

UCAN News Articles – June 2018



Friday, June 1, 2018

Be ready for Medicare with good training (RSVP)

By Rebecca de Greyt for the Daily Courier

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Please consider helping us by generously donating your time and talents. We appreciate your support.

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KITCHEN HELP NEEDED. St. Vincent de Paul needs volunteers for its Mobile Kitchen.

The hours are 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Volunteers begin with food preparation at the kitchen on Seventh Street, travel to the site where the Mobile Kitchen is serving lunch that day and return to the kitchen for clean up.

If you are interested in helping one day a month or more, or possibly helping as a substitute, please call Anita at 541-474-0032 or Annette at 507-281-9688.

BE A PART OF THE SUCCESS. The Fresh Alliance, one of the quiet success stories at the Josephine County Food Bank, is in need of volunteers.

Each month local grocery stores donate an average of 20,000 pounds of fresh food to the Food Bank. But the Food Bank needs volunteers to pick up this food.

The Food Bank makes 10 pick-up runs a week, at 8 and 11 a.m. Monday through Friday. If you can spare two or three hours a week to help, please call us at 541-479-5556.

The Food Bank provides the truck and a driver (if necessary). Teams of three are preferable, usually one member of the Food Bank staff accompanied by two volunteers. Many hands help to lighten the load.



Saturday, June 16, 2018

Roseburg company is apparent low bidder for Head Start project

A Roseburg company is the apparent low bidder for a Roseburg Head Start project that will be built on Kenneth Ford Drive in north Roseburg by the United Community Action Network building.

Roseburg city officials opened the bids on Thursday, and Zerbach Construction of Roseburg came in with the low bid of \$3,099,000 for the building which is expected to be just under 12,000 square feet.

Zerbach was one of three companies that submitted bids, and was the only Douglas County company to respond. Their bid was significantly lower than the other two bids.

Adroit Construction of Ashland bid just over \$3.4 million and Bogatay Construction of Klamath Falls submitted a bid of \$3.93 million. The Engineer's estimate was \$3.44 million.

The bids will now go to public works for review before going before the city council for final approval. That will likely happen at the June 25 council meeting.

Because the building is funded by Community Development Grant money, the city of Roseburg will be a co-owner of the property with UCAN for five years to make sure that all HUD requirements are met. The city applied for the grant so UCAN could access federal money that was available.

UCAN will operate the Head Start program, which is for pre-kindergarten children, and close to 200 would be served in the facility.

The Head Start programs serve the families of young children who face significant risk factors affecting school success. Enrollment priority goes to children most in need.



Friday, June 22, 2018

Campus Closet helps students in need (RSVP)

By Rebecca de Greyt for the Daily Courier

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CAMPUS CLOSET HAS SUMMER HOURS. Campus Closet is a program supported by UCAN and the many volunteers in the community who make this service possible. It serves students from families with limited income or other emergency needs.

It is located at the United Community Action Network building, 125 N.E. Manzanita Ave., in Grants Pass. The entrance to the program is located on the left hand side of the building at the RSVP entrance. UCAN and community volunteers operate this program. They have the capacity to serve students enrolled in grades K-12. (Sorry no preschooler or infant clothing is available).

Students are welcome to shop at Campus Closet two times per school year (August-May) and once during the summer time (June-July). An admit slip is required for each family every calendar school year. Students may obtain an admit slip from their school's office, teachers, counseling center or at the Campus Closet for the summer.

Students are able to choose 10 items of clothing (that includes no more than two pairs of shoes). Additionally they will receive three pairs of socks and five pairs of underwear.

The [shopping](#) and donation schedule is:

- Summer hours (June-July): Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m.
- School Hours (August-May): Tuesday-Thursday, 1-5 p.m.

If you need special arrangements please call 541-956-4472.

Campus Closet is always in need of clean gently used school clothes that are in current style. We also accept cash donations and can provide a receipt for tax purposes.

Make checks out to: UCAN/RSVP-Campus Closet and mail to UCAN c/o Kelly Wessels, 125 N.E. Manzanita Ave., [Grants](#) Pass, OR 97526. Cash donations are used to purchase new socks and underwear, as well as other items of clothing or shoes.

If you are interested in volunteering with Campus Closet, please contact the RSVP receptionist at 541-956-4472.



Friday, June 29, 2018

Campus Closet has summer hours listed for students in need of clothes (RSVP)

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