

BM 37 hearings cancelled by Washington County

In response to court rulings on the constitutionality of Ballot Measure 37, Washington County canceled all scheduled Measure 37 public hearings. It will not accept new claims until the state Supreme Court makes a decision on an October Marion County Circuit Court judgment that found Measure 37 to be unconstitutional.

In addition to finding the measure unconstitutional, the court ordered state and local government defendants in the action (including Washington

County) to stop accepting new claims and prohibited any ruling on Measure 37 claims. The order also suspended all time periods under Measure 37, including the 180-day period within which the county or state would otherwise be required to act.

The Oregon Department of Justice has filed a Notice of Appeal with the Oregon Supreme Court, but there is no date for a decision in the matter. It could be few months or more than a year away.

To learn more about Measure 37 in Washington County, and for details on all claims received, visit <www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/land_dev/land_dev.htm>.

NAAVE meeting will be held December 13

Neighbors Against Apple Valley Airport Expansion (NAAVE) will hold a meeting December 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Banks Public Library. The purpose of the meeting is to update the public on the group's efforts to stop a proposed commercial expansion of the Buxton air strip.

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December 8

Grade 4-6 Band & Choir Concert, December 8 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

December 14

The Winter Concert by grades K-3 will be December 14 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

BANKS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

December 10

Breakfast with Santa, December 10 from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

BANKS HIGH SCHOOL

December 15

A Celebration of Music, Band and Choir for the holidays on December 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Washington County WIC is sponsoring food drive

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program within Washington County's Department of Health and Human Services is sponsoring a holiday food drive, November 23 to December 16. All food collected will remain in the community after it is donated to the Oregon Food Bank, a nonprofit, charitable organization.

Donations may be deposited in Oregon Food Bank barrels at the following sites:

- Public Services Building – 155 N. First Avenue, Hillsboro
- Sheriff's Office – 215 SW Adams Avenue, Hillsboro
- Community Corrections Ctr – 150 N. 1st Ave., Hillsboro
- Walnut Street Center – 1400 SW Walnut St., Hillsboro
- Murray Building – 3700 S.W. Murray Blvd, Beaverton
- Juvenile Services Building – 222 N. 1st Avenue, Hillsboro

The most needed foods include canned meats (i.e., tuna, chicken or salmon), canned and boxed meals (i.e., soup, chili, stew, macaroni and cheese), peanut butter, canned or dried beans and peas (i.e., pinto, lentils), pasta, rice cereal, canned fruits, and fruit juice (canned, plastic or boxed).

Cash donations are also being accepted (checks payable to Oregon Food Bank), with all contributions going to the Oregon Food Bank for the purchase of hams and turkeys to be given to hungry families this holiday season. Every dollar donated enables the collection and distribution of six pounds of food worth nearly \$7, and funds programs that address the causes of hunger.

For more information, call Washington County Women, Infants, and Children program at 503-846-4950.

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