 559-847-7565 or Daniele Powley at 971-241-6170. ■