

Food Bank provides boxes, seeks help

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

Recipients of SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance automatically qualify for assistance at the Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.

“We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat,” Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose says. “You are welcome to get a food box at each of our regular weekly distributions. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.”

Upcoming food box distribution dates will be:

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 2;
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 10;
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 16;
- 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 21;
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 30.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box can 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 Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes, end-of-month inventory and picking up food donations at area stores.

A mandatory volunteer training will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, at the Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. Dinner will be provided at 5 p.m.

Call to ensure someone is available to assist. People 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.

The Food Bank is an equal opportunity provider.

Call Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or contact her at fambrose@marion-polkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

Lighthouse Church offers to help area homeless

Lighthouse Church, located in the Tribal building at 24697 Grand Ronde Road, is opening its doors from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday to provide temporary shelter for homeless Tribal members and Tribal families in the Grand Ronde area.

If a family with children need shelter, they will be allowed to stay overnight if they arrive before 7 p.m.

The church is providing refreshments and information on where to receive additional help.

For more information, contact Pastor Ken Haller at 971-237-4949. ■

LIHEAP program open in service area

The Tribal Social Service’s Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program is open to eligible Tribal members in the six-county service area and Clackamas County.

This is a first-come, first-served program and income criteria applies.

The program is federally funded through the Department of Health and Human Services and is designed to help low-income households with home heating costs.

For more information, contact Social Services at 503-879-2034. ■

Need something notarized?

Tribal Court staff is available at no charge for notaries 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday with the exception of noon to 1 p.m. Please be sure to bring a photo ID with you. If you have any questions, contact the court at 503-879-2303. ■

Health & Wellness Center Entrance

Reminder: The drive-through entrance at the Health & Wellness Center is for loading and unloading only.

The entrance was built with our Elders and those with mobility issues and their ease of access in mind.

If you are coming to the center to pick up prescriptions, please park in

one of our regular parking spaces.

**Thank you,
Grand Ronde Health &
Wellness Center Administration**

WIC visits Community Center monthly

Pregnant? Breastfeeding? Does your family include a child under the age of 5?

If so, you may qualify for the Women, Infants and Children program. With WIC, people can receive answers to nutritional questions and access fruits and vegetables, whole grains, eggs, milk, cheese, juice, cereal and more.

A WIC representative visits the Tribal Community Center on the third Tuesday of the month, which will be March 20,

Walk-ins are welcome between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 503-879-2034. ■

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 Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- **Culture Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam məkʰmək haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- **Editorial Board** meets at 10 a.m. Friday, March 16, in the Publications Office in the Tribal Governance Center. Chair: Siobhan Taylor. Contact: Editorial.Board@grandronde.org.
- **Education Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday 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: Jennie VanAtta.
- **Enrollment Board** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Michael Mercier.
- **Fish & Wildlife Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Tyson Mercier.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Monday of the month in the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Patti Tom-Martin.
- **Housing Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Kristy Criss-Lawson.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **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 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the old Elders Craft House. Chair: Steve Bobb Sr.

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

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

<u>Ceremonial Hunting Board</u>	3 terms expiring
<u>Culture Committee</u>	4 terms expiring
<u>Editorial Board</u>	1 term expiring
<u>Education Committee</u>	2 terms expiring
<u>Election Board</u>	1 term expiring, 2 vacancies (alternate positions)
<u>Enrollment Board</u>	3 terms expiring
<u>Fish & Wildlife Committee</u>	5 terms expiring, 1 vacancy
<u>Housing Grievance Board</u>	6 terms expiring
<u>Health Committee</u>	4 terms expiring
<u>Powwow SEB</u>	2 terms expiring
<u>Timber Committee</u>	4 terms expiring
<u>TERO Commission</u>	1 term expiring
<u>Veterans SEB</u>	2 terms expiring
<u>Youth Council</u>	7 terms expiring

Application deadline is 5 p.m. Thursday, March 1. All applications must be submitted to Tribal Council staff before to the deadline to be considered for appointment.

Please send completed applications to Stacia Hernandez or Shannon Simi, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.