

Oregon Coast Community Action

Positive change for thriving communities.

April has an event for everyone!

April has lots of events, join us for one or all!!

April 5 at **3:30pm** is **Pinwheel Planting** at CASA of Coos County Office for National Child Abuse Awareness Month. This is a FREE event.

April 7 from **2-5pm** is **Kids Helping Kids** at The Egyptian Theatre. This is an all ages youth rock concert benefit to support ORCCA's FAST program and The ARK. \$5 for Adults, \$3 for youth.

April 13 at **5:30pm** is **The Life of Activist Dolores Huerta** at The Egyptian Theatre. This movie will be shown with Spanish subtitles. This is a collaboration with South Coast ESD, Oregon's World Language Teacher Organization and ORCCA's Hispanic Leadership Coalition. This is a FREE event.

April 14 from **4-7pm** is **Iron Chef** at The North Bend Community Center. This ORCCA wide event will showcase three local chefs in a friendly cooking competition. All proceeds will benefit all ORCCA programs. This is a 21 and older event, \$35 per person. *Win FREE Tickets to this event by following the instructions on page 5 of this newsletter...!

April 19 from **6-10pm** is **Punk Rock Flea Market** at The Egyptian Theatre. A punk rock show to benefit ORCCA programs. This all ages show is \$3 per person.

April 21 is **City Clean Up Day!** Four locations around town will accept up to four 35-gallon cans of garbage for free in exchange for a food or monetary donation to South Coast Food Share.

April 28 from **10-2** is **Family Fun Day** at John Topits Park. Get your face painted by a CASA or get Greg to make you an animal balloon. This is a FREE event.

More to come in May.....! Great Afternoon's **Ice Cream Bingo and 25th Anniversary Celebration** is Saturday **May 12th** from **6-8pm** in Reedsport.

Curry Spotlight

From Beth Barker-Hidalgo, ORCCA's Curry Services Coordinator;

"I was contacted by a Brookings resident regarding a friend who struggles with poverty, is in the process of a disability claim and is elderly. This woman had a doctor appointment in N. Bend but didn't feel she could make the trip in her personal vehicle. I asked a couple of key questions and quickly came to the conclusion that this person had no insurance.

I contacted Bethanee Grace - an Assister/OHP enrollment specialist working for Coast Community Health. We were able to connect Beathanee with this woman that Wednesday evening.

By Friday afternoon that week this woman was enrolled in OHP and eligible for medical transportation to doctor appointments.

This is a fantastic example of how increased collaboration and coordination results in increased resources, decreased wait times for services and at the end of the day, a healthier community overall.

The original contact reports this woman is thrilled to have medical insurance and she reports her stress level has been reduced knowing she has access to medical services now and in the future.

Employee of the Month: Lisa Hoffer

Lisa Hoffer is a Housing Case Manager for the Essential Services Department at ORCCA.

Lisa's team said, "I would like to nominate Lisa Hoffer as employee of the month. She has been working double duty trying to find housing for all of our COOLS clients as well as her normal daily case management duties. She works in a focused and persistent manner. I think she exemplifies how to keep the focus on clients and their needs, as well as, how to deliver quality services."

Another person said, "She (Lisa) has been an awesome addition to the housing team from the start and she continues to show her dedication to her clients and her team!"

Team members also stated, "Lisa is dependable and hardly ever complains- even when given more to do. She works well with her clients and is a strong advocate for them."

They also said, "She (Lisa) goes above and beyond to be extremely dependable. She is always willing to help our a coworker and the team even though she has one of the largest caseloads in the department. She has a heart of gold and is always putting the families and individuals on program first. She is quiet and never complains even when things get really challenging."

Lisa you are a rockstar! Thank you for being an advocate for the people we are here to serve.

It's people like Lisa that make ORCCA a great place to work.

To nominate the next employee of the month contact HR at: vthurber@orcca.us

WIN FREE TICKETS TO IRON CHEF!!!!

We are giving away two sets of two FREE tickets to ORCCA's Iron Chef.

To enter send Rebecca Yaeger an email at:

rebeccay@orcca.us

with the subject line "Iron Chef FREE Tickets".

You will then be entered into the drawing to win
FREE tickets for you and a friend!

The deadline to enter is April 6th at noon.

DHS Visitation Room Fundraiser

Goal: \$2,500

A staff and board member fundraiser for DHS.

DHS Child Welfare and Self Sufficiency have a new office by the airport in North Bend. They will have 7 visitation rooms.

They state, "We know that kids and families do best when children and their parents can spend time together in a home-like setting that is comfortable and conducive to building healthy attachments."

ORCCA is going to sponsor visitation room number 136.

We will have a plaque outside of the room with our name on it.

This is an internal fundraiser for DHS. If you would like to donate to this special project, please contact Sara Stephens for a donation receipt. Any amount small or large will help us reach of \$2,500 goal. The ORCCA admin team's Iron Chef basket will also go to support this project. All donations are tax deductible.

Employee Health Fair

Oregon Coast Community Action is holding an Employee Health Fair to educate our staff about what medical health care and alternative health care is available to them in Coos County.

We will have some local businesses as well as our current Regence and Delta Dental.

When: May 11th, 2018, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Where: 1855 Thomas Ave in Coos Bay



If you have questions please contact HR@orcca.us or 541-435-7090

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information to Sara at
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3rd week of each month.