

# voters' pamphlet



Oregon Vote-by-Mail General Election | **November 3, 2020**

## 2020 COLORING CONTEST

Thank you to all of our local students who participated. To see all of this year's entries, visit [www.deschutes.org/artcontest](http://www.deschutes.org/artcontest)

Congratulations to this year's coloring contest winners:

### K - 2nd Grade: 4-way tie

Amaya McCohan, 2nd grade,  
Elk Meadow Elementary  
Cameron Peery, 2nd grade  
Leo, 2nd grade,  
Jewell Elementary  
Sophia Hassan, 1st grade,  
Waldorf School of Bend

### 3rd - 5th Grade:

Amya Cline, 3rd grade,  
Miller Elementary

### Honorable Mention:

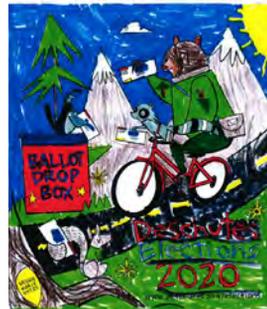
Madeline Pranghofer, Age 4,  
Montessori Preschool



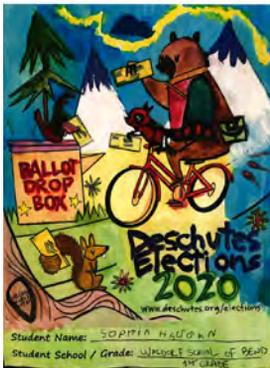
Student Name: Amaya McCohan  
Student School / Grade: Elk Meadow 2nd of 2



Student Name: Cameron Peery  
Student School / Grade: 2nd Grade



Student Name: Leo  
Student School / Grade: Jewell



Student Name: SOPHIA HASSAN  
Student School / Grade: Waldorf School of Bend 1st Grade



Student Name: Madeline Pranghofer  
Student School / Grade: Age 4 Montessori



Student Name: Amya Cline  
Student School / Grade: Miller 3rd Elementary



Student Name: Madeline Pranghofer  
Student School / Grade: Age 4 Montessori



Student Name: Olivia Peery  
Student School / Grade: 5th grade



Student Name: Luke Pranghofer  
Student School / Grade: High Lakes 2nd

### Attention

This is the beginning of your Deschutes County Voters' Pamphlet. The County portion of this joint Voters' Pamphlet is inserted in the center of the State portion. Each page of the County Voters' Pamphlet is clearly marked with a color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by your County Clerk.



Dear Deschutes County Voter:

This is your November 3, 2020 General Election Voters' Pamphlet. It includes information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within Deschutes County. The State Voters' Pamphlet includes federal and state candidates and measures. The Deschutes County Voters' Pamphlet is inserted in the center of the State Voters' Pamphlet to save on mailing costs.

The pamphlet contains the ballot measures and explanatory statements designed to provide impartial information. It also contains paid arguments for or against certain measures. Candidates may also pay to place a statement in the pamphlet.

Ballots will be mailed by Wednesday, October 14th, to each registered voter. Here are a few things you should know:

- ◆ Voted ballots **MUST** be received at our office or an official drop site location by **8:00 pm, Tuesday, November 3, 2020** to be counted. Remember your ballot envelope must be signed.
- ◆ All drop sites open Friday, October 16th. Check the Drop Site Location page in the pamphlet for more details.
- ◆ **New this year** – Prepaid Postage – A stamp is not required to mail your ballot return identification envelope. Mail no later than Tuesday, October 27, 2020, to arrive at the Deschutes County Election Office by 8:00 pm on Election Day.
- ◆ Candidate names on your ballot will appear in random alphabetical order. In accordance with ORS 254.155, random ordering of the letters is conducted prior to each election.
- ◆ Not all the candidates or measures in this Voters' Pamphlet will be on your ballot. Your residence address determines those districts for which you may vote. Your official ballot will contain only those issues on which you are eligible to vote, based on where you live.
- ◆ Not all candidates submit information for the Voters' Pamphlet so you may have candidates on your ballot that are not in the Voters' Pamphlet.
- ◆ This Voters' Pamphlet is online at [Deschutes.org/clerk](https://deschutes.org/clerk). After 8:00 pm on Election Night, preliminary election results will be posted online at [Deschutes.org/electionresults](https://deschutes.org/electionresults).
- ◆ If a ballot was delivered to your residence for someone who should no longer be receiving a ballot at your address, please write "RETURN" on the envelope and place it back in your mailbox.
- ◆ The signature on each voter's ballot return envelope is verified against the voter's signature on file. The signatures must match before a ballot can be counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.

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# Voting Information

## Registering to Vote

To be eligible to vote in the November 3, 2020 General Election, a completed voter registration card must be postmarked by Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

### To register to vote in Oregon, you must be:

1. A resident of Oregon.
2. A United States citizen.
3. At least 18 years old by election day.

### You must update your registration if:

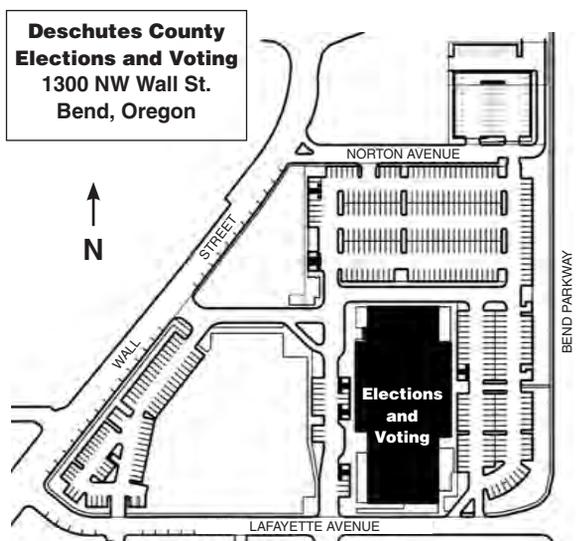
1. Your residence or mailing address changes.
2. Your name changes.
3. You wish to change your party affiliation.

**Important Note:** If you have moved or your name has changed and you have not yet updated your registration, you are still eligible to vote. Contact the Deschutes County Elections Office, 541-388-6547 for further information.

### Voters with disabilities:

If you are unable to vote your ballot without assistance, contact the Deschutes County Elections Office at 541-388-6547. We will provide two persons to assist you in voting. To assure your voted ballot is received by election day, contact the elections office early to arrange for assistance. You may also select someone else of your own choice to assist you.

An audio edition of the Voters' Pamphlet is available. To order, please contact Independent Living Resources at 503-232-7411 or TTY 503-232-8408.



## Voting Instructions

Your Ballot Packet should contain at least the following items:

- ✓ Printed ballot
- ✓ Pre-addressed return envelope to be signed
- ✓ Secrecy sleeve

### Examine your official ballot and vote it:

Examine your official ballot and locate the candidate or measure response oval of your choice for each contest. To vote you must blacken the oval (●) completely with a pen (black or blue ink) next to your choices. Do not use a felt tip pen.

### Review your ballot:

Ensure you correctly marked your choice for each contest. Your official ballot may contain contests printed on both sides of your ballot.

### Prepare to return your ballot:

Place your ballot in the return envelope. You may use the optional secrecy sleeve, but it is not required. Election staff will ensure the secrecy of your ballot. Read the voter's statement on the return envelope and sign it on the signature line.

### Signing your ballot return envelope:

Your ballot will not be counted if the return envelope is not signed. Every signature is checked against the registration signature on file and the signature must match for the ballot to be counted.

### Return your ballot:

**By mail:** Return your ballot in your signed and sealed return identification envelope. A stamp is not required. Mail no later than Tuesday, October 27, 2020 to arrive at Deschutes County Elections Office no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day. Postmarks do not count.

**At an official drop site:** Deliver the signed and sealed return identification envelope to an official drop site no later than 8:00 pm on Election Day. Postage is not required.

**Remember, review both sides of your ballot. Some ballots may have races/measures on both sides.**

### Contact:

Deschutes County Elections  
541-388-6547 [Deschutes.org/clerk](https://deschutes.org/clerk)  
1-866-ORE-VOTES (se habla Español)  
[www.oregonvotes.gov](https://www.oregonvotes.gov)  
TTY 1-800-735-2900

**Deschutes County November 3, 2020 General Election**  
**Official Ballot Drop Site Locations**

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*Please Note: The COVID-19 pandemic may affect the availability of the drop boxes in the locations below.*

**All Drop Sites Open**  
Friday, October 16, 2020

**All Drop Sites Close on**  
Election Day, Tuesday  
November 3, 2020 at **8 PM**

Find a Drop Site near you:

**Bend**

*-- Change of Location--*

Deschutes Services Center  
1300 NW Wall St, Bend

*(Drive By, Exterior Drop Box located on west side of building – map on next page)*

Deschutes County Road Department  
61150 SE 27<sup>th</sup> St, Bend

Old Mill

459 SW Bluff Dr, Bend

*(Box located on the knoll above Old Mill District in parking lot south of Hilton Garden Inn hotel)*

Bradbury Park & Ride

1000 SW Bradbury Way, Bend

*(Box located across from the Park & Rec Pavilion off of Simpson & Columbia)*

*-- New Location --*

Pine Nursery Park

3750 NE Purcell Blvd, Bend

Open usual park business hours

*(East end of parking lot – map on next page)*

**La Pine**

La Pine Public Library

16425 1st St, La Pine

*(1<sup>st</sup> St & Huntington Rd)*

**Redmond**

Redmond Public Library

827 SW Deschutes Ave, Redmond

*(Located on west side of Library)*

**Sisters**

Sisters City Hall

520 E Cascade Ave, Sisters

*(Located in front of City Hall)*

**Sunriver**

Sunriver Public Library

56855 Venture Ln, Sunriver

*(Sunriver Business Park)*

**Postmarks Do Not Count!**

All ballots must be received at an official drop site or the Deschutes County Clerk's Office no later than 8 pm, Election Day.

***If you have not mailed your ballot by Tuesday, October 27, take your ballot to an official ballot drop site.***

**County Clerk's Office, 1300 NW Wall St, Upper Floor, Bend ~ Privacy Booths Provided**  
Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm ~ Election Day, 7 am to 8 pm

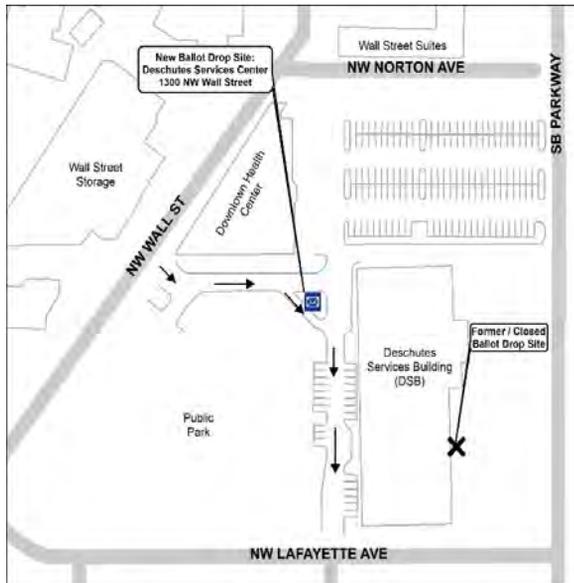
# Directions to Bend's New Ballot Drop Sites

## Deschutes Services Center

1300 NW Wall St, Bend

Drive-by box is now located on the west side of Deschutes Services Building (DSB).

Former box is now closed.



## Pine Nursery Park

3750 NE Purcell Blvd, Bend

Drive-by box is located at the east end of parking lot.

Open usual park business hours.



**Watch for signs and banners to direct you to the drop sites.**

### Your Ballot Packet

Your ballot packet contains the following items:

- ~ Printed ballot
- ~ Pre-addressed return identification envelope to be signed
- ~ Secrecy sleeve

### Returning Your Ballot

No stamp required.

Mail no later than Tuesday, October 27.

Beginning Wednesday, October 28, ballots will need to be taken to an official ballot drop site.

### Signing Your Ballot Return Envelope

Remember to sign your ballot return identification envelope.

The signature on each voter's return identification envelope is verified against the voter's signature on file. The signatures must match before a ballot can be counted. If your signature has changed, please update your voter registration.

# Measure 9-134 Deschutes County

## Ballot Title

# 9-134

Concerning **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated Deschutes County.

**QUESTION:** Shall **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers, processors, and processing sites be allowed in Deschutes County's unincorporated areas (outside of city limits)?

**SUMMARY:** Deschutes County in 2016 allowed commercial marijuana business to be located in the County and numerous businesses began operating. In 2019, Deschutes County adopted ordinances prohibiting any **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers (grows) licensed under ORS 475B.070, processors licensed under ORS 475B.090, and processing sites registered under ORS 475B.840 from being established in the unincorporated County (i.e. outside of Bend, Redmond, Sisters, and La Pine). Medical marijuana, other types of marijuana business such as retail establishments, and existing commercial marijuana businesses were not prohibited, nor was the personal use of recreational or medical marijuana impacted.

Oregon law provides that Deschutes County may adopt ordinances prohibiting marijuana businesses, but must refer the matter to the County electors at the next statewide general election. This ballot measure asks you to review Deschutes County's aforementioned ordinances adopted in 2019. A "no" vote continues to prohibit **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers, processors, and processing sites in the unincorporated County. A "yes" vote overturns those ordinances and allows **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers, processors, and processing sites, to continue to be established.

under ORS 475B.070; (2) marijuana processors licensed under ORS 475B.090; and (3) marijuana processing sites registered under ORS 475B.840. Those ordinances did not prohibit any existing marijuana businesses from continuing to operate, nor did the ordinances prohibit the other three types of commercial marijuana businesses such as marijuana retailers from being newly established.

Ballot Measure 9-134 refers Ordinance Nos 2019-014 and 2019-015 to the voters of Deschutes County. A "no" vote to the question upholds those ordinances and continues prohibiting any **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers, processors, and processing sites. A "yes" vote to the question overturns those ordinances and allows for **ADDITIONAL** commercial marijuana producers, processors, and processing sites to be established in unincorporated Deschutes County.

This Ballot Measure does not impact any medical marijuana businesses, or any marijuana business inside the city limits of Bend, Redmond, Sisters, or La Pine. This Ballot Measure also does not impact the personal use of recreational or medical marijuana under existing state law.

*(This information furnished by Tom Anderson, County Administrator.)*

## Explanatory Statement

Denial of this Ballot Measure (a "no" vote) would uphold Deschutes County Ordinances Nos 2019-014 and 2019-015 prohibiting any **ADDITIONAL** marijuana producers licensed under ORS 475B.070, marijuana processors licensed under ORS 475B.090, and marijuana processing sites registered under ORS 475B.840 from being established in the unincorporated County (i.e. outside of the Cities of Bend, Redmond, Sisters, and La Pine). "Marijuana producer" is the statutory term referring to what is more commonly referred to as a "marijuana grow" or "grow site." The other two prohibited uses are also commonly associated with the production of commercial marijuana and marijuana products.

In 2015, the Oregon legislature passed a law that allows Deschutes County to adopt ordinances that prohibit the establishment of any one or more of six categories of state licensed or registered commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated areas of the County. Following adoption of such an ordinance, Deschutes County must submit the ordinance to the electors of the County for approval at the next statewide general election.

Deschutes County in 2016 allowed all six types of commercial marijuana business, and numerous such businesses were established in unincorporated areas of the County after obtaining land use permits and state licenses. In 2019, the governing body of Deschutes County, after many controversial applications, hearings, decisions, and appeals, adopted Ordinances Nos 2019-014 and 2019-015 prohibiting three of the six types of commercial marijuana business going forward: (1) marijuana producers licensed

# Measure 9-134 Arguments

## Argument in Opposition

Vote NO on more marijuana grows - why?

### 6-year overproduction

According to the OLCC, Oregon grew enough marijuana last year for the next 6 years. We cannot export excess marijuana to other states because other states where recreational marijuana is legal have similar overproduction – plus it is illegal to transport over state lines. More production will only go into the black market.

### Wells run dry

Contrary to popular belief, many commercial marijuana growers use well water, not irrigation water. Irrigation water is polluted with seeds, algae, aphids, and pesticides so growers do not want to use it. The other option of trucking clean water in from town is expensive. Well water is clean, is sourced from one location, has no meter, and is free. Many wells around the county that are near commercial marijuana growing operations have run dry. These plants need huge amounts of water, an average commercial marijuana greenhouse uses as much water as 50 houses.

### Real estate values suffer

Buyers for small acreage rural properties are mostly young families with small children. They don't want to raise their children next to a commercial marijuana operation that stinks so much that they can't enjoy the outdoors, and attracts all sorts of traffic at all hours of the day. People who are trying to sell their property next to a commercial marijuana operation cannot find buyers.

### It costs more than it makes in taxes

The cost of policing, regulating, testing, monitoring, and prosecuting marijuana is greater than the tax revenue, according to several sources.

**Vote NO on Measure 9-134.**

*(This information furnished by Susanne Ritter.)*

## Argument in Opposition

For the past several years, rural residents of Alfalfa, LaPine, Tumalo, Redmond, Bend, and Sisters have organized to protect the natural resources essential to rural living. We have spent our savings and hundreds of hours attending public meetings to inform the county commissioners of the effect commercial marijuana operations have on rural neighborhoods. We have been committed to this cause because the county had the opportunity to “opt out” after Measure 91 barely passed in Deschutes County in 2014. We have since witnessed what “opting in” to commercial marijuana businesses brought to the unincorporated areas of the county: increases in traffic in rural neighborhoods; loud fans cycling all night and interrupting sleep; “grow lights” in greenhouses lighting up the night sky, violating the dark skies ordinance; useable farmland going fallow because marijuana is grown indoors or in pots in greenhouses, not in the ground; pungent odors that prevent neighbors from enjoying clean air and spending time outdoors; and most importantly, domestic wells running dry. Rural residents rely on well water for basic daily living and losing a well is both a health danger and financial burden. The cost of re-drilling a well runs in the tens of thousands of dollars.

Voting NO on Measure 9-134 does not stop the commercial marijuana businesses that are currently operating. Voting NO on Measure 9-134 will prohibit additional commercial marijuana businesses in the unincorporated rural neighborhoods. We now understand how incompatible these commercial grows are with rural living, valuable farmland, proximity to schools, churches, and youth activity centers.

Voting NO will not: eliminate existing commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated areas; affect rights for personal use; create any change to retail stores; negatively affect tax revenue (marijuana is taxed at the point-of-sale); prevent commercial marijuana business in commercial areas within city limits; or change current marijuana land use regulations.

Please, **vote NO on Measure 9-134** and help preserve rural neighborhoods.

Monika Piatt  
PreserveDeschutesCounty.org

*(This information furnished by Monika Piatt, Preserve Rural Deschutes.org.)*

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# Measure 9-134 Arguments

## Argument in Opposition

Vote NO on Measure 9-134; here's why:

Issue: Water

Deschutes County code calls for marijuana to be grown indoors, which benefits the producers because they can control for growth cycles (with lights) and quality of product. However, growing indoors means that producers are growing marijuana year-round and using ground water resources that rural residents rely on for household use and personal consumption. Numerous rural residents in proximity to marijuana production facilities throughout the county have lost their well water and have had to either deepen their wells or drill new ones, and here's why.

One marijuana plant uses roughly six gallons of water per day. A 30,000 square foot facility could hold 10,000 plants, which equals 60,000 gallons of water per day - the equivalent of 120 households.

"What about hay and hemp?" The hay and hemp crops that you see around the county are grown seasonally using irrigation "ditch" (not well) water between May and October. This water has been mapped and allocated by water rights and usable farmland. What is not used percolates back into the ground.

Issue: Electricity

Because marijuana producers grow their product indoors, they rely on electricity for lighting to force growing cycles, ventilation, temperature and humidity control, water pumping, and fans to assist the drying process. For lighting, a "four-plant lighting module uses as much electricity as 29 refrigerators." (Source: <https://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/electricity-use-in-marijuana-production.aspx>) A 10,000-plant facility could use as much electricity as 72,500 refrigerators.

Many rural residents get their power from co-ops. Marijuana production facilities put a strain on the system, increasing the probability of blackouts in rural areas.

A NO vote does not prohibit the expansion of the marijuana industry in the county - any new production and processing businesses can be established in commercial/industrial zones.

Should Deschutes County allow ADDITIONAL commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated Deschutes County? The answer is NO - it is a strain to the natural resources that rural residents depend on.

Please vote NO on measure 9-134.

*(This information furnished by Thomas M Triplett.)*

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## Argument in Opposition

Vote no and protect Deschutes County farms and farmers!

Indoor grows on rural land, the only kind allowed in Deschutes County, require the construction of greenhouses or other permanent structures, often on previously fertile farm land. Once taken out of regular use, what farm land that isn't paved over for cannabis structures is subject to wind erosion as the lack of irrigation allows the soil to dry up and blow away. Good farm land is in relatively short supply in Central Oregon due to the geology of the area. Prevent fertile farm land from being taken out of use and being lost, perhaps permanently, in Deschutes County.

Oregon has enough cannabis already. Cannabis is taxed at the retail level, not at production, so additional cannabis grows won't benefit the Deschutes County tax base. Wholesale cannabis prices have increased in 2020 which benefits farmers. The market has previously been vastly over-supplied. Since cannabis grown in Oregon can be legally sold only in Oregon, there is no legal benefit to producing more than can be sold within the state. Cannabis products have a limited shelf-life: four to eight months for traditional product, to no more than a year for processed oil. Allowing over-production of cannabis leads to either wastage or diversion into black or gray markets out-of-state.

Preventing additional commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated Deschutes County will help maintain wholesale prices which benefits current Deschutes County cannabis farmers. Currently permitted Deschutes County cannabis grows will continue to be able to produce cannabis and can pass their permits on with the sale of their property. Voting no on this measure may even increase the value of the existing permitted cannabis operations.

This measure will have no effect on your ability to purchase cannabis at Deschutes County retail stores. This is not a vote on general prohibition of cannabis in Deschutes County. Cannabis and related products will still be available for sale, even when this measure is voted down.

*(This information furnished by Colin DuPlantis.)*

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# Measure 9-134 Arguments

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## Argument in Opposition

### **Additional commercial marijuana businesses in unincorporated Deschutes County? Vote No.**

The experiment with growing marijuana in Deschutes County has been a disaster for people who live in unincorporated rural areas.

Measure 91 barely passed in Deschutes County. Many rural residents voted to end prohibition without knowing what it would mean for their neighborhoods when commercial businesses moved in.

If you live in a residential zone in city limits, imagine an industrial building cropping up in your neighborhood, with loud fans running at all hours, odors so bad you can't sit in your backyard, razor wire fencing, an increase in traffic with cars lined up on the street to get into a guarded gate, and threats from your new neighbors. This would severely affect your enjoyment of your property, not to mention your property values.

The State of Oregon says that marijuana is a crop, but if you Google "crop," the result is "a cultivated plant that is grown as food, especially a grain, fruit, or vegetable" – not psychoactive and hallucinogenic drugs that are still federally illegal. Breaking federal law is not allowed! The idea that the State of Oregon has allowed the breaking of federal law sets a horrible precedent. Now Oregon has allowed essentially a licensing free-for-all, resulting in overproducing marijuana and shipping it out of state to black-markets all across the country.

Would you want this in your neighborhood?

Please vote NO on measure 9-134.

*(This information furnished by Deborah W Lee.)*

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# Measure 9-135 City of Bend

## Ballot Title

# 9-135

## Bonds for Traffic Flow, East-West Connections, Neighborhood Safety Improvements

**QUESTION:** Shall Bend fund traffic flow, east-west connections, and neighborhood safety improvement projects citywide by issuing bonds up to \$190,000,000?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**SUMMARY:** Measure authorizes City to issue general obligation bonds up to \$190,000,000 for projects improving citywide traffic flow, east-west connections, congestion, and neighborhood safety. Bonds will be issued so they won't increase taxes before 2022. Community oversight committee will monitor project progress.

Projects include:

Reed Market Road corridor improvements  
Murphy Road and matching funds for other US 97/Parkway ramps  
Intersections at 3rd Street, Olney Avenue, Revere Avenue  
Butler Market Road  
Empire Avenue  
Wilson Avenue  
Transit infrastructure improvements and matching funds  
Key corridors and intersections

Neighborhood safety improvements include:

Sidewalks and safe crossings near schools, parks, and jobs  
Connected crosstown bicycle network  
Sidewalk infill on key routes

Bond proceeds are only for transportation capital projects and issuance costs. City Council selected projects following recommendations from two-year public advisory committee process. Bonds maybe issued over time in multiple series.

Bonds are payable from property taxes. If approved, the tax rate is estimated to increase by an average of \$.47 per \$1,000 of assessed value, or \$170 per year for the average homeowner.

## Explanatory Statement

Community surveys show traffic congestion, flow, and safety are top concerns for people living in Bend. The City of Bend initiated a Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee to help update the City's transportation plan and evaluate current and anticipated community transportation needs, including: automobile, freight, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit. Over two years, the public advisory committee identified priority projects and suggested funding mechanisms including a bond. Current City property taxes, state revenues, and other existing sources do not provide enough revenue to construct all the priority transportation projects.

If approved, this measure authorizes the City of Bend to issue general obligation bonds up to \$190,000,000, over time, to pay for capital construction and administrative costs, including audits and progress reports. The City Council will create a community

oversight committee to monitor project progress. Bonds will be structured so that property taxes would not increase before 2022.

This measure will fund priority east-west connections, traffic flow, and safety projects citywide, including some or all of the following, which support the local economy with ongoing infrastructure investments:

- Improvements to roads, intersections, and key east-west corridors such as:
  - Reed Market Road
  - Colorado Avenue
  - Purcell/Pettigrew Avenue
  - Portland Avenue
  - Butler Market Road
  - Empire Avenue
  - Wilson Avenue
  - Franklin Avenue
  - Cooley Road
  - Olney Street
  - Hawthorne Street
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Street
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Street
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Street
  - 15<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Revere Avenue
  - Greenwood Avenue
  - Bond Street
  - Simpson Avenue
- Contributions to redesign and construct US 97/Parkway on/off ramps
- Transit infrastructure improvements and matching funds
- Neighborhood safety improvements:
  - Sidewalks and safe crossings for access to schools, parks, and jobs
  - Connected crosstown bicycle network, including crossings of the railroad and parkway
  - Sidewalks infill on key routes citywide

Road and intersection projects will construct "complete streets" that will include bicycle improvements, sidewalks, vehicle lanes, or enhanced traffic signal timing.

The bonds could also fund other transportation projects, with the approval of City Council, to improve traffic flow and safety, and as a match to support other agencies' transportation projects. All of the projects support the local economy with ongoing infrastructure investments. Council has adopted a resolution to establish a bond oversight committee of community members to track and report to the community on project expenses, schedule, and progress, if this measure passes.

The bonds would be repaid by an annual assessment on real property. If approved, the bonds may be issued in multiple series over time to provide funds when needed for projects. The proposed measure is estimated to cost property owners an average of \$0.47 per \$1,000 of assessed value each year of the repayment period. A home with a real market value of \$415,000 and assessed value of \$220,000 (Bend's citywide average) is estimated to pay approximately \$170 per year. Annual cost may be lower in the initial years and higher in later years when all the debt has been issued.

*(This information furnished by Robyn Christie, City Recorder, City of Bend City Council.)*

# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

Bend's local businesses have been hit hard by the Covid19 pandemic. Measure 9-135 is critical to helping Bend businesses and residents by creating jobs and injecting funds into our economy.

We need to improve traffic flow and add more choices to how we get to work, move commerce, and better connect across town. These projects will keep us working, playing, and doing business instead of sitting in traffic.

### Join Bend's Local Businesses Vote Yes on Measure 9-135

Businesses want employees to move around the city safely and easily. Our employees need reliable travel times getting to work and to pick up their children. Our products and services also need to be delivered on time and on budget, but we know Bend's growing congestion costs time and money to our businesses and to the people who work for us.

### Now is the time to improve Bend's transportation system

Bend's business community supports Measure 9-135:

Charley Miller, President of The Miller Lumber Company  
Don Paumier, Paumier Strategic Solutions Founder  
Jim Petersen, Looking Forward Board Member  
Preston Callicott, Bend Chamber Board of Directors  
Katy Brooks, Bend Chamber of Commerce CEO  
Jim Schell, Looking Forward Board Member  
Kirk Schueler, Brooks Resources Corporation President  
Neil Bryant, former State Senator  
Rod Ray, Looking Forward Board Member  
Tia Newcomer, Looking Forward Board Member  
Tim McGinnis, Looking Forward Board Member  
Jackie Westover, Home Loan Officer  
Stephanie Miller, Express Employment Professionals Owner  
Connie Druliner, Express Employment Professionals Owner  
Jordan Smith, Velox Systems CEO  
Zak Sundsten, Senior Commercial Relationship Manager  
Coby Horton, U.S. Bank Regional President  
Travis Ulrich, Webfoot Painting Co-Founder  
Rita Hansen, Onboard Dynamics CEO  
Tawna Storey, Owner Bendy Dog  
Mark Capell, CMIT Solutions of Central Oregon Owner  
Ruth Martina Muller, Kindred Spirit Pet Care Owner  
Sally L Jacobson, Cascade Views Realty Owner  
Patricia Moss, retired Bank of the Cascades CEO  
Megan Perkins, Embrace Bend Co-Founder and Board President

For a full list of Measure 9-135 supporters, visit  
[www.gobend2020.com](http://www.gobend2020.com)

*(This information furnished by Katy Brooks, Bend Chamber of Commerce.)*

## Argument in Favor

Measure 9-135, and the projects it supports, will create a critical engine for Bend's recovery from the financial crisis caused by Covid19. The project list offers plenty of work to be done, and lots of good paying jobs will be created to accomplish it.

### MEASURE 9-135 - CREATING JOBS TO GET OUR ECONOMY MOVING

Top priorities of the Bond over the next ten years, include:

- A new bridge over the railroad tracks to ease traffic from east to west on Reed Market Road, and adding a two-lane roundabout relieves the bottleneck at the Bond Street intersection;
- Improved U.S. 97/Parkway on/off ramps to increase safety at Murphy Road and other highway intersections;
- Intersection enhancements at Third Street, Olney Avenue, Revere Avenue, Butler Market Road, Empire Avenue and Wilson Avenue, along with completion of missing road networks, to improve traffic flow;
- Transit roadway improvements that include bus pull-outs, new transfer stations, and funding for projects and technology to improve the efficiency of Bend's Public Transit system;
- Funding for projects that Bend's neighborhood associations have identified to ease traffic, and increase safe routes to schools, parks, and jobs;
- Filling in missing sidewalks, lighting and safe crossings near schools, parks, and jobs to ensure access for all and improve safety for those who choose to or need to walk; and,
- Building a connected cross-town bike network on 12 key routes to make Bend dramatically more bike friendly and improve cycling travel times and safety.

Bend's economic vitality and community livability depend on a well-functioning transportation system that is safe, gives people choices, and improves traffic flow. Measure 9-135 is a strong, responsible, and reasonable response to the transportation challenges we face. It will create jobs, helping hundreds of Bendites get back to work.

**Please join The Bend Chamber of Commerce and the  
hundreds of local businesses we represent.**

**Vote Yes on Measure 9-135**  
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# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

Everywhere you look, you see signs of Bend's growth. We're building new housing, opening new businesses, and expanding our parks and our school system. It's clear why people find Bend an attractive place to live: our warm, friendly attitude, the beautiful landscape, and plentiful outdoor recreational opportunities contribute to our high quality of life.

But growth brings challenges too. We look to our local government for leadership on planning as Bend continues to grow. Among our top challenges is transportation and how we can do our part to protect our environment. Measure 9-135 addresses this challenge.

### Local Conservation Leaders Support Measure 9-135 because:

- Transportation accounts for nearly 30% of all U.S. greenhouse gas emissions. Measure 9-135 will reduce our transportation emissions.
- Bend's Climate Action Plan calls for a 40% reduction in fossil fuel use by 2030. A diverse and efficient transportation system will help us get there and save you gas.
- By completing missing road networks, Measure 9-135 will reduce the distance drivers travel, the gasoline they use, and minimize air pollution.
- It will improve transit options and complete sidewalk and bicycle routes, offering people safer alternatives to meet diverse needs, especially for those who don't have access to or can't afford a car.
- The Measure will support walking-friendly neighborhoods, to encourage healthy living and reduce suburban sprawl.

### We're supporting Measure 9-135 to protect our environment:

Mike Riley, **The Environmental Center** Executive Director  
Erik Fernandez, **Oregon Wild** Wilderness Program Manager  
Jeff Monson, Retired Executive Director, **Commute Options**  
Anthony Broadman, **Indigenous Rights Attorney**  
Gretchen Valido, Sierra Club Oregon Chapter Board Member  
Ruth Williamson, Co-chair, **Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee**  
Sid Snyder, **Citywide Transportation Advisory Committee** Member  
Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor  
Nikki Roemmer Largent, Conservation Advocate  
Moey Newbold, Community Advocate  
Connie Peterson, Environmental Advocate

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## Argument in Favor

### **Transportation is the Key to Protecting Our Environment**

Transportation accounts for about 30% of total US greenhouse gas emissions – the largest of any sector and still growing fast. Here in Bend, we have a chance to change that in our community by improving the flow of people and cars. **Measure 9-135 will help us fight climate change and protect our environment for future generations.**

The Bend City Council has adopted an ambitious Climate Action Plan aimed at decreasing our City's use of fossil fuels – 40% by 2030 and 70% by 2050. A diverse and efficient transportation system will help us achieve those goals.

Vote YES on Measure 9-135

### **Planning for Growth to Preserve Our Quality of Life**

By **improving east-west connections**, fixing key intersections and bottlenecks, and completing missing road networks, we can **reduce the distance drivers travel** and the gasoline they use.

By providing **complete sidewalk and bike routes** and improving transit, we can offer people **safer alternatives** that meet diverse needs, including the needs of those who don't have access to or can't afford a car. We can also **support walking-friendly neighborhoods** that promote healthy lifestyles and lead to less suburban sprawl.

This is a city where protecting our natural environment really matters. It's part of what makes Bend so attractive and so livable. Transportation plays a key role.

That's why local conservation groups support Measure 9-135  
**PLEASE VOTE YES FOR A HEALTHIER AND SAFER BEND**

### Endorsed by Groups We Trust:

The Environmental Center  
Central Oregon LandWatch  
Central Oregon Wheelers  
Central Oregon Conservation Network  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
1000 Friends of Oregon  
Sierra Club Oregon Chapter

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# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

*From the desk of Mayor Sally Russell:*

After two years of community input, your City Council has developed a robust short-term plan to improve Bend's transportation system and a way to pay for it.

Starting with the input from neighborhood associations throughout Bend and the Communitywide Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) we have developed a well-rounded package to increase neighborhood safety, traffic flow, and citywide connectivity.

Now we're asking you, Bend voters, to approve Measure 9-135 and finance transportation improvements for the next ten years. The Bond will be repaid by an annual assessment on real property, to cost property owners, at its peak, 47 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value each year of the repayment period. That's \$165 per year for the average homeowner in Bend - less than \$14 per month. You won't pay a dime until 2022, when our economy is well on its way to recovery.

Your City government has a good track record with this type of bond-funded construction. In 2011, Bend voters approved a \$30 million Bond for transportation upgrades. We built 12.7 lane miles of new pavement, 4 roundabouts, 5.6 miles of sidewalks, 181 ADA-compliant curb ramps, 59 LED streetlights, and storm drain improvements that reduced storm runoff into the Deschutes River by 94 percent. All these bond-funded projects were completed on time and on budget using voter-approved funds.

In order to ensure accountability and transparency for the use of these new bond funds, your City Council also voted to establish a public oversight committee to track progress and report to the community over the 10-year construction period.

We've listened and acted. Now the solution is in your hands. Please support Measure 9-135 for Bend's future.

For Bend,  
Sally Russell  
Mayor of Bend

*(This information furnished by Sally Russell, Bend Mayor.)*

## Argument in Favor

### VOTE YES ON MEASURE 9-135 - PLANNING FOR BEND'S FUTURE

As Bend grows, we need to plan carefully to protect our quality of life and improve our economy. We need to preserve the vitality of our neighborhoods, increase street safety, and help local businesses thrive. Measure 9-135 has support from hundreds of neighborhood leaders, environmental groups, local businesses, parents, teachers, seniors, and essential workers.

#### **Vote Yes to Increase Street Safety**

Measure 9-135 will fill in sidewalk gaps, create safer street crossings, and build a new network of sidewalks, bike lanes, and bus pull-outs. These improvements will make it safer for our kids to get to school, for pedestrians and cyclists to get around, and make navigating town easier for drivers.

#### **Vote Yes to Reduce Traffic Congestion**

No one living in Bend wants to sit in traffic, on our way to work or to after-school soccer practice. Measure 9-135 will fix dozens of intersections to reduce bottlenecks, build a bridge at Reed Market, and upgrade traffic signals to improve traffic flow.

#### **Vote Yes to Improve East-West Connectivity**

It shouldn't be difficult to get from one side of Bend to the other. Measure 9-135 will increase east-west connectivity by building new links between existing roads, ensuring we can all get across town safely and smoothly however we travel.

#### **Vote Yes to Create Jobs**

At a time when Bend's local economy needs support, Measure 9-135 will get our economy moving again. It will create jobs and stimulate commerce for local businesses.

***"The city doesn't have the money to do the critical congestion and safety pieces. It needs your help. You can build that bridge on Reed Market. You can create other traffic improvements. You can make it safer for cars, bicyclists and pedestrians to get around town. That's what voting for Bend's transportation bond is about."***

- Editorial Board, "Bend transportation bond is a weapon to fight congestion and improve safety" *The Bend Bulletin*, August 29th, 2020

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# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

### Let's Make Our Neighborhoods Safer

Here in Bend, we want to **keep our neighborhoods safe**, quiet, and clean. Commuters want to be able to reliably **drive to and from work with ease**, especially if they travel east to west across town or through bottlenecked intersections. But we don't want them cutting through our quiet neighborhoods to avoid traffic.

As parents, **we want our kids to walk or ride bikes to schools and parks safely**. Those of us who walk or commute by bike want a network of routes to get across town safely and easily. Those who ride the bus want **a transit system that's reliable and safe**. Drivers also need things to be easier and clearer to keep others safe.

Measure 9-135 will fund dozens of projects designed by our neighborhood associations to calm traffic and increase safe routes to schools, parks, and jobs. Together, we can fix our sidewalks and create safer street crossings, bike lanes, and transit stops.

### We're supporting Measure 9-135 to make our neighborhoods safer:

Jim Porter, retired Bend Police Chief  
Dave Howe, retired Battalion Chief, Bend Fire Department  
John Hummel, Deschutes County District Attorney  
Larry Langston, retired Chief, Bend Fire Department  
Caroline Skidmore, Bend-La Pine School Board Member  
Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-La Pine School Board Member  
Melissa Barnes Dholakia, Bend-La Pine School Board Member  
Carrie McPherson Douglass, Bend-La Pine School Board Chair  
Ariel Mendez, Bend Park and Recreation District Board Member  
Scott Douglass, Board Member of Boys and Girls Club of Bend  
Summer Sears, CPA and Orchard District Neighborhood Leader  
Angelina Swanson, Century West Neighborhood  
Kayla Reichert, Southwest Bend Neighborhood  
Gemma Fiedler, Mountain View Neighborhood  
Mark Capell, former Bend Mayor ProTem  
Scott Rohrer, Bend-Redmond Habitat for Humanity Executive Director

### Join us and vote YES on Measure 9-135.

**Keep our neighborhoods safe, quiet, and protect our quality of life for years to come.**

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*(This information furnished by Mike Riley, GoBend2020.)*

## Argument in Favor

*From the desk of Bend City Councilors Bruce Abernethy, Barb Campbell, Gena Goodman-Campbell, Chris Piper, and Mayor Sally Russell.*

Everyone in Bend deserves to live in neighborhoods that are safe and easy to navigate. We all love this beautiful place, and as our community grows, we need to plan ahead to preserve what makes our community great. While we are certainly living in challenging times, residents and City leaders are coming together to plan for our future.

Measure 9-135 was a long time in the making. We spent over two years collaborating with residents, businesses, and community leaders to create a package that will truly help everyone in Bend with the challenges of traffic, safety, and livability. We know that accountability and good governance starts with being transparent to you, our friends and neighbors - our constituents.

This measure was crafted with two key components to ensure accountability and minimize potential financial impacts you may be worried about:

1. **A Citizen Oversight Committee.** This group will be able to track the progress our city is making on the project list in the measure, ensure projects are **fiscally responsible**, and provide **transparency to the public**.
2. **Delayed payments until 2022.** While this measure **will certainly create jobs** and help our economy get back on track, we also need to make sure you won't pay anything until our local economy recovers. **Property owners will not see a tax increase until fall of 2022.**

We know that by working together, our community will not only get through this difficult time, but emerge with a better and brighter plan for our future. Our children, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends are all counting on us to create that future with collaboration.

### **Please Vote Yes on Measure 9-135 - for Bend's Future!**

For our community,

**Sally Russell, Bend Mayor**  
**Bruce Abernethy, Bend City Councilor**  
**Barb Campbell, Bend City Councilor**  
**Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor**  
**Chris Piper, Bend City Councilor**

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# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

*From our essential workers and first responders:*

### **REDUCING TRAFFIC SAVES LIVES**

#### **Vote Yes on Measure 9-135**

As emergency responders, we're on the streets of Bend every day. In our line of work, seconds count. In our line of work, lives are at stake.

Every time we hit traffic it slows us down. Bend's current transportation system prevents police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and other first responders from reaching those in need as fast as possible. Bend deserves the best your emergency responders can provide. A smooth-running, efficient transportation system means better response times from us. It means we will help more people.

**Investing in transportation improvements is critical to keeping Bend residents safe. That's why first responders support Measure 9-135.**

The Bond itself will cost the average homeowner less than \$14 a month, but this cost is really nothing when compared to the price of human life. We urge you to join us and [vote YES on Measure 9-135 to save lives.](#)

Endorsed by essential workers and first responders, including:

Jim Porter, retired Bend Police Chief  
Dave Howe, retired Battalion Chief, Bend Fire Department  
Larry Langston, retired Chief, Bend Fire Department  
Jeff Absalon, MD, St. Charles Health System  
Sadie Ann Gorman, Student and Certified Nursing Assistant  
Oz Zehren, Student and Environmental Services Aide  
Francis McCabe, MD Attending Emergency Physician St. Charles Bend and Medical Staff President Elect

*(This information furnished by Mike Riley, GoBend2020.)*

## Argument in Favor

### **Vote Yes on Measure 9-135 for Healthy Communities**

A healthy community is a thriving community. If we want to keep Bend moving forward, we need **a transportation system that makes our community happier and healthier.** We need to ensure access, equity, and improved safety for everyone in our community.

We live here because we believe this is one of the best places in the nation - we celebrate family, recreation, natural beauty, and our love of the outdoors every day. By building walkable neighborhoods, we're **investing in the health of our residents.** By creating a safe bicycling system, we'll improve the health and happiness of Bend residents for decades to come.

We know our values and lifestyle will continue to attract more users of our transportation system. That also means more people with accessibility needs - elderly folks, those with mobility challenges, and people who simply choose not to drive a car. **Measure 9-135 will create a transportation system for Bend with choices,** so everyone can get around safely.

A robust, efficient transportation system means a healthy community. By giving people transportation options, we will reduce automobile emissions and **protect our air quality** as we grow.

[That's why we're voting YES on Measure 9-135:](#)

Joseph Sluka, St. Charles Health System President and CEO  
Knut Buehler, MD  
Jennifer Neahring, MD  
Susan Rotella, Council on Aging Executive Director  
Ken Wilhelm, Nonprofit Director  
Gwenn Wysling, Bethlehem Inn Executive Director  
Kat Mastrangelo, Volunteers in Medicine Executive Director  
Scott Rohrer, Bend-Redmond Habitat for Humanity Executive Director  
Mike Mastrangelo, MD Bend Surgical Associates  
The Vocal Seniority

**JOIN US AND VOTE YES ON MEASURE 9-135**  
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# Measure 9-135 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

### Vote Yes on Measure 9-135

Supported by hundreds of your friends, neighbors,  
and co-workers!

For more information, or the full list of community endorsers,  
please visit:

[www.gobend.org](http://www.gobend.org)

Amy Tykeson, Community Supporter  
Angelina Swanson, Century West Neighborhood  
Anthony Broadman, Indigenous Rights Attorney  
Ariel Mendez, Bend Park and Recreation Board Member  
Beth Hoover  
Bill Bernardy  
Caleb Campbell, REALMS Middle School Outdoor Educator  
Charley Miller, President of the Miller Lumber Company  
Coby Horton, U.S. Bank Regional President  
Connie Peterson, Environmental Advocate  
Dave Howe, retired Battalion Chief, Bend Fire Department  
Don Paumier, Paumier Strategic Solutions Founder  
Eliana Alexander, Mt Holyoke University Student  
Erik Fernandez, Oregon Wild Wilderness Program Manager  
Gemma Fiedler, Mountain View Neighborhood  
Gretchen Valido, Sierra Club Oregon Chapter Board Member  
Gwenn Wysling, Bethlehem Inn Executive Director  
Jackie Westover, Home Loan Officer  
Jade Warner, OSU-Cascades Student  
Jay Lyons  
Jeff Monson, Retired Executive Director, Commute Options  
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Jordan Smith, Velox Systems CEO  
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Katy Brooks, Bend Chamber of Commerce CEO  
Kayla Reichert, Southwest Bend Neighborhood  
Ken Wilhelm, Nonprofit Director  
Kirk Schueler, Brooks Resources Corporation, President  
Knutte Buehler, MD  
Larry Langston, retired Chief, Bend Fire Department  
Lisa Goodman  
Mark Capell, former Bend Mayor ProTem  
Mike Mastrangelo, MD Bend Surgical Associates  
Mike Riley, The Environmental Center Executive Director  
Mo Elwefati, OSU-Cascades Student  
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## Argument in Favor

### Bend's Youth Leaders Support Measure 9-135

We are the future of Bend. Our lives and our future matter, and in order to be prepared for success later in life, we need adults to protect us.

Whether we're walking or biking to school, to a park, or to soccer practice, we want to be safe on the streets of Bend, so we can get to our friends and family as soon as possible!

**Now YOU have a chance to support the improvements in Bend's transportation system that we need and deserve.**

We deserve complete sidewalk networks. We deserve safe bike lanes. And we deserve a transportation system that gets us where we need to go safely, whether it's walking, riding a bike, or taking the bus.

Measure 9-135 will fill in missing sidewalks, add lighting and safe crossings near schools and parks and build a connected crosstown bike network on 12 key routes.

That's why we support Measure 9-135. But it's up to you to support us. Vote YES for our safety and our future.

Sincerely,

Jade Warner, OSU-Cascades Student  
Mo Elwefati, OSU-Cascades Student  
Sadie Ann Gorman, Student and Certified Nursing Assistant  
Eliana Alexander, Mt Holyoke University Student  
Oz Zehren, Student and Environmental Services Aide  
Leo Francis, Summit High School  
Abby Francis, Bend High School

With support from:

Scott Douglass, Board Member of Boys and Girls Club of Bend  
Caleb Campbell, REALMS Middle School Outdoor Educator

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# Measure 9-136 Two Rivers Special Road District

## Ballot Title

# 9-136

## Renewable 5-year Option Tax for District Dust Abatement

**QUESTION:** Shall the District request a renewable \$2.00/\$1000 of assessed value Tax for the Dust Abatement Program for five years beginning 2021-2022? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** The Two Rivers Special Road District ("District") will use the renewable five-year option tax revenue to apply a double pass of Dust Abatement material on all roads within District. The District will comply with DEQ requirements of Dust Pollution Control within the County. Without this additional revenue the District will be unable to apply sufficient Dust Abatement Product and save money to purchase rock to build a future road base.

The proposed rate would generate approximately \$100,000 over the five year period. On a \$100,000 home, the assessment would be \$200 per year. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression, and the collection rate.

## Explanatory Statement

The Two Rivers Special Road District ("District") provides snow removal, grading, limited dust abatement in the spring, and fire break/vehicle safety corridor for all roads in the District. The District's current tax levy is \$2.00 per \$1000 of the assessed value of the property in the District.

This measure would add an additional tax levy of \$2.00 per \$1000 of the assessed value of the property in the District for a period of five years, with the option to renew. The estimated annual cost for a home valued at \$100,000 would be \$200. This option would allow the District to apply full dust abatement product to all roads within our District every spring. The estimated cost to apply full dust abatement product is approximately \$20,000 per year.

All the District's budget is spent on road service/repairs and directly related expenses every year. This measure would generate revenue to allow the District to apply dust abatement product to all roads, including a double pass application on secondary roads.

This fund will free an approximate amount of \$10,000 per year from our current fund, to purchase rock to build District roads, while still applying sufficient dust abatement product. The measure would raise approximately \$20,000 each year, for five years, totaling approximately \$100,000.

The District needs to add a rock base to all roads, to prepare for a more permanent surface in the future. A renewable tax option will allow the District to apply a yearly dust abatement product and save money for the purchase of rock.

*(This information furnished by Nicole Phelps, Secretary, Two Rivers Special Road District.)*

# Measure 9-137 West La Pine Livestock District

## Ballot Title

# 9-137

## Annexation of Land into West La Pine Livestock District (Petition 1)

**QUESTION:** Shall the boundaries of the West La Pine Livestock District be modified to include the Petition 1 Annexation Area?

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this election is to determine whether to annex certain land, referred to herein as the "Petition 1 Annexation Area", into the West La Pine Livestock District, so as to make it unlawful for horses and cattle to run at large within such area. Approval of this measure would add the Petition 1 Annexation Area into the West La Pine Livestock District.

## Explanatory Statement

The purpose of this election is to determine whether to annex certain land, referred to herein as the "Petition 1 Annexation Area", into the West La Pine Livestock District, so as to make it unlawful for horses and cattle to run at large within such area. Approval of this measure would add the Petition 1 Annexation Area into the West La Pine Livestock District.

Approval of this measure would annex the Petition 1 Annexation Area, as described below and depicted in the attached West La Pine Livestock District Annexation Area map, into the existing West

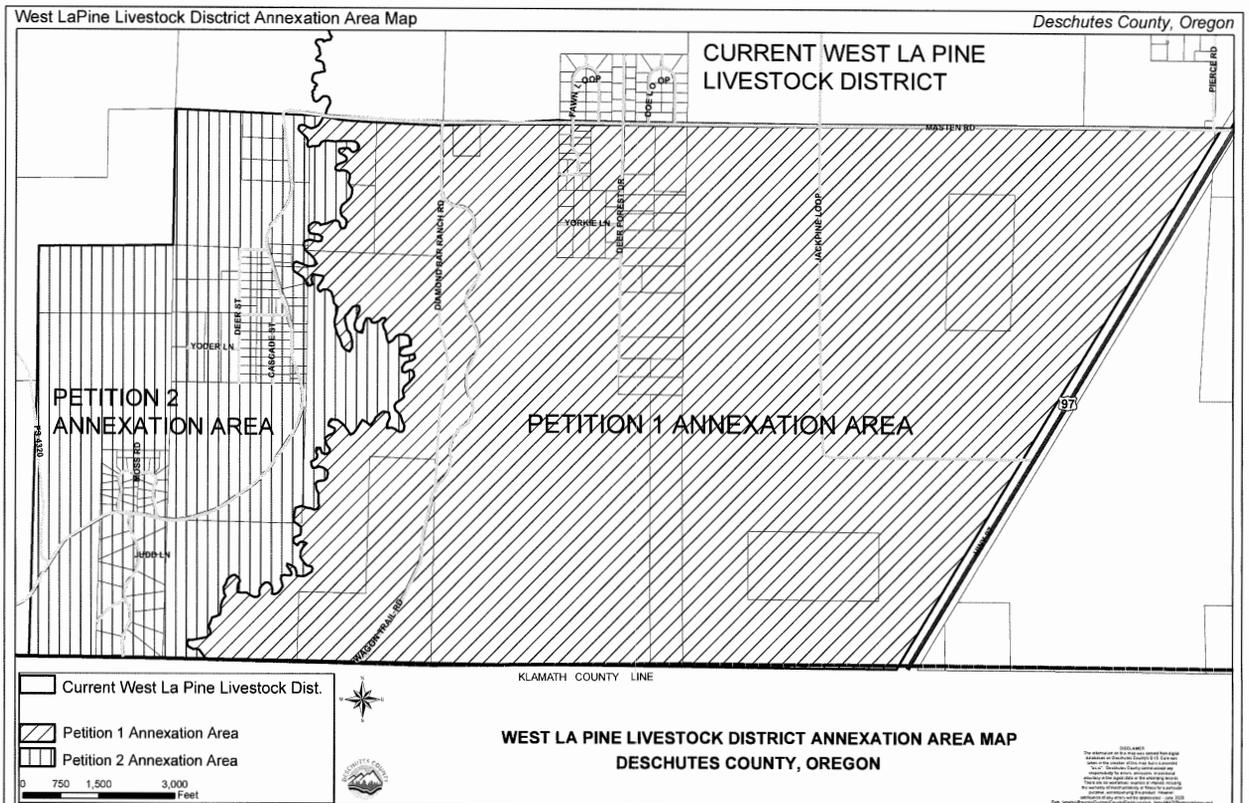
La Pine Livestock District, and would make it unlawful for cattle or horses to run at large within the Petition 1 Annexation Area. A "yes" vote shall constitute the voter's approval of this measure. A "no" vote shall constitute the voter's disapproval of this measure. If a majority of all votes cast approve of this measure, the Petition 1 Annexation Area will be annexed into the West La Pine Livestock District.

Description of the Petition 1 Annexation Area:

All of the following properties located in Deschutes County, Oregon:

- Township 22 S., Range 9 E., W.M., that portion of Section 25 east of the Little Deschutes River.
- Township 22 S., Range 9 E., W.M. that portion of Section 36 east of the Little Deschutes River.
- Township 22 S., Range 10 E., W.M., that portion of Section 28 west of Highway 97.
- Township 22 S., Range 10, E., W.M., that portion of Section 32 west of Highway 97.
- Township 22 S., Range 10, E., W.M., that portion of Section 33 west of Highway 97.
- Township 22 S., Range 10, E., W.M. Section 29.
- Township 22 S., Range 10, E., W.M. Section 30.
- Township 22 S., Range 10, E., W.M. Section 31.

*(This information furnished by John Laherty, Deschutes County.)*





# Measure 9-139 Deschutes Public Library District

## Ballot Title

# 9-139

## BONDS TO RENOVATE, UPGRADE, CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP LIBRARY FACILITIES

**QUESTION:** Shall District issue bonds to upgrade facilities, increase space for community use/programs, children's discovery/learning, and books and technology?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**SUMMARY:** This measure would authorize the Deschutes Public Library District to issue up to \$195 million in principal amount of general obligation bonds to renovate, upgrade, construct and equip library facilities.

If approved, this measure would finance capital costs, including projects that:

- Provide a new Central Library;
- Provide a new Redmond Library expected to significantly increase square footage; and
- Repair, modernize and upgrade Sisters, Sunriver, La Pine, Downtown Bend and East Bend Libraries.

Projects are expected to increase space for community use, children's discovery and learning and programs and events. Projects would provide books, materials and technology.

The estimated tax rate is 34 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2021 when the first bond payment is expected to be due. A property with an assessed value of \$200,000 would pay approximately \$68 in 2021. Actual levy rate may differ due to actual interest rates and/or changes in assessed value. Bonds may be issued in separate series; each series would mature within 21 years from its issue date.

of assessed value (not market value) in 2021 when the first bond payment is expected to be due. A property with an assessed value (not market value) of \$200,000 would pay approximately \$68 in 2021. The actual levy rate may differ due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value.

The bond funds would pay for the design and construction of a Central Library that would provide a discovery center for children to learn and play; substantial space for an expanded book and materials collection; flexible community and small-business spaces for learning, creativity, and collaboration; space for larger programs and events; and an efficient book/material processing and distribution center to serve all of the libraries in Deschutes County. Bond funds would also pay to significantly increase the size of the existing Redmond Library to provide for children's discovery and learning spaces; flexible meeting, tutoring, and creative spaces; and an expanded materials and book collection. Bond funds would also cover remodeling and upgrading the Downtown Bend, La Pine, Sisters, and Sunriver Libraries. Remodeling of these buildings would include interior expansion of public space, modernization for improved technology, and much needed infrastructure and maintenance updates. The East Bend Library, the newest and only leased building in the District, would receive minor upgrades to bring infrastructure up to the standards of the other libraries.

These improvements and expansions would continue our libraries' history of commitment to learning for all ages by providing quality services, buildings, and resources to serve and support all residents of Deschutes County.

*(This information furnished by Todd Dunkelberg, Deschutes Public Library District.)*

## Explanatory Statement

For 100 years, the Deschutes Public Library has educated, entertained, and enriched residents of all ages in Deschutes County. Since our newest buildings were built in the 1990s, the county population has more than tripled and use of our libraries has significantly increased. The proposed bond measure addresses the need for additional space to accommodate our growing population, incorporating infrastructure improvements including technology, space for an expanded collection of books and materials, children's learning and development centers, meeting and performance spaces, as well as flexible spaces that would enable new types of services.

Customers' demands and use of the libraries have changed substantially during the past 20 years. The flexible spaces in the proposed buildings would support activities from tutoring students, small group meetings and teleconferencing, to job searching, and nonprofit assistance. The spaces would also be available for larger programs and presentations that educate, entertain, and build community. Buildings would also be designed to support infrastructure for modern technologies, as well as high-efficiency processing and delivery systems. Importantly, the additional space would provide room for more books and materials, needed for an expanding population.

The Deschutes Public Library has not asked for any additional funding in 23 years. The Library District paid off all debt on the five libraries it constructed and renovated, as well as built reserves toward the proposed project.

The estimated tax rate for the bond is 34 cents per \$1,000

# Measure 9-139 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

As Conductor and Music Director of the Central Oregon Symphony, I care deeply about the cultural fabric of our communities in Deschutes County. As a proud library card holder for 24 years, it gives me immense pleasure to watch how this forward-thinking institution serves as a vital cultural destination providing many diverse cultural programs, presentations, classes, and exhibits. Residents attend free cultural presentations, writing workshops, community conversations, and creative DIY classes and workshops. They also attend chamber music concerts as part of the Central Oregon Symphony Association's Music in Public Places program. The Library has been a generous partner with COSA in presenting these concerts, and I know it similarly partners with other cultural organizations across Deschutes County. These partnerships make it possible for free access to the arts as well as provides generous exposure for the arts and cultural organizations.

The Library's plan for a vibrant and dynamic Central Library includes needed space for people to enjoy larger presentations and performances. The expansion of the Redmond Library, and the remodeling of the existing libraries in Bend, La Pine, Sisters and Sunriver, will provide even greater access to the arts through programs, classes and performances.

The Library plays an essential role in supporting and enriching the socioeconomically diverse populations in Deschutes County. For many families who are facing challenges, the Library is a valued resource and frequent destination. The Library provides hundreds of free programs for children and their families to enjoy story times, creative music, dance and puppetry, and hands-on arts and craft projects. This early beginning in the arts is essential for children's brain development and for their development of creative pursuits.

I am voting yes for the Library's bond as I believe it will exponentially enhance the Library's ability to make a difference in the lives of Deschutes County residents. Please join me!

Michael Gesme  
Conductor, Central Oregon Symphony

*(This information furnished by Michael Gesme, Central Oregon Symphony.)*

## Argument in Favor

Over the past few decades, Redmond has seen both incredible growth and incredible change. Despite this rapid expansion, I'm proud that we've been able to retain a sense of community, working together to make Redmond the kind of community we all want to live in. As a family practice doctor, I have long been concerned about the holistic health of our communities -- healthy bodies, healthy minds and healthy spirits. We have an exciting opportunity to give generations of Redmond residents the chance to learn, explore new ideas and skills, and gather together to celebrate knowledge, the arts, and community with an expanded and improved Redmond Library.

Since our library opened in 1996 in the retrofitted Jesse Hill School site, our population has soared from less than 11,000 residents to more than 32,000 residents. The current building, built before the computer age, was never designed for library

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use and it shows—the design is inefficient and presents accessibility, technology and space challenges.

What's proposed in the bond is a larger, renovated library anchoring our downtown and civic core. The new library will provide all members of our community with flexible classrooms and labs to support expanded library programming for children and adults, including hands-on learning and creative pursuits. It will include an exciting children's discovery area and allow for an expanded collection of books and other materials, as well as updated technology throughout the building.

In this election, we have an opportunity to ensure that these improvements continue for the town we love. The Deschutes Public Library's bond issue would have huge benefits for our community. It's an investment in a future that we can be proud of. Please join me in voting yes for this library bond.

Dr. Daniel Murphy  
Redmond resident

*(This information furnished by Dr. Daniel Murphy.)*

## Argument in Favor

The Deschutes Public Library has played an integral role in my life since childhood. Now, I take my children to the library 2-3 times per week. We spend almost an hour every visit selecting the best books we can find - often maxing out our library cards. We have enjoyed story times, special events and summer reading adventures. I love the sense of community, the friendly smiles and support.

During COVID19 Deschutes Public Library was here for us. We checked out online resources and discovered new things like *National Geographic* online and Hoopla books and movies. The Library moved quickly to make their programs virtual and shifted their budget to provide more e-books and downloadable audiobooks. Most importantly their communication about Library status and programming was frequent and easy to understand.

As our community opens back up it's important to remember the Library is more than just books and resources. It's a place of respite for those who need support, it's WiFi and computer access for neighbors who don't have it at home and those who don't have a place to call home. The Library is a location for visitors to receive information and a place to connect with friends over good conversation. Their partnership programs with the DesChutes Historical Society, High Desert Museum, and Sunriver Nature Center offer access to unique places in our community. Their events expose us to life experiences, art displays, community discussion and civil discourse.

The Library is a vital service. Passing the proposed bond will allow for the development of a new branch, purchase of additional library materials, and upgrades to current technology at other rural locations. More importantly, passing this bond supports our community - our children and grandchildren, our underserved and you.

Support the Library. Vote yes on bond measure 9-139.

Erin Borla,  
Sisters resident

*(This information furnished by Erin Borla.)*

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# Measure 9-139 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

Twenty-two years ago, our community took a big step forward. With voters throughout Deschutes County, we voted to form a library district and build or improve libraries throughout Deschutes County. The vote resulted in a new library in La Pine and upgrades to the recently built Sunriver library. Both facilities emerged as hubs for community life.

Today, we have another opportunity to improve our libraries by voting yes for the library bond measure. The uses of libraries and technology have changed dramatically since our buildings were built, our population has grown, and our needs have changed. We now have the chance to adapt our libraries for modern uses for years to come.

As president of the Deschutes Public Library Board, I know the years of preparation that went into this proposed bond. We held numerous conversations and work sessions with community members to ensure these plans are appropriate and as “future-proof” as we can make them. We waited until all debt for prior projects had been paid off to minimize the tax burden.

This bond will increase space for public use and make the space we have more flexible, allowing more room for children’s discovery, books and other materials, new kinds of programming, and improved technology. The new Central Library, conveniently located near shopping in Bend, will allow us to enlarge the collection, expanding the range of books we offer in South County, and will improve the delivery efficiency of materials to all library users.

We realize this is a difficult economic time to ask for money, but I believe that this is an investment in our future. People turn to libraries, in good times and in bad, for learning materials for their children and themselves, job and business resources, health information, and community connection. I believe we need these resources now more than ever. Please vote yes for our libraries. Martha Lawler, La Pine resident

*(This information furnished by Martha Lawler.)*

## Argument in Favor

The Redmond Public Library has had a monumentally positive effect on my family’s life. When my kids were younger, their grandma took them to story time every week. They spent several hours together reading, doing art and playing. All three of my children got their very own library cards in the first grade and loved being responsible for their special library books. It was through these early experiences, the support of amazing librarians, and the plethora of diverse resources that my children’s love to read and their journey to becoming life-long learners was formed.

This love for the library grew within them and once they reached middle school, all three girls were happy to discover the Young Adult hang out space, filled with young adult books, graphic novels, music, and books on tape. My daughters went after school to study, browse, and hang out with their friends. This is also when they began to attend library art classes, poetry slams, and lego robotics club. As a mom, I greatly appreciate how the library has stayed relevant and engaging for my

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children from infancy into adulthood. For my husband and me, the library is an incredible resource. We frequently browse for books, books on tape, and music. We also enjoy the community talks, classes, and parent nights.

With the increasing population throughout Deschutes County, libraries need to expand to continue to offer incredible services and resources as well as to provide flexible meeting rooms and creative/collaborative spaces for all people in our community. My family and I are proud supporters of our library system and all five of us will be voting YES for the library bond.

Ahja King  
Long-time Redmond resident

*(This information furnished by Ahja King.)*

## Argument in Favor

Those of us who live in Sisters know it is a special place – we have lived here since 1992 and appreciate how rich our community is. Sisters and its environs have an outsized commitment to arts, education, and community. In this election, we have an opportunity to show that commitment by voting for major improvements to our library.

The library bond proposes much-needed upgrades that will make our current library even better. Library uses, technology, and services have changed significantly since our current library opened its doors in 2005. The proposed changes in Sisters will provide greater flexibility and expanded programming—more ways for us to gather and learn together. The library’s center will be updated to be a flexible gathering space for exhibits, musical events, and other activities for children and adults. More small meeting rooms and collaboration spaces will be created to meet currently unmet demand.

We’ll also benefit from other projects funded by the bond—a Redmond library double the size of the current facility and a new central library located on Highway 20 on the north side of Bend. That location, convenient to shopping and other services, will provide exciting children’s areas and space for a growing collection of books, which will update and expand the selection of books in Sisters. It will improve efficiency and space use at other libraries and improve delivery of books throughout the county.

The library has a good financial track record. It has not asked for money for more than 20 years, has paid off all debt on all buildings, and has saved money toward these improvements. The estimated tax rate for this bond is 34 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. That’s a good value for a big investment in our future. As an avid reader and former independent bookstore co-owner, I support this bond issue and hope you will too.

Dick Sandvik  
Sisters resident

*(This information furnished by Dick Sandvik.)*

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# Measure 9-139 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

I consider myself so fortunate to have had the opportunity to grow a family and a business in our amazing community. As a long-time Bend resident and small business owner, I've watched our vibrant town grow, adapt and evolve over the past 25+ years. At the center of all of this change in my life has been the Deschutes Public Library.

An avid reader from a family of educators, I exposed my children to the library at an early age and encouraged their ongoing education through the myriad of available resources. As my own business grew, I also turned to the library for support, vital knowledge and meaningful connections.

Today, as a board member of several organizations and the Chair for Opportunity Knocks, a local non-profit organization committed to helping business leaders succeed, my vision includes an environment that supports their growth with accessible resources, flexible learning and inclusive gathering spaces. The library is again at the center of this strategy as it is an innovator and progressive leader in empowering and assisting our community during times of change.

This bond measure will bring all of us even more of the connectivity and magic that our existing libraries have fostered in Central Oregon for the past 100 years. And as we continue to grow, they will connect us to each other, to our community, and to the world in ways that will enrich all of our lives. I'll be voting yes for this investment in our future – and I hope you will join me.

Georell Bracelin  
Chair, Opportunity Knocks  
Owner, Relativity Agency

*(This information furnished by Georell Bracelin, Opportunity Knocks.)*

## Argument in Favor

As a seasoned administrator for arts organizations large (Portland and Washington, D.C.) and small (Central Oregon), a statewide arts advocate and local arts leader I speak with confidence when I say the Deschutes Public Library is an essential cultural asset in our region. We naturally think of the library as a resource for literary and digital resources, storytelling, writing and learning. Our communities are also enriched by the library's intriguing art displays, presentations and mesmerizing guest artist performances.

In Sisters, where creativity is a strategic priority for civic development, the library is a center for the arts where the community comes together to both admire and learn from the work of local artists. What I know from years of immersion in the arts is that acts of creativity have a way of penetrating barriers that artificially separate us, compelling us to be receptive to concepts and feelings we might not otherwise embrace. We grow and expand as a result, developing rapport and improving our understanding of our inner selves and consequently, our communication within others. The library provides a safe harbor to freely explore and express ideas.

During its 100 year history, the Deschutes Public Library has been a hard-working and humble provider of needed services as well as respected presenter of compelling thought leaders

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and creatives from around the globe. As the needs of the public have morphed over the years, libraries are moving toward the creation of flexible spaces, which is great news for the arts. With "access for all" embedded in the library's mission, more stages, more venues, more "pods" of creativity will bloom in our modern library.

I can't think of a more responsibly run organization whose leadership makes every dime count and whose motivation to work is always in service to the public. Please join me in supporting the library. With your support, we can expect even more inspiration and vibrancy from our most beloved institution.

Cate O'Hagan

*(This information furnished by Cate O'Hagan.)*

## Argument in Favor

The Deschutes Public Library's contributions to the communities in Deschutes County are essential and vast. The library is an extraordinary civic institution, unique in its consistent ability to reach and serve diverse populations with great impact and longevity. For one hundred years, the Deschutes Public Library has served the residents of Deschutes County. Its careful management of tax funds and its vision to provide resources and services for all residents has been exceptional. Its mission has never faltered to enrich the lives of all citizens.

The growth and prosperity of our region depends on intelligent planning for a bright future beyond COVID-19. I am grateful for the library's comprehensive plan to expand its footprint and better the lives of Deschutes County residents. A new Central Library will provide faster and more effective delivery of materials throughout Deschutes County, create more space for a variety of uses and purposes such as small business support, creative DIY opportunities, student tutoring rooms and arts and culture programs, greater access to technology and tech support, and a children's discovery center for early literacy, learning and fun. The plan also includes a significant expansion of the Redmond Library and upgrades and remodels for the existing libraries in Bend, La Pine, Sisters and Sunriver.

The library has spent several years carefully developing its plan for a strong and significant future. It has considered the shifts that are now necessary in a post COVID world and considered the many opportunities there are to serve the diverse socioeconomic populations in Deschutes County.

Vote YES for libraries, vote YES for a bright future ahead.

Julie Gregory

*(This information furnished by Julie Gregory.)*

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# Measure 9-139 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

As Bend's first woman mayor and a resident of Deschutes County for more than 70 years, I have seen lots of change as our county has grown. I have been involved in many civic efforts to improve our communities and ensure we live in towns we can be proud of.

That's why I'm asking for your support for the Deschutes Public Library bond. I know the impact that libraries and the power of reading have had in my own life and I believe firmly that this bond is important for our future.

I was involved in the effort, more than 20 years ago, to raise money to build and remodel libraries throughout our county. We promised then that every community would receive a new or upgraded library and that we wouldn't ask for any additional money for 10 years.

The library district kept those promises and then some. It's been more than 20 years since it has asked for any money for buildings, despite the fact that the county's population has nearly doubled since 1998. The library district has concentrated on getting the most out of the libraries we have. It has paid off all debt on current buildings, scrupulously kept up on maintenance, and managed to open an additional branch (East Bend) in leased space through existing operating funds. It has paid for the land for the new Central Library with funds they had saved.

These actions have shown that the library district has been good steward in the past and I know it will continue to be. This bond issue is a vote for our future. We want our libraries to continue to serve our citizens with flexible, efficient spaces that will accommodate the current and future needs of ALL county residents. I hope you will join me in supporting this important step forward for our communities.

Ruth Burleigh  
Former Bend mayor

*(This information furnished by Ruth Burleigh.)*

## Argument in Favor

Through my work as the Director of the United Way, I've come to understand the great value the library brings to creating a more resilient community and how it transforms the lives of many members of our community. The Deschutes Public Library is the great equalizer where everyone is entitled to equal access to resources, services and programs without judgment and regardless of an individual's ethnic background, income, education, gender, and age.

For Deschutes County's most vulnerable populations, the Deschutes Public Library is a place of refuge and connection. Its well-trained and compassionate staff work closely with our region's displaced and vulnerable citizens on a daily basis. The library partners with social service agencies to help support those who need access to information and resources. One example of this good work is the library's partnership with Healthy Beginnings and connecting families and young children to early literacy and learning. The library has an enduring partnership with Thrive Central Oregon, a local nonprofit that meets with community members in the different libraries and connects them to resources that prevent housing and financial insecurity. The library partners with Deschutes County Access to Justice Committee to offer free 30-minute consultations with an attorney offering general legal information or referrals to other agencies. These partnerships and the library's mission to provide access to resources for all people is essential to create resilient and thriving communities.

The library is carving a bright future for all residents in Deschutes County. Now is the time to support its efforts to lift all citizens in Deschutes County for generations to come. Please join me in voting "Yes" for the Deschutes Public Library Bond.

Ken Wilhelm  
United Way of Central Oregon, Executive Director

*(This information furnished by Ken Wilhelm, United Way of Central Oregon.)*

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# Measure 9-140 Redmond School District #2J

## Ballot Title

# 9-140

## BONDS TO INCREASE SAFETY, SECURITY, HEALTH; REPAIR SCHOOLS; ADD CLASSROOMS

**QUESTION:** Shall District increase safety, repair schools, add classrooms; issue bonds with citizen oversight; estimated to not increase current tax rate? If the Bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**SUMMARY:** If approved, measure authorizes \$27.5 million in general obligation bonds for school capital projects to:

- Improve Health, Safety & Security:
  - Secure entrances and security camera systems;
  - Air quality improvements;
  - Asbestos abatement;
  - Fire safety systems.
- Improve Educational Spaces, Create Capacity:
  - Construct additional classrooms at Vern Patrick Elementary and Tom McCall Elementary;
  - Upgrade technology infrastructure and learning spaces.
- District-wide updates to maintain, preserve and extend the life of existing buildings and reduce maintenance and operating costs:
  - Replace roofs, plumbing, flooring;
  - Update electrical, heating, ventilation and cooling systems;
  - Install energy efficient lighting and windows.
- Capital improvements including site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment; pay bond issuance costs.

District will receive \$7.6 million State matching grant only if bonds are approved. Establishes community oversight committee for use of bond proceeds for intended purposes. Bonds may be issued in series over time, each series would mature over a period not to exceed 21 years from issuance. Bonds are estimated to not increase the current property tax rate.

## Explanatory Statement

Redmond School District (RSD) draws its 7,500 students from a 550 square mile area that includes Redmond and the communities of Alfalfa, Crooked River Ranch, Eagle Crest, Terrebonne and Tumalo. The district operates 13 school buildings serving students in kindergarten through high school.

### Why a School Bond Now

**Projected to Maintain 2020 Tax Rate:** If approved, the proposed \$27.5 million bond is estimated to not increase property tax rates over the 2020 rate. This is due to RSD's refinancing of existing bonds at a lower interest rate, which has reduced annual debt payments and created the opportunity for this new bond.

**Leverage State Matching Funds:** RSD will receive \$7.6 million in a State grant if bonds are approved by voters. This brings the total funds available for school projects to \$35.1 million. If bonds are not approved, RSD will not receive the grant from the State.

## RSD Schools Face Challenges

**Health, Safety and Security:** Our secondary schools have multiple points of entry and every school in the district has locks, front entries, fire panels, alarms and/or security systems in need of repair or replacement.

**Future Capacity:** City of Redmond data shows that over the next 20 years, Redmond will grow by 2.5 new residents per day. The future growth in new neighborhoods is expected to outgrow the existing capacity of certain schools.

**Aging Schools:** The average age of a school in RSD is 45 years old. This means electrical, heating, ventilation and cooling systems are inefficient and out-of-date. Roofs, flooring, windows, sidewalks, plumbing and exterior siding are in need of repair throughout the district.

## 2020 Bond Request

RSD, in partnership with the community, has developed a recommendation for a school capital construction bond request that, if passed, will:

- **Improve Health, Safety and Security:**  
Create secure entryways and update communications systems, locks, fire panels, alarms and security systems. Upgrade air quality systems and mitigate asbestos.
- **Create Future Capacity:**  
Add classroom wings at both Tom McCall Elementary and Vern Patrick Elementary (12 classrooms) and create new cafeteria spaces at each school.
- **Modernize & Extend Life of Buildings:**  
Update technology, collaborative learning spaces, and infrastructure to give our students the tools they need to graduate and be college and/or career ready.
- **Improve Energy Efficiency, Reduce Operating Costs:**  
Districtwide energy efficiency projects, including replacing old, inefficient high-maintenance heating and ventilation systems and installing LED lighting and new windows, could save thousands of dollars in annual maintenance and operating costs.

## Citizen Oversight and Accountability

An independent, citizen-led Bond Oversight Committee will oversee the use of bond funds, specifically:

- Ensure bond revenues are used only for the purposes consistent with the voter-approved bond program and state law.
- Reduce long-term maintenance, construction costs and improve efficiency and longevity, and innovative practices.
- Review quarterly bond expenditure reports produced by the district to assess compliance with the bond program approved by voters.

*(This information furnished by Charan Cline, Ed. D, Superintendent, Redmond School District #2J.)*

# Measure 9-140 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

### Invest in Schools without Raising Taxes

We understand the value of return on investment. This bond is an excellent opportunity to maintain the tax rate and take advantage of additional state matching funds while investing in Redmond's future.

### Disciplined Fiscal Responsibility

We understand budgets. We appreciate the financial discipline District leadership has demonstrated. Recent refinancing of existing bonds resulting in \$7.4 million in savings for taxpayers is noteworthy. Crafting a bond package that leverages state and local dollars for much needed building improvements as well as creating capacity for future growth without increasing taxes demonstrates outstanding stewardship of public funds.

### Great Schools are Good for Business

We understand that thriving schools are an important part of a community's economy. Future residents buy and rent homes, patronize local shops, open businesses, and enroll their children in Redmond's schools. and we must ensure that our schools are providing high-quality education in safe and secure buildings for current students as well as preparing spaces to welcome new students.

### Please join us in voting yes.

Brandon Cook-Bostick, Broker Fred Real Estate Group  
Steve Davidson, Owner The Bite in Tumalo  
Joe A. Lochner Insurance Agency, Inc.  
Amber Wilson, Home Lending Officer, Umpqua Bank  
Angela Boothroyd, Broker Windemere Real Estate  
Steve Buettner, President Sunwest Builders  
Keith and Holly Sides, Cinder Rock Veterinary Clinic  
Jenny O'Keefe, Executive Director, REACH  
John Stark, Senior Director, REDI  
Central Oregon Association of REALTORS®  
Diana Barker, Principal Broker Windemere Real Estate  
Kyle Bonfert, Owner, Redpoint Climbers Supply, Terrebonne  
Paul Rodby, Owner/Operator, Redmond McDonald's  
Redmond Chamber of Commerce and CVB

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## Argument in Favor

### Improve the Safety and Security of Schools without Raising Taxes

As law enforcement and public safety officials, we know the importance of keeping kids and the adults who care for them safe within our school district's buildings. Preventing tragedies starts with buildings that are secure and that are outfitted with robust communication and alarm systems.

Monitoring who is coming in and out of our buildings helps prevent calamity before it occurs. **This bond provides funds to create secure entryways, updated locking systems and the installation of video surveillance cameras.** Currently, entries to our school buildings are unrestricted, allowing unfettered access to common areas and classrooms, leaving students and staff vulnerable. We must take steps to ensure the safety of students and staff while they are on campus.

**This bond also funds updates to communication and alarm systems.** In an emergency, a rapid response from public safety personnel is critical. Outdated communication and alarm systems lead to delays that jeopardize the safety of students and staff. This bond measure funds new communication technologies, updates and replaces systems that are desperately in need of repair.

### This bond prioritizes school safety without raising taxes.

When it comes to protecting students and staff, it is incumbent on the community to provide the District the necessary resources and tools it needs to update school buildings. Please join law enforcement and public safety officials in voting yes.

L. Shane Nelson, Deschutes County Sheriff  
Steve Fiero, President, Redmond Firefighters Association  
Craig Unger, retired Redmond Police Officer, D.A.R.E Ofc.,  
School Resource Officer and current Redmond Fire & Rescue Board of Directors  
Redmond Police Officers Association

*(This information furnished by L. Shane Nelson, Deschutes County Sheriff.)*

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# Measure 9-140 Arguments

## Argument in Favor

### Bond Wisely Invests in Redmond's Future Without Raising Taxes

As elected officials, we take the investment of public dollars seriously. **This bond, which does not raise taxes, is an excellent example of investing public dollars wisely.**

#### The Bond is A Wise Investment Because:

- Our schools are in need of safety upgrades and critical repairs. From asbestos abatement to the installation of new security systems, bond funds will make buildings healthy, safe, and secure.
- The bond creates much needed space for our growing community. District buildings are nearing capacity and this bond invests in facilities to accommodate growth.
- Bond funds will update old and outdated academic spaces and infrastructure. Modern spaces provide students the tools they need to graduate prepared for life beyond the classroom.
- Old buildings are inefficient and in need of repair. Waiting to repair aging facilities increases long-term costs to taxpayers. Investing now saves us money.

This bond, which does not increase taxes and comes with an addition \$7.6 million in state funds, is prudent use of public funds and a wise investment in our future. **Join us in voting yes.**

George Endicott, Mayor  
Jay Patrick, Redmond City Council President  
Jon Bullock, Redmond City Councilor  
Krisanna Clark-Endicott, Redmond City Councilor  
Albert Calderon, Redmond City Councilor  
Camden King, Redmond City Councilor  
Ginny McPherson, Redmond City Councilor  
Tim Carpenter, Chair, Redmond School Board  
Rick Baily, Director, Redmond School Board  
Travis Bennett, Director, Redmond School Board  
Liz Goodrich, Director, Redmond School Board  
Hayes McCoy, Chair, Redmond Area Parks & Recreation  
Matt Gilman, Vice Chair, Redmond Area Parks & Recreation  
JoAnne Fletcher, Redmond Area Parks & Recreation

*(This information furnished by Tim Carpenter, Redmond School District.)*

## Argument in Favor

### Redmond Teachers and Administrators Encourage You to Support Measure 9-140!

The Redmond School District is at a crossroads. We have aging schools in need of repair, we have limited space at our elementary schools, and we are facing an unknown economic future due to a global pandemic. With this bond, we have the opportunity to address repairs and space issues **without adding to your taxes.**

As the community members who occupy these spaces to educate our children, we know many of our schools need repairs. These repairs will create a better learning environment for students, and allow the buildings to run efficiently and extend their lives, ultimately saving money. It will also help our rapidly growing community add critical space to our elementary schools.

Adding to the opportunity is a \$7.6 million matching grant from the state of Oregon, which only happens if the bond passes.

This bond is a win for all stakeholders. **Best of all, Redmond taxpayers will not see their taxes increase.**

Join Redmond teachers and administrators in voting **YES.**

Barry Branaugh, Executive Board Coordinator, REA  
Jeff Bowman, Contract Management, REA  
Anthony J. Brown, Finance and Budget, REA  
Sarah Cochran, Teacher Effectiveness, REA  
Carrie Brumbach, Communications Director, REA  
Lisa Burgher, Principal, Hugh Hartman Elementary  
Carolyn Espinosa, Principal, Sage Elementary  
Drew Frank, Principal, Tom McCall Elementary  
Trevor Flaherty, Principal, Terrebonne Community School  
Audrey Haugan, Principal, Redmond High School  
Jennifer Hesse, Principal, Vern Patrick Elementary  
Lee Loving, Principal, Ridgeview High School  
Chad Lowe, Principal, Elton Gregory Middle School  
Karen Mitchell, Principal, StepUp  
Justin Nicklous, Principal, Tumalo Community School  
Jensine Peterson, Principal, Obsidian Middle School  
Dusty Porter, Principal, John Tuck Elementary

*(This information furnished by Barry Branaugh, Executive Board Coordinator, REA.)*

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## Deschutes County Commissioner Position 2



**Phil  
Chang**  
Democrat

**Occupation:** Natural Resource & Renewable Energy Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Forest and Watershed Management; Collaboration; Partnerships; Public Policy

**Educational Background:** Columbia University, B.A.; UC Berkeley, M.S.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Federal Forest Restoration Program Lead; Oregon Department of Forestry; Central Oregon Field Representative, U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley; Natural Resources Program Administrator, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council.

*I want to keep Deschutes County a great place to live, work, play and raise a family—for all of us. I've worked with Oregon communities for 16 years to build sustainable economies where workers can make a good living while being good stewards. By working together we can face any challenge.*

**As your County Commissioner, I pledge to:**

- Provide critical public and mental health services,
- Improve housing affordability,
- Manage growth to preserve our quality of life,
- Reduce traffic congestion,
- Preserve habitat and open space,
- Use your tax dollars wisely.

### BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER TO CREATE A BRIGHTER FUTURE

*"When I was Deschutes County Commissioner chairing the Forest Collaborative, Phil brought people together to end the timber wars locally and fix our forest."* - Alan Unger, former Deschutes County Commissioner

**"Chang's track record of bringing people together to work out complex regional issues would be a breath of fresh air."**  
- The Source Weekly, 5/05/2020

### We support Phil Chang!

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
John Hummel, Deschutes County District Attorney  
Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board  
Jodie Barram, Former Bend Mayor Pro-Tem  
Bruce Abernethy, Bend City Councilor  
Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor  
Sharlene Weed, Former Sisters City Councilor  
Carrie McPherson Douglass, Bend-La Pine School Board Co-Chair  
Amy Tatom, Bend-La Pine School Board  
Erica Skatvold, Chair, COCC Board  
Liz Goodrich, Redmond School Board  
Alison Hohengarten, Bend Affordable Housing Adv. Comm. Member  
James Cook, Homeless Advocate  
Sierra Club Oregon Chapter  
Jim Porter, Former Bend Police Chief  
Roger Riolo, Veteran's Advocate  
Laborers Local 737  
Central Oregon Labor Chapter, AFL-CIO  
Andrew Kaza, Co-Chair, Independent Party of Oregon  
Bruce Dausavage, Ochoco Lumber General Director  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters

[www.votephilchang.com](http://www.votephilchang.com)

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## Deschutes County Commissioner Position 2



**Phil  
Henderson**  
Republican

**Occupation:** County Commissioner (2017-2020)

**Occupational Background:** Attorney, Civil Law, (1989-2003); President, Vice-President, Regional Construction Firm, (2003-2011); Homebuilder, General Contractor (2011-2016); Energy Conservation Business

**Educational Background:** Yale University, B.A.; University of Oregon Law School, J.D.; Hood River High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City of Bend, Budget Committee, 1997-2002; Republican Precinct Person 2012-2020

### RE-ELECT COMMISSIONER HENDERSON

#### VOTE for EXPERIENCE

Deschutes County should **RE-ELECT** an experienced leader who shares your values and fights for them. Commissioner Henderson is a 5th generation Oregonian, living 31 years in Deschutes County. With successes in homebuilding and law, he offers common-sense solutions for the county's biggest issues.

#### VOTE for LEADERSHIP

For the past four years, Henderson has led the County Commission with initiatives for fiscal responsibility, two property tax reductions, transportation improvements, housing and health programs and fixing the 911 system. Henderson's strong leadership ensures the county's citizens that he will be your trusted ally in uncertain times.

#### VOTE for LAW AND ORDER

Commissioner Henderson will not allow the riots, violence and property destruction in Portland bleed into Deschutes County. He insists on equal, fair, consistent and effective enforcement of the law to protect people of all races and backgrounds, and their property. As the governing body for the public safety system in Deschutes County the Commission must ensure that **OUR** citizens are protected and laws are followed.

#### VOTE for JOBS AND LOCAL BUSINESS

The unemployment rate remains over 10%. It was only 3% eight months ago. Our local businesses, schools, and churches must re-open so county residents can thrive. Henderson insists upon the best from county health officials to keep residents safe from COVID-19 and to reopen our economy and our lives.

#### Endorsements

Redmond Mayor George Endicott  
Former State Representative Gene Whisnant  
Former State Senator Cliff Bentz  
State Senator Dennis Linthicum  
State Representative Jack Zika  
Former State Senator Chris Telfer  
Commissioner Patti Adair  
Robert Perry, Former Redmond School Board Director

Please vote to re-elect Phil Henderson as County Commissioner.

[www.electphilhenderson.com](http://www.electphilhenderson.com)

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## Deschutes County Sheriff



**Shane Nelson**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Deschutes County Sheriff

**Occupational Background:** Deschutes County Sheriff's Office; 1993 - Present (Reserve, Deputy Sheriff, Detective, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant,

Captain)

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, B.S.; DPSST Executive Certificate

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Redmond School Board

*I was born and raised in Deschutes County and it has been an honor to serve as your Sheriff for the last 5 years.*

*I'm committed to the highest customer service through public safety. I stand by my decisions as Sheriff and want you to know, as my actions have shown, I will do the right thing, at the right time, for the right reasons. -SHANE NELSON*

### Meeting Community Needs

Helped establish a Stabilization Center, partnering with county behavioral department to provide mental health, drug, and alcohol services for individuals experiencing crisis.

*"Leaders like Sheriff Nelson are rare. He will work with anyone to achieve common goals. We can trust him to continue to partner in innovative solutions to meet community needs." - Connie Druliner, Business Leader*

### Serving those Who Served

*"Deschutes County has a long-standing tradition of honoring Veterans. Sheriff Nelson helped establish a First Responders and veterans memorial and is an active supporter in building the Veterans Village. I wholeheartedly trust Shane Nelson to continue serving as our Sheriff." - J.W. Terry, Veteran Advocate*

### Fiscal Leadership with Taxpayer Funds

Reduced taxes for Rural Patrol while maintain service levels and receiving stellar audits from an outside agency for taxpayers' funds every year.

*"I want to know our tax dollars are being used wisely, which is why I appreciate Sheriff Nelson's fiscal leadership. He only uses what is needed to deliver quality public safety and service. We can trust him with our tax dollars." - Todd Taylor, President, Taylor NW*

### We Trust Sheriff Nelson. Please join us.

Bev Clarno, Oregon Secretary of State

Michael Dugan, Former Deschutes County District Attorney

Dr. Shirley Metcalf, Retired President COCC

Judy Stiegler, Former State Representative

Dick Tobiason, LTC US Army Retired

[www.SheriffNelson.com](http://www.SheriffNelson.com)

*(This information furnished by Shane Nelson.)*

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## Deschutes County Sheriff



**Scott Schaier**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Peace Officer, City of Bend Police Department.

**Occupational Background:** Crisis Intervention Team Officer; Central Oregon Emergency Response Team Member; Patrol and Training Officer.

**Educational Background:** Political science and public policy studies at Central Oregon Community College and OSU.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Over 11 years of law enforcement experience, City of Bend Police Department and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

### Law Enforcement is a Community Service

Healthy communities are places where we **invest in our neighbors**. Good policing requires we **build partnerships and work together** to foster **trust** and promote **safe neighborhoods**. It's time we had a sheriff who will **listen to everyone**.

### Police Officers Cannot Fix All of Society's Problems

We're asking too much from officers to solve drug addiction and homelessness. And people going through mental health crises need to be met with compassion and trained social workers. Recently, **people struggling with mental health issues have died in our County jail**. That is unacceptable.

### Protecting Our Communities

From recruitment to training, the Deschutes County Sheriff's office must be focused on keeping our community safe. As sheriff, I will promote **accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility** to ensure we're working with the public to better protect our community.

### We Support Scott Schaier for Sheriff!

National Association of Social Workers, Oregon Chapter

Dr. Andy Barram, Bend Police and Fire Psychologist

Braydon Bigam, Bend Fire Department Captain

Leah Lewis, County Behavioral Health Specialist

Candice Pacheco, Family Nurse Practitioner

Jose Pacheco, St. Charles Emergency Room Nurse

Megan Perkins, Co-Founder, Embrace Bend

Oregon Working Families Party

Rev. Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-LaPine School Board Member

Caroline Skidmore, Bend-LaPine School Board Member

Andrew Johnson, Bend-LaPine School District Educator

Matt Nelson, Deschutes County Deputy District Attorney

Dan Reesor, Deschutes County Deputy District Attorney

Steve Vuylsteke, Black Butte Police Sergeant

Ken Stenkamp, retired Bend Police Captain

Cindy Ksenzulak, Bend Police Sergeant

Stacy Crawford, Deschutes County Deputy Sheriff

Jim Porter, retired Bend Police Chief

[www.schaierforsheriff.com](http://www.schaierforsheriff.com)

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## Deschutes County Treasurer



**Greg  
Munn**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Acting Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer – Deschutes County, 2019 to the present.

**Occupational Background:** Chief Financial Officer – High Desert Education Service District, Redmond, Oregon 2006 to 2019; Business Manager – Crook County School District, Prineville, Oregon 2011 to 2012; Finance Manager – Clark County, Washington 1997 to 2006; Financial Analyst – Clark United Providers, Vancouver, Washington 1995 to 1997; Financial Management Services, LLC – Principal, Vancouver, Washington 1994 to 2006; Port of Portland, Oregon – Sr. Financial Analyst 1988 to 1994; The Boeing Company, Seattle, Washington 1987 to 1988.

**Educational Background:** Central Washington University – Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with specialization in Finance, 1987.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** All of my career employment with counties, public education and a port district has been in the field of governmental finance and accounting.

**Civic/Professional/Associations:** Mentor, New Business Manager's Institute, Oregon Association of School Business Officials; Central Oregon Finance Officers' Group; Finance Committee, NeighborImpact; Budget Committee (past), Crook County School District; Budget Committee member, City of Prineville; Oregon Government Finance Officers Association.

I have enjoyed serving as the acting Treasurer for the past year and look forward to serving another four years as your County Treasurer.

*(This information furnished by Greg Munn.)*

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## Deschutes Soil & Water Conservation District Director At Large 1



**Robin  
Vora**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** I worked 39 years in natural resources for the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service in seven states as a forester, ecologist, wildlife biologist, and manager.

**Educational Background:** My education includes Masters degrees in Wildlife Resources and Forest Resources from the University of Idaho, and a Bachelor's in Natural Resource Management/Forestry from the University of California at Berkeley.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** I am running for re-election to the Deschutes Soil and Water Conservation District Board. I have lived in Deschutes County for 18 years and have been active serving on several City of Bend committees including urban growth boundary expansion, central area plan, transportation, and historic landmarks commission. I was on a Bend Parks & Metro Parks & Recreation citizen's committee. I served on the board of the Orchard District Neighborhood Association for 10 years and participated in Let's Pull Together (noxious weed removal). I volunteer at the Tower Theatre and am involved with the Deschutes Land Trust, East Cascades Audubon Society, and Habitat for Humanity.

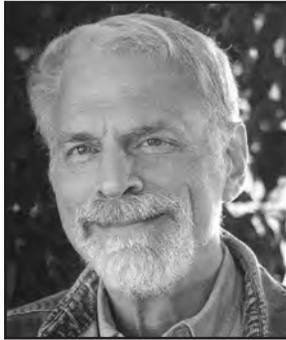
Over the past eight years I led the development of a long-range plan for the District that would eventually include programs related to soil stewardship, water quality and more desirable river flows, weed management, wildlife and fish habitat improvement, wildfire risk reduction, locally grown food and farm-to-market products, and development of renewable energy and energy efficient resources. To-date, the District programs have focused on water quality and reduction of water loss, some weed reduction, and some education. Generally, I am in favor of projects that would increase winter flow in the upper Deschutes River or summer flow in the middle Deschutes River, while recognizing local considerations. I would like to see District services with interested landowners expand in scope to include more on-the-ground projects in all of the program areas in the District's long-range plan.

I request your vote to re-elect me.

*(This information furnished by Robin Vora.)*

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**Deschutes Soil & Water Conservation District  
Director, Zone 2**



**William John Kuhn**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Semi-Retired Independent Investment Advisor  
49 years

**Occupational Background:**  
School Teacher

**Educational Background:**  
Hiram College BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** DSWCD Appointed 2008; Elected 2008; Appointed 2012; Elected 2014; Elected 2016

While touring the West and Oregon in particular, my wife Leigh and I experienced the first oil embargo in the fall of 1973 in Coos Bay. To get off the beaten path we drove over the mountains to Bend. From storage to transporting, via piping and pumps to irrigation I saw the importance of water as a resource to invest in. Expanding on the slogan “you can live without oil but not without water” we began investing in both water and alternative energy stocks.

We visited Bend every year thereafter, eventually moving here in 1986. My wife was a reader with the SMART program, and then served on the Soil & Water Conservation District. I served on the Recycling Team beginning in 1992. I took over Leigh’s position on the DSWCD in 2008 when she was no longer able to deal with the duties of her position.

Within Central Oregon the DSWCD’s area of concerns include the Four W’s – Water, Weeds, Wildfire, and Wildlife – helping landowners to find funding to conserve water, control weeds, reduce fire fuels and improve wildlife habitat. My personal goal has been to emphasize the wildlife issue, using our statutory powers to do more to oversee development in wildlife overlay zones.

It’s my personal opinion that human activity has been a primary cause of both global warming and losing our wildlife habitats to death. We are fast running out of time to deal with these negative situations. The DSWCD and I appreciate your ideas and help with these issues.

[www.A-WayForward.com](http://www.A-WayForward.com)

*(This information furnished by William John Kuhn.)*

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**Deschutes Soil & Water Conservation District  
Director, Zone 3**



**Jeff Rola**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Owner, Go Bio Community Fuels

**Occupational Background:**  
Biofuels Development, Natural Resource Conservation

**Educational Background:** BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Director, Deschutes SWCD.

I have filed for office and paid for this statement to promote the value for all of us that Oregon Conservation Districts in general, and the **Deschutes Soil and Water Conservation District** in particular, provide.

- We help to keep your air and water clean and more:
- Improve farm and ranch production and efficiency.
  - Restore stream flows.
  - Enhance fish and wildlife habitat.
  - Protect endangered species.
  - Resolve conflicts.
  - Reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires.
  - Control invasive species and noxious weeds.

We do all this without fines, liens, decrees, regulation enforcements, or lawsuits. Our work is accomplished through **VOLUNTARY COOPERATION** from our partner landowners and agencies. Voluntary cooperation is by far the most lasting and cost-effective way to keep Deschutes County’s farms, rivers, forests, and communities thriving.

The District supplies educational, technical, and financial assistance to those in Deschutes County who wish to become better stewards of their land and water resources. We deliver assistance with a small but efficient technical staff, and by accessing various state, federal, and private assistance programs to address resource needs.

Our operational funding presently comes from the Oregon Lottery. Due to COVID-19, the District’s budget may face a 30% - 40% cut over the next biennium due to lottery shortfalls.

As elected directors of the Conservation District, the seven members of the Board are your representatives for the environment and our quality of life. To learn more about us, please visit the District website at [www.deschuteswcd.org](http://www.deschuteswcd.org).

Deschutes SWCD is a bargain. We have accomplished much through partnership, cooperation, a talented staff, and a motivated Board. I am fortunate to have been a part of this conservation effort for more than 20 years.

So much more needs to be done to secure our natural resources, and a great deal more can be done --- with your help and support.

Thank you.

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 1**



**Melanie  
Kebler**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Attorney

**Occupational Background:** Victims' Rights Attorney, Oregon Crime Victims Law Center; Deputy District Attorney, Lincoln and Yamhill Counties

**Educational Background:** Lewis and Clark Law School, 2008; University of Michigan, B.A. 2005; Bend Senior High, 2001

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Commission on Judicial Fitness and Disability 2018-present; Deschutes County Local Public Safety Coordinating Committee 2019-present

Growing up in Bend, I learned how a healthy environment and strong local economy help our community thrive. On the City Council, I will advocate for smart growth that brings prosperity to everyone living here. It's time for bold, forward-thinking leadership in Bend.

**Investing in transportation**

Bend's roads and sidewalks must be safe, accessible, and connected. I will prioritize safety to ensure people are empowered to walk, bike, or roll around town.

**Planning for affordability**

Lack of accessible childcare, affordable housing, and equitable transportation has pushed Bend out of reach for many. I will address this inequity and ensure that workers and small businesses are not left behind as our economy recovers.

**Protecting our environment**

We must preserve the natural resources that are the key to our future as a sustainable city. I support policies that make Bend a leader in the fight for the future of our climate.

**Creating a truly welcoming city**

We need a City Council that hears voices from all corners of our increasingly diverse city. I will listen and work to improve City engagement with historically marginalized communities. I support concrete action to address systemic racism and I'm not afraid to stand up against injustice in our community.

**Endorsements:**

*Oregon Working Families Party  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Central Oregon Labor Chapter*

John Hummel, Deschutes County DA  
Judy Stiegler, Former State Representative  
Jim Clinton, COCC Board of Directors, Former Mayor of Bend  
Mark Capell, Former Mayor Pro Tem  
Gena Goodman-Campbell, City Councilor  
Ariel Méndez, Bend Park and Rec Board  
Carrie McPherson Douglass, School Board Member  
Shimiko Montgomery, School Board Member

**MelanieKebler.com**

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 1**



**Justin  
Livingston**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Managing Principal Broker, Fathom Realty; Bend City Councilor

**Occupational Background:** Production Manager, Jet Porter Inc. (Air Support Company); Professional Motocross Racer

**Educational Background:** Chemeketa Community College - General Studies; Salem Academy - High School Diploma

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City of Bend Affordable Housing Committee; Bend Street Maintenance Funding Committee; Board Member and Land Use Chair, Old Farm Neighborhood Association

Four years ago, I promised to tackle Bend's big problems like crumbling streets and a lack of affordable housing, all without raising taxes on people already struggling to make ends meet.

Since I entered office, Bend has repaired a record number of lane miles of streets, without resorting to a regressive gas tax. The city expanded its urban growth boundary and made key street improvements to open additional land for affordable housing, including securing an affordable housing pilot development via the State of Oregon. While housing prices in Bend continue to increase, we have built the foundation to make a wider variety of affordable housing available to current and future residents.

Bend's biggest challenge today is the economic distress caused to residents and small businesses by COVID-19. I support efforts to reduce the burden the city places on those most affected by the economic slowdown:

**No new taxes** – I voted against the \$190 million city transportation bond. Now is not the time to add to homeowners' financial burden.

**Flexibility for small business** – To help small businesses and their employees get back to work, I support regulatory flexibility and fast permitting. Now more than ever, we need to put people and small businesses ahead of city red tape.

I am proud to be endorsed by the Bend Chamber PAC and local leaders across the political spectrum:

**"Justin is a thoughtful leader who provides needed balance to the Council."** Bruce Abernethy, Bend City Councilor.

**"Justin is both principled and cooperative and a highly effective Councilor."** Casey Roats, former Bend Mayor.

**Please Vote Justin Livingston for Bend City Council.**

*(This information furnished by Justin Livingston.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 2**



**Anthony Broadman**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Indigenous Rights Attorney

**Occupational Background:** Journalist; advisor for local businesses and community organizations.

**Educational Background:** Princeton University, B.A.; University of Arizona, J.D.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Sequoia National Park Trail Crew; Tribal Appellate Judge.

**Volunteer Service:** Chairman of the Oregon State Bar Indian Law Section; Washington State Bar Administrative Law Section; Grace First Lutheran Church Council.

**HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT**

Our friends and neighbors shouldn't be forced out of town because they can't afford to live here. I will work tirelessly so everyone in Bend has a safe, affordable home.

**SMART PLANNING TO FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE**

I will advance progressive transportation policies to protect our environment and build a bright future for our children. We must ensure every child in Bend can get to school safely by walking, biking, or taking the bus.

*Together, we can fix our economy, make housing more affordable, and protect our environment.*

**LEADERSHIP WE CAN TRUST**

*"Anthony's deep commitment to public service and fairness is exactly what we need on the Bend City Council. Anthony will be a compassionate and collaborative leader for all of Bend."*

- John Hummel, Deschutes County District Attorney

**Anthony is proud to earn endorsements from:**

- Jim Clinton, Former Bend Mayor
- Sally Russell, Mayor of Bend
- Bruce Abernethy, Bend City Councilor
- Barb Campbell, Bend City Councilor
- Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor
- Tammy Baney, Former Deschutes County Commissioner
- Shimiko Montgomery, Bend-LaPine School Board
- Amy Tatom, Bend-LaPine School Board
- Neil Bryant, Former State Senator
- Jason Kropf, Bend Park and Recreation Board
- Ariel Méndez, Bend Park and Recreation Board
- Deb Schoen, Bend Park and Recreation Board
- Scott Seaton, retired Bend Firefighter
- Trevor Lugers, Nurse
- James Williams, Teacher
- Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
- Bend Chamber PAC
- UFCW Local 555
- Oregon Working Families Party
- Oregon League of Conservation Voters
- Central Oregon Labor Chapter, AFL-CIO
- National Association of Social Workers Oregon Chapter, NASW-OR
- Sierra Club Oregon Chapter

[www.broadmanforbend.com](http://www.broadmanforbend.com)

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 2**



**August Paul Johnson**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Albertsons Deli Clerk, paid.

**Occupational Background:** Wabi Sabi Retail Clerk and Activity Manager, paid; Redmond School District IT Intern, paid.

**Educational Background:** Ridgeview Highschool, earned high-school diploma.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** I took an AP Government class in highschool. No other experience.

I'm just an 18 year old kid who wants to spend his college years here in Bend, hang out with my family and friends, and work at my job. Bend is full of people like me who are hard working individuals that have friends, families, and futures here in Bend. As a young college student I find myself planning for my future constantly. I want that future to be in Bend just as many of my fellow classmates do as well, but the question, "Will I be able to afford to live in Bend?" looms above all students. I believe that question needs to be answered with, "yes" and that there are ways to help drop Bend's costs. With fewer restrictions on business and an expansion to Bend's Urban Growth Boundary, the cost of living in Bend can be lowered. As a teen I wish to be able to hang out with friends around town but I quickly notice that there are many gaps in what we would like to do. I can voice the opinions and requests of many students directly to the council, like putting lights at Bend's skate parks, giving a young generation the certainty that their voice can be heard. As a constitutionalist, I believe that every individual knows what is best for them when it comes to their health, safety, work, money, and travel, and that it is the government's purpose to protect each individual's liberty and freedom. For Bend I wish to preserve the rights that all its citizens have. I love and live for Bend.

*(This information furnished by August Paul Johnson.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 3**



**Ron  
Boozell (Rondo)**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** not employed  
**Occupational Background:**  
Collection Agency Owner, Manager  
**Educational Background:**  
HighSchool Grad, some college

**Prior Governmental Experience:** USNavy Veteran  
I am Rondo. Community volunteer and activist. US Navy Veteran, and 30-year resident of Bend. That means that we probably share some core-values. *We are neighbors.* I am always a father first.

I seek dignity and justice for all. That is why I fought for Equal Marriage Rights. That is why I fought for legal marijuana. That is why I represent Veterans. Bicycle-and-wheelchair access. Homelessness issues.

At 18, I went to Boot Camp. After that I lived on a warship, the USS Wadsworth. I stood Quarterdeck watch with a loaded 45. I have been serving you for years! No other city council candidate has my record of volunteerism. I have literally given my blood. 12-gallons.

I have spent thousands-of-hours volunteering in our community. Thousands-of-hours attending city and county meetings. Thousands-of-hours on our PeaceCorner speaking-out on important issues.  
I have served on several non-profit boards.

We fought to Save Troy Field from development. If we had not prevailed, we would have another large hotel invading our neighborhood space.

Through five years of prosperity, we have fought for a cold-shelter in Bend, and so-far have failed. We fight to raise expectations of our BendPolice, and we need to retrain them. We can end homelessness, and solve homelessness issues, if we want! Create an economy where growth benefits us all. Be a Net-Zero Energy City with Green Jobs.

I am a local activist. That means I am always trying to make our home a better place for our children. I do not play for the BlueTeam or the RedTeam.  
No political party is helping me get elected. No party owns Rondo.

I am already representing you, even if you don't support my campaign.  
I am not asking for your vote. You either get me, or you don't. Thank you for your consideration.

Rondo4BendCityCouncil2020  
LOVE WINS

*(This information furnished by Ron Boozell.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 3**



**Megan  
Perkins**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Embrace Bend, co-founder/Board President  
**Occupational Background:**  
Marketing Consultant, Small Business Owner; Director, Wisconsin College Savings Program; Council Director, Girls on the Run; School Board Member, Dragonfly School

**Educational Background:** Colorado College, BA Political Science; George Washington University, MA Political Management

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Board Member, Summit West Neighborhood Association; School Site Council, High Lakes Elementary

I am running for City Council because I love our city and want our growth and prosperity to be shared by all. I will bring a collaborative approach to engaging with our community and make Bend a place where everyone is truly included in decision-making.

Economic Equity:

- **Affordable housing, reliable and safe transportation and access to childcare** are the three pillars of economic equity for individuals and working families. Bend can become a **livable and affordable community** for everyone.
- Our City Council can lead the way in managing an **inclusive financial community recovery** for all our neighbors, especially those disproportionately affected by the pandemic.

I will listen to community interests and prioritize varied and accessible housing, multimodal equitable transportation, increased childcare options.

Working for All of Bend:

- Bend is an incredible city, and **all residents should have the same experience:** Safe complete neighborhoods, access to nature and recreation, and a strong economy that benefits all regardless of race, sexual orientation, income, and mobility.
- Our City Council can work to address the **barriers to civic participation** that disallow our underrepresented citizens from participating in our city and our economy.

I will fight for the same opportunities and access for every resident. **I will represent Bend's community values and will work for all of Bend.**

Community Endorsements Include:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters;  
Central Oregon Labor Chapter;  
Oregon Working Families Party;  
Sierra Club Oregon Chapter;  
Former Mayor of Bend, Jim Clinton;  
Bend City Councilors, Gena Goodman-Campbell, Barb Campbell;  
Bend-La Pine School Board Members, Shimiko Montgomery, Amy Tatom, Melissa Barnes Dholakia

**MeganForBend.com**

*(This information furnished by Megan Perkins.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 3**



**Chris  
Piper**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** VP, Promotional Sales, City Councilor

**Occupational Background:** Business Development, Brand Marketing, Eagle Scout

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Bend City Councilor

**Bringing Bend Together**

City Councilor Chris Piper, a 15-year Bend Resident, has been accessible, engaging with the community, and moving projects forward to better our City. Chris lead the effort for restaurants to expand outdoor seating; helping restaurants stay afloat meeting COVID guidelines. Chris will continue to listen to all perspectives and work towards common sense solutions for our City.

**Economic Recovery**

COVID-19 caused immense harm to Bend’s local businesses and employees. Chris worked with the Bend Business Relief Fund to provide 0% interest loans to local businesses to help keep their doors open and employees on payroll. He supported creating flexible payment plans and not assessing late fees on City customers. Chris will continue using his business background helping Bend’s local economy recover and create new jobs.

**Transportation**

Chris will ensure that our transportation infrastructure keeps up with our population growth. Chris will continue to work towards solutions, as he has done with the Neighborhood Street Safety Program, to minimize traffic congestion, expand bike, pedestrian, and transit infrastructure so ALL Bendites can commute with safety and ease.

**Affordable Housing**

Housing supply shortages have caused home and rent prices to soar in Bend, putting financial strain on working families, seniors, and young Bend residents. Chris is working to streamline our land use and permitting process to reduce building costs, which will create more affordable housing options for residents of all types.

**Livability**

City Council is responsible for providing core services to its residents. Chris has been a champion for equipping our first responders and ensuring the safety and efficiency of our water and sewage systems. Chris will work to keep our community healthy and safe.

**Chris Piper is Endorsed by:**

- City of Bend Councilor Bruce Abernethy
- Bend Chamber PAC
- Retired Bend Police Chief Jim Porter
- [www.piperforbend.com](http://www.piperforbend.com)

*(This information furnished by Chris Piper.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 4**



**Michael R  
Hughes**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Self-employed attorney and farmer

**Occupational Background:** Adjunct Professor of Criminal Law and Procedure, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

**Educational Background:** Juris Doctorate - Drake University, 1999; Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice - University of Nebraska, 1995

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Department of Agriculture Industrial Hemp Advisory Committee; City of Bend Marijuana Advisory Committee

As a small business owner and an attorney who advises small business owners, I know many in Bend struggle trying to live and make a living here.

Affordability, or, rather, unaffordability, is a long-term problem in Bend. As people with the means to leave larger cities move here in record numbers, the disparity between those who made or make their money elsewhere and people who make Bend wages, or are on a fixed income, grows.

I’m running for City Council to bring creativity and analytical rigor to helping people who know from firsthand experience that working in Bend doesn’t pay well and living in Bend is really expensive.

I will be a voice for residents too busy to attend city council meetings. Specifically, I will:

Reduce the burden on taxpayers and small businesses - I oppose the City of Bend’s \$190 million property tax hike, and support efforts to reduce city red tape associated with running and working for small businesses. Those people who are feeling the slower economy can’t afford to pay even more in taxes, and we need to make it as easy as possible for small businesses to put people back to work.

Keep Bend Bend - Most of us moved here because Bend still feels like a nice, small town in some ways. As our city continues to grow, we need to ensure that growth doesn’t ruin what makes Bend special. I believe all people and groups need to feel valued and heard by our city government so that we all have a role in keeping Bend Bend.

Please vote Michael Hughes for Bend City Council, Position 4.

*(This information furnished by Michael R. Hughes.)*

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**City of Bend  
City Council, Position 4**



**Rita Schenkelberg**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Mental Health Counselor, Northwest Youth Discovery

**Occupational Background:** Residential Counselor, Northwest Youth Discovery

**Educational Background:** Colorado Mesa University (BA, Counseling Psychology); Oregon State University - Cascades (Masters, Counseling)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

My name is Rita Schenkelberg (she/her & they/them) and as a queer person of color living in Bend, I bring a lived experience which has not been seen on City Council previously.

As someone who has been a student and is a working professional in Bend, I know what it's like to struggle to afford to live here. I'm familiar with the commitment and determination it takes to overcome adversity.

As a Mental Health Counselor for youth, I work within systems and facilitate hard conversations with individuals whose values may or may not align with my own.

This is why I want to represent you on City Council.

**Community**

My voice will support the entire community. Diverse leadership engages more of the community. I will review all policies with a progressive and equity lens.

**Housing**

I will advocate for affordable housing and sustainable growth. I support policies which require affordable housing. I will work toward equitable redevelopment in the Bend Central District and the Core Area.

**Transportation**

I will work to increase access to transportation options--walking, biking, and transit--while reducing greenhouse gas emissions. I support the Transportation Bond and will prioritize equity in transportation plans.

**Environment**

I will work across sectors to prioritize the implementation of the Community Climate Action Plan. We will create a more livable community with healthier, more affordable housing, reduce City operating costs, and slow the rate at which we fill Knott Landfill.

I'm energetic and passionate about this opportunity and ready to take a strong stance on the issues. Please vote for me because representation matters!

**Endorsements**

- Gena Goodman-Campbell, Bend City Councilor
- Jim Clinton, former Bend Mayor
- Oregon League of Conservation Voters
- Central Oregon Labor Chapter
- Oregon Working Families Party

**Ritaforbend.org**

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**City of La Pine  
Mayor**



**Daniel Lee Richer**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Local Business Owner; True North Laser; 2015-Present; Paid; Community Advocate; Multiple Cities including: La Pine, Or.; 1988-Present; Unpaid

**Occupational Background:** Ownership; Highway 2 Computers – Creston, Wa.; 1998-2006; Paid; Ownership; Fiberfab US – La Pine, Or.; 2006-2015; Paid; Ownership; Original Oregon – La Pine, Or.; 2010–2016; Paid

**Educational Background:** Pilot Butte Junior High; Bend, Or.; 1972-1974; Bend Senior High School; Bend, Or.; 1974-1976; USMC Communications School; MCB 29 Palms, Ca.; 1976; COCC GED Program; Bend, Or.; 1980; COCC; Bend, Or.; Computer Sciences; 1980-1982

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Creston, Wa.; Councilman; 1999-2000; Appointed; Creston, Wa.; Councilman; 2000-2004; Elected; Creston, Wa.; Mayor Pro-Tem; 2003-2004; Appointed; Creston, Wa.; Councilman; 2004-2006; Elected; La Pine, OR.; Mayor; 2018-2020; Elected

I've been blessed to live in great communities. My activism has provided me a very diverse skill set. I use these skills with a common sense approach to work with local entities and organizations; forming a better place to work and play.

I have also been elected to public office in the past. It provided me with the experience to work in many situations that affect the quality of citizen lives. Navigating life is hard enough without governmental intervention, let alone being confronted with difficulties arising from regulations that complicate daily life.

I care about La Pine. I will do my very best to prevent un-needed processes from hampering our families' lives.

My accomplishments include:

- Designing, Building, and Privately Funding the La Pine Veteran's Memorial,
- Instituting, Coordinating and Producing Veteran Named Bricks for the VFW,
- Refurbishing, Reopening, and Managing the Rosland Camp-ground,
- Founding La Pine's Community Oktoberfest and many other events.

If I am re-elected Mayor, I will continue working to promote La Pine as a place for business and tourism. We need to be more than a roadside pass-through. Let's improve local economic benefits, while we preserve our identity, and increase the quality of life for everybody in our community.

*(This information furnished by Daniel Lee Richer.)*

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**D. Scott Henderson**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** General Contractor - self employed

**Occupational Background:** Construction - self employed; Building Design; Facilities Manager - Marks Brothers, Inc.

**Educational Background:** Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham, OR - Associate Degree Civil Engineering; Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR - Civil Engineering course work

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Public Works Committee - City of La Pine

**I would like to see more affordable housing and options for more types of housing, including tiny homes.**

**As the City grows, there have been planning decisions that have not served our community well. My background in construction and civil engineering, concern for affordable housing, and care for private property rights could help the City make more equitable decisions.**

**As Highway 97 changes in La Pine, I would like to see better crosswalks that would include Left and Right turn lanes. We also need to keep the passing lanes. .**

**I believe all of our businesses, schools, churches, and government offices are essential, and we need to get safely back to work and school as quickly as possible.**

**Endorsed by: Mike R. Shields, City of La Pine Council Member**

*(This information furnished by D. Scott Henderson.)*

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**Alisha Powell**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** High School Math Teacher; Oregon Real Estate Broker

**Occupational Background:** None

**Educational Background:** CSU, Chico BA Liberal Arts; Chapman University Teaching Credential; Superior Schools Real Estate License

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

**After math teaching for 16 years I decided to enter the real estate field. I love teaching and helping students in our community as well as seeing La Pine grow into a thriving city that can offer its residence a wide variety of goods and services. I want to join the city council to help La Pine become the best it can be!**

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**City of La Pine  
City Council**



**Cathi R  
VanDamme**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Retired; 2013  
**Occupational Background:** Multnomah Education Service District; Business Services Secretary; Procurement Card Administrator & Trainer; 2008-2013; Portland Public Schools;

Secretary; Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent; Safety/Training Supervisor; Student Transportation; 1990-2008

**Educational Background:** Various Elementary Schools, 6th grade; Dale Ickes Jr. High, 8th grade; Various High Schools, 11th grade; GED Certificate

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair; Caufield Assn. of Neighbors; Oregon City, OR, 2000-2004; Chair; North Central Assn. of Neighbors; Gresham, OR, 2006-2008; Elected Board Director; two terms; Rockwood Water PUD; Portland, OR, 2008-2016; Public Works Committee member; City of La Pine, OR, 2018 - Present; Planning Commission member; City of La Pine, OR, 2019 - Present

“Small Town Strong” may be a catch phrase for the City of La Pine, yet what makes this community so strong are its people and city leaders. Our community is growing and must continue to develop while keeping the “small town” feel sought by families and retirees alike. It is important that we continue to build livability and internal city structure into La Pine to enhance and enable it to provide a safe, desirable, welcoming community for visitors and community members alike.

*(This information furnished by Cathi R. VanDamme.)*

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**City of Redmond  
Mayor**



**Charles  
Baer**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** owner , founder , president , [www.globalinternetgovernment.com](http://www.globalinternetgovernment.com)

**Occupational Background:** security guard , bend , oregon

**Educational Background:** graduated from the university of

hawaii at hilo in 1994 with a B A in political science

**Prior Governmental Experience:** none

my name is charles webster baer of redmond , oregon , usa . I would like to earn your vote for mayor of redmond , oregon this year . I am 51 years old . my contact information is on my web site , [www.globalinternetgovernment.com](http://www.globalinternetgovernment.com) . please contact me for any reason at any time , before and after the election . I have never been married and I have no kids . I am single , straight , buddhist , ,and I am a libertarian . that means I am for less government and more freedom . I am a depopulationist , which means I think that it is wrong for anyone to get pregnant a second time . I was born and raised in santa cruz , california . I moved to oregon in 1999 and I moved to central oregon in 2007 .

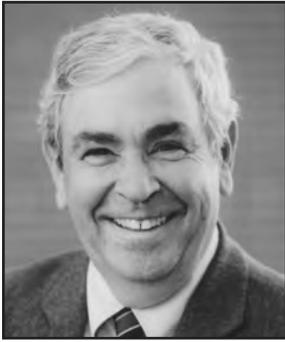
I think that the current mayor of redmond oregon has done , is doing ,, and will continue to do a great job . I think the city of redmond government is doing everything perfectly and if elected mayor I would not change a thing .

I , charles webster baer , am running for mayor of redmond oregon usa in 2020 for many reasons . I feel that I offer the voters of redmond oregon a special and unique option . I feel that a vote for me is a vote to put redmond , and all central oregon , in a place to lead the whole world in major , important issues such as environmentalism and transparency . if elected mayor , I will begin a online campaign to make all of redmond government spending immediately and completely transparent to the public on line . after I accomplish this task , I will do the same for all deschutes county , then the state of oregon , then the nation of the usa , then the world ,

*(This information furnished by Charles Baer.)*

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## City of Redmond Mayor



**George  
Endicott**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Mayor

**Occupational Background:** Scientific Applications International Corp.: Systems Engineer; Defense Department: Systems Integrator, Computer Scientist; NATO: Computer Scientist;

Army: Computer Specialist; Labor Department: Program Analyst

**Educational Background:** OSU, B.S. Economics; Post-graduate - Certificates in Manpower Management; Land-Use Planning; Program Management

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Mayor (2009 to present); Redmond City Councilor; Redmond Urban Area Planning Commissioner; Prince William County Planning Commissioner and Chair

As a native Redmond resident, 5<sup>th</sup> generation Central Oregonian, Purple Heart recipient and war veteran, my passion is service, both to my country and my community,

As your **FULL TIME MAYOR**, I have the education, experience, relationships in local, regional and state government and **TIME** to devote to City issues.

My focus is, and will continue to be:

Public Safety  
Public Health  
Infrastructure  
Economic Development

Throughout the challenging Governor mandated mask and social distancing mandates, I have fought to keep parks and boat launches open, small businesses supported, industry generated living wage jobs, affordable housing and a stable City budget.

“George’s dedication and loyalty to the citizens of Redmond is unwavering. He has my absolute support.”

**Elton Gregory**

“I am proud to endorse the election of George Endicott as Redmond Mayor. As a Vietnam veteran and Purple Heart recipient, he positively works to provide military veterans the services and honors they earned and deserve. His leadership as mayor has created the successful economic and ‘law and order’ city that offers military veterans and all citizens the opportunity to support their families and live in a great community.”

**Gene Whisnant, Colonel, USAF, retired**  
**Former Oregon District 53 State Representative**

“George Endicott stands strong for the values that are personally important to me.”

**Barry Campbell**

*Let’s keep moving Redmond positively forward!*

Visit me on Facebook: Mayor George Endicott

**Endorsements:**

**State Representative Jack Zika**  
**Redmond City Council President Jay Patrick**  
**Angela Boothroyd**  
**Martin Baltazar, VFW Post 4108 Commander**

*(This information furnished by George Endicott.)*

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## City of Redmond Mayor



**Tanner  
Robertson**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Owner of General Duffy’s Waterhole

**Occupational Background:** Army Military Intelligence Captain; 6 years

**Educational Background:** United States Military Academy at West Point, NY

**Prior Governmental Experience:** N/A

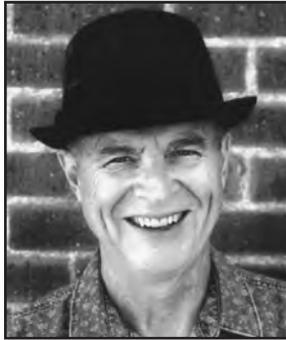
Having been raised in Redmond and after serving in the United States Army, I have never been more passionate about standing up for our community, making our residents proud of their government leaders, and supporting our Redmond families and businesses through unprecedented times. My vision is to keep Redmond a welcoming, thriving and safe community for families and businesses. I will serve and govern through common sense policies that foster a sense of community, ensure safety for our families and business owners, and provide superior services that support a safe, inviting and healthy environment. I will facilitate businesses open and kids back at school.

My family operates General Duffy’s Waterhole and we experienced the recent suffering of many small businesses in Redmond. It is my goal as Mayor to support small businesses, attract new businesses and industries to provide adequate work for our residents, develop infrastructure intelligently to accommodate growth, and secure a successful future for our children through education and community support programs. I stand behind our first responders, medical professionals, and city workers who honorably serve to protect and support our community. I will empower and resource them to accomplish their critical mission.

Key leadership items that must be address for the future well-being of our Democratic processes in Redmond include our responsibility to vote on term limits for Mayor. We must look at whether it is ethical to have family members & spouses serve in office simultaneously. The City Constitution must be voted on and improved to ensure we are protecting our values, protecting the integrity and trust in leadership, and ensuring our Constitution & Leaders serve the People of Redmond; through crisis and beyond.

*(This information furnished by Tanner Robertson.)*

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**Donald K  
Crouch**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** PacificSource Health Plans—Reconciliation Specialist

**Occupational Background:** T-Mobile, Team Leadership, 2007-2012; TicketsWest Puget Sound Project Manager 1998-2006

**Educational Background:** BS/Journalism—University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Redmond Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee (DURAC), 2012-2019. Served as Chair 2016-2019. Presided over such Redmond projects as SCP/ New Redmond Hotel, Centennial Park expansion, Expansion of The Center Redmond facility.

As a member of City Council, I promise to put Redmond’s economic livelihood first among all goals.

As our city continues to grow, I will focus on fiscally responsible strategies that strengthen the economic outlook of the city, attract living wage jobs, and provide a mix of housing options for all residents.

This applies to ALL CITIZENS. I support Black Lives Matter/ All Lives Matter, and encourage the current discussions to increase diversity awareness in Redmond. I also support and encourage the efforts underway to increase transparency in Redmond City Government processes.

I am known as a facilitator, someone able to wrangle diverse opinions into well-vetted actions to recommend to City Council. As a member of that body, it will be my goal to continue the work begun with DURAC to bring benefit to all Redmond’s citizens.

*(This information furnished by Donald K. Crouch.)*

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**Clifford B.  
Evelyn Sr.**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Executive Board President, New Priorities Family Services Redmond, OR; Law Enforcement (Retired)

**Occupational Background:** Sheriff’s Commander; Sheriff’s Office Commanders Guild Or-

ganizer; Sheriff’s Office Training Sergeant; “Our Personal Best” award from Sheriff’s Office for Outstanding Performance; Cultural Diversity Award presented by Clark County Commissioners

**Educational Background:** New York University Business Administration; L.A. Trade Tech Business Management; U.S. Naval Management School Certification; Criminal Justice Training Commission Correctional Academy Certification

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clark County Mental Health Committee; Clark County Diversity Committee; Naval Petty Officer Appointed; Sheriff’s Sergeant Appointed; Lieutenant Appointed; Commander Appointed

**Community Service**

- Co-Founder Neighbors 4 Redmond
- New Priorities Family Services Executive Board Director
- “Street Wise” Youth Mentor; member Los Angeles Inner-City Youth Foundation; men and women’s baseball and basketball coach; boxing coach

**My Commitment**

As your City Councilor, I commit to respectful listening and thoughtful consideration of differing viewpoints. I will seek solutions that benefit our entire community rather than individuals and interest groups. I will operate transparently and promote transparency in all council deliberations.

**A Voice for You**

The people of Redmond deserve to have their voices heard and I will elevate those voices by staying connected with the community. I will also work to engage citizens actively and will build upon my 29 years of community service and leadership to represent you with character, integrity and transparency.

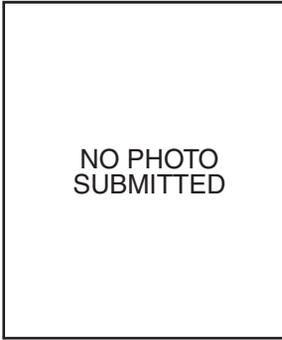
I look forward to putting my experience to work for the people of Redmond and ask for your vote and support as we together build a bright future for our city.

Clifford4Redmond.com  
Character, Integrity, and Transparency

*(This information furnished by Clifford B. Evelyn Sr.)*

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## City of Redmond City Council



### **Ed Fitch** Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Attorney - Fitch & Neary

**Occupational Background:** Attorney: Bryant Emerson & Fitch; City Attorney: Redmond and Bend

**Educational Background:** Marquette University - BA, MA in History; Willamette University - JD

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Mayor City of Redmond; Redmond Development Commission; City Attorney (Redmond); Land Use Hearings Officer (Deschutes County)

I have lived in and been part of the Redmond community since 1979. I met my wife Susan here. Our sons, Andrew and Alex, grew up here.

We face significant challenges because of the rapid growth in our community and in Central Oregon as a whole. As mayor we were able to address similar issues. We procured federal and state investment in needed infrastructure including the Redmond Reroute, the Highland/Glacier Couplet, and approval of the Maple Avenue Bridge. We also protected the Dry Canyon from development.

Redmond again needs to focus on solutions that make sense for the community, for South Hwy. 97, Highland Avenue west of Rimrock, as well as other transportation needs in the community. We also need to preserve the quality of existing neighborhoods and to ensure that with new housing we create neighborhoods based upon liveability instead of mere quantity. It is also in Redmond's best interest to remove impediments to the expansion of the COCC campus and improving our economic opportunities around the airport. Finally, we need to make sure we have an open and fair process in our appointment process for Council and City Committees so that all citizens can participate in the governance of our community. The Council needs to be more inclusive instead of divisive.

*Endorsed by:*

*Barb Myers  
Ron Bryant (former Mayor)  
Councillor, Jon Bullock  
Bill Braly  
Debra Lane  
Maarty Leunen  
Kathy Neal  
Jim Neal  
Fr. Todd Unger  
Alan Unger, (former Mayor)  
Paul Povey  
Amber Wilson  
Paul Whitaker  
Ryan Still  
Alan Hare  
Bill Adams*

*Mark Crose  
Ben Wagenblast  
Cory Alderman  
Gib Hammack  
Dr. Celso Gangan  
David Allen  
Craig Unger  
Mark Keener  
Ann Keener  
Sean Neary  
Jim Westendorf  
John & Michelle Duff*

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## City of Redmond City Council



### **Camden King** Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** High School Math Instructor; Redmond Proficiency Academy; 2019 - present

**Occupational Background:** Crook County School District; 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher; 2018 - 2019; Umpqua Bank; Universal As-

sociate; 2015 - 2017; President; Bluespeed Executive Search, Inc.; 2001 - 2015

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University; Master's Degree (Teaching); 2018; Willamette University; BS Business Economics; 1990; Bend Senior High; Graduate (Valedictorian); 1986

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Redmond City Council; 2009 - present; NeighborImpact; Board of Directors; 2018 - present; League of Oregon Cities; Board of Directors; 2015 - 2017; Redmond Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; Redmond Economic Development Board of Directors; Redmond Urban Area Planning Commission; 2006 - 2008

I am a fourth-generation Redmondite with 14 years of hands-on participation in our City's highest levels of local government. Coupled with my involvement in the League of Oregon Cities, NeighborImpact, Redmond Chamber of Commerce, and Redmond Economic Development, Inc., affords me direct insight to foster economic development in Redmond, while also assisting our citizens who struggle. Further, I owned and operated a local small business for 15 years, so I understand the challenges that businesses face.

If fortunate enough to be re-elected, I will focus on a few key areas in addition to the ongoing planning and maintenance of core services. I will:

- Strive for our local government to be transparent and welcoming to all of our citizens, while championing diversity and equity.
- Continue to prioritize the establishment of Redmond as the business "hub" in the region and increasing diverse employment opportunities.
- Support the development and implementation of the Urban Renewal District plan – both Downtown and South Highway 97 - to further develop our vibrant cultural center while maintaining its historical feel.

I offer a historic perspective of our community, energy to guide it forward, and the knowledge to positively affect our City's evolution. I welcome the opportunity to serve our community and appreciate your vote!

*(This information furnished by Camden King.)*

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**City of Redmond  
City Council**



**Michael A  
Kusinska**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Retired State of New Jersey Office of Information Technology

**Occupational Background:** US Army Volunteer Infantry Operations Specialist Honorable Discharge Good Conduct

Medal; Certificate of Achievement Award from my Battalion Commander; State of New Jersey I worked on design, implementation and maintenance of the state's computer systems. As a Project Manager I was responsible for coordinating all activities within the software design projects. Progress reporting, budget controls and involvement with vendors.

**Educational Background:** Mercer County College Trenton New Jersey Information Systems Certificate of Proficiency; Professional computer training in directing unit operations. Development and implementation of internal controls. Understanding performance standards, establishing work priorities, maintaining administrative, organizational procedures and supervision of personnel; Glassboro State College Glassboro New Jersey; Bachelor's Degree Major Law/Justice Criminal Justice Courses relevant to police work; Camden County College Blackwood New Jersey; Associate Degree 2 year Liberal Arts

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Appointed to Redmond Planning Commission Jan 2019 to present.

I moved to Oregon in 2008. I have lived in Redmond since 2014. I wish to be more engaged with the City of Redmond. My experience on the Planning Commission has given me valuable insight into the direction the city will heading through 2040. Redmond's plan includes public safety improvements, diversified housing, employment opportunities and infrastructure planning. I believe for Redmond to move forward, a strong voice on the City Council will be required to overcome any challenges in pursuing our plan. I am that strong voice. Keep Redmond a great family friendly neighborhood city.

*(This information furnished by Michael A. Kusinska.)*

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**City of Redmond  
City Council**



**Ronald  
Osmundson**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Care Bears Lil' Munchkin Daycare, Redmond, OR - Co-Owner; Redmond Childcare Task Force - Neighborhood Impact

**Occupational Background:** Running Y Ranch - Auditor;

Eagle Crest Resort - Auditor; Klamath Co. SD - Educational Paraprofessional; Jefferson Co. SD 509-J, Bend - LaPine SD, Redmond SD - Assistant Football Coach

**Educational Background:** Klamath Community College, Klamath Falls, OR - Early Education; Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR - Communications

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

**Dedicated Community Servant**

Ron has always found a way to give back to his community, even while operating his small business and raising a family. He volunteers for Neighborhood Impact, Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District, and as a high school football coach. Now, he's ready to serve our community on City Council. As husband and father to a young family, Ron is dedicated to Redmond's future.

**Supporting Working Families**

As the owner and operator of a local daycare and member of the Redmond Childcare Task Force, Ron has seen the struggle families are facing firsthand. His expertise in childcare and early education is needed on our City Council right now to increase access to quality and affordable childcare.

**Affordable Housing**

Ron is committed to reducing building costs in Redmond by simplifying the permitting process, reducing unnecessary regulations, and ensuring our land use policies promote the development of new, affordable housing options. Ron is committed to keeping Redmond affordable as we grow.

**Supporting Local Businesses**

Redmond's small businesses are an integral part of our economy, community, and culture. Ron and his wife have felt COVID-19's impact on small businesses firsthand. He's committed to helping our local businesses endure these trying times and rebuilding our local economy stronger than ever. Ron wants the City to help local businesses, not get in their way.

**Endorsements**

- Mayor George Endicott
- Krisanna Clark-Endicott, Redmond City Councilor
- State Senator Tim Knopp
- State Representative Jack Zika
- Deschutes County Commissioner Phil Henderson

**Vote Ronald Osmundson for Redmond City Council**

[www.ronosmundson.com](http://www.ronosmundson.com)

*(This information furnished by Ronald Osmundson.)*

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**City of Redmond  
City Council**



**Shannon  
Wedding**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Water Product  
Manager/Civil Engineer - Night-  
hawk Control

**Occupational Background:**  
Senior Engineer, Murraysmith;  
Managing and Supervising En-  
gineer, City of Houston Houston

Water; Consulting Engineer, Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, ACES, LAN

**Educational Background:** Texas Tech University, Bachelor of  
Science Civil Engineering; Texas Tech University, MBA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

I am excited for the opportunity to represent the City of Redmond as a City Councilor and vow to serve the public and community as an honest and strong leader. I am a licensed Civil Engineer, and through jobs both in the private and public sectors These differing viewpoints have provided me extensive experience with economic growth and development along with a strong understanding for the importance of developing and maintaining critical infrastructure. While working for a large municipality I diligently protected the public's health and safety while responsibly representing the views of the City and local community. I also believe that cities prosper by supporting local businesses and family values and enjoy spending time with my family in all the outdoor pursuits of Central Oregon. I am proud to be endorsed by Ginny McPherson, Redmond City Councilor and promise to bring fresh ideas and perspectives while representing the City of Redmond.

*(This information furnished by Shannon Wedding.)*

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**City of Redmond  
City Council**



**David R  
Wegener**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:**  
City of Redmond Public Works;  
Pepsi Cola

**Educational Background:**  
Clackamas Community  
College:Tech Degree in Water

and Waste Water Management; Mount Hood Community College:  
Accounting and Small Business Management; Madison High  
School; Jason Lee Elementry

**Prior Governmental Experience:** N/A

Redmond voters ... I am running for city council to look out for how the city spends your hard earned money. To help cut red tape for small business and events that want to come to our city. I feel overall The City of Redmond hac done a good job keeping our city safe, well maintained and fiscaly responsible. I worked for about 13 years for the Public Works department and have learned a little about the interworkings and I feel I can add to making our city run better for the future.

*(This information furnished by David R. Wegener.)*

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**City of Sisters  
City Council**



**Andrea L.  
Blum**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Sisters City Councilor since October 2015

**Occupational Background:** Recording Secretary, Deschutes County Board of Commissioners; Staff for the Deschutes County Sheriff's Permanent

Funding Advisory Committee; Office Manager, Oregon Public Employees Union, Salem, OR.

**Educational Background:** Silverton Union High School Graduate, Silverton Oregon; University of Oregon, Freshman.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Executive Committee Member of Central Oregon Area Commission on Transportation; Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of Deschutes County for 20 years.

As Sisters' residents, we are blessed to live in a wonderful, small town full of great parks; a beautiful, vibrant downtown; well-maintained infrastructure; and numerous communitywide events that bind us all together. However, as a current city councilor, I continue to hear from the community about a few important issues that need to be addressed:

**Highway Congestion:** Summertime highway congestion through Sisters is a fact of life. The roundabout at the west end of Sisters has helped improve the traffic flow and safety, but another roundabout on the east end of town is necessary to further improve the flow while allowing more freight/truck traffic to bypass the downtown.

**Affordable Housing.** We cannot maintain a healthy business community or support a welcoming environment for young families and people of different backgrounds without affordable housing. I will continue to work with affordable/workforce housing providers to find innovative ways to bring needed housing to Sisters.

**Safety & Livability:** Many residents of "Sisters Country" have moved here for the lifestyle it offers. I weigh every policy decision against the impact that decision will have on the livability of our community. Based on recent community survey results, we have completed contract negotiations with the Deschutes County Sheriff's office to provide an increased police presence in Sisters.

**The way to meet these challenges is to continue working together as a community to find the right balance for Sisters.** I pledge to work with the community to find that balance if re-elected to the Sisters City Council.

*(This information furnished by Andrea Blum.)*

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**City of Sisters  
City Council**



**Susan G.  
Cobb**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** RETIRED

**Occupational Background:** Copy Service Artist; Nevada Bell; Copy Service Artist, Pacific Bell; Information Systems Analyst; Carrier Access Billing Systems; Pacific Bell; Systems Analyst;

Directory Information Yellow Pages; SBC; Project Manager; Carrier Access Billing Systems; SBC; Overseas Contract Project Manager; Billing & Online trade systems in Europe; President; Cobonics, Inc.; President; Timber Creek HOA; Sisters; OR

**Educational Background:** University of Nevada; Reno; BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** NONE

I am running to be your Sisters City Councilor because we are heading into trying times (pandemics, longer fire seasons, water shortages) and I want to help assure your voices are heard and represented in making decisions about our future.

Sisters will grow in population; that is unavoidable. The management of how it grows is of great importance to you and me.

Priorities:

- sustain and grow our business community,
- support plans ensuring a lush treed city with more safe walking and biking lanes,
- increase fire mitigation awareness/preparedness,
- assure all residents will thrive including those less fortunate in our community.

City Councilors are non-partisan representatives of the community who must seek out a variety of perspectives in order to come to decisions that work for the greater good. This, I will do.

A Councilor must be willing to negotiate and compromise for the best path forward. This, I will do.

Each Councilor is expected to read the materials provided, be prepared and attend all meetings. This, I will do.

As this is my first attempt to be a civil servant, there is much for me to learn. I will study the applicable laws, learn the ropes at City Hall and be an advocate for the people of Sisters.

Feel free to contact me, at [cobb4citycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:cobb4citycouncil@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns.

**ENDORSEMENTS:** Diane L. Hodgson, Dale Payne, Kay Payne, Dan Rickards Clearwater Gallery, Julia Rickards - The Open Door, Harmony Thomas, Lance Trowbridge, John R. Warnke, Elizabeth E. Weeks, and Jack A. Weeks.

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## City of Sisters City Council



**Elizabeth  
Fisher**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Founder and Communications Director, Sisters Fight for Social Justice (June 2020-present)

**Occupational Background:** Gymnastics Lead Instructor, SPRD (July 2019-August 2019)

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, B.S. in Chemical Engineering (2020)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

I believe people are what matters. I will bring this philosophy into office if I am elected as a City Councilor in Sisters. If our initiatives in council do not benefit the people of Sisters, what is the point? I will go into each decision, discussion, and vote from this perspective.

My vow to my constituents: "I will listen more than I talk." I am not running for council to amplify my own voice. My goal is to amplify the voices of groups in Sisters that do not always feel they are heard. These groups include—but are not limited to—citizens under 30, LGBTQ+, BIPOC, and undocumented communities. I aim to make myself as open and accessible as possible to listen to all peoples of Sisters Country. My voice on council only matters if it represents the thoughts and grievances of the people.

Sisters is a great city with a great community, but we can always be better. I have lived in Sisters Country for over twelve years. It is beautiful, and sometimes because of that beauty we tend to push ugly or hard things under the rug. To reach our full potential, we must have the hard conversations. There is a national reckoning about race and equity at the moment, and it does not serve us to let it pass us by. We must be willing to examine our past and current injustices to become the more equitable and inclusive city I know we can be.

I have been endorsed by Susan G. Cobb; if you are looking for fresh voices, please vote for us both.

Please feel free to contact me at [elizabeth4sisters@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth4sisters@gmail.com)

Elizabeth Fisher,  
Voice of Hope,  
Voice of Heart,  
Voice of the Future.

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## City of Sisters City Council



**Jennifer  
Letz**  
Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Consultant, Letz Sustainability Consulting

**Occupational Background:** Sustainable Operations Specialist, Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests, Bend OR; Board Member, The Environ-

mental Center, Bend OR; Technical Support Representative, PV Powered, Bend OR; Backcountry Park Ranger, Grand Canyon National Park, Grand Canyon AZ

**Educational Background:** Prescott College, MA Sustainable Management; Willamette University, BA Film and Media Studies; Bend Senior High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Street Maintenance Funding Committee, City of Bend; Planning Commission, City of Prineville

As a sustainability professional, it is my job to find solutions that benefit our economy, our environment, and support social equity. I will bring this expertise to the Sisters City Council to address the following issues:

### **Growth**

Growth is inevitable, but the negative impacts often associated with it are not. I will help the City mitigate for new residents by employing smart urban planning techniques.

### **Housing**

Finding affordable housing continues to be a challenge for many families in our community. It is critical the City of Sisters supports workforce housing to maintain a stable workforce, reduce traffic, and keep more dollars within our community.

### **Wildfire**

As a former wildland firefighter, I will bring my knowledge of wildfire management to the Council and partner with the Sisters – Camp Sherman Fire District, the Deschutes National Forest, and Oregon Department of Forestry to protect our community from wildfire.

### **Tourism**

In Sisters we get to share our special place with people from all over the world. I will work to ensure Sisters is an inviting, safe, and enjoyable place to visit while protecting the quality of life for residents.

### **Economy**

I will work with business owners to address top issues like workforce housing and infrastructure and encourage a more diversified, year-round economy.

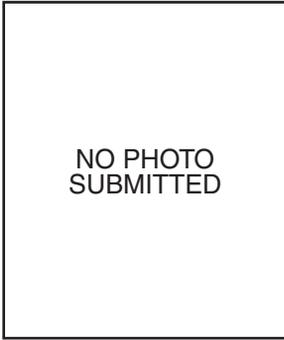
### **Education**

As a parent, I will work with the Sisters School District to support our partners in education and seek mutually beneficial solutions.

It would be an honor to represent the citizens of Sisters on the City Council. Thank you for your vote.

*(This information furnished by Jennifer Letz.)*

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**Gary P.  
Ross**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** Director Facilities and Media-Lane ESD; Coordinator Professional/Technical Education Springfield #19

**Educational Background:** University of Southern Maine - BS; Utah State - Masters; University of Oregon - PhD level coursework in Administration, Computer technology, and Curriculum

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Willamalane Park and Recreation District Director 2004-17 served as Board President two times; City of Sisters Budget Committee; City of Sisters Park Advisory Committee

**Experienced leadership:**

Over 20 years of public budgeting experience and experience in Comprehensive Plan Updates.

Lead successful campaign to pass a \$20 million dollar bond measure to fund park improvements and acquire over 700 acres of land for public use.

Worked with other Directors to foster cooperation and resource sharing between Park District and other tax funded agencies in community.

Lobbied in Washington DC on issues important to parks, the community, and surrounding areas.

**My pledge to you:**

Sisters has a number of important issues that will need to be addressed in the next few years, including a Comprehensive plan update, Possible Urban Growth Boundary expansion and Housing issues. I will actively participate in all aspects of these and other community related issues, seeking input from all stakeholders in forming my decisions. In those areas where there may be a conflict of interest, I pledge to remove myself from all discussion and voting, even if it impacts my interests negatively.

Should new development, both commercial and residential be proposed, I will work to ensure it fits into the part of the community where it will be located and that it enhances the community as a whole.

Sisters is going to continue to grow and change. How your city council manages that growth and change will impact this community, and your experience in living here for many years.

With your vote, I will work to ensure that the experience is a positive one

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Deschutes County Clerk's Office Coloring Contest



Thank you to all of our local students who participated.

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