

OHA accepting applications for Psilocybin Advisory Board

The Office of Governor Brown is seeking applicants for the Oregon Psilocybin Advisory Board.

Established by Ballot Measure 109 (2020), the Oregon Psilocybin Advisory Board makes recommendations to the Oregon Health Authority on available scientific studies and research on the safety and efficacy of psilocybin in treating mental health conditions, and makes recommendations on the requirements, specifications and

guidelines for providing psilocybin services in Oregon.

OHA invites applications from people who meet the following criteria:

- Local health officer
- Representative of a federally recognized Indian tribe
- Member of the OHA Addictions and Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council
- Member of the OHA Health Equity Policy Committee

• Member of the OHA Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council

• Individual who represents individuals who provide public health services

• Psychologist licensed under ORS chapter 675 who has professional experience engaging in the diagnosis or treatment of a mental, emotional, or behavioral condition

• Physician licensed under ORS

chapter 677 who holds a degree of Doctor of Medicine

• Naturopathic physician licensed under ORS chapter 685

• Expert in the field of public health who has a background in academia

To apply, submit the following documentation to executive.apointments@oregon.gov by Jan. 1, 2021:

- A completed executive appointment interest form, which is

available on the Governor's office website at www.oregon.gov/gov/admin/Pages/How_To_Apply.aspx

• A resume or brief biographical sketch

• A brief statement of interest

For more information, email oha.psilocybin@dhs.oha.state.or.us or contact André Ourso, OHA Public Health Division, at 971-673-0404.

Tree from A1

is greater than ever.

Joyce Settemeyer and her husband, Jim, have been volunteering with the Tree of Joy program for years, she recalls, since her own two kids — now fully grown — were quite young themselves.

Each year, Christmas trees at Walmart and Bi-Mart feature tags that indicate the Christmas wish of a local youngster. And each year, local shoppers pick a tag, purchase a toy and fulfill the wish for that child. Later, a small army of volunteers helps gather and

then distribute all those wonderful toys.

Joyce Settemeyer says that, this year, the average of about 200 area youngsters whose families need help purchasing their gifts has grown to over 500.

And the generosity of local shoppers can help bring them a Merry Christmas. Partnerships with Community Sharing, PeaceHealth, KNND, Trinity Lutheran, Riverside Community Church and other local organizations will make it possible.

“As with anything that happens in Cottage Grove, there's a network that makes it happen,”

Settemeyer said.

This Saturday, Dec. 5, Run CG Run — a local organization that works to bring fitness-friendly events to town — will host

a virtual version of its annual Jingle Rush 5K Walk/Run. (See more info on A5)

It's a free event, but donations will be put toward the Tree of Joy program to

ensure that as many young people as possible in the Cottage Grove area have a Merry Christmas.

More information about the Jingle Rush 5K is available at runcgrun.com.

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