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History in the News

Young House trees recognized by the Oregon Heritage Tree Program

In April, we received word that three trees on the grounds of the Elizabeth Constable & John Quincy Adams Young House on Cornell were added to Oregon's Heritage Tree list. The huge Shellbark hickory



Gravenstein apple tree, Photo courtesy of Oregon Travel Information Council

stands behind the house, while the Bartlett pear and the Gravenstein apple are just on the west side of the house. The house and small park are owned by Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD).

[Treekeepers of Washington](#)

County members have long loved these Young House trees and filed the paperwork with the [Oregon Travel Information Council](#) to nominate them as Heritage Trees. Although achieving this designation does not give the trees any protections, gaining recognition for them may help bring them to the community's attention. Standing in the deep shade of the hickory tree or watching a deer enjoy fallen fruit from the ancient apple tree—those are thrills that can deepen our enjoyment of trees.

In 2021 members of the Cedar Mill Historical Society spearheaded an [effort to revitalize the long-neglected fruit trees](#). As part of the pruning work, cuttings were taken from the pear and apple tree and grown out by Cornell Farm Nursery. The saplings will be available for purchase at the 2025 Cedar Mill Cider Festival on September 21. THPRD, the Friends of the Young House, and the Heritage Tree group will conduct a dedication during the Festival.

Washington County's history at risk

Without prior public notice, the board and staff of the Washington County Historical Society (WCHS, DBA Five Oaks Museum)

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Washington County News

Doubletree Transitional Housing

In March, [Washington County Housing Services](#) purchased the building near the intersection of Cornell and Highway 26 that was the former site of the Doubletree Hotel. It will be used as "[Transitional Housing](#)" which provides a way forward for individuals and couples struggling with homelessness or housing instability. The "Cornell Road Recovery Community" will be a clean and sober living environment that requires sobriety for people who want to work toward housing stability. "Transitional housing provides robust services onsite, 24/7 staffing and security, and a goal of helping residents transition to stable, long-term housing within two years."

The site will require significant renovations over the next year to prepare it for its new purpose. Emily Roots, Housing Communications Coordinator, says, "Central City Concern is supporting us as a subject matter expert as we move through the development process. We will complete a competitive process to select the on-site service provider later this year. No programming will be offered for at least a year, as the building is remodeled, and the program is de-

signed. The site is estimated to open in mid-to-late 2026."

Roots says that housing staff will engage with neighborhood community partners, including Oak



Hills HOA and CPO 1. "Community engagement will include an opportunity to meet on-site service providers, tour the site, ask questions, and share input on how best to engage with neighbors in the future. This process will also include the development of a Good Neighbor Agreement (also referred to as a Neighborhood Plan) created jointly between the neighbors and the program operators. We look forward to working with the community as we advance housing solutions with options of all shapes and sizes."

Clean Water Services executive staff under scrutiny

In March, The Oregonian newspaper [published an article](#) revealing the surprisingly lavish trips, paid for by our sewer bills and property taxes, that at least eight members of Clean Water Services (CWS) top staff have been taking every year to Hawaii.

The Board of Directors of CWS *Continued on page 6*

Road news

Second Thompson Road closure slated for May

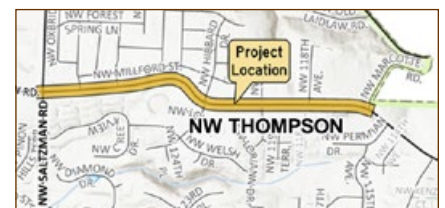
Construction has been delayed on the Thompson Road Realignment due to complications with a waterline installation. The second and final Thompson Road closure is tentatively planned for May, but the exact dates weren't available at press time. [Visit the Project page](#) for updates.



The weekday intermittent lane closures are from 8:30 am-2:30 pm to avoid impacting Findley Elementary School drop off and pick up. Our project team is working with the school administration to make sure parents have timely updates.

Open House held for Thompson (Saltzman to Marcotte) improvements

Washington County Land Use & Transportation (LUT) held an in-person Open House in April to share plans for sidewalks, bike lanes, road widening with new turn lanes, and other improvements. Maps and other meeting materials are on the [Project Page](#). The project is in the design phase, with right-of-way acquisition expected to begin later



this year. Construction is expected to take place between September 2026 and December 2027.

Transportation Development Tax to increase July 1

One way Washington County pays for roads is through the TDT *Continued on page 6*

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Cedar Mill Business Roundup

Do you have news or events or know of something that you would like to see covered in the Cedar Mill News? Please write to Virginia Bruce at info@cedarmillnews.com

Cedar Mill Farmers Market opens for the season!

Saturdays, May 3-October 18, 9 am-2 pm, corner of NW Cornell & Murray Roads

Your neighborhood community farmers market is excited to bring you a season full of fresh, local, seasonal produce, flowers, and other locally made products. There will be music, community events, opportunities to volunteer and get involved, and lots of fun!

It's a great way to spend a



Saturday morning with family and friends, rain or shine. The market is family and pet friendly. We aim to be welcoming, respectful, and culturally aware. We want to create a space where people feel valued, respected and included. Everyone is welcome!



For kids, the Power of Produce (POP) Club provides children with fun interactive activities with the focus on fresh fruit and veggies. And kids can learn about healthy eating and how things grow through educational activities at our Power of Produce Kids Booth, and get tokens to trade with farmers to buy fruit and veggies.

We accept SNAP/EBT at the market. Come by the information booth for more information. We will match up to \$20 each week when you use your card. Check out the Cedar Mill Farmers Market website for more information. Want to volunteer? Email us at ourcmfm@gmail.com.

Rose City Delights at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market

Saturdays, 9 am-2 pm, northwest corner of Cornell & Murray

At Rose City Delights, we believe local tastes better. We are a proud LGBTQ-owned company based right here in the Cedar Mill neighborhood, crafting premium, small-batch nut mixes with ingredients sourced from the West Coast and Hawaii whenever possible. Our products are handmade with care, using minimal processing and real, wholesome ingredients, no artificial flavors, preservatives, or additives.

Our mission is simple: to create snacks that feel indulgent, fresh, and connected to our local roots. Whether you're looking for a savory snack or a sweet, satisfying treat, we have something you'll love. Come visit us at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market to sample our latest creations, meet the

makers behind the brand, and take home a little piece of our local flavor. You can also learn more about us anytime at www.rosecitydelights.com."

Spring Market at Bethany Village bursting with produce and more!

Thursday, May 15, 4-7 pm, 4720 NW Bethany Blvd.

Join us and shop from amaz-



ing local vendors who offer everything from plants to fresh produce to handmade goods. Enjoy live music by Jordan Sings, savor delicious eats, and much more! Check out the vendor lineup and more at the Bethany Village website.

Apply now for Sunset Credit Union's college scholarships

Each year, Sunset Credit Union awards two, \$2,000 scholarships to students going to college. If you, or someone you know—including family and friends—are going to college in September, applications are now being accepted. Applications must be received by May 31 to be eligible.



To apply for one of the scholarships, stop by our office, or visit the Sunset Credit Union website and click on the 'college scholarship' link on the homepage to find the details. If an applicant is not a member of Sunset Credit Union yet, they can join easily and securely

online anytime by visiting the Membership page.

Sunset Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, worships or attends school in Washington County. To learn more, stop by our office at 1100 NW Murray Blvd., visit our website or contact us at 503-643-1335.

Laurel Parc celebrates 16 years

This year, Laurel Parc Senior Living Community proudly celebrates 16 years of providing care, connection, and a true sense of home in the heart of Bethany. As a family-owned and operated community, we have remained a steady presence, offering not just a place to live, but a place to belong.

Our long-standing leadership and commitment to compassionate care have created a sense of comfort and continuity that residents and their families value. Some of our very first residents and team mem-



Bethany developer Roy Kim at the celebration

bers are still with us today—living proof of the strong bonds and trust that have been built over the years.

At Laurel Parc, community isn't just a concept—it's a feeling. It's in the friendships formed over morning coffee, the laughter shared at gatherings, and the familiar faces that turn neighbors into family. Our roots in Bethany run deep, and our mission has always been the same: to provide a welcoming, enriching environment where every resident feels at home.

Here's to 16 years of memories, friendships, and meaningful moments—and to many more still to come. If you're interested in learning more about Laurel Parc, please visit the Laurel Parc website or call 503-512-6463 and schedule a tour. We'd love to show you around!

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CPO 1 News

Joint CPO 1 & 7 meeting: Introducing the CATT

Monday, May 12, 7 pm, [via Zoom](#)

Washington County Center for Addiction, Triage & Treatment (CATT)

Staff from Behavioral Health, the Sheriff's Office, and Beaverton site services provider CODA, will present an overview of the CATT to our Community Participation Organizations (CPOs). With [locations in Beaverton and Hillsboro](#),



Conceptual image for the Beaverton location of the CATT

this unique model will provide substance use recovery options for community members right here in Washington County.

Submit questions in advance of the presentation by emailing them to Aika Fallstrom at Aika_fallstrom@washingtoncountyor.gov. Link to CATT FAQs: washington-countyor.gov/behavioral-health/faqs-catt

If you can't attend our meetings, they are recorded and available on the [CPO 1 YouTube channel](#) for viewing at your convenience. Visit our YouTube channel and subscribe! The [CPO 1 Facebook Group](#) is a good place to discuss current issues and get timely updates.

Development News

On April 7, a team of developers presented plans to the Central Beaverton Neighborhood group for West Village, a 55-unit apartment complex to be built at the corner of Valeria View and Barnes Road. They will also attend the June 10



West Village, looking northeast from Barnes

CPO 1 meeting.

Entrance to the complex will be on Valeria View. The main building is four stories of apartments with parking on the bottom floor for 30 vehicles. The outside parking lot will have 40 spaces. A clubhouse will be in a separate building on the 1.75-acre parcel.

Development Applications

Middle Housing lot division

The county approved the request to divide a lot and develop duplexes on each parcel, on property just west of Cedar Park Middle School at the northwest corner of SW 144th and SW Walton. The applicant proposes to convert the primary dwelling unit into one of the detached duplexes and the recently approved Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) into the other duplex.

The state mandated [Middle Housing designation](#) allows more units per lot than regular residential zoning, with less opportunity for public comment. A newly formed subcommittee of the [Committee for Community Involvement](#) (CCI) is exploring whether it follows Oregon's land use laws.

Catlin Gabel Master Plan

The county approved the [plan to expand the uses](#) on the Catlin Gabel campus.

Neighborhood Meeting

Barnes Road land division

Tuesday, May 13, 6 pm [via Microsoft Teams](#)

Providence Health is proposing to divide a land parcel at 9340 SW Barnes into two lots. The western segment has two existing buildings and the eastern segment has one.

The purpose of the division isn't clear at this point, but anyone interested is invited to attend. [Meeting materials are available here](#).

CPO Program and the county budget

The [proposed 2025-26 county budget](#) includes further cuts to the CPO programs. Washington

County is required to balance its budget every year, and this year they had a \$20.5 million gap between the previous year expenditures and the anticipated revenue. Personnel are allocated in Full Time Equivalents (FTEs). Administrative support for community participation planned for the upcoming year is dropping from 1.43 FTE to .98 FTE. A public [Budget Town Hall](#) hosted by the Washington County Board of Commissioners will happen on Monday, May 12, 7-8:30 pm.

The majority of the work of [the 17 CPOs](#) is done by volunteers, so please consider stepping into a [leadership role](#) to ensure that neighbors continue to have a voice in land use and other aspects of county decision making. If you are considering a volunteer position, reach out to us by email at cpoleaders@gmail.com.

The current and anticipated reduction in staffing at the [Office of Equity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement \(OEICE\)](#) that manages the CPO system has postponed the ["modernization"](#) effort aimed at reorganizing the program.

Washington County Forum

Monday, May 12, 11:30-1 pm, The Old Spaghetti Factory, 10425 NE Tanasbourne Dr, or [join via zoom](#)

Healthcare in Oregon: Dr. Sam Metz, Adjunct Associate Professor of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine at Oregon Health & Science University, will discuss what we need to know about healthcare and why he believes we need healthcare reform.

The monthly Forum meetings are where community leaders and residents connect to discuss public policy issues. The information and opinions expressed by our speakers are their own. The Forum does not take positions. Our meetings are hybrid: in-person and via Zoom. [Learn more about the Forum here](#).

Children's Entrepreneur Market

Saturday, May 10, 9 am-1 pm, \$25 to participate, free to attend, 12500 SW 4th St.

Next to the Beaverton Farmers Market: Nothing beats local produce and products! Come see what your local small business owners are producing along with your local "kidpreneurs!" No food market. [Learn more about this organization here](#). It's part of the [Libertas Network](#), a libertarian thinktank in Utah.

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Arts & Entertainment

Frozen Jr. at Stoller

May 8, 9, 16, 7 pm, May 17, 2 pm, Stoller Middle School, 14141 NW Laidlaw Rd, adults \$7, students \$5, [tickets here](#) in advance, or at the door with cash.

Disney's Frozen JR. is a heart-warming adaptation of the 2018 Broadway musical, specially tailored for young performers. Follow the journey of sisters Anna and Elsa as they discover the true meaning of love and acceptance. Frozen JR. brings the magical kingdom of Arendelle to life with humor, adventure, and unforgettable music. Perfect for all ages, this production celebrates friendship, bravery, and the power of being yourself.

ACMA presents Spectacular

Saturday, May 17, 7-9 pm, Sunday, May 18, 2-4 pm, preshow with arts sales, entertainment, and games begins 90 minutes before the show, 11375 NW Center Street, Beaverton, \$40, [purchase tickets here](#).

Spectacular is the primary fundraiser for Arts & Communication Magnet Academy (ACMA), a Beaverton School District school with a focus on the arts. This show uniquely showcases all student art programs at ACMA in storybook themes as "Once Upon a Spectacular."

Spectacular includes performances from theater, dance, instrumental and choir music, film, written word, and 2D art programs. Pre-show beginning 90 minutes before each performance includes art sales, student sketch artists, student performances, games, and concessions. In addition to the two performances there is an online auction of theme baskets. More auction information will be found at acmapto.com soon. Please contact hello@acmapto.com with any questions.

BSO presents

Friday, May 16, 7:30 pm, Patricia Reser Center for the Arts, 12625 SW Crescent St. Pre-concert reception, 6:30 pm, and pre-concert talk 7 pm, [purchase tickets on the Reser website](#).

Sunday, May 18, 3 pm, Village Church, 330 SW Murray Blvd., pre-concert talk 2:30 pm, [purchase tickets on the BSO website](#).

Celebrate the grand finale of the Beaverton Symphony Orchestra's 2024-2025 season with an unforgettable concert that will leave you awestruck. The Travis Hatton Young Artist Competition winners, Michael Hsu (Prokofiev's



Piano Concerto No. 3), cellist Sarah Lee (Tchaikovsky's Pezzo Capriccioso), and violinist Leo Trajano (Bruch's Scottish Fantasy) are the featured performers. Also on the program, The Overture to La forza del Destino by Giuseppe Verdi and Ludwig van Beethoven's dramatic Symphony No. 5 in C minor.

Beaverton Community Band: Musical Portraits of America

Sunday, June 8, 3 pm, Jesuit High School, 9000 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Highway, adults \$15, senior/veteran \$10, students under 12 free, family of 4 \$30, details and purchase tickets on the [BCB website](#).

Enjoy an afternoon of powerful storytelling and musical vibrance at the concert featuring classics such as Yankee Doodle, Shenandoah, and When Johnny Comes Marching Home, Little Rhapsody in Blue featuring our very own Natsumi Goto as soloist, and much more!

May at the Reser

Various dates and times, 12625 SW Crescent St., free and ticketed, see more events on the [Reser website](#).

Selected Shorts: A Sporting Life

Saturday, May 17, 7:30 pm, \$30-\$45

Play ball! The hit radio show and podcast Selected Shorts is an evening of joyous and exuberant short fiction about ruthless competition, poetry in motion, and losing with grace...or not. Actors present stories that explore what happens when we take one for the team!

I Am An American Live: Stories of Exclusion and Belonging

Saturday, May 24, 7 pm, free

Storytellers Arun Storrs, Shi Choong, Vu Pham and Zarmina Ahmadi, from Vietnam, Nepal, Malaysia, and Afghanistan share their experiences of what it means to belong in America, even while sometimes being excluded. They reveal how their lived experiences empowered them to drive change for themselves and their communities. Included in the program is a



performance by vocalist Shivani Joshi with musicians Joseph Harchanko (strings), and Fiaindratovo (Mimy) Manavihare (percussion).

Sleeping Beauty with OIBA

June 14, 7 pm, June 15, 2 pm, Reser Center for the Arts, [tickets available here](#)

Oregon International Ballet Academy invites you to our Tenth Anniversary Spring Show featuring Tchaikovsky's beloved fairy tale, Sleeping Beauty, and a World Premiere by Ye Li. Artistic Director Xuan Cheng, Ballet Mistress



of Hong Kong Ballet and former Principal Dancer with Oregon Ballet Theatre, joins forces with Ye Li to bring new life to Sleeping Beauty in an original abbreviated version featuring Aurora's wedding. Their interpretation maintains the grandeur and technical rigor of the Petipa masterpiece, while infusing it with fresh and nuanced visual storytelling, a luminous young cast, and the elegant theatricality for which OIBA is known.

Village Gallery of Arts

Visit the [VGA website](#) for late-breaking classes and events!



Mother's Day Tea & Basketry

Saturday, May 10, 1-4 pm, \$35 plus \$15 supply fee, max 8 participants

Come enjoy a cup of tea and some sweets while you explore the basics of weaving a simple basket during this fun afternoon tea! No weaving experience needed. This will be basic weaving, finishing with a simple lashed rim and mini

rolling pin handle. A variety of colors are available for the ribbon and sides. All material, drinks and treats included.

Mother's Day ArtChat

Sunday, May 11, 3-5 pm, and Art Dollars for Scholars Community Show, May 6-June 1, free

Come see our community's amazing 2D and 3D art talent, meet Gallery artists, browse for a Mother's Day gift, and help support our scholarship program for graduating seniors who are planning to pursue a post-secondary arts program. All entries are for sale!

Children's Classes

Thursdays in May, 3:45-5:15 pm, \$80, max 8 students, ages 7-11 yrs

A team of our experienced rotating VGA instructors provides a chance to explore different media and approaches while building children's artistic concepts and skills. All supplies included. May featured projects: Foil Art; Bug Names/Mirror Images; Weaving, Phenology Color Wheel (watercolor media).

Adult Classes

Woodland Animals Acrylic Painting

Saturday, May 3, 10 am-12:30 pm, \$40, teen to adult, max 8 students

Select your woodland animal: eagle, deer, fawn, wolf, coyote, moose, or bear. Come discover an easy technique for creating birch trees, then reveal your animal, with Jeannine Bamberg.



Rachel Gering, "Trees and Shadows"

Color Theory in Acrylics: Unlocking the Power of Color

Thursdays, May 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:15 am-12:15 pm, \$180 members, \$200 non-member, max 8 students, all levels

Explore the science and artistry behind color in this four-season acrylic course. We'll dive into the true color wheel, harmonious color schemes, complimentary color mixing, and how to create depth and mood through color relationships. You'll leave with a final piece that demonstrates your new found understanding of color, with Chel Gering.

History, continued from page 1 closed the doors of the building on December 29, 2024, and fur-loughed its half-dozen staff due to lack of funding.

Euro-American settlers (pio-neers) had been collecting and preserving artifacts since the late 1800s. In a real sense, Washington County was the end of the Oregon Trail where many pioneers made their homes, displacing the native Kalapuyan/Atfalati tribal people. WCHS was founded with those collections in 1956, operating out of several locations in Hillsboro as the collection grew.

The organization was supported



One of the two large storage rooms at the county history museum.

by public donations until 1975, when Washington County began to pay for one full-time and one part-time employee to manage the collection, which now included county records. Eventually the county used some of its lottery allocation for the museum.

With support from local businesses, foundations, private donations, and the county, the museum purchased and moved into new headquarters on the Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus in 1982. The building was enlarged to better store and preserve the collection in 2008. The county retained ownership of the collections, PCC owned the land the museum was built on, and WCHS gave the building to the county. Programming included public exhibits and events, and educational resources for teaching local history.

The Board of County Commis-sioners (BCC) transferred all admin-istrative and financial responsibility to the Society in 1987 and agreed to continue funding to manage the collection. In an institutional change to collect and preserve not just

historical items but also to promote Washington County arts, science, and culture, the historical society changed its name to the Washington County Museum in 2008. (Excerpted from an article in [The Oregon Encyclopedia](#).)

In 2020 the organization was rebranded as Five Oaks Museum, and the focus broadened and de-emphasized history. County and donor financial support began to dwindle.

Efforts by the museum board to secure emergency funding failed. The bankrupt nonprofit organi-zation has a debt of more than \$100,000 and is presumably in the process of being dissolved by the Oregon Department of Justice. Washington County terminated the 1987 Agree-ment with WCHS on April 7, 2025 and took possession of the building.

The BCC has held a couple of Work Sessions discussing the future of the collections with another session slated for May 13. In the meantime, county staff has ensured that the building is maintained and has been working to update collections software critical to maintaining an inventory. A comprehensive inventory of the collection needs to be undertaken.

Local history groups around the county had been meeting for years as the History Roundtable. Upon learning of the closure, the group began to discuss ways to preserve and protect our cultural heritage, and engaged the Committee for Community Involvement (CCI) which has writ-ten a letter encouraging the BCC to continue its role in maintaining the building until a solution is found, and to engage in a public process to find a way forward. In the face of annual budget shortfalls, despite the fact that museum funding came from Oregon Lottery dollars, several commis-sioners expressed a desire to disperse the collection.

Roundtable members encour-age the community to [contact your commissioners](#) to ask them to en-gage in a public, collaborative effort to establish responsible stewardship of the county’s historical collec-tions. The future of our past is in their hands.

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WashCo News, continued from page 1 is made up of the [Board of County Commissioners](#) (BCC). Following the critiques [published by The Oregonian](#) and [The Hillsboro Herald](#), on April 11 the BCC voted to adopt new oversight measures for the agency.

CWS [sent out](#) an email in April to subscribers of their “Clean Water Connection” newsletter acknowledging the controversy. “We know



Diane Tanaguchi-Dennis (left) testified during a BCC Work Session in April. Pam Treece (center) is our commissioner, and Kathryn Harrington (right) is the chair.

recent media coverage has shaken public trust in CWS, and we are dedicated to rebuilding that trust and demonstrating how we are investing your ratepayer dollars to contribute to a livable community and healthy environment.”

“The CWS Board of Directors has laid out required steps to increase oversight and accountability. We have also posted public statements [from the Board](#) and [from CEO Diane Taniguchi-Dennis](#) on our website, as well as a [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page. If you have questions or concerns, we encourage you to share them with our leadership by emailing cwsboard@cleanwaterservices.org.”

They also invite the public to comment on the upcoming Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget. “The CWS Budget Committee will review the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget and make its recommendation to our Board of Directors on Friday, May 9. The CWS Board will conduct a public hearing and consider adopting the budget on Tuesday, June 17. Our proposed budget will be posted at cleanwaterservices.org/budget by the end of April, as will information on how to participate.”

[Another meeting](#) between the BCC/CWS board and Diane Tanaguchi-Dennis (CWS CEO) on April 30 revealed that BCC members were not satisfied by Tanaguchi-Dennis’ responses and wanted more concrete steps sooner. Read [Dirk Knudsen’s report in his Hillsboro Herald](#) for more details.

LUT Workplan

The Washington County Department of Land Use and Development (LUT) has published a draft [Planning Work Program for 2025-27](#) and invites the public to review the work proposed for Community Planning, Transportation Planning, and Development Review/Current Planning divisions.

The online [Open House](#) includes “tables” on Housing Production and Affordability; Natural Resources and Climate Change; Multimodal Transportation Planning; Plan and Development Code Updates; and Fiscal Responsibility. Community members can visit the tables to learn about the issues and then provide feedback. The Open House ends at 5 pm on May 30.

The draft Work Plan can be [downloaded here](#). “Tier One” projects are very likely to happen, while “Tier Two” tasks may not be addressed within the two-year span of the Work Plan.

The final plan will determine what projects LUT staff will work on, what degree of staff time is required, whether the work will result in new ordinances, and how and when the public will be involved. All comments received by May 30, will be provided to the Washington County Board of Commissioners prior to adoption of the final work program.

Urban Services Framework Project

Washington County and the cities of Beaverton and Tigard are partnering on the new Urban Services Framework Project (USFP) which will study how urban services, such as street maintenance, fire protection, parks/recreation, drinking water and sewer/stormwater, are provided in urban unincorporated Washington County.

About 35% of Washington County’s residents live within Metro’s Urban Growth Boundary and outside any city municipal government’s boundaries. In these urban unincorporated areas, urban services are provided by the

County or special service districts. The Cedar Mill community includes both urban unincorporated areas and land in the city of Beaverton boundaries.

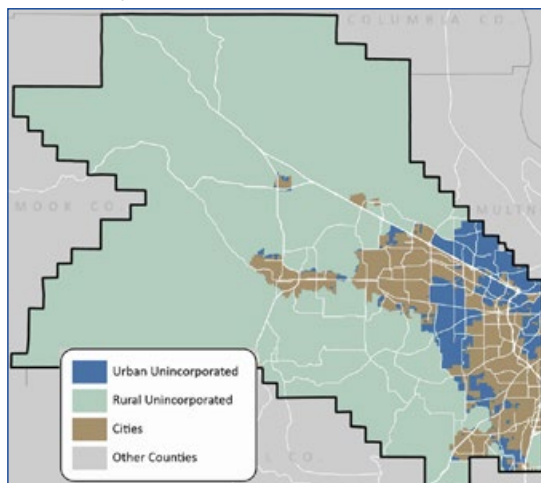
The USFP, funded through a federal grant, comes at a time when local government funding is constrained. County staff say they understand that the availability and cost of urban services for residents and businesses in both the cities and unincorporated urban Washington County impacts livability.

“This project is a fact-finding mission to identify if the current way of providing services is the most effective and efficient,” said Carol Johnson, Manager, LUT Planning and Development Services Division. “The technical analysis will look at how urban services are provided now, including the cost, the condition of facilities and infrastructure, and policy and legal requirements.”

The impact on the level and cost of service will be evaluated for different scenarios to provide services and for different case study areas around Washington County. In addition, the study will identify the process for an area to incorporate into its own city.

Project partners selected case study areas with the goal of looking at areas with differing urban service providers, age and conditions of infrastructure and redevelopment potential. The case study areas are: Bethany, Cedar Hills West, Raleigh Hills and Garden Home in the Beaverton area; and Metzger and Bull Mountain in the Tigard area. Although Cedar Mill was not selected as a case study area, lessons learned from this technical analysis may be applied to Cedar Mill and other areas.

The USFP is expected to take about 18 months. Technical findings can inform next steps and a framework for decisions on future urban services.



Road News, continued from page 6 which is imposed on new development to help pay for transportation needs created by the development such as road improvements, sidewalks and bike lanes. TDT rates are based on the average estimated traffic generated by the type of new development. TDT rates are automatically adjusted each year, based on a five-year rolling average of road construction, labor, and right-of-way costs. [Increases are capped at 10% per year](#). Learn more here.

Washington County K9 Trials

Saturday, May 17, 10 am-1 pm, Hillsboro Stadium 4450 NE Century Blvd, Hillsboro, OR 97124, free

Join us for this year’s Washington County K9 Trials, a fun-filled family event hosted by the Washington County Sheriff’s Office and the Sheriff’s Office Foundation! Watch as dedicated law enforcement K9 teams compete for the top spot! Don’t miss out on a day of thrilling competitions and community fun!



Be sure to also stop by the community and vendor fairs starting at 10 am. The K9 competition will begin at 11 am, followed by a meet-and-greet with the K9s after the event. Check out this [video from last year’s event](#) to get an idea of this fantastic experience. We hope to see you there! Learn more by visiting [this page](#). Ask WCSO is produced by the Washington County Sheriff’s Office.

Caregiver Resource Fair

Sunday, May 18, 1-3:30 pm, Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th St.

Washington County Disability, Aging and Veteran Services is hosting a resource fair for caregivers. More than 20 community programs will be participating in the fair. Learn about support for you as the caregiver, dementia education opportunities, what in-home help is available, and more. Whether you are just starting out as a family caregiver or have been providing care for many years, this event is for you! [Download the flyer](#) for more information.

May Elections

Cedar Mill neighbors will be receiving ballots soon for the May 20 Election. The [Washington County Elections page](#) includes links to each candidate's official application. The Voter Guide you will have received has more information. If you misplaced or didn't receive the Voter Guide [you can download it here](#).

On our ballots will be [Beaverton School District Board of Director](#) candidates for four of the seven zones. Though candidates are nominated from the board zone in which they live, voters in the district elect them at-large. Each board member has [several school assignments](#) that may or may not be in their zone. A candidate forum was held in April, [you can watch it here](#).



Everyday Choices Can Improve Your Odds

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue cares about your health. This month, we encourage you to fight stress and serious illnesses by embracing healthy habits that will improve your overall quality of life. TVFR offers the following tips to help you enjoy a heart-healthy lifestyle.

Enlist a partner: Talk to loved ones, neighbors, and friends and invite them to participate in physical activities, share a balanced meal, and have a fun adventure. Everyday activities are always more fun with a partner—someone who will keep you company, inspire you to stick with a new routine, and encourage you on your health journey.

Fuel your body: Eating balanced meals helps your body better fight off sickness and recover more quickly when you are sick. Drink plenty of water. Enjoy fruits and vegetables throughout your day as snacks, toppings, side dishes, or in your main meal. A healthy diet also includes whole grains, fat-free or low-fat dairy products, lean meats, fish, beans, eggs, and nuts. Limit the saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, salt, and added sugars in your diet.

Get moving: It's never too late to start being active every day. As little as 30 minutes of exercise a day can help keep your body fit to

Also on the ballot are three Director positions for the [Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District](#).

The Tualatin Hills Parks & Recreation District has three [Director positions](#) up for election. Each candidate is unopposed.

[Tualatin Valley Water District](#) has three open positions also. Each of the candidates is unopposed.

It's not too late to sign up for [Ballot Tracking](#). Register now to get an update when your ballot is received.

You can either mail your ballot (allowing plenty of time for it to be received by Election Day) or drop it off in the dropbox in the parking lot of the Cedar Mill Library or [any of the other locations](#). Dropboxes close at 8 pm, and [updated results](#) begin to be posted after that.

fight off illness and prevent injury. You can even do simple exercises at home. Consult your physician to see what exercises will benefit you most. Carving out time to exercise has been shown to increase your energy level, reduce health risks, lower stress, improve your mood, and boost productivity. Regular physical activity is important for your overall health and fitness. It can also be a great source of fun.



your body. Ditch bad habits: Limit your alcohol and caffeine consumption, and quit smoking for good. Set healthy goals for yourself and celebrate when you achieve them.

Team up with your doctor: Doctors can help with prevention, screening, and treatment. Don't wait until you're sick to schedule an appointment. They can help you prevent health problems or catch them early enough to help you beat them. Ask your doctor to check your blood pressure and cholesterol numbers.

These choices also pave the way for a happier, healthier life. For more information about adopting a heart-healthy lifestyle, visit [www.tvfr.com](#).

Meet Your Neighbor

Chess Prodigy, Woman Grandmaster, and ... High School Student

By Seojin Ha

While many students her age are studying for exams over the weekend, Westview High School's Zoey Tang is in the air, traveling to chess tournaments, practicing chess puzzles, and expanding her nonprofit. Oh, did I forget to mention she's a Woman Grandmaster, the highest chess title for female chess players?

Zoey's impressive chess journey started at seven years old. "I learned the rules at the local library, and then I really developed my love of chess in my elementary school," she said. "At Hope Chinese Charter School, we had a small chess club, but we've won the state team championship at least three years in a row."

What started as an after-school activity bloomed into a strong passion. After training with her private coach, she eventually became the 2023 and 2024 Oregon Chess Champion. Some people would be bogged down by such excessive dedication to one endeavor, but her family is all-in on all that she does. "I don't have to worry about anything else besides academics and my chess improvements," she reflects. Mom and Dad help with all the travel logistics regarding tournaments around the world.

As you might have guessed, she is extremely busy. Juggling school, homework, and coached chess lessons, she spends her free time doing even more chess: solving puzzles, viewing world championship games, playing games to improve her craft.

But Zoey doesn't only focus on herself to better her chess game. In 2021, she started [Puddletown Chess](#), a nonprofit organization aimed at providing chess equity opportunities for students across the state. The organization hosts their own chess tournaments (with more than 100 participants), free online seminars, training programs, and weekly casual chess nights for young enthusiasts. The [next tournament](#) is on May 17 at the Village Church on Murray.

As part of Zoey's aspirations, she hopes for inclusivity in the broader chess world. "For every girl playing

chess, there's about 10 boys," she shares. Puddletown has a policy of free tournament entry for girls and those in underrepresented or low-income communities. "That way we encourage more of them to come..."



and hopefully have some fun."

In the future, Zoey hopes to go to college—and of course play chess. Whether it be on a collegiate team or just casual games, she intends to use her abilities to inspire others and continue pursuing a chess world of inclusion.

Multi-employer Job Fair

Tuesday, May 20, 11 am-1 pm, Beaverton Resource Center, 13565 SW Walker Rd.

We're excited to invite you to the Goodwill Job Connection taking place at the Beaverton Resource Center! This is a fantastic opportunity for job seekers in our community to explore a variety of employment options. Don't miss this chance to network with potential employers and discover exciting job prospects.

Thanks to our strong partnership with Goodwill Industries, each fair brings together a variety of local employers actively hiring for full- and part-time roles. From warehouse jobs to customer service and healthcare, these opportunities open doors for individuals and families seeking stability, growth, and fresh starts. Third Tuesday of Every Month. Got Questions? Call us at 503-207-5670.

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Memorial Day Commemoration

Monday, May 26, 10 am-12 pm, Veterans Memorial Park, Intersection of Washington, Watson, and 7th

Join us for our annual outdoor ceremony hosted in partnership with the American Legion Beaverton Post #124, to honor American military service members and veterans.

Pride Month Kickoff Dance Party

Saturday, May 31, 6-8 pm, Conestoga Rec & Aquatic Center, 9985 SW 125th Ave., free

Please join us in an inclusive celebration as we kick off Pride Month with a lively dance party honoring our LGBTQ+ community! In addition to dancing, there will be plenty of kid-friendly activities, including arts and craft stations and fun games and activities celebrating acceptance and togetherness. This event is open to everyone, so come as you are and show your pride!

Replacement of Willow Creek Greenway Boardwalk

The Willow Creek Greenway east boardwalk replacement will occur this summer. Construction is expected to begin in late May 2025 and be completed in November 2025. The site, between the Waterhouse Trail and NW Waterhouse Ave, will remain closed until the new boardwalk is finished. To learn more, please visit the [project webpage](#).

Serenity Park Improvements

The Serenity Park (7360 SW Pointer Rd.) improvements project begins in May and is expected to be completed by the end of 2025. To learn more, please visit the [project webpage](#).

Baby Owls

Visitors to the Tualatin Hills Nature Park may see baby owls in the trees along the Vine Maple Trail. You can [download a trail map here](#).



Road to 100 (tennis)

Friday, May 16, 5-8 pm, Mt. View Champions Park, 5915 SW 170th Ave., free
 Saturday, May 17, 10 am-1 pm, PCC Rock Creek, 17705 NW Springville Rd., free

In celebration of National Tennis Month and our 70th anniversary, the Babette Horenstein Tennis Center is partnering with USTA to offer a free community event aimed at introducing tennis to one hundred new adult players. Two events are available at two different locations and times. All equipment provided. Light refreshments for registered participants. Please visit the [event webpage](#) for additional details and to register.

National Senior Health & Fitness Day

Wednesday, May 28, 9-5 pm, Elsie Stuhr Center, 5550 SW Hall Blvd., free

Join us for a full day of fun, movement, and wellness as we celebrate National Senior Health & Fitness Day. Please visit the [event webpage](#) for more details and for the schedule.

Family Fishing Day and Volunteer Opportunity

Saturday, May 10, 9 am-2 pm, Commonwealth Lake Park, SW Foothill and SW Huntington, registration required, free

The Cedar Hills Rec Center is teaming up with NW Steelheaders and the Oregon Conservation & Recreation Fund to teach the community how to fish. This fun, hands-



on event is perfect for all ages. Registration is required. Oregon Fish & Wildlife will provide equipment. If patrons want to bring home any fish, they should bring a container and cooler (ziploc bags, ice, etc.).

Native Plant Sale Pick-Up and Volunteering Opportunity

Thursday-Saturday, May 8-May 10, 8:30-5 pm, Tualatin Hills Nature Center, 15655 SW Millikan Way

Please remember to pick up any plants that were ordered. Additionally, volunteers are needed to help unload plants, as well as tagging and sorting plants for the sale. To register to volunteer, please visit the [event webpage](#).

Garden & Nature

Beaverton/Cedar Mill Garden Club Plant Sale

Saturday, May 10, 8:30 am-2 pm, parking lot of Nexus Church, Hall Blvd & SW 22nd St., Beaverton, free to attend

Cedar Mill Garden Club will again be joining with Beaverton Garden Club for their annual Plant



Sale. Come shop their huge inventory of trees, shrubs, perennials, houseplants, succulents, Mothers' Day bouquets, vegetable starts, and natives. Stop by the Cedar Mill Club's booth for hanging baskets, houseplants, mixed containers, gloves & more! This sale is BIG!

Five Oaks Garden Club plant sale

Saturday, May 17, 9 am-4 pm, Westside Bible Fellowship, 526 SE 9th Ave., Hillsboro

Perennials, annuals, houseplants, garden knickknacks, and garage sale items. Cash or checks only please.

WCMGA events

There are ample opportunities to advance your gardening knowledge and skills right here in Washington County. OSU Extension Master Gardener volunteers and the Washington County Master Gardener Association (WCMGA) offer a lineup of classes, lectures and family friendly events year-round. All events and details can be found on the [WCMGA events calendar](#).

Webinar: Alternative Crops for the PNW and WCMGA Highlights from 2024

Tuesday, May 6, 7-8 pm, [Zoom link to register](#), free

Srijana Shrestha, Metro Area Master Gardener Program Leader, Assistant Professor of Practice, Oregon State University, will present the 2024 program highlights, showcasing key achievements, outreach efforts, and impacts. Additionally, she will share insights into some of the research projects she has worked on such as melon grafting, sweet potato production, biodegradable mulches, and tea plant propagation and production, focusing on their relevance to sustainable gardening practices. Please visit the [event page](#)

for more information.

Treekeepers of Washington County programs

We work to protect and advocate for trees in urban unincorporated Washington County. Don't miss our upcoming events! All of them are free. [Visit the Treekeepers website](#) to learn more.

Tree Walk: Jenkins Estate

Sunday, May 18, 3-5 pm, exact location after registration, [register here](#), free

Join us for a leisurely walk to learn about the trees and history of 68-acre Jenkins Estate. The 1½ mile route will include native woodlands, orchards, and gardens on paved and soft surface trails that include some stairs and short steep areas. The grounds, which are on the National Register of Historic Places, include a row of lovely old elm trees which are some of Oregon's Heritage Trees. Visit the [THPRD website](#) to learn more about Jenkins Estate or the [Oregonic Webpage](#) to learn about Oregon Heritage Trees.

American Wetlands Month: Open House at Cedar Mill

Sunday, May 25, 9 am-1 pm, 11700 NW Cedar Falls Dr., free, park in the neighborhood and use the trail to get to the site

Join The Wetlands Conservancy and Cedar Mill community neighbors for a celebratory morning of wetland trivia, activities, and the opportunity to explore down in the mud! TWC staff and volunteers will chat with folks under the tent about what makes wetlands such important ecosystems for water quality, disaster resilience, and wildlife habitat. We'll have small games and sidewalk



chalk for kids, species ID books and educational resources for adults from 9am-1pm. Brave and curious hikers can follow along for guided tours in the lowlands to spot footprints, songbirds, dragonflies, beaver activity, and tons of native species in bloom! Please visit this [event webpage](#) for more details. Tours will be leaving at 10 am-12 pm with a max of ten participants per tour. Muck boots and good balance are required

because there is no trail! Visit [this map](#) for the exact meeting location.

Cedar Mill Garden Club seeks new members

Third Wednesday of every month, 10 am-noon but varies during July/August/Sept

Cedar Mill Garden Club meets the third Wednesday

of each month. During June, July, August and September we go on outings to local gardens/nurseries or other places of gardening interest. We are a small group of friendly plant enthusiasts with a desire to share the love of gardening. All levels of gardening experience is welcome. Dues is \$20/year. Come learn or share your knowledge and have fun. Please contact the current President, Cathy Ramsey @ cathyramsey503@gmail.com or 503-866-4222 for more information or to join.

Growing Oregon Gardeners webinar series

Second Tuesdays through September, 12 noon, [schedules and registration here](#), free

We know many Oregon gardeners are seeing changes in weather affecting their gardening. What does this mean for your garden's future? This year's OSU Extension Service Growing Oregon Gardeners: Level Up series is about growing resilience in a changing climate. We're digging deep into the science behind invasive pests,

best techniques in using less water, understanding what changes our trees are enduring, and harnessing the power of technology to identify and learn more about plants and insects. In partnership with [Garden Future](#), we're talking and learning about growing resilience in our gardens and communities.

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Viva Village

Viva Village is a Beaverton-area grassroots organization of members and volunteers who focus on enhancing and expanding the ways we can age well. We provide connections, programs, volunteer services, and referrals so members can lead engaged, healthy lives. For more information visit the [Viva Village website](#). Please RSVP for all events by contacting vivavillageor@gmail.com or 503-746-5082. Links for zoom meetings will be sent to those who RSVP. Members-only events are listed on our website and in the [web version of The News](#).

Viva Village Events Open to the Public:

Age Café

Friday, May 2, 11 am-12 pm,
Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW
5th Street

Small-group conversations exploring topics of interest to older adults. Interesting new topics each session. Co-hosted by Viva Village, Beaverton Committee on Aging (BCOA), Beaverton City Library, and Washington County Disability, Aging and Veterans Services (DAVS). Registration for the Zoom link up to a month ahead is on the library's website or on the Viva Village calendar.

Women's Coffee (in person)

Wednesdays in May, 10 am-12 pm,
New Seasons Market Cedar Hills,
3495 SW Cedar Hills Boulevard

Coffee and conversation. RSVP recommended.

Introductory Conversation about Viva Village

Thursday, May 8, 2-3:30 pm,
at a Viva Village member's home

A small group conversation in a casual setting with current members and volunteers. Learn about Viva Village and ask your questions. Limited to 8. RSVP for the address. Register on our website or contact the office.

Online Viva Village 101

Saturday, May 10, 10-11:30 am

An informational session for prospective members, volunteers, or anyone interested in Viva Village. Register on our website or contact the office for the Zoom link.

Viva Village Forum

Monday, May 19, 2-3:30 pm, United Methodist Church, Wesley Room,
12555 SW 4th Street, free

Just Say No to Scams: We say we wouldn't be caught in a scam but then we become a victim of one. Join us to learn about scams/fraud awareness and protection as Tabitha Alkire, the Elder Safe Coordinator for the Washington County Sheriff's Office, discusses common types of scams; signs of a scam; how to prevent being a victim; and the process to report a scam. Refreshments served. No charge. RSVP recommended. Register on our website or contact the Viva Village office.

Men's Coffee Break

Monday, May 26, 10-11:30 am,
Market of Choice Cedar Mill
(mezzanine), 250 NW Lost Springs
Terrace

Conversation and coffee. RSVP recommended.

Online Viva Village Book Club

Tuesday, May 27, 1-2:30 pm

Selected book: "The Dollmaker" by Harriette Arnow. RSVP for the Zoom link.

Bike Camp Registration Still Open!

It's not too late to give your child the freedom to explore on two wheels this summer. Saddle Up Bike Camp offers a fun, active and educational experience, where kids ride to parks, pools, and local attractions while learning bike safety and group riding skills. Campers are grouped by age: Wheelies (8-10) and Cruisers (11-12), with each session limited to 15 campers. Camps run for a week, Monday-Friday, 9 am-3pm and are held in different locations across the County. Cost



is \$325. Deposit and scholarship options are available. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)

We're also looking for paid and volunteer instructors to lead camp sessions! If you love biking and working with kids, this is a great opportunity to spend your summer outdoors, teaching bike safety and leading fun adventures. Apply here: [Bike Camp Instructor Employment Application.](#)

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Library News

Find event calendars, storytime schedules and more at [Library.CedarMill.org](#). To learn more and register for these events, visit the [Event Calendar page](#) and select the date for the event you're interested in. For more information, call (503) 644-0043, visit the website, or email askuscml@wccls.org.

Abbreviations: CML is [Cedar Mill Library](#), 1080 NW Saltzman Rd.; Bethany Library Annex is [BLA](#), 4888 NW Bethany Blvd, Suite K-2; BL is [Bethany Library](#), 15325 NW Central Drive, Suite J-8y.

Kids

Skills for School

Wednesday, May 21, 11-11:30 am, BLA, Ages 3+

Join us for activities designed to develop early learning skills in young children. Caregivers and children are encouraged to participate together.

Storytimes

Learn more at library.cedarmill.org/storytime.

Parent Information Series: Toddler Talk

Thursday, May 15, 6:30-8 pm, Online via Zoom, Adults

This interactive workshop will cover the basics of developmental stages, screen time, and the brain science of behavior. Presented by Megan Barella, Positive Discipline Educator.

Teens & Tweens

Teen Game Night: Super Smash Bros. Tourney

Friday, May 23, 6-8 pm, CML, Ages 10-18, Registration Required

Compete in our Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament. Meet your friends and play Switch, Wii, and Gamecube games together.

Adults

Softening Sharp Teeth: Getting Curious About Conflict

Thursday, May 8, 6-7:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration Required

This community conversation is an opportunity to reflect on our relationships to inter-personal conflict and how we can use it to grow.

Getting Started with WhatsApp Workshop

Tuesday, May 13, 12-1:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration Required

Practice using WhatsApp, sending messages and photos, and making a video call.

What is Artificial Intelligence?

Friday, May 9, 3-4:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration Required

WCCLS Digital Navigator will help explain how AI works and how you can use it.

Avid Adventurers Alliance: D&D for Adults

Saturday, May 10, 1-3 pm, CML, Ages 19+, Registration Required

Join us for a game of Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition. New and experienced players are welcome!



Small Business Roundtable

Tuesday, May 13, 6-7:30 pm, CML, Adults

The Economic Development Department of Washington County and others share how to start or grow your small business.

This Is Vietnamese Portland

May 24-May 31, CML, Adults

An exhibit featuring Vietnamese Portlanders' art, music, entrepreneurship, and community leadership.



Archive Day with Lewis and Clark College

Saturday, May 31, 11 am-12 pm, CML, Adults

Learn archival practices for preserving and digitizing important family documents and artifacts. Archival supplies, such as acid-free boxes and folders, will be provided.

Monthly Groups for Adults

Writers' Mill with Cindy Brown

Sunday, May 18, 1-3, CML and over Zoom, FREE

Cindy Brown (author of the Ivy Meadows mysteries) will join us at the Writers' Mill, introducing us to the wonders of Draft2Digital, self-publishing vs traditional publishing, and any other questions we can think of. If you're interested in writing and words, please join us—no commitment, no fee, just a great chance to meet with other writers. Find out more at portlandwritersmill.org, or ask a librarian.

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Owl Book Group

Friday, May 30, 10:30 am-12 pm, CML, Ages 16+

"Prequel: An American Fight Against Fascism" by Rachel Maddow.

Learn more about library groups and events for adults at library.cedarmill.org/adults.

CPO1 Neighbors Working Together!
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