



Prineville Police Department

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Honorable Mayor and Council,

I wanted to make you aware of a change in the way we want to release bicycles when they are ready to be removed from our impound room. As you may know, when we receive bicycles that are either abandoned, lost, confiscated or found, we impound them. If they are not being held for evidence in a pending criminal investigation or proceeding, and are held for 90 days or longer (60 days or more, plus 30 days after notice of intent to remove), and the owner has not been located or fails to claim the property, they may be disposed of in compliance with existing laws. Currently we dispose of them by giving them to a government auction house who sells the lot and sends the city a check for approximately 50 dollars.

Mandy Noland, our property technician, found a much better way to release the bicycles. In the spirit of community policing she suggested we give them to the "Family Empowerment Program" a local Prineville 501.c.3 that would accept the bicycles as donations. They would then have the bicycles repaired, and then return them to our citizens through various programs that assist Prineville families. I have included additional information on the "Family Empowerment Program". With the council's consent, we will begin to disposition the bicycles in a way that benefits our community.

Respectfully,

Dale Cummins

Chief of Police

Family Empowerment Program
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The Family Empowerment Program is a 501.c.3 organization supporting families in need in Crook County. They are the fiscal sponsor the Holiday Partnership, a coordination of community holiday gifting and food boxes for income qualified children and families, senior/disabled and veterans. We partner with local agencies, civic organizations, local government, faith community, veteran support organizations, Toys for Tots program, Bicycle Resource of Bend, businesses and individuals to assure that needs are met, while reducing duplication of efforts. We also provide a forum for local services to provide outreach and program enrollment accessibility to an already income-qualified population on site during gift and food box distribution. Coordination happens through a database of clientele that is formed through their express application for assistance, screening for income qualifications through DHS and managed through the Family Empowerment Program and Crook County Human Services Staff.

The program has operated for 11 years in Crook County and in addition to Christmas needs, provides partnership with organizations to distribute a limited number of Thanksgiving Food Boxes, support for partner Bicycle Resource of Bend in their free bicycle repair clinic in February and in Prineville throughout the year. We also use the income qualified list to do targeted recruitment/outreach for programs. Examples include connections to families for Head Start Enrollment, Kindergarten Enrollment, COCC Middle School summer camp scholarships, Project Connect notifications, etc.

Bicycle Resource of Bend is a non-profit that uses volunteer bicycle technicians to refurbish donated bicycles to distribute to the community. In their partnership with the Family Empowerment Program, they provide bicycles for Holiday Partnership and at events throughout the year. They are also available to programs serving youth and income qualified adults to provide bicycles on individual request. During the 2014 Holiday Partnership they provided over 40 bicycles to children and adults qualified through the program. During 2015 they provided bikes to give away and/or exchange to Crook County residents that needed bicycles or had bikes that weren't able to be repaired through the February free bicycle repair clinic, and provided bicycles and repair classes to students at the Landing, Lutheran Community Services sponsored Young Adult Hub and at Crook County Connect in September. They also provided over 30 bicycles at the 2015 Crook County Holiday Partnership. With the connection to new Family Access Network (FAN) coordinators in Barnes Butte and Crooked River Elementary schools, the demand for bicycles is anticipated to increase throughout the year. For more information on Bicycle Resource of Bend, please visit their website: <http://bicycleresourceofbend.org/>.

Throughout the year, the Family Empowerment Program takes donations for bicycles and routes them to Bicycle Resource for renovation or if not appropriate for repair, to obtain parts for future repairs. FEP provides a modest payment to Bicycle Resource to help offset tire and parts replacement and have asked for similar support when available from partner organizations asking for their participation in events/bicycle giveaways in the community. Project Connect made a model donation to offset costs as well. Crook County provides storage facilities to stage bikes needing to be transported for repair and bikes ready for distribution in the community throughout the year. All Family Empowerment/Holiday

Partnership staff time is donated. That is also true for Bicycle Resource Technicians, and those who transport bikes back and forth to their Bend shop for repair throughout the year.

A copy of the Family Empowerment Program Tax Exempt Designation Letter and Holiday Partnership 2015 brochure, including partner organizations is attached.

Thank you for the opportunity to partner on making more bicycles available to Crook County Residents.

Crook County Holiday Partnership

Agencies and organizations in Crook County recognize the need to partner together to eliminate duplication and adequately serve all eligible children, families, Veterans, senior and disabled in Crook County

Family Empowerment Program

Mike Templeton, Chair
462-3003

Department of Human Services

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Crook County Rotary
Jeff Schuler, Bicycle Resource of Bend
Willie McKenzie, Crook County Juvenile
Crook County Fairgrounds

Crook County Human Services

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For more information, and to access our calendar, visit us on Facebook:

Crook County Holiday Partnership



Thank you to these sponsors for Gifting Trees and Toy/Clothing Drop-off Boxes

TREE SPONSORS - Tags out Nov 24th - Dec 17th
Bank of the Cascades 555 NW Third St
Washington Federal 1570 NE Third St
U.S. Bank 221 NE Third St
Wells Fargo Bank 220 NW Third St
Oregonians Credit Union 110 NE Fifth St
Pioneer Memorial Hospital (seniors) 1201 NE Elm St
Chase Bank 550 NE Third St



Mid-Oregon Credit Union
305 NE Hickey Farms Rd
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750 NW Third St

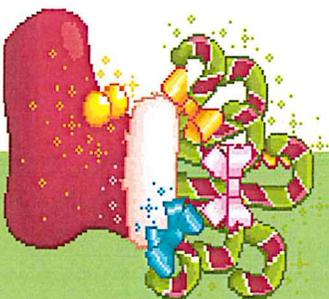
Drop off unwrapped toys

DROP BOXES - Toys for Tots, clothing, gifts and nonperishable food Nov 3rd-Dec 17th
American Family Insurance 298 NW Third St
Associates Real Estate 715 NW Third St
Bi-Mart 2091 NE Third St
Chamber of Commerce 185 NW 10th
City of Pineville 387 NE Third St
Crestview Cable TV 350 NE Dunham
Crook County Courthouse 300 NE Third St
Hans Pharmacy 136 NE Third St
Les Schwab Tire Store 1250 NE Third St
McDonalds 498 NW Third St
Meadowlakes Restaurant/Golf Course 300 SW Meadowlakes Dr.
Papa Murphy's Pizza 1300 NE Third St
Pioneer Memorial Hospital/Clinic 1201 NE Elm St
Pine Theater 214 NE Main St
Pizza Hut 1505 NE Third St
Primeville Fire Hall 500 NE Belknap
Rite Aide 1575 NE Third St
Robberson Ford 2289 NE Third St
Sears 1515 N.E. 3rd, Suite B
Sons of Beer 1320 NE Third St
Starbucks 1590 NE 3rd Street
Tom & Charlies 1590 NE Third St

For More Information, contact:

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Family Empowerment Program
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**CROOK COUNTY
HOLIDAY
PARTNERSHIP**



Providing Holiday Support to Seniors, Children, Veterans and Families in Need in Crook County
100% of funds are used for gifts and food - we are an all volunteer partnership.

HOLIDAY GIVING IN CROOK COUNTY

Each year, families with children, senior and disabled citizens in Crook County access holiday support through food boxes and gifts. Due to our economy, this number has been higher over the last few years with over 2800 eligible applications distributed this year.

Recipients of the holiday giving program make application with proof of income/need. They may apply for food baskets and/or gifts for seniors, disabled and children.



Last year 983 Crook County children were provided Holiday gifts of clothing and toys

FOOD BASKETS

Food Baskets are provided by a variety of organizations. Donations of food specifically for holiday food baskets can be delivered to the Family Resource Center or you may call 447-3260 for food pickup or to arrange a tax-deductible cash donation with the Family Empowerment Program. Food Box sponsors/partners include:

Prineville Elks, BPOE #1814, the Eagles Lodge, Aerie 2555, Prineville VFW #1412, local churches and high school

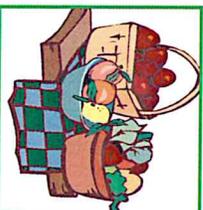
leadership serving as partners that have provided multiple food boxes/certificates each year. Groups also can provide a food box for a single family.

GIFT GIVING

Local banks sponsor Trees of Joy which have gift tags for children/youth and senior/disabled. The Pioneer Memorial Hospital also has a gift tree for eligible senior and disabled residents.

To participate, select a name from a tree and return by **December 17th**. It is suggested that those who take names limit their giving to \$50 per person. Groups or businesses are able to take whole families by arrangement, prior to **November 24th**.

Coldwell Banker-Sun Country Realty and Marine Corps League #1308 sponsor the **TOYS FOR TOTS** campaign. In addition to the Coldwell Banker location, drop boxes are located throughout Prineville to collect toys, clothing and nonperishable food items.



Food Basket donors pack food boxes based on family size and special dietary needs. 856 in 2014

Frequently Asked Questions:

HOW DO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR GIFTS AND/OR FOOD BOXES?

There is an application process that includes income eligibility. Applications are mailed through the Department of Human Services to those enrolled in their various assistance programs. If you did not receive an application but believe you are eligible, you may submit an application at either the Family Resource Center, or Eastside Church. You will need to submit income verification with your application.

HOW DO I KNOW OUR/MY EFFORTS AREN'T A DUPLICATION OF WHAT SOMEONE ELSE IS DOING?

The businesses and organizations that have partnered together are using a common database to reduce duplication and coordinate resources.

FOR MORE ANSWERS/FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE.

As well as donations, we are relying on volunteers to help staff the food and gift pickup sites, wrap gifts and help with other organizational duties. For more information, call 447-3260 or visit our website at www.holidaypartnership.com





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City Council,

The Prineville Police Department on a weekly basis receives multiple bicycles as found property and or safekeeping. If a bicycle is received as a found property item we keep that bicycle for a period of 90 days in hopes that an owner will claim the item. A bicycle received as a safekeeping item is held for a period of 30 days in which the owner has a property receipt that states they have 30 days to claim that item. In both situations if the time period expires, the Prineville Police Department must dispose of the item in accordance with current policy and procedure methods. Currently we use Propertyroom.com to auction off the bicycles in bulk. The Police Department does not receive a large dollar amount from the auctioned bikes.

At this time the Police Department is proposing we donate these bicycles and bicycle parts to a local charity that refurbishes them and donates them back to children in our community.

The Prineville Police department currently has approximately 50 bicycles ready to be donated to this local organization.

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Evidence Technician
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