City Budget 101; Independence Police Raise Awareness about Child Abuse

River City Briefs

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What is a City's Budget Process?



The city's budget process affects everyone in Independence. That's why we mapped out that process in our City Budget 101 video featuring Finance Director Rob Moody. Watch and learn how city council goals inform the budget, how property taxes are divided up between local governments, the differences between general use funds and restricted utility funds, and how the annual budget is adopted.

The next budget committee meeting is May 1, with other tentative meeting dates being May 8, and May 15, 2024.

To learn more and read the proposed city budget, visit: https://www.ci.independence.or.us/city-budget/

Watch Video Here

Independence Police - April Video Newsletter



This month's Independence Police video newsletter delves into a sensitive but crucial subject: raising awareness about child abuse. Detective Jill Thissell shares her insights and experiences dealing with these cases, shedding light on warning signs for parents to be vigilant about. Her candid discussion offers valuable guidance on navigating this difficult topic.

As our department continues to educate and inform the community about Child Abuse Prevention Month, join us in standing in solidarity with survivors. No child should ever be abused, and our department will continue to work tirelessly to investigate and do whatever we can to hold accountable anyone who would harm a child.

DISCLAIMER: This video contains material that may be traumatizing to some audiences. Viewer discretion is advised.

Watch Video Here

Touch-A-Truck Event Returns



Touch-a-Truck is back! Bring your family and friends to Riverview Park on Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 10 AM - 2 PM to enjoy all the fun and excitement! From construction equipment and police vehicles to fire and rescue apparatuses, experience all the literal bells and whistles of some of the most recognizable automobiles on the road. 10 AM - 11 AM is a quiet hour (no sirens or horns) to accommodate anyone with noise sensitivity.

No cash admission is required, but we encourage you to bring food donations for the Ella Curran Food Bank. This event is made possible by our partners at SEDCOR.

We can't wait to see you there!



Read the 2023 Independence Water Quality Report

Every year, the city of Independence provides its residents with a water quality report, also known as a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), from the previous year. These documents are an essential tool for learning about the water you drink, the quality of your drinking water, and the services we offer. One of Independence's top priorities is to provide our community with a safe and reliable supply of drinking water, and we are committed to implementing strategies to enhance our water treatment process and safeguard our water resources.

We want you to be aware of the efforts we make to maintain the quality of your water, and we encourage you to review the Water Quality Report to stay informed about the health and safety of your water supply.

Read the full report by clicking the button below.

Read Report Here

Get Involved in This Year's Independence Days Celebration

Want to be involved in this year's Independence Days celebration? There's a myriad of ways for you to jump right in and be a part of the festivities. Whether you're interested in showcasing your goods as a vendor, contributing as a sponsor, or lending a hand as a volunteer, we're thrilled to welcome your support.

Spread the word far and wide by sharing this opportunity with your friends and neighbors. Together, let's make this celebration one to remember!



To get involved as a vendor, sponsor, or volunteer, simply click the button below and navigate to the corresponding section on our webpage. Let's make this year's Independence Days unforgettable!

Get Involved Here

Oregon E-Permitting Coming to Independence

Starting Monday, April 29, 2024, the city of



Independence's Building department will migrate to an online, E-Permitting system, as part of a larger, statewide initiative to improve standards and consistency across agencies.

This system will include, but need not be limited to, the following:

- Faster Permit Submissions
- Remote Submissions and Access
- Able to view the permit process
- On-Site Building Inspection Requests
- Online Payments
- Easy-to-Follow Communication

The city appreciates your patience and understanding as we navigate this new system and work to streamline the permitting process. If you have any questions, please contact us at <u>permits@ci.independence.or.us</u>

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Enjoy a Fun Movie & Support the Heritage Museum



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MIY SUMMER SPORTS

MICRO SOCCER 3-5 YRS : JUNE 16TH-JULY 24TH SESSION 1-MON @ 5PM SESSION 2-WED @ 5PM





SOCCER JUNE 17TH – JULY 25TH KINDER-2ND: MON/WED 6-7PM 1&2 GRADE: MON/WED 7- 8PM 3&4 GRADE: TUE/THURS 6- 7PM 5&6 GRADE: TUES/THURS 7- 8PM TRACK JUNE 17TH – JULY 24TH KINDERGARTEN – 6TH GRADE MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 5:30–7:30PM



REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN NOW!

REGISTER ONLINE, IN-HOUSE OR OVER THE PHONE TODAY!



Independence Public Library May Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Independence Public Library 175 Monmouth Street Independence, OR 97351 503-838-1811 www.ci.independence.or.us/library			Storytime 10:30 am	2	3 Star Wars Crafts 4 pm	4
5	6	⁷ Tuesday Crafternoon: Mother's Day Gifts! 4 pm	^s Storytime 10:30 am	9	10	11
Happy Mother's	13	14	²⁵ Storytime 10:30 am	16	Family Movie: Wish 4 pm	
19	20	21 Mystery Book Club 4 pm	No Storytime. New Session Begins June 19th!	23	24	25
26	27 memorial DAY	28	29	³⁰ Re	Summer Readii ad, Renew, Repeat i Sign up starting (ng 2024: 's coming soon. June 14th!

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