

JUNE 2025

CELEBRATE LOCAL THIS MONTH!





Pride Month events in our communities

Lincoln City

Saturday, June 28, 2025 12pm - 5pm Lincoln City Cultural Center Music, performances, parade, resource fair, food, art activities, and more!

Philomath

Saturday, June 28, 2025 12pm - 4pm Philomath City Park

Albany (delayed due to park construction) Saturday, July 26, 2025 Monteith Park

Newport

September 19 - 21

Corvallis postponed, new date still pending

Juneteenth events in our communities

Lincoln County Juneteenth Celebration
Saturday, June 14, 2025 11am - 2pm
Lincoln City Community Center
Music, free food, are and cultural exhibits,

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Linn Benton NAACP Juneteenth

Saturday, June 21, 2025 1pm - 6pm
Linn Benton Community College, Albany
Music, line dancing, free food, book giveaways,
arts and crafts, and speakers and workshops!

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR



It's hard to believe we're well on our way through June! This month brings with it a host of transitions and opportunities; the end of the school year, graduations—including in my own family—the start of summer, an uptick in vacations—which yes, you should schedule one—and the perfect weather to enjoy camping, rivers, the coast, and everything that makes Oregon and the PNW so great.

June also marks some significant moments for OCWCOG, specifically. Our fiscal year is ending this month, and, a less fortunate transition, the departure of our wonderful Community & Economic Development Director, Jaclyn Disney. Anyone who worked with Jaclyn knows what a wealth of experience, ideas, and inspiration she is. She was an integral member of this agency, our senior leadership team, and multiple local committees and initiatives. We thank her for her dedicated service and wish her well on her next chapter!

Lastly, June is a time to acknowledge important moments in our communities and history... Juneteenth is recognized on June 19th and has been an official federal holiday since 2021, commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans in the U.S. It serves as a celebration as well as a call to action to remember the ongoing journey of justice and equity in our county.

Pride Month recognizes and celebrates the LGBTQ+ community all of June through a myriad of local, state, and national celebrations and events. It is a time to reflect on the vital importance of inclusion, identity, and the freedom to be fully and authentically ourselves.

Whatever you are celebrating or planning for June, I wish you a full and joyous month and summer ahead.

Ryan Vogt, OCWCOG & CSC Executive Director

WE'RE ON INSTAGRAM!



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SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is an opportunity for communities around the world to promote a better understanding of abuse of older persons by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic and demographic processes affecting elder abuse.



RESOURCES YOU NEED

Aging & Disability Resource Connection





LINN & BENTON COUNTY 1-800-638-0510 or 541-967-8630

SPRING INTO ACTION: GIVE BLOOD





JUNE 27, 2025 BLOOD DRIVE

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive. Please join our lifesaving mission

Site: Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments **Address:** 1400 Queen Ave SE Suite 201, Albany, OR, 97322

Room Name: ABC Conference Room

Date: Friday, June 27, 2025 **Time:** 10:30 AM – 03:30 PM



SAVE THE DATE

COG BLOOD DRIVE

STAY TUNED FOR A FOLLOW-UP EMAIL TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT



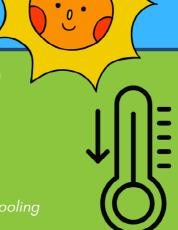
Stay safe in the heat!

Cooling centers and resources in Linn and Benton counties are FREE to all members of the public to access during extreme heat, providing shelter, air conditioning & drinking water.



BENTON COUNTY

health.bentoncountyor.gov/warming-cooling









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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 19 | Juneteenth OCWCOG Offices Closed
July 4 | Independence Day OCWCOG Offices Closed

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Finacial Accountant
Transportation Brokerage Specialist
Ride Line Scheduler
Clerical Specialist
And much more!



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