



Older Americans Month 2024

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments is proud to provide services to over 14,500 adults age 60 and older, in the Benton County area, Lincoln County Area, and Linn County area who deserve recognition for their contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations; and

Whereas, the City of Brownsville is committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

Whereas, since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help older adults remain healthy and independent by complementing existing medical and health care systems, helping prevent hospital readmissions, and supporting some of life's most basic functions, such as bathing or preparing meals; and

Whereas, these programs also support family caregivers, address issues of exploitation, neglect and abuse of older adults, and adapt services to the needs of Native American elders; and

Whereas, we recognize the value of community engagement and service in helping older adults remain healthy and active while giving back to others; and

Whereas, our community can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by:

- Promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and social inclusion;
- Emphasizing home- and community-based services that support independent living; and
- Ensuring community members of all ages benefit from the contributions and experience of older adults.

Now therefore, the City of Brownsville do hereby proclaim May 2024 to be Older Americans Month. The City of Brownsville urges every resident to take time this month to celebrate older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2024

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "SM", representing S. Scott McDowell.

S. Scott McDowell
City Administrator

Approved By:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "ARC", representing Adam R. Craven.

Adam R. Craven
Mayor