

Coronavirus Newsletter

May 14th, 2020

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Sharing Hands



Pandemic Response Plan

By S. Scott McDowell

The City, together with many local community partners, continue to come alongside Sharing Hands Food Bank to help feed those in need. Our community partners include our local Faith Community, the Calapooia Food Alliance, the Brownsville Rural Fire District, the Senior Center, and the American Legion. These groups are busy helping and sharing resources to ease the burden being felt by Sharing Hands Food Bank. Still, more help is needed through volunteering and donations.

As the State rolls out it's Reopening Plan, confusion has led to indecision and frustration. Hopefully, over the next two weeks things will become more clear. The Chamber and other civic partners have postponed and cancelled events. Others are waiting to see if restrictions will be lifted. Stay tuned!

Pioneer Park is closed to camping, but will be monitored to determine when camping can resume. The Park Caretakers will start next week. Cleaning protocols and summer tasks will keep them busy.

Public Works continues to serve by providing clean water, fixing water and sewer lines, completing reports and preparing for the summer.

The budget process was held by teleconference this year due to the pandemic. Overall, the process worked well. Council will hold a budget hearing on May 26th, 2020 for additional public comments and input.

Thank you for practicing social distancing and for keeping yourself as safe as possible!

Food Bank Wish List

Please no outdated cans or packages

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Jelly (either grape or strawberry)
- ◆ Canned, packaged, or microwaveable Soups
- ◆ Macaroni and Cheese, Pasta, Mac and Beef (microwaveable items)
- ◆ Snack Foods, Cheese and Crackers, Peanut Butter Crackers, Granola Bars
- ◆ Breads, Tortillas, English Muffins
- ◆ Taco Shells and Taco Seasoning
- ◆ Canned Vegetables – NO BEANS PLEASE
- ◆ Shelf-stable small Pizza Crust with Sauce
- ◆ Packaged Noodle Bowls
- ◆ Pancake Mix, Syrup
- ◆ Canned Chicken, Canned Salmon
- ◆ Any kind of Juice... bottled or juice boxes
- Freezer items:
- ◆ FROZEN ONLY: Chicken (Legs, Thighs, Breasts... smaller packages please)
- ◆ Hamburger (one lb. packages)
- ◆ Frozen Pizza's – Cheese and/or Pepperoni
- ◆ Frozen Waffles...
- Refrigerated items:
- ◆ Sliced Cheese
- ◆ Milk, Yogurt, Butter, Margarine
- ◆ Hot Dogs
- ◆ Lunch Meats, Turkey, or Ham

Drop Off Location & Times:

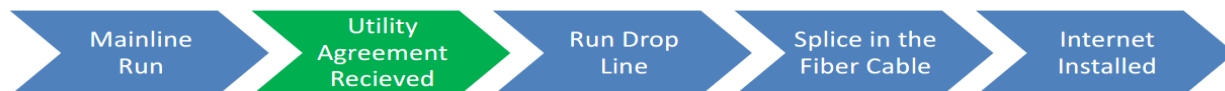
Where: Sharing Hands Food Bank | 439 N Main Street | Brownsville
When: Tuesday & Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



A note from Team Alyrica

We have been busy getting Brownsville ready for fiber optic internet. We have been working in many neighborhoods throughout town. Many people are curious about which addresses are coming online first and what the process is. The project is running cabling to homes and businesses (we call them 'drop lines'). Getting a drop line to your house does not mean that you are required to sign up with Alyrica for fiber optic internet or any of our other services, but if you are interested in getting the drop line now, we will do it for **free** as our team will already be in the area during the main construction, no strings attached. The price for getting a drop line **after** we complete these initial drop line installs will be \$450.

Before we can bring a drop line to your home, we ask that you to fill out the "Fiber Optic Utility Agreement" (found here: <https://www.alyrica.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/FUA.pdf>) and return it to us. If you do not own your home, your landlord will have to fill out the form. The filled-out form will serve as permission for us to drill a drop line from our main line to a network box that we will install outside your house. The process from start to finish for getting fiber optic internet to your address is:



As we move the process ahead, getting these Utility Agreements back from the property owners is especially important and we thank you ahead of time for helping us bring the best customer experience in telecommunications to Brownsville! Please let us know if you have any questions.




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Attn: Brownsville Residents


“Attitude is a choice. Happiness is a choice. Optimism is a choice. Kindness is a choice. Giving is a choice. Respect is a choice. Whatever choice you make makes you. Choose wisely.”
Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart



**ELECTION DAY IS
 MAY 19TH 2020**

Linn County Election Day is
 May 19th, 2020.
 City Hall hours will be
 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 to collect ballots.

Please check out our website
www.clepc.org for all the latest
 information on COVID-19 and
 Emergency Preparedness. The web-
 site also has links to various web-
 sites for up-to-the-minute infor-
 mation and statistics.



Sharing Hands Produce Department needs volunteers to weed and prepare garden space for planting. We have vegetable starts and seeds aplenty but need to clear more ground for planting. Soon there will be weeding and watering chores so regular volunteers, 2-4



hours per week are much appreciated. We meet Tuesday and Thursday from 10-12 (hours will change as summer heat arrives). Please contact Garden Manager Don Lyon at 541.654.2052 or phototraveler02@gmail.com to let me know you are coming. Location is Community Garden (behind the Pioneer Christian Academy).



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**Interested in volunteering for Sharing Hands Food Bank?
 Call Sherri at (541) 466-5454**