

# CITY VIEWS

NEWS & EVENTS FOR THE CITY OF HILLSBORO

## Civic Leadership Academy Grads Urge Earthquake Preparedness

**The Pacific Northwest is at risk for a major earthquake.**

The Hillsboro Civic Leadership Academy's Class of 2019 is concerned about the challenges that many Hillsboro community members face in preparing.

Presenting to the City Council in November, Academy graduates urged the City and community members to raise awareness — and make it easier for vulnerable people to get the resources they will need, ahead of time.

"Earthquakes are our biggest threat," Academy member Melissa Zales told the City Council. "We're just not prepared."

Zales cited the Oregon Resilience Plan, created in 2013, that reported a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake would lead to thousands of deaths in Oregon, and at least \$32 billion in economic losses.

The group of 12 Academy members evaluated disaster preparedness during the Academy's six weeks of research and Academy learning sessions.



### Overcoming Disaster

"Many, especially vulnerable stakeholders, will likely rely on the City for help," graduates wrote in their final report. "It will take the cooperation and participation of all to overcome a disaster; especially an earthquake, which will likely have a devastating financial and structural impact."

Entering its fifth year, the Academy continues to engage a diverse group of residents to learn about City government, build leadership skills, and research a topic of community importance. Graduates identify challenges and opportunities to better serve our community.

Learn more at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Academy](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Academy).

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See items you need to prepare for "The Big One"  
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into 103 languages

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Spanish

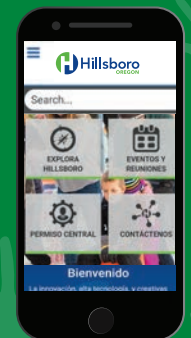
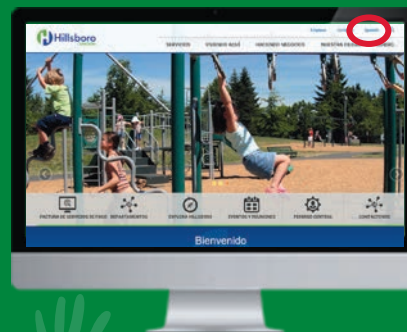
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**Xin chào**  
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**Привет**  
Russian

**你好**  
Chinese

**नमस्ते**  
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# CITY COUNCIL CONVERSATION



## State of the City 2020: Hillsboro Counts

by Mayor Steve Callaway

**The State of the City is one of my most enjoyable experiences as Mayor.** It's one way for our growing community to stay connected to each other.

By attending in person, or watching on Facebook Live, you allow us to share what our City and community have accomplished in the past year, what we are focused on for the year ahead, and the direction we are headed in the years to come. Thank you for the privilege of providing this annual update.

One thing I particularly enjoy is the participation of City Councilors. They give their time and energy all year to serve our community. This is an opportunity to recognize their role in the successes Hillsboro residents enjoy.



### Key 2020 Census Numbers

- 1** Census Day is **April 1, 2020**
- 3** **Three** Census response options: online, by mail, or by phone
- 9** **Nine** questions on the Census
- 13** Oregon received **\$13 billion** in federal funds in FY2016 based on 2010 Census data

### Our theme for this year is "You count. We count. Hillsboro counts."

One of the most important things we can do as residents of America and Hillsboro is participating in the 2020 U.S. Census. It's so important that it's required by the United States Constitution!

Getting an accurate count of everyone in Hillsboro — regardless of your citizenship — and throughout Oregon is vital to receiving federal funding for education, roads, health care, and many more important programs.

With the 2020 Census, we have an opportunity to see our Oregon values and priorities well represented in Washington, DC, by adding a sixth congressional seat in the state — if everyone is counted.

You count. We count. Hillsboro counts. I hope we see you on January 30, when we'll talk about this and much more.

Get more involved in your community without hiring a babysitter!



**Free Supervised Play @ Outdoors In for Children Ages 3 to 11 During City Council Meetings**

Get details at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](http://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News)

The Hillsboro City Council presents

### STATE OF THE CITY 2020

"You Count. We Count. Hillsboro Counts." with Mayor Steve Callaway

**Thursday, January 30**

5 pm ~ Reception ~ Light refreshments

**6 pm ~ Program**

\*Free supervised play for children during the State of the City at Outdoors In\*

Hillsboro Civic Center, 150 East Main Street





## CONNECT WITH COUNCIL

What are you looking forward to most in 2020?



**Mayor Steve Callaway**

*Spending more time in our Hillsboro libraries (& "Tiny libraries")*



**Council President Fred Nachtigal**

*Seeing the Cultural Arts District continue to revitalize Downtown*



**Councilor Olivia Alcaire**

*More stable and affordable housing situations*



**Councilor Kyle Allen**

*Opening the new community center at 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue*



**Councilor Anthony Martin**

*Connecting the first customers to HiLight internet service*



**Councilor Beach Pace**

*Helping sustain, support, and grow our local businesses*



**Councilor Rick Van Beveren**

*Continuing our work to address housing needs and homelessness*



## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

### The Hillsboro Public Library Is For Everyone



*City Manager Robby Hammond*

**My family and I visit the Hillsboro Public Library regularly.** Each time we do, I'm reminded of how important our libraries are to our community.

They are inclusive community gathering spaces. They provide access to free information to all. They illuminate and educate, and provide creativity and fun.

They serve people of all ages, income levels, cultures, and physical abilities, providing a wide range of information

and resources needed to live, work, and play.

When you approach the front doors of both the Brookwood and Shute Park libraries, you see window artwork and the bright "Welcome" in various languages that greet you and invite you into the building.



Inside, you can get help from knowledgeable library staff who love what they do, and discover an array of offerings, including the Library of Things, the Collaboratory (a makerspace), computers and WiFi, and an art gallery.

You also can find homework help, event and study spaces, reading programs, and reading recommendations. Our library system is about so much more than books.

You can even access many library services entirely online from your living room or wherever you have internet access.

With world-class and innovative services, our libraries are warm, welcoming, inclusive, and inspiring places where our entire community can gather, connect, and explore. **The Hillsboro Public Library is truly For Everyone/Para Todos.**



*Read about the Collaboratory expansion on page 6.*

*Be engaged. Sign up for City updates at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News).*

# Hillsboro's Water Rates Still Among Lowest in Portland-Metro Region

The City of Hillsboro Utilities Commission approved separate water rate increases in November for each customer class for 2020 in pursuit of three main goals:

- Protect public health
- Deliver essential water services
- Meet the community's future water supply needs



**As of January 1, 2020**, the typical single-family residential customer will pay \$36.02 per month for 6,000 gallons of water — on the water portion of their utility bill.

Water rates are designed so all customers pay their fair share, based on how they use Hillsboro's water system and how much water they use. By carefully managing water system costs, Hillsboro's water rates remain among the lowest in the Portland-metro region.

You can view 2020 water rates at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/WaterRates](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/WaterRates).

# Equity Statement Approved by Hillsboro City Council

The Hillsboro City Council adopted the City's official Equity Statement during its December 3, 2019, meeting.

The revised statement incorporated 135 suggestions and comments from community members, City employees, and the City Council.



## The City of Hillsboro's Equity Statement

*The City of Hillsboro is committed to equity. Equity work aims to remove barriers and eliminate social and economic disparities by centering those who have been excluded from the decision-making process. Equity is the pursuit of equal outcomes.*

*We acknowledge that equity, particularly racial equity, is essential to providing exceptional public services — and to creating an inclusive and safe work environment for everyone.*

*The City recognizes that people of color and other communities have historically been and continue to be marginalized and excluded — both intentionally and unintentionally — from constructing the institutions that govern our lives and the services we depend on to protect our health, safety, and well-being. We further acknowledge that structural and cultural barriers impact access to, and representation in, City government.*

*The City of Hillsboro has a pivotal role in creating a sense of belonging for all people. We must be inclusive in developing and implementing policies to ensure that City services are responsive to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, ability, religion, and other individual identities.*



*We acknowledge that without an intentional focus on equity, we will continue to perpetuate and deepen inequality.*

*To realize our mission and core values, the City of Hillsboro commits to integrating equity into the fabric of our organization and the delivery of public services in pursuit of equal, fair, and just outcomes for all.*

With 43 percent of residents being people of color, Hillsboro is one of Oregon's most ethnically diverse communities. Adopting an Equity Statement is a significant first step, but the City's equity work is just beginning.

Read more about the City's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Equity](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Equity).

## Food Composting Pails to Arrive Soon

Residential customers with garbage, recycling, and yard debris service will receive a small countertop food composting pail in late January or February.

Each pail will include step-by-step instructions on how to compost and what can (and cannot) be composted.

Beginning in February 2020 in Hillsboro, if you have yard debris service, you can empty food scraps from your countertop pail into your yard debris roll cart — but please wait until February, when the service begins.

Read more about composting at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Garbage](http://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Garbage).



## Plastic Bag Restrictions Now Statewide

The State of Oregon's single-use retail bag restriction took effect on January 1, 2020, with some differences from Hillsboro's ordinance, which the City Council adopted in November 2018.

- To compensate businesses for the cost of providing paper bags, a \$0.05 fee still will apply to each paper bag used during checkout.  
State law applies the same fee on reusable fiber or reusable plastic bags offered at checkout. At restaurants, paper bags may be provided at no cost.
- Businesses will continue to keep the \$0.05 fee. **The City and the State do not receive any money from the fee.**
- Customers using a WIC voucher or electronic benefits transfer (EBT) card may be exempted from paying the \$0.05 fee for recycled paper or reusable plastic bags at checkout at stores. The exemption also applies to EBT cards for reusable plastic bags at restaurants.
- Retail stores and restaurants of any size are required to comply with the law.



Read full details on the State law at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Sustainability](http://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Sustainability).



## JANUARY – MARCH CONCERTS AT THE WALTERS



Joe Kye



Stand and Sway

- Jan 24 **JOE KYE**  
*Violin, Pop, Indie Rock*  
\$18/\$22
- Feb 21 **STAND AND SWAY**  
*Soul, Folk, Americana, Roots* | \$18/\$22
- Mar 6 **DIA DO CHORO**  
*Brazilian, Multi-Group Performance* | \$15/\$20
- Mar 20 **ACOUSTIC GUITAR SUMMIT**  
*Acoustic & Fingerstyle Guitar* | \$18/\$22



Dia Do Choro



Acoustic Guitar Summit

For details and to purchase tickets, visit:  
[Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/WaltersConcerts](http://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/WaltersConcerts)



# JOB FAIR

Saturday, February 29 | 10 am – 2 pm  
SHARC | 953 SE Maple Street  
503-681-6127

## Join our team!

### Now Hiring

- Lifeguards
- Fitness Instructors
- Swim Instructors
- Cashiers
- Seasonal Parks Maintenance
- Much more!



Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Jobs



## A Tribute to Alter Wiener in Central Park



Alter Wiener's legacy is now honored in Hillsboro's Central Park, where the City of Hillsboro Parks & Recreation Department recently dedicated a memorial bench in his honor.

Alter was a Hillsboro resident and active community member. He advocated to require schools in Oregon to educate students about the Holocaust.

Early in his life, Alter spent three years in concentration

camps, including the infamous Nazi-run Auschwitz in Poland. He was the only member of his family to survive.

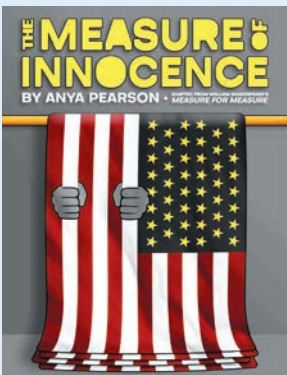
After Alter's death in 2018, the Oregon State Legislature and Governor Kate Brown made Holocaust education a requirement in Oregon schools. The new law will take effect beginning in the 2020-21 school year.



You can read the heartfelt words that Mayor Steve Callaway shared about Alter Wiener with those gathered at the bench dedication on December 11, 2019, by visiting [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News).

## Hillsboro Reads the Bard: Shakespeare Reimagined

Join us for a series of events exploring Shakespeare's work.



Preview *The Measure of Innocence* by Anya Pearson. A reimagining of William Shakespeare's *Measure for Measure*.



[Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/HillsboroReads](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/HillsboroReads)

## Brookwood Library's Collaboratory Expands

On your next visit to the Brookwood Library, take a trip upstairs to see the new location of the makerspace, the "Collaboratory."



Brookwood Library's Collaboratory has swapped places with the Quiet Reading Room, which now faces the Dawson Creek pond.

The new Collaboratory space is much larger, with picture windows and plenty of table space for small groups. And, the Collaboratory is now open the same hours as the entire library.

Library users ages 10 and up can enjoy the Collaboratory unattended, while patrons under 10 need a responsible caregiver. This updated policy allows makers of any age to learn new skills, while recognizing that some equipment requires adult help to keep everyone safe.

Look for Collaboratory meetups and classes in the Library's event guide.

To teach a class, volunteer, or donate craft supplies, please email Library staff at [collaboratory@hillsboro-oregon.gov](mailto:collaboratory@hillsboro-oregon.gov).



## Community Center Construction Continues



Construction crews have reached the top in building Hillsboro's future community center at 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

Look for future progress updates and upcoming announcements about the new facility at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News).

## Hillsboro Police Department Acquires Mobile Command Center

In a natural or human-caused disaster, the Hillsboro Police Department is more ready than ever to respond quickly — and to remain working on scene for hours, or even days.

The Police Department has acquired a new mobile command center, equipped with state-of-the-art mobile communication and technology.



The center will assist officers, detectives, and commanders in responding to critical events, including traffic fatalities and homicide investigations.

While it's not a tactical response unit, the mobile center is a versatile workspace that will serve the community for the next 20 years. It will enhance on-site coordination and situational awareness, and provide secure shelter to protect first responders in all weather conditions.

### 2016 Pricing Leads to Savings

When City staff purchased the Freightliner MT55 Mobile Command Center in 2019, they were able to secure the 2016 contract pricing of \$517,622, netting a savings of \$64,000.

The highly visible mobile command center also will assist with community outreach and engagement, serving as an educational tool at schools, community events, and neighborhood gatherings.

Learn more about the command center at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News).



## HILLSBORO FITNESS CHALLENGE

**Get Fit this Year!**

- Fitness Assessments
- Fitness Classes
- Group Personal Training
- Body Composition
- Group Meet-Ups
- Clinics & more!



Wave 1 Kickoff: Saturday, 1/11  
 SHARC | 953 SE Maple Street  
 503-681-6127

[Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/ParksRec](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/ParksRec)

## Which do YOU want in Hillsboro?



E-scooters








Ride sharing

Bike sharing

Help decide what we do next with these transportation options.

Take the shared mobility survey at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TSP](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TSP)

# January Calendar Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		7 <b>First Tuesday Art Walk</b> the Walters, 5 pm <b>Drop Spindle Hand Spinning</b> (ages 10 & up) SPL, 6 pm <b>Trivia Night</b> Vertigo Brewing, 7 pm	8 <b>Library Volunteer Open House</b> BWL, 6:30 pm	9 <b>Hillsborrowers Book Group</b> BWL, 6:30 pm <b>A Will is Not Enough</b> BWL, 6:30 pm		11 <b>PlanetCon: A Recycling and Reuse Event</b> Quatama Elementary 6905 NE Campus Way 11 am – 2 pm
 <b>Drop Spindle Hand Spinning</b>						
12 <b>Tech Help</b> (every Sunday) SPL, 1 pm <b>What Can the Library Do for You? For Free!</b> BWL, 3 pm	13 <b>Oregon Battle of the Books 3<sup>rd</sup>– 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Mock Battles!</b> SPL, 6 pm	14 <b>Make and Take Tuesday Crafts</b> (every Tuesday) BWL, 3 pm <b>Homework Help/ Ayuda con Tareas</b> (every Tuesday) SPL, 5:30 pm		16 <b>Fantasy/Sci-Fi Model Painting Meetup</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 5 pm <b>Tea with the Author: Paul Tobin</b> BWL, 6:30 pm	17 <b>Club Awesome</b> (grades 4 – 7) BWL, 4:30 pm	18 <b>Marathi-Hindi Storytime</b> BWL, 10:30 am <b>Traditional Rug Hooking &amp; Fabric Dyeing</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 2 pm
						
19 <b>Basic Soldering for Absolute Beginners</b> (ages 8 – 18) SPL, 11 am <b>Vietnamese Storytime</b> BWL, 2:30 pm	20 <b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday</b> City offices and libraries closed	<b>Basic Soldering (1/19)</b>	<b>Macrame Knots</b>	23 <b>Intro to Macrame Knots</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 5:30 pm <b>A Book That Changed Your Life</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 6 pm	24 <b>Joe Kye</b> (Violin, Pop, Indie Rock) the Walters 7:30 pm \$18 in advance \$22 day of show	
						
26 <b>Wetlands Exploration Days</b> (tracking) Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve Noon	27 <b>Homework Help</b> (every Monday) BWL, 5:30 pm	28 <b>Bookish Happy Hour</b> Vertigo Brewing 4:30 pm	29 <b>Sew Your Own Pillowcase Class</b> BWL, 4:30 pm	30 <b>2020 State of the City</b> Hillsboro Civic Center (also on Facebook Live) 5 pm reception 6 pm program		<b>2020 State of the City (1/30)</b>
						
		<b>Sew Your Own Pillowcase (1/29)</b>				

## Coming in March & April

- MAR 6:** Dia Do Choro @ the Walters
- MAR 17:** USA Softball vs. PSU & OSU @ Ron Tonkin Field
- MAR 20:** Acoustic Guitar Summit @ the Walters
- MAR 23-27** Hillsboro School District Spring Break – No School
- APRIL 4:** Micah and Me @ the Walters
- APRIL 24:** Eugenie Jones @ the Walters

## HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT GRADUATES SUCCEED

➤ MORE INTERNSHIPS ➤ MORE COMMUNITY CONNECTED ➤ MORE CAREER READY



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# 2019 Year in Review

## Highlights from the City of Hillsboro



## Community Development: Affordable Housing



- Secured five homes for **affordable home ownership** in partnership with Proud Ground with funding from Community Development Block Grants.

- **Engaged more than 500 community members** and 50 organizations in developing the City of Hillsboro's Local Implementation Strategy for the Metro Affordable Housing Bond.
- **Repaired 16 homes** through the Housing Rehabilitation program.
- Hosted **two Fair Housing events**.
- Helped 13 nonprofit-owned affordable housing properties by implementing a Hillsboro property tax exemption program.

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## Community Development: Planning

- Approved the continued development of Intel's Ronler Acres campus, including **one million square feet** of fabrication space.
- Continued to implement the South Hillsboro community vision through the approval of permits for more than **600 new homes**.
- Reviewed and approved more than **135 development applications**.

- Received approval from Metro and the Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development for a 150-acre **Urban Growth Boundary expansion** — including an anticipated 850 new housing units — in the Witch Hazel Village South area.
- Coordinated Hillsboro's **Tree City USA** designation by the Arbor Day Foundation.

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## Community Development: Transportation

- Updated Hillsboro's Transportation System Plan through online engagement and event outreach to nearly **1,500 community members**.
- Collaborated with partners on **multimodal improvements** on TV Highway, Cornelius Pass Road, and Century Boulevard.
- Advocated for priority **investments on the west side**



- to be part of Metro's 2020 transportation funding measure.
- Worked with partners on a Sunset Highway Corridor Plan to expand transportation options and **relieve congestion**.

## Economic Development



- Supported the Prosperidad Economic Empowerment Center to provide **skills development and job-seeking assistance** to more than 400 people.
- Assisted **90 startup businesses and entrepreneurs** through the work of the City's venture catalyst, Laura Kubisiak.

- Supported **50 Hillsboro students** in the PCC Future Connect program with \$125,000 from Hillsboro's Enterprise Zone program.
- Assisted with **35 business recruitment and expansion projects** considering Hillsboro
- Supported **14 Cocinemos food entrepreneurs**.
- Helped attract or relocate 10 businesses to **Downtown**.
- Facilitated **five Downtown storefront improvement grants**.
- Provided financial sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce's new **HillHub co-working space**.

## Finance

- Earned the Government Finance Officers Association's 2018–19 **Distinguished Budget Award**, and the 2017–18 Certificate in Achievement for **Excellence in Financial Reporting**.
- Completed the transition to monthly utility billing for more than 26,000 customers **five months ahead of schedule**.

## Human Resources

- Received and reviewed more than **5,000 applications** for more than 120 job openings.
- Hosted more than **40 interns** and 6 participants in the Job Training Opportunity Program (JTOP) for bilingual employees.

## Information Services

- Announced the creation of **HiLight**, the City's internet service, and developed a low-income support program.
- Installed **37 miles of underground fiber network line** in partnership with the Hillsboro School District to connect local schools.

# HiLight



# Hillsboro Public Library

- Adopted a new Hillsboro Public Library mission statement: **For Everyone/Para Todos.**
- Served about **880,000 patrons and visitors**, who checked out about **2.6 million items** in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019.



- Hosted **1,653 programs** with **49,781 attendees** in FY 2019.
- Redesigned the children's spaces at both libraries with support from **the Friends of the Library.**
- **Partnered with Bag&Baggage** for Hillsboro Reads the Bard.

- **Added a motorized scooter** at each location through funding from the Friends of the Library.
- **Launched eight Tiny Branches** in Hillsboro neighborhoods, in partnership with the Parks & Recreation Department and the Friends of the Library.
- Opened **the Shute Park Collaboratory**, focusing on digital and video editing and media, and expanded the Brookwood Collaboratory.
- Hosted a **naturalization ceremony** at Brookwood Library during National Library Week.



## City Manager's Office

- Advanced **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)**, including the City Council's adoption of an Equity Statement.



- Set up **free supervised play** for children at Outdoors In while their parents attend City Council meetings.
- Joined a **trash bag pilot project** to reduce illegal dumping.

- Partnered to expand hours at **The Shelter at Orenco Station** (hosted by Sunrise Church) during the coldest months, offering showers, hot meals, and help with other resources.
- Organized **the Hillsboro 2035 Community Plan's** five-year update with nearly 8,000 ideas from approximately 4,000 community members.



## Parks & Recreation

- Began constructing the two-story, 51,000-square-foot **community center at 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue**.



- Opened the first **neighborhood parks in South Hillsboro**: Century Oaks Park and Butternut Creek Park.
- Hosted **the City's first Pride Party**, celebrating LGBTQ Pride Month, and many more community events all year long.



- Created a strategic plan for implementing Hillsboro's **Cultural Arts Action Plan**.



- Built and dedicated a new **public art installation in AmberGlen Park**, "Elemental Sequence" by Dann Nardi.
- Assisted the Hillsboro Arts & Culture Council in creating a **Cultural Arts District** in Downtown Hillsboro.



- Helped launch Hillsboro Arts Month with the community's first **Wishing Tree** at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main.
- Passed the \$100,000 mark for **the Hillsboro Community Foundation's Living Legacy Endowment** supporting the Hillsboro Community Senior Center.

## City Manager's Office: Sustainability

- Increased the City's purchase of renewable power to offset **100% of the City's electricity use**.
- Partnered with PGE to open the **Hillsboro Electric Avenue** vehicle charging facility, and to launch a **Smart Grid Test Bed** in South Hillsboro.
- Coordinated Hillsboro's certification as a **Bee City USA** community.



- Educated the community about **single-use plastic bag restrictions** championed by Hillsboro's Youth Advisory Council (YAC).

## Police

- Expanded **the traffic enforcement team** with two additional cars and two additional officers at night.
- Acquired **a new mobile command center** to serve the community in responding to man-made or natural disasters for the next 20 years.
- Welcomed a new member: **Drug detection K-9 Jessie**.
- Organized two document shredding and drug turn-in events for community members.
- Improved on-duty training to enable **more patrol officers** to respond to police calls while training.



- Created a new position dedicated to working with **Latinx community members**.
- Trained 70% of patrol officers in **crisis intervention**.
- Crisis Intervention Team members launched a pilot project in July to clean up camps, with voluntary help from community members experiencing homelessness who received **food gift cards** in return.
- **Trained jointly** with Fire & Rescue crews on wounded first responder scenarios.



## Fire & Rescue

- Began construction on a new **fire training facility**.
- Became a founding department in **the NW Fire Diversity Council**, which provides resources to increase the number of women, people of color, and underrepresented groups working in fire services.
- **Swore in five new firefighters** and added three probationary firefighters.



- Received **a new medic unit** to transport patients when all ambulances are in use.
- Improved health and wellness programs for staff, including a peer support team, cancer screenings, and **care for injured firefighters**.

## Public Works

- Repaved **5.85 miles** and performed surface treatments on **20.3 miles of City streets** as part of the Hillsboro's 2019 Pavement Management Program, funded mostly by the Transportation Utility Fee (TUF).
- Completed the **LED Street Light Conversion Project**, including 1,800 street lights purchased from Portland General Electric, 4,500 street lights converted from high pressure sodium to LED lights, and 6,800 street light smart nodes installed.
- Annual energy savings from the 7,800 street lights the City now owns and operates surpasses **2.1 million kilowatt hours**.
- Began placing curb markers on more than **7,800 catch basins**.



- Expanded the City's **Safe Routes to School Program** to reach 11 of the 15 elementary schools in Hillsboro.
- Improved **SE Golden Road**, between SE Brookwood Avenue and SE Imlay Avenue, to enhance bicycling and walking safety, and other improvements.
- Started construction to extend **NE Hidden Creek Drive** from NE 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to NE 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, adding bike lanes, cycle tracks, and sidewalks.

## Water

- Secured a low-interest loan from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to invest in the Willamette Water Supply System — with federal support from U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley and Rep. Suzanne Bonamici. **This will save Hillsboro ratepayers more than \$125 million** in repayment costs over 35 years.
- Continued work with Tualatin Valley Water District and the City of Beaverton to build **the Willamette Water Supply System**, which will create a redundant water source for customers.
- Repaired a leak on a **45-inch water pipeline** without interrupting service to customers.



- The Utilities Commission approved the 2019 Water Master Plan to continue providing a **safe, reliable water supply** and service to customers over the next 20 years.
- **Helped customers obtain rebates** on water-efficient appliances and fixtures, and helped reduce water use with free home water audits and conservation tips.

# What's Ahead for Hillsboro in 2020?



- **The 2020 U.S. Census** will be a focus as the City of Hillsboro works with community partners to ensure everyone is counted.
- **The Hillsboro School District (HSD)** will continue to complete school construction and enhancement projects with funds from the 2017 bond.



- HSD will launch a new **aviation/aerospace science and mechanics program**, its 33<sup>rd</sup> career and college pathway offering.
- **HSD schools and buildings** will connect to the broadband fiber network shared with the City's HiLight internet service.
- **Affordable housing projects** will advance, including 120 new units at the Willow Creek Crossing Apartments at 185<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Baseline.
- **The Cultural Arts District** in Downtown Hillsboro will seek new ways to grow the arts.
- The City's **residential food composting program** will begin.

- Construction on Hillsboro's **new community center** at 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue will lead to the opening of the facility.
- **The Portland Timbers' T2 club** will partner with the **Hillsboro Hops**, 2019 Northwest League Champions, and play T2 home games at Hillsboro Stadium.
- **The JWC Water Treatment Plant expansion** will be completed, strengthening seismic resiliency and increasing daily water capacity to 85 million gallons.
- The new Washington County Events Center, **Wingspan**, will open to the community, and the Washington County Fair will expand to 10 days.



- **The Jackson School Road improvement project** will move forward to add street lighting, sidewalks, separated bike lanes, curbs, gutters, and more.
- Updates to **Hillsboro's 2035 Community Plan** will include new action items and new lead community partners.



# February Event Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 <b>Wetlands Exploration Days</b> (flooding) Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve Noon <b>SCA Sundays: Let's Sew Medieval Clothes</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 3 pm	3 <b>AARP Tax Aide</b> (every Monday) BWL, 8 am – 6 pm <b>Introduction to Macrame Knots</b> (every Monday) (ages 10 & up) SPL, 5:30 pm	4 <b>AARP Tax Aide</b> (every Tuesday) BWL, 8 am – 2 pm <b>First Tuesday Art Walk: Layers Open House Reception</b> the Walters, 5 pm	5 <b>Teen Scene</b> (every Wednesday) SPL, 6 pm	6 <b>Walk with a Librarian: Jeanine Mattson</b> BWL, 9 am <b>Hillsborrowers Book Group</b> BWL, 6:30 pm	7 <b>AARP Tax Aide</b> (every Friday) SPL, 12 – 5 pm <b>Club Awesome</b> (grades 4 – 7) BWL, 4:30 pm	8 <b>Traditional Rug Hooking Fabric Dyeing</b> (ages 10 & up) SPL, 2 pm 
 <b>Intro to Quilting</b> (2/11)	11 <b>Introduction to Quilting</b> (ages 10 & up) BWL, 2 pm <b>OBOB Book Club</b> (Grades 3 – 5) BWL, 3:45 pm	12 <b>Lunch with the Birds</b> Orchard Park Noon	13 <b>Homework Help/ Ayuda con Tareas</b> (every Thursday) SPL, 5:30 pm <b>Cafe con libros/ Book Group for Spanish Speakers</b> BWL, 7 pm	13  <b>Stand and Sway</b> (2/21)	15 <b>Intercambio/Exchange</b> (Practice English or Spanish) SPL, 10:30 am <b>Royal Tea Party</b> BWL, 2:30 pm <b>My Tiny Valentine Family Dance</b> the Walters, 6 pm	
16 <b>Hillsborrowers Book Group</b> BWL, 11 am	17 <b>Presidents Day holiday</b> City offices closed, libraries open	20  <b>Tea with the Author</b> (2/20)	20 <b>Tea with the Author: Jackie Shannon Hollis</b> BWL, 6:30 pm	21 <b>Stand and Sway</b> (Soul, Folk, Americana, Roots) the Walters, 7:30 pm \$18 in advance \$22 day of show	22 <b>Superhero City</b> BWL, 2:30 pm 	
	25 <b>Bookish Happy Hour</b> Vertigo Brewing, 4:30 pm	26 <b>Bag&amp;Baggage Review: The Measure of Innocence</b> SPL, 6:30 pm	27 <b>Bag&amp;Baggage Review: The Measure of Innocence</b> SPL, 6:30 pm	27  <b>Leap Day</b> (2/29)	29 <b>Job Fair @ SHARC</b> 10 am – 2 pm * See the ad on page 6 <b>Leap Into Leap Day</b> BWL, 2 pm	

## Recurring Monthly Meetings

City Council	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	7 pm
Parks & Recreation Commission	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	7 am
Planning & Zoning Hearings Board	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	6:30 pm
Planning Commission	2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	6:30 pm
Utilities Commission	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	1:30 pm
Finance Committee	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	5:30 pm
Transportation Committee	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	5:30 pm
Historic Landmarks Advisory Committee	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	6:30 pm
Hillsboro Arts & Culture Council (HACC)	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	4 pm
Library Board (irregular schedule)	3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	5 pm

**BWL** = Brookwood Library      **SPL** = Shute Park Library

■ Library   ■ Parks & Recreation   ■ Arts & Culture

For event details visit:  
**Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Calendar**

**Library** 503-615-6500  
**Parks & Recreation** 503-681-6120  
**The Walters Cultural Arts Center** 503-615-3485

## New Oregon Law: Bicyclists Can Treat Stop Signs as Yield Signs

Bicyclists in Oregon can now yield at stop signs and red flashing lights without coming to a full stop — if they follow these requirements:

- Slow to a safe speed
- Yield to pedestrians
- Yield the right-of-way to traffic lawfully in the intersection or traffic close enough to pose an immediate hazard
- Obey the directions of a police officer or flagger
- Exercise care to avoid an accident



Oregon Senate Bill 998 took effect on January 1, 2020, and applies only to intersections controlled by a stop sign or a flashing red light. At other traffic signals and lights, bicyclists must continue to make a full stop on a red light.

Read more at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News). 

## Bike Share? E-scooters? Ride Sharing?

Give your take on what you want to see in Hillsboro

Nearly everyone has an opinion about shared bikes and electric scooters. The City of Hillsboro wants to hear yours.

With ride-sharing services like Uber and Lyft already operating in Hillsboro, the City is investigating how additional options — such as shared bikes (Biketown) and electric scooters (Lime, Bolt) — could integrate into Hillsboro's transportation system.



One of the City's transportation goals is to reduce motor vehicle trips by providing a range of travel options for commuting or connecting to transit. Shared bikes and electric scooters could play a part.

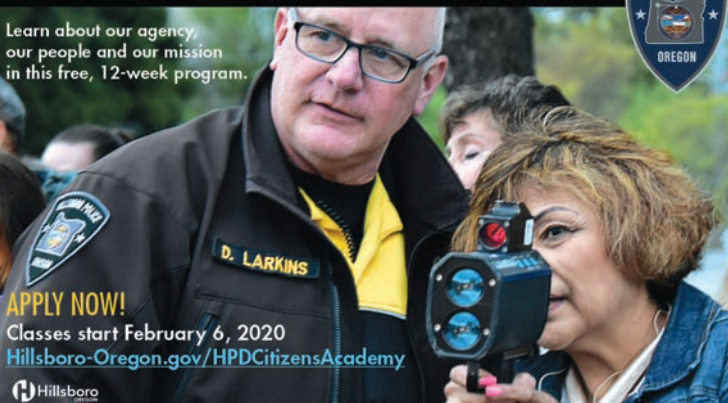
You can share your experiences, whether you believe shared mobility options would benefit community members, any concerns you have, and how they might be used in Hillsboro.

Go to [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TSP](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TSP) before February 28 to complete the shared mobility survey.



## HILLSBORO CITIZENS' ACADEMY

Learn about our agency, our people and our mission in this free, 12-week program.



**APPLY NOW!**  
Classes start February 6, 2020  
[Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/HPDCitizensAcademy](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/HPDCitizensAcademy)



**Socks from Cops**  
for Project Homeless Connect

Join the Hillsboro Police Department Crisis Intervention Team by donating **NEW:**

- socks
- hats & scarves
- gloves
- hand warmers

Bring items for men, women, and children by Monday, January, 20

**Hillsboro Police Department**  
250 SE 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Call 503-615-6785 for more info

## Getting TUF on Our Streets

When you pay the Transportation Utility Fee (TUF) on your utility bill, you're funding TUF projects to keep Hillsboro roads in good condition.

If you live in Hillsboro, your TUF also helps build new sidewalks and bike lanes.

To ensure all utility customers pay their fair share to maintain City roads, the City recently completed a five-year-review on the TUF. The review led to fee adjustments for all customer groups that will take effect on March 1, 2020:

- Multi-Family Residential TUF will be \$8.20/month
- Single-Family Residential TUF will be \$9.11/month.

Next up, the City will review the TUF program to see if it should be updated to meet current community values and needs. Learn more at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TUF](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TUF).

## Local Service Fee Funds Water Quality Facility Repairs

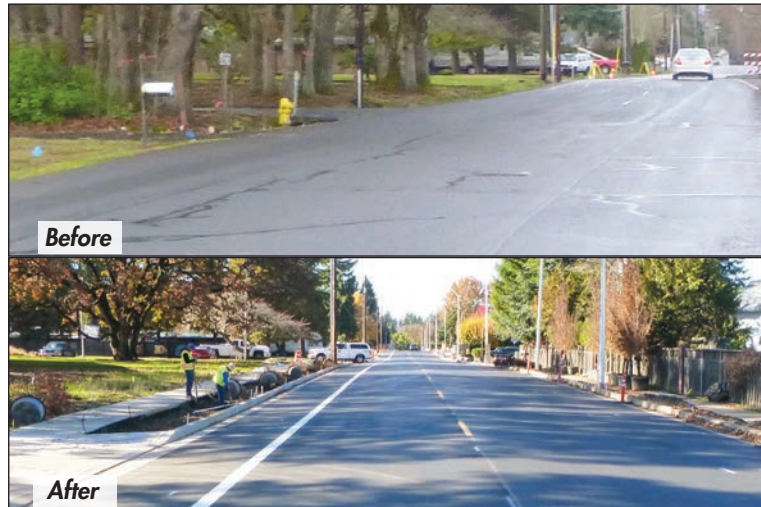


Water quality facilities help keep Hillsboro's waterways healthy by collecting and filtering stormwater runoff before it enters local streams and creeks.

Thanks to funding from the Surface Water Management Local Service Fee, Hillsboro Public Works repaired three water quality facilities this summer, and also:

- Rebuilt each facility
- Removed sediment deposits and invasive plants
- Installed or modified manholes, pipes, and structures
- Landscaped each facility with native plants

Read more at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/LocalServiceFee](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/LocalServiceFee).



## SE Golden Road: Before & After

Funding from the Transportation Utility Fee (TUF) allowed the City's Public Works Department to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety on SE Golden Road, between SE Brookwood Avenue and SE Imlay Avenue. This included:

- Storm sewer and water system upgrades
- LED street lighting updates
- Road widening
- Added bike lanes, curbs, sidewalks, and landscape strips with street trees

Learn more about the City's infrastructure projects at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Projects](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Projects).

## NE Jackson School Road Improvement Project Update

Construction on the Jackson School Road Improvement Project is on schedule to begin in winter 2020.

As tree and vegetation removal continues, the City will select a contractor to construct sidewalks, install street lights, and add bicycle lanes separated from the roadway, as well as other improvements.



Currently, Jackson School Road is a two-lane roadway with an intermittent center turn lane, intermittent sidewalks, limited roadway lighting, and no bicycle facilities.

Look for details on a 2020 meet-the-contractor open house, and sign up for quarterly project updates, at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/JacksonSchool](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/JacksonSchool).



Mayor Steve Callaway joined members of the City's Economic Development Department in visiting **Hillsboro's Sister City — Fukuroi, Japan** — in November. The visit aligned with an Oregon trade delegation trip to meet with Japanese businesses that manufacture and purchase products made in Hillsboro. In Tokyo, Mayor Callaway met with JSR Micro's CEO to acknowledge the company's recent \$100 million investment to build a new facility in Hillsboro.



Friends of Trees volunteers helped increase the number of trees planted at Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve in 2019 to nearly 10,000 trees. The year before, nearly 30,000 trees and shrubs were planted at Jackson Bottom. Hillsboro has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation. Learn more at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TreeCityUSA](http://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/TreeCityUSA).

## CITY NEWS BRIEFS

- Hillsboro Police Department members joined 10 children for **Shop with a Cop** at Fred Meyer in December. Kids shopped for presents for their families alongside Police staff. Thanks to Fred Meyer and the Hillsboro Police Officers Association.



- To help pedestrians cross busy Hillsboro roads, the City's Public Works Department has installed **19 sets of rapid flashing beacons**, including the newest at NE Rosebay Drive & Century Boulevard.



- Hillsboro's Library of Things** earned more attention from national media with a shout out in the December 2019 issue of *Food Network Magazine*.



- Hillsboro's certified population is now 103,350** residents as of July 1, 2019. The estimate from Portland State University shows Hillsboro remains the fifth largest city in Oregon.
- According to the 2018 American Community Survey, **more than 43 percent of Hillsboro residents are people of color.**

## Working for You: Sam Ramirez

### Information Services Specialist

**Years working for Hillsboro:** 5 years

**When kids ask what you do...**

I tell them I do all the fun techie stuff that helps City employees do their jobs.

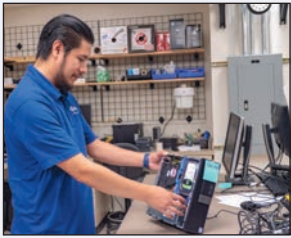
**Where have you lived?**

I grew up in Washington's Yakima Valley and moved to Cornelius when I was 13. I also lived in Forest Grove. Now, I live in Hillsboro.

**What is the most rewarding part of your job?**

When someone is having a computer issue, I can help. It's cool that I can help someone in the Public Works Department one minute, and then help in the Police Department the next.

My job lets me work across the entire City organization, from Parks & Recreation to Fire & Rescue, Library to Water.



**What do you do for fun?**

I enjoy hiking, camping, and going for a bike ride with my family. I also like to run. Feeling the wind in my face is so relaxing and lets me clear my mind.

**Fun facts about Sam:** He has run in the Hood to Coast race, and completed a half marathon. [Read more about Sam at Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News.](https://www.hillsboro-oregon.gov/News)

## Hops, Timbers Team Up to Bring T2 Home Games to Hillsboro Stadium

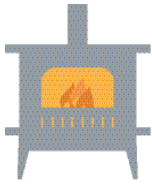


The Portland Timbers' T2 soccer club will play home games at Hillsboro Stadium in 2020 under a partnership with the Hillsboro Hops, which will now run T2 business operations.

Timbers President of Business Mike Golub described Hillsboro Stadium as a "dynamic environment for soccer."

## Winter 2019 Event Highlights





Washington County, Oregon  
**WOOD STOVE EXCHANGE**  
 Let's clear the air.

Trade in your old or uncertified wood stove for a new, cleaner heating device.

You could get a

**\$1,500–\$3,500 rebate**

when you buy a new device.

Some households may be eligible for a **free** heating device.

**Apply now while funds last!**

[WoodStoveExchange.com](http://WoodStoveExchange.com)  
 503-846-4425



**Apply today!**

## The PGE Smart Grid Test Bed is helping shape Oregon's energy future

Small changes made in a community, can add up to big results.

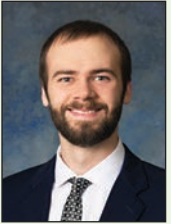
Questions? Email [smartgridtestbed@pgn.com](mailto:smartgridtestbed@pgn.com).



[portlandgeneral.com/sgtb](http://portlandgeneral.com/sgtb)

## Council Spotlight: Councilor Anthony Martin

**Council Experience:** Anthony was elected to the Council in November 2016. His current term expires in January 2021. He is eligible to run for re-election in November 2020.



**Community Experience:** Anthony has lived in Hillsboro since 2015 and in the area his whole life. He enjoys serving his community and volunteering in events like HillsDOer Day. He is currently chair of the Transportation Committee, and on the Hillsboro Sustainability Task Force.



Anthony supports local businesses and is a member of the Hillsboro Food Co-Op. He and his family love attending community events, exploring Hillsboro's parks and trails, and eating at restaurants in Hillsboro. Anthony also loves playing musical instruments, including the ukulele and the banjo.

**Education & Work Experience:** Anthony graduated from Banks High School and lived in Buxton — on a goat farm. He received his bachelor's degree in Spanish and political science from the University of Oregon.



Anthony worked as a commercial fisherman in Alaska to pay for college. He then received his master's degree in public affairs from the University of Texas at Austin, where he focused on local government. Anthony worked as a financial and economic consultant for cities across the Pacific Northwest. Now, he works as a financial analyst for the City of Portland.

### Why serve on the Hillsboro City Council?

"I am proud to call Hillsboro my home and I want to help our community. I believe that government, especially local government, is a great way to make a positive impact on my community."

### Fun Facts About Councilor Anthony Martin

- **Nickname:** JAM (his initials)
- **Favorite activity/hobbies:** Playing music, hiking, and watching college football
- **Future vacation spots:** Wallowa Mountains
- **Favorite food:** Burritos and tater tots
- **Favorite dessert:** Snickerdoodle cookies
- **Favorite band:** Cloud Cult
- **Favorite TV show:** *Brooklyn 99*
- **Favorite book:** *Don Quixote* by Miguel de Cervantes
- **Favorite quote:** "Decisions are made by those who show up."



## 31 Local Nonprofits Receive Community Services Grants

Hillsboro City Councilors presented a total of \$200,000 in Community Services Grant awards to 31 Hillsboro-area nonprofit organizations during the City Council meeting on December 3, 2019.

The 31 organizations provide impactful services in Hillsboro, such as housing assistance, domestic violence resources, veterans assistance, and meal delivery.

The 2019-20 award recipients include:



Adelante Mujeres	\$5,000
Bienestar	\$10,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$8,000
Boys & Girls Club	\$7,500
Community Action	\$17,000

Homeless Connect: Sunrise Church	\$10,000
HomePlate Youth Services	\$5,000
Oregon Food Bank	\$10,000
Proud Ground	\$2,500
St. Vincent de Paul, St. Matthew	\$20,000

See a complete list of organizations that received Community Services Grant awards at [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News](https://www.hillsboro-oregon.gov/News).

### Most-Requested Phone Numbers

Police Non-Emergency  
503-629-0111  
Parks & Recreation  
503-681-6120  
SHARC Aquatic Center  
503-681-6127  
Utility Billing  
503-681-6163

Code Compliance  
503-629-0111  
Library  
503-615-6500  
Public Works  
503-615-6509  
General Questions  
503-681-6100

### Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/News

Read more City news online:

- 4 NE Jackson School Road Improvement Project Updates
- Traffic Ticket Fines: It's **Not** All About the Money



Questions about City Views?  
[CityViews@Hillsboro-Oregon.gov](mailto:CityViews@Hillsboro-Oregon.gov)

For more information, visit:  
[Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/ContactUs](https://www.hillsboro-oregon.gov/ContactUs)

### Cold Weather Shelters in Hillsboro

**SOS Shelter at Sunrise Church**  
*(for adults, through February)*  
503-640-2449  
[sos-shelter.org](https://www.sos-shelter.org)

**Safe Place for Youth**  
*(for ages 12 to 19)*  
503-542-271  
[boysandgirlsaid.org](https://www.boysandgirlsaid.org)

**Family Promise**  
*(for families with children)*  
503-222-5555 or 211

**Community Action Family Shelter**  
*(for families or expecting moms)*  
503-222-5555 or 211  
[caowash.org](https://www.caowash.org)

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**History**



**Culture**



**Events**

Be a part of Hillsboro's online community at [Facebook.com/CityofHillsboro](https://Facebook.com/CityofHillsboro)



**2020 RESERVATIONS NOW OPEN!**

Birthdays | Weddings | Special Events | Reunions | Retreats | Meetings

Shute Park Aquatic & Recreation Center  
Hillsboro Community Senior Center  
River House at Rood Bridge Park  
Jackson Bottom Nature Center

Gordon Faber Recreation Complex  
Walters Cultural Arts Center  
Outdoors In

Ron Tonkin Field & the Diamond Club  
Brookwood Library Meeting Rooms  
Shute Park Library Meeting Rooms  
Tyson Recreation Complex

**Hillsboro Parks & Recreation**

503-681-6120 | [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/ParksRec](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/ParksRec)

**Hillsboro Public Library**

503-615-6500 | [Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Library](https://Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/Library)