

Councilor Phil Marler



The End is in Sight!

A project which began nearly seven years ago when staff began planning and submitting grant applicants is in the home stretch! Final construction work on the Empire Blvd. project will begin on May 1, 2017, and it is expected to be completed by July 31, 2017. The project was designed to increase pedestrian and bicyclist safety through the widening and overlay of S Empire Blvd from Newmark Avenue to Wisconsin Avenue (city limits), and the installation of bicycle lanes, sidewalks, and lighting on both sides of the street. The project will also include the installation of some viewpoints: a covered shelter/CCAT bus stop, and the creation of some on-street parking along Empire Boulevard.

Some traffic detours are expected as the contractors work to complete the project. An anticipated detour route can be seen below. Business access will be maintained throughout the limits of the project, and local residence will maintain access to their residence.





CCD Celebrated Their Move to Coos Bay with a Ribbon Cutting!

CCD Business Development Corporation recently moved their offices to Coos Bay, and they can be found at 540 Anderson Avenue. With the help of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, they celebrated the recent move with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony this past Tuesday.



CCD Business Development Corporation is a private nonprofit Oregon corporation which was formed in 1971. CCD's primary activities are the creation of private sector employment through local and regional economic diversification and capacity building, reflecting the conviction that sound economic development policy arise from local and regional determination of economic development needs and priorities.

Stop by and say hello to our new neighbors



Welcome to the Team!



The City of Coos Bay and all the libraries in Coos County welcome Jennifer Shumway-Croft as the new Extended Services Office Director. As ESO Director, Jennifer works with the public libraries in the county along with several other partners to provide county-wide library services.

Jennifer was raised as a military brat, and she lived in many different places before coming to Coos Bay. Most recently, she lived in Clearfield, Utah where she worked as a Librarian for the Davis County Library System. Before falling in love with library,

her career was mostly administrative with experience in accounting and Human Resource. Jennifer earned her Master's in Library and Information Science from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio, and she obtained her bachelor's degree in Sociology/Psychology from Weber State University in Ogden, Utah.

Jennifer believes that libraries work best when they are integrated with their communities. This type of library service was more than a career choice for her - it was a calling, and she's delighted to make Coos Bay her new home.

A New Addition to our Law Enforcement Family...

The Coos Bay Police Department family gained an additional member with the arrival of Paige Nicole Looney. Ms. Paige entered the world on April 22nd as a beautiful 7lb 5oz, 20½ inch baby girl. Paige's very proud parents Bryan and Kristi are both employed with the Police Department.

Paige's father, Officer Bryan Looney is a member of the Police Department's Patrol Division as well as the handler for the Department's detection K-9 Katie. Paige's mother Kristi Looney is not only in charge of the Looney house, but she is also one of the very dedicated 9-1-1 Telecommunicators with the Police Department that assure that the citizens calls are answered and police and fire personnel are dispatched and arrive quickly.

Everyone in the Coos Bay Police Department family would like to welcome Paige Nicole and congratulate the Looney family with the addition of their beautiful baby girl.





The Wastewater Treatment Plant Project and the Emphasis on Safety.

May 1st – May 5th is National Safety Week. The construction site for the new Wastewater Plant No. 2 is very busy; and at times, it is crowded. Safety is both a concern and a priority. Concrete trucks arrive to pour the slabs at the same time the basin wall steel reinforcing is being lifted into place by the crane. Other workers are stripping forms off the concrete that was already poured while yet another group is bolting together forms for the walls. A lot of thought and planning goes into keeping all the workers busy; but more importantly, keeping them all safe.



Every trade contractor on the site is required to attend three safety trainings. The first is about overall site safety, wearing protective gear, being aware of your surroundings, and making sure others see you. The second is about speaking up when you see conditions that are not safe. The third is about being able to listen and change your behavior when someone points out safety issues. Workers get a safety sticker to wear on their hardhat after completing each training. There is also a "Stretch and Bend" workout every morning

before work starts so that workers are less likely to have muscle injuries, which is followed by a short safety topic. In addition to these measures, the site has roped off areas to keep

workers out of the swing of the crane or from under overhead power lines.

As the project goes vertical, training was recently held on the use fall protection. of Workers are required to wear safety harnesses and clip them to the rising rebar walls when they are over six-feet above the



ground. Workers on the ground are required to stay clear from under overhead workers. Local firefighters were also on site Wednesday to tour the construction and discuss rescue methods in the case of an injury. Mortenson Construction's policy is Zero Injuries, and a lot goes into making sure each worker goes home safe at the end of the workday.



Happening This Weekend!!!



KIDS' HOPE CENTER INVITES
YOU TO JOIN US FOR A FREE
DAY OF FUN THAT INCLUDES

1 mile & 5k run/walk

BBQ LUNCH provided by NW Natural.

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Empire Lakes, Coos Bay

For more information call

(541) 266-8806



Kids' Hope Center

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Why Run for the Kids?

Family Full Day April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

In 1983, Congress declared April to be National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Since that time, communities across the country have taken the opportunity to raise awareness of issues surrounding child maltreatment and abuse through proclamations, ceremonies, educational forums, tributes and candlelight vigils. April is a time to look back, to acknowledge the children who have suffered and the losses sustained throughout our communities because of that suffering. But it is also a time to look forward - most of all to a time when children no longer have



The Kids' HOPE Center supports families and child abuse victims through the provision of an all-inclusive center where forensic child interviews and medical examinations take place, and guardians and victims are offered support navigating through the challenging legal prosecution system. Intervention and advocacy services are provided to families through referrals and follow ups with partnering community agencies, initiated by HOPE Center staff.

Established in the early 1990's, the Kids' HOPE Center provided services to over 331 families in the 2016 year alone. Over the past 20 years families have been supported through their circumstances and provided with the HOPE for a better and brighter tomorrow.

About the Run for the Kids

Start Time	Event Description
8:15 am	Packet Pick-Up for Preregistered Runners
	Day of Registration Table Open
	T-Shirt Pick Up
8:40 am	Line up for 5K Competitive Run
8:45 am	5K Competitive Run Begins
9:25 am	Line up for 1 Mile Kids' Run/ Walk
9:30 am	1 Mile Kids' Run/ Walk Begins
10:00 am	Awards Ceremony for both 1 Mile Kids' Run/ Walk & 5K Competitive Run
11:00 am	Reserved Fishing Time with ODEW Exclusively for Race Participants

Race registration and run will begin at the National Guard Armory
255 Norman Avenue; Coos Bay, OR

Runners may use the parking lot at the Armory for the run, and are welcome to leave their vehicles parked there during the Family Fun Day Festivities. Shuttle services will be available to pick up and drop off families at this location.





"Brews & Giggles" Comedy for a Cure! Saturday April 29th 7:30pm

Tickets are \$15 and adult beverages are \$5 each (Must be 21+ to attend and have valid ID to purchase beer or wine.)

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Live & silent auction! All proceeds will be donated to the Bay Area Hospital Community Foundation's Cancer Patient Fund for direcet patient assistance, and to the American Cancer Society for cancer research, and patient support services available to us all.









Getting Prepaired...



American Red Cross

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Learn the facts. Take action. Talk about it.

Together we can rise to the challenge of a Cascadia Earthquake.

The American Red Cross Prepare Out Loud presentation will empower you to be ready for disasters of all kinds (including a Cascadia earthquake) by taking practical steps to start preparing, being vocal about your preparedness and encouraging others to start preparing.

Learn more about:

- The science and history of the Cascadia Subduction Zone
- · Human behavior during disasters
- What to expect during and after a Cascadia earthquake
- How to prepare to quickly locate your loved ones following a disaster
- How much food, water, and supplies you will need to take care of yourself and others

Event brought to you by:

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- Free to attend -

WHEN: MONDAY · MAY 1, 2017

6:00-7:30 PM

WHERE: Southwestern Oregon

COOS BAY 97420

Community College Hales Auditorium 1988 NEWMARK AVE

Register at:

redcross.org
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