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Businesses Recognized June 23 with Safe Sidewalk Awards

This past year, 15 Deschutes County businesses “cemented” their reputations for providing potential customers and pedestrians with a debris and hazard-free environment. On June 23, the businesses will receive Safe Sidewalk Awards from the Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC).

The Safe Sidewalk Awards will be presented at the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners Business Meeting held on Monday, June 23 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Barnes and Sawyer Rooms (first floor) of the Deschutes County Services Center at 1300 NW Wall Street in Bend.

Each year, the award serves as a positive reminder to businesses that promptly removing snow and ice from sidewalks helps ensure the safety of pedestrians and attracts customers. Along with the snow and ice of winter, there are many other hazards that are present year-round that need attention like low hanging vegetation, irrigation overspray, and deteriorating sidewalks. All of these conditions can create challenging and often dangerous conditions on sidewalks in commercial areas.

2013-2014 winners include:

City of Bend Businesses

Bend Metro Parks and Recreation District
Cedarwest Apartments
City of Bend, Downtown Campus
Deschutes County, Property and Facilities
McMenamins Old St. Francis School
ODOT Region 4 District 10
Selco Credit Union, Old Mill Branch
Sidelines Sports Bar and Grill
Sterling Bank, Windy Knolls Branch
Touchmark at Mt. Bachelor Village
Umpqua Bank, Downtown Branch
US Bank, NE 3rd Street and Olney Branch

City of Sisters Businesses

Bronco Billy's
Leavitt's Western Wear
Rancho Viejo Mexican Bar and Grill

City of La Pine Businesses

No nominations received

City of Redmond Businesses

No nominations received

For more information about nominating a business next year for a BPAC Safe Sidewalks Award, please call the Deschutes County Community Development Department at (541) 317-3150.

Deschutes County Government provides for the safety, security and health of Deschutes County's 170,000 citizens through public safety, human services, adult and juvenile corrections and many other valuable public services. For more information, please go to www.deschutes.org.