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Tech Innovation Takes Stage at 2026 Bend Venture Conference

by LEAH ETLING — CBN Feature Writer



BEN NAHIR, PH.D., PARTNER AT ELEVATE CAPITAL, AWARDS ERIC REDMOND AND HEIDI EGGERT OF PERMETA A SYMBOLIC FUNDING CHECK AT THE 2026 BVC EVENT | PHOTO BY LEAH ETLING

The 2026 Bend Venture Conference (BVC) concluded October 16 at Bend's Tower Theatre, celebrating innovation and entrepreneurship with the presentation of awards and funding across three competition categories.

The 23rd annual event brought together entrepreneurs, investors and business leaders to recognize and support promising companies and emerging ventures statewide.

Permeta: Accelerating the Permitting Process

Lake Oswego-based Permeta is tackling one of the biggest obstacles facing energy development: the lengthy and complicated permitting process. CEO and co-founder Eric Redmond introduced the company's AI-powered operating system for permits, designed to help developers navigate regulatory requirements and move projects forward faster.

According to Redmond, approximately 500 gigawatts of energy projects are stalled in permitting, with trillions of dollars in capital tied up in approval processes that can stretch for decades.

Permeta's technology uses purpose-built AI workflows that follow established rules and regulatory structures, rather than relying on general-purpose AI. Redmond described the platform as a "regulator's brain in a box," with tools designed to address known permitting challenges.

Initially targeting solar, battery storage and carbon storage projects, the year-old company was the top growth stage honoree of BVC, walking away with $420,000 in funding — $170,000 from BVC and $250,000 from Elevate Capital, a Portland-based venture capital firm.

Caravel: Reinventing Protein Engineering

Portland-based Caravel is developing technology that could dramatically accelerate the discovery and development

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Bend's Iconic Pine Tavern Celebrates 90 Years

Downtown Landmark Honors Long Legacy as Pillar of the Community

by SIMON MATHER — CBN Feature Writer

Bend's iconic Pine Tavern Restaurant is celebrating a 90-year milestone this year, both as the city's oldest operating eatery and as a cherished downtown dining gem with a deep-rooted place in the heart of the community.

Famed for its Ponderosa Pine-framed indoor patio, the local favorite nestled along the shores of Mirror Pond has reflected Bend's evolution and welcomed multiple generations over its illustrious history.

The current owner of such an honorable legacy is celebrated restaurateur Bill McCormick — a fellow of Irish descent with a twinkle in his eye and a wicked sense of humor — whose previous chain of McCormick & Schmick Seafood restaurants once numbered 93 locations.

He is the latest steward of a business that has changed hands remarkably few times in its 90-year tenure.

McCormick took over the reins of the Pine Tavern in 2014, as the town emerged from a period of challenging economic headwinds, but the origins of Pine Tavern stretch back to a time when Bend was still truly a somewhat rough-and-tumble timber town.



(L-R) GARD ERIKSEN, WHO WAS AT THE OPENING OF THE PT 90 YEARS AGO, AND BILL MCCORMICK, OWNER OF PINE TAVERN | PHOTO BY CASCADE BUSINESS NEWS

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Manufacturing in Central Oregon

The State of the Industry, 2026

by NOAH NELSON — CBN Feature Writer

The Central Oregon manufacturing industry as a whole has experienced more than a few ups and downs over the last several years, yet despite statewide trends still being on the downslope, the local industry has actually grown and diversified.

Many of the biggest players are well known in the community — Bright Wood Corporation employs more than 1,000 people across the region; BASX Solutions reported 1,073 employees across all its Central Oregon locations in 2026 (up from 661 in 2024); Epic Aircraft reported 544 employees; and Keith Manufacturing reported 191.

Number of employees aside, Central Oregon manufacturers cover a wide range of disciplines and niches, from wood products and building materials to aerospace, metal fabrication, electronic manufacturing, outdoor products and many more.

In a statement from EDCO, "The broader story is that manufacturing in Central Oregon has grown and diversified. The Oregon Employment Department's recent analysis found that Deschutes County manufacturing employment reached a seasonal high of 6,620 jobs in May 2026. Manufacturing business units grew from 265 in late 2010 to 453 in late 2025, an increase of 71%."

Additionally, it would seem that the industry is balancing itself out, after seeing a long, historic decline in wood products manufacturing; growth in food, beverage, machinery and transportation equipment manufacturing added more than 2,200 jobs between 2010 and 2025.

"The long-term decline in wood products employment, alongside growth in other manufacturing subsectors, is a good example of why diversification matters," said EDCO.

This growth is likely due to a number of complex factors, but one key factor has been addressing the consistent issues and challenges that the industry as a whole has been facing for years. Most notably, that is housing affordability, and workforce availability.

While housing affordability is still an issue, there have been significant efforts at the state and local levels to increase accessibility. The Bend Chamber has led an initiative with employers and community partners to build more workforce housing as quickly as possible, with the Bend Chamber stating, "Bend's housing shortage needs multiple strategies that increase the amount and variety of mid-market housing types."

This initiative came after a 2022 survey showed that, among Central Oregon businesses, 67% saw decreased revenue, 81% had hiring challenges and 91% experienced growth limitations, all due to a lack of workforce housing.

While these housing initiatives are in place, their impact on the community is still mostly in progress. What has more likely helped the manufacturing industry is the many initiatives to address workforce availability through

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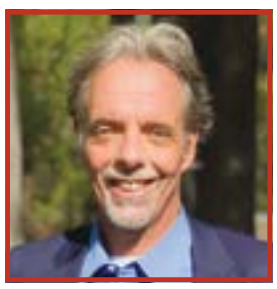
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RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Jenn Limoges, CCIM, of **NAI Cascade**, represented the Tenant in leasing 2,597 SF of retail space in downtown Bend at 933 NW Wall. NAI Cascade and Jenn are excited to announce the first Bend location of Cotopaxi. Cotopaxi creates "responsibly made outdoor gear that brings performance, color, and joy to all".

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Graham Dent, SIOR**, represented the seller, 1001 Building Associates, LLC, in the sale of a 26,665 SF office building at 1001 SW Emkay Drive in Bend. **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services** brokers **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, and **Joe Sandahl**, represented the buyer, Bill Naito Company. The building sold for $7,250,000.

Walt Ramage & Jenn Limoges, CCIM, of **NAI Cascade**, represented the Seller in the disposition of 558 & 574 N Main St in Prineville. This property closed for $650,000.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Graham Dent, SIOR**, represented the buyer in the purchase of 3.50 acres of land located at 20835 NE Cooley Road in Bend. Broker **Bruce Churchill**, also with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the seller, Tweedfam Investment, LLC. The land sold for $1,829,520.

Walt Ramage & Jeff Reed, of **NAI Cascade**, represented the Buyer in the acquisition of a

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Submit your Recent Transactions to Jeff@CascadeBusNews.com to be seen in the next edition of *Cascade Business News*



New Facility Expands Access for Youth Mental Health Care in Central Oregon

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and community partners broke ground September 29 on a new residential mental health treatment facility that expands access for youth in Central Oregon. The 16-bed facility, located in Redmond, will provide critical care close to home for youth 12-17 experiencing a behavioral health crisis.

"OHA is proud to support a project that brings critical mental health treatment closer to home for young people and families in Central Oregon,"

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Mid Oregon Awarded Top Workplaces for 2026

Mid Oregon Credit Union has earned a 2026 Top Workplaces Regional Award published by *The Oregonian*. This is the fifth consecutive year the financial institution has received this award.

Mid Oregon was specially recognized for Culture Excellence Awards in the categories of Purpose & Values, Work-Life Flexibility, Professional Development, Leadership, Innovation, Employee Well-Being, Employee Appreciation, Compensation & Benefits. They also earned Top Workplaces recognition across the Financial Services Industry in 2024-2026 and in the Top Workplaces USA Awards 2025-2026 published by *USA Today*.

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The Compliance Connection: What's New, What's Changing & What Employers Need to Know

What's Keeping Central Oregon Employers Up at Night?

From navigating the growing use of artificial intelligence to managing employee accommodations, wage and hour compliance, and evolving leave laws, today's employers face increasingly complex workplace challenges. Business owners, agency directors, HR professionals, and supervisors need practical guidance to stay informed, reduce risk, and confidently navigate Oregon's employment laws.

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CeramiCafe Headed to Old Mill District in November

One of Oregon's most dynamic pottery studios is expanding over the Cascades.

Building on 25 years of bringing creativity, connection and a whole lot of pottery painting to communities across Oregon, CeramiCafe is set to open in the Old Mill District this November.

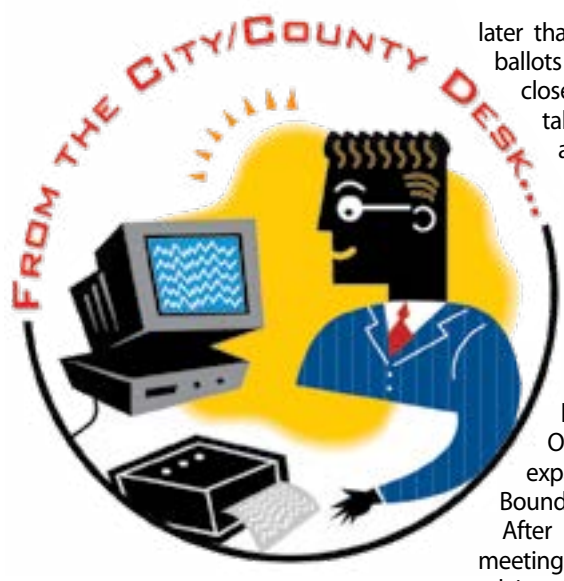
"We're so excited to be coming to Bend and opening in the Old Mill District," said CeramiCafe owner Krista Courtney, whose new studio will be located at 450 SW Powerhouse Dr., Ste. 429. "We love the sense of community, creativity and adventure that makes Bend so unique."

What started as one little pottery

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DESCHUTES COUNTY

♦ Deschutes County recently released reports that show the transient lodging tax collection results for FY 2026-27, updated through the month of September 2026.

Please keep in mind that these funds are recorded on a cash basis; therefore, this information reflects the results of payments for activity through August 2026.

To access the full report go to CascadeBusNews.com and search Transient Lodging Tax Collections.

♦ The Deschutes County Clerk's Office is notifying voters of an additional ballot drop box location in Bend.

There are 13 ballot drop boxes across the county, including a new drive-through drop box located in Parking Lot D4 at COCC's Bend campus. Voters can find the drop box closest to them by visiting deschutescounty.gov/dropbox.

Ballot drop boxes are now open, and voters may return ballots at any drop box until 8pm on Election Day.

Voters may also return their ballots by mail but are encouraged to mail them no later than Tuesday, October 27 to ensure ballots arrive by Election Day. If mailing closer to November 3, voters should take their ballot to a post office and ask for the ballot envelope to be hand postmarked.

Ballots postmarked on or before November 3 and received by the Clerk's Office by Tuesday, November 10, will be accepted.

♦ The Deschutes County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 22, to consider a proposed expansion of the Sisters Urban Growth Boundary, or UGB.

After numerous informational meetings and feedback from a citizen advisory committee, Sisters city officials proposed expanding the UGB to meet the community's growing needs for housing, jobs, parks and open space. The proposal would add nearly 319 acres of land on the northeast side of the existing UGB. A map of the proposed area is available at this link.

An agreement between the City of Sisters and Deschutes County requires both governments to approve the UGB changes. The Board of Commissioners will review the proposal and hear public comments before making a decision. Community members are encouraged to share their feedback.

If approved, the County would update its Comprehensive Plan to include properties in the Sisters UGB expansion. The changes would prepare the land for future annexation into the city limits.

The public hearing will be held at 4pm Thursday, October 22, at Sisters City Hall, 520 E Cascade Ave.

The public may attend and comment in person or participate online. Login information and the meeting agenda are available at deschutescounty.gov/meetings.

For more information on the Sisters UGB expansion, visit the Deschutes County website.

BEND

♦ Since last fall, ODOT and the City of Bend have worked with consultants to refine the bridge design, and the near-final details are now ready to share with the community. ODOT and the City of Bend are hosting a virtual open house through November 3, available at oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=23494.

The event includes the final design, updates made based on community input and technical analysis and an overview of the project's next steps and timeline. The final design includes new landing details and street connections, as well as some aesthetic features.

REDMOND

♦ The City of Redmond has partnered with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and Redmond School District to develop a Safe Routes to School Plan that will improve conditions for students and families who walk, bike, and roll to school. The City is inviting residents to help shape the plan by attending an open house on Thursday, October 15, or by sharing feedback through an online interactive map at odotsrtsprojectid.com.

The City was recently awarded Safe Routes to School (SRTS) planning assistance from ODOT. The program identifies opportunities to make it safer, easier, and more fun for families to be active on the way to school. Community input will help the project team understand the challenges families face today and where safety improvements should be prioritized.

Residents who were not able to attend the October 15 open house can tell the project team about their experiences getting to and from school using an interactive online map at odotsrtsprojectid.com. Feedback collected through the map will inform where safety improvements are prioritized.



SALEM

♦ The Oregon Department of Revenue (DOR) has released the Fiscal Year 2025-26 edition of its annual Oregon Property Tax Statistics report. Property taxes are among the most important sources of revenue for the public sector in the state, raising $10.07 billion for local governments in FY 2025-26. Only state personal income tax collections exceed property tax collections as a single source of state and local tax revenue.

What is the Oregon Property Tax Statistics report?

This publication tells the story of Oregon's property tax system through statistical information, including a brief overview of Oregon's property tax system since 1990 and the steps of the property tax process in Oregon.

It presents information about property values, taxes imposed, and highlights such as recent trends in Oregon's property tax system. Detailed Tables and the Oregon Property Tax Statistics Supplement can be found on the DOR website.

Who uses the Oregon Property Tax Statistics report?

The report provides information valuable to legislators, state and local government officials, businesses, taxpayers, the general public, and media reporting on tax and revenue issues.

Where can you get the Oregon Property Tax Statistics report?

The report can be accessed online and is presented in PDF format so that pages, sections, or the entire report can be easily printed. Visit oregon.gov/dor and search Oregon Property Tax Statistics Report.







Why Growing Manufacturers Can Run Out of Cash

by AMANDA BEDELL, Founder — Bedell-Comstock Bookkeeping & Tax Services



Manufacturing backlogs and input prices are rising together. Before accepting the next large order, calculate how much cash the business must advance to deliver it.

The latest manufacturing data looks encouraging at first.

The Institute for Supply Management reported that manufacturing continued expanding in September. New orders grew, and order backlogs increased.

But another signal was buried in the report: its Prices Index jumped to 77.9, with all six of the largest manufacturing industries reporting higher prices. Raw material prices have now increased for 24 consecutive months.

These are diffusion indexes, not percentage increases. They do not tell us how much any individual manufacturer's costs have changed. But what they do show is why a growing backlog can become a cash-flow problem: **orders and costs are rising at the same time.**

Manufacturers buy materials, pay employees, cover freight and complete products before customer payments arrive. A large order may promise a profit while creating an immediate cash shortage.

I learned this while growing a gluten-free bakery from a farmers market booth into a $2.2 million retail and wholesale food company with 15 employees. Products were selling, ovens were running and wholesale orders were leaving the kitchen. Yet payroll remained stressful.

I expected higher sales to create breathing room. Instead, each new order required more ingredients, packaging and labor before customers paid. My books recorded what happened, but I couldn't see which upcoming order was consuming cash or what decision would relieve the pressure.

That experience changed how I evaluate growth. Profitability matters, but so does what I call Order Cash Exposure: Cash required before the customer pays, minus customer cash collected before those costs are due.

The result is the amount your business must finance to deliver the order while continuing to meet payroll and other obligations.

Try this ten-minute test:

1. Choose the largest order beginning in the next 30 days.
2. Write down when the customer's first meaningful payment will reach your bank account.
3. Add the costs due before then: materials, direct labor and payroll burden, freight, outside processing and order-specific packaging.

A large order may promise a profit while creating an immediate cash shortage.

4. Subtract any deposit or milestone payment collected before those bills are due.
5. Circle the remaining balance. That is your approximate Order Cash Exposure.

If the number is uncomfortable, you still have options before production begins. Request a deposit that covers materials. Add milestone billing. Negotiate longer supplier terms. Bill shipments separately. Adjust the price using current replacement costs.

This is what financial visibility should provide: not simply a clean record of what happened, but enough foresight to make a better decision before cash becomes a crisis.

For your next large order, ask: Can we afford to produce it on these terms?

If you're not sure, reach out. We can look at payment timing, production costs and options together. Landing a big project should be exciting. It shouldn't leave you scrambling to cover payroll while you wait to get paid.

Amanda Bedell is the founder of Bedell-Comstock Bookkeeping & Tax Services. After building and selling a $2.2 million food manufacturing company, she now helps business owners understand their numbers and make better decisions about cash, pricing and growth. She lives in Bend with her husband and son.

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of engineered proteins.

Founder and CEO Trevor Nicks, PhD, explained how the company has reinvented the process of making and measuring proteins using temporary synthetic cells. Its technology precisely controls what enters these cells and what they produce, enabling researchers to generate and analyze millions of proteins daily.

> The 23rd annual event brought together entrepreneurs, investors and business leaders to recognize and support promising companies and emerging ventures statewide.

The company plans to release its first public dataset on potential cancer therapeutics. Caravel was awarded $150,000 from the Intrepid Oregon Fund.

CleanHaus: Bringing AI to Vacation Rental Operations

Wearing a janitor's jumpsuit and toting a mop bucket to the stage, CleanHaus CEO Nat Parker presented an AI-powered operations platform designed to address the logistical challenges of managing vacation rental properties.

While existing proptech software has focused on revenue management, Parker said the work between guest bookings remains fragmented, with property managers juggling text messages, spreadsheets and scheduling to coordinate guests, cleaners and contractors.

CleanHaus was awarded $50,000 in BVC funding plus an additional $15,000 from Horan MediaTech Advisors.

Other highlights

Early stage and growth industry contenders were also honored Friday.



OSHERU INC., A MEDICAL DEVICE STARTUP BASED IN BEND, WAS AWARDED $125,000 IN FUNDING AT THE 2026 BEND VENTURE CONFERENCE. CO-FOUNDERS DR. KNUTE BUEHLER (LEFT) AND DR. PATRICIA BUEHLER ACCEPTED THE AWARD. | PHOTO BY LEAH ETLING

In the growth industry track, Penderia Technologies of Eugene, which develops implantable sensors designed for use in orthopedic procedures, was awarded $200,000 by Launch Oregon, the University of Oregon Foundation's venture fund.

Another growth industry contender, Osheru Inc., a medical device startup based in Bend that focuses on simplifying upper eyelid surgery for ophthalmic surgeons, was awarded $125,000 by BVC. Osheru was also a BVC honoree in 2022 as an early-stage startup.

Early stage Bend startup VeriBuy, which uses AI to streamline vehicle inspections, trade-ins and more, was awarded $40,000 in BVC funding.

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A New Generation of Real Estate

by JP FAHERTY — The Agency



I still remember my first day in real estate. I showed up to the office overdressed, with my hair styled in a way I thought made me look older, carrying the same anxiety as a kid walking into his first day of high school. I was trying so hard to be someone I wasn't because I had convinced myself that was what success looked like.

At the time, I believed success in real estate came from age, experience, and the number of years you had spent building relationships in a community. As a young broker entering an industry whose average age is 57 years old, I couldn't help but wonder how I was ever going to compete.

What I didn't realize was that the very thing I thought was holding me back would eventually become my greatest advantage.

Today, at 24 years old, I've closed $15 million in real estate sales in 2026 alone, with more than half of that business coming directly from social media. But the most important thing I've learned along the way has very little to do with sales volume.

Success in this industry doesn't have a single blueprint, and sometimes the best thing you can do is stop trying to follow someone else's path.

When I first entered real estate, the market was unlike anything we had seen before. Interest rates were historically low, the pandemic changed where people wanted to live, and Bend was experiencing incredible growth. You could put a sign in someone's front yard, and before you knew it, in came multiple offers, sometimes well above asking price.

I was incredibly fortunate to start my career during that time. I was surrounded by successful brokers, learning from people with decades of experience, and getting exposure to transactions at a pace that would have been difficult in a normal market.

But looking back, that market was both a blessing and a curse.

It created opportunity, but it also created a false sense of what it really took to sell real estate. When interest rates climbed, buyer demand slowed, and the market began to shift, the strategies that had worked for years weren't necessarily producing the same results.

For the first time, I started questioning what made someone successful in this business. I had spent so much time looking at how other people built their businesses that I hadn't really considered how I could build mine.

I grew up in a generation where technology, social media, and digital storytelling were second nature. Yet I was working in an industry where so much of the business was still being conducted the same way it had been for decades.

I began to see an opportunity.

Real estate marketing didn't have to be limited to professional photos, a listing description, and a sign in the yard. We had the ability to reach thousands, sometimes millions, of people through platforms we carried around in our pockets every day. What's more, buyers and sellers almost exclusively begin their home searches via the internet and social media.

So I started creating content. A lot of it.

I began showcasing properties, talking about Bend, and putting myself out there in ways that were completely outside my comfort zone.

At first, I didn't have the sales volume or years of experience competing with the biggest names in town. But I realized I could compete for something else: attention.

And in today's world, attention is incredibly valuable.

Over time, the market began to recognize me as a realtor, even if the introduction was only virtual. My videos were reaching buyers and sellers across the country, and I was building relationships with people long before they ever needed to buy or sell a home.

Eventually, that attention turned into opportunities.

A few transactions came directly from social media, giving me the chance to prove that this approach to marketing could produce real results for my clients. Those successes led to referrals, more listings, and opportunities to continue growing.

Today, more than half of my $15 million in closed sales this year can be traced back to social media. That's something I'm incredibly proud of, not simply because of the volume, but because it represents taking a chance on something I believed in, even when I wasn't sure it would work.

I also recognize that none of this happened on my own. I've been fortunate to learn from incredible people, work alongside talented partners, and have clients who trusted a young broker to represent them in some of the biggest financial decisions of their lives. That trust is something I will never take for granted.

Looking back at that first day in the office, I wish I could tell that nervous kid to stop worrying so much about looking older, sounding more experienced, or fitting the mold of what he thought a successful real estate broker should be.

Because the moment I stopped trying to be someone else was the moment I really started finding success.

I'm only 24, and I know I have an incredible amount left to learn. Real estate will always be a business built on relationships and trust, but the way we connect with people is changing faster than ever.

I'm grateful for where this journey has taken me, but even more excited about where it's going.

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Oregon Prevailing Wage Rate Law Changes – Offsite Bespoke Work Rules

by NICOLE ELGIN, Partner — Barran Liebman LLP



In 2025, the Oregon State Legislature passed HB 2688, which expanded Oregon's prevailing wage rate requirements to satellite locations, where bespoke systems and components are fabricated, assembled, or constructed. This amendment to Oregon's prevailing wage laws, now Chapter 612, went into effect on July 1, 2026, and has a huge impact on companies working on government-funded projects.

BOLI published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on May 1, 2026, regarding the implementation of Chapter 612, which contains the Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact of the new law. On June 12, 2026, the Bureau of Labor and Industries ("BOLI") filed a Permanent Administrative Order implementing Chapter 612 and clarifying application of the changes to the prevailing wage rate law.

What is bespoke work?

Historically, prevailing wage rates were paid for work performed on or near the construction job site for public work contracts. With the change in the law, prevailing wage rate applies to "fabrication, assembly, preconstruction or construction that is: bespoke, performed offsite, performed specifically for, and in accordance with the specifications of, a particular project of a type listed [in this law], and performed on any [listed systems or components]." The types of systems or components that are included in that list include: mechanical systems, such as heating, ventilation, air conditioning, refrigeration and other ducting or piping system or components; plumbing systems or components; electrical systems or components of certain electrical systems regulated by state law and the Electrical and Elevator Board; boiler systems or components of boiler systems; ornamental and structural iron work; masonry and plaster systems or components; roofing, flashing and architectural panel system or components other than glazing systems and components; and mechanical insulation.

What contracts are covered?

We are already seeing considerable debate about when and to what jobs the rules apply, depending on when the job was solicited, when subcontractors are engaged, and more factors. Generally, the law became effective July 1, 2026, so should apply to public works contracts entered into on or after that date. BOLI's prevailing wage rate books began listing the bespoke work rules in its September 3, 2026 wage rate book, creating additional wrinkles in what rates apply and when for some contractors.

Which rules have been adopted?

OAR 839-025-0800 Satellite Locations: This adopts a rule applicable to satellite locations, an affirmative defense and implements Chapter 612.

Which rules are proposed for amendment?

OAR 839-025-0004 Definitions Generally: This is an amendment to adopt and modify definitions implementing Chapter 612 and determining the applicability of prevailing wage under ORS Chapter 279C and OAR Chapter 839. This includes definitions of "assembly, bespoke, contractor, fabrication, locality, public works, public works contract, satellite location, site of work and subcontractor."

OAR 839-025-0013 Notice of Public Works Form: Provides an amendment to the rule allowing public agencies to require third parties to provide notice of public works to BOLI for projects described in ORS 279C.800(6)(a) and clarifies deadlines.

OAR 839-025-0020 Public Works Contracts and Contract Specifications — Required Conditions: This proposed rule requires public agencies to include in their public works contracts a list of work performed on systems or components described in ORS 279C.800(6)(a)(G)(iv) and includes a requirement that contractors and subcontractors provide notice of work that could reasonably be performed off site.

OAR 839-025-0025 Required Records: Makes contractors and subcontractors who perform work on public works projects to keep records of the names of all journey workers engaged in the supervision of apprentices and records that distinguish supervising journey workers from other employees.

OAR 839-025-0033 Posting Requirements: Proposes to clarify prevailing wage rate posting requirement at satellite locations.

OAR 839-025-0035 Payment of Prevailing Rate of Wage: Amends the rule to clarify application of prevailing wage to delivery drivers and to remove gendered language.

OAR 839-025-0038 Use of Multiple Wage Rate Determinations on Projects: Amends the rule to clarify application of posting requirement at satellite locations.

OAR 839-025-0200 Fees to Be Paid by Public Agency: Amends the rule to allow public agencies to require a third party to pay the public works fee to BOLI for certain projects described in ORS 279C.800(6)(a).

Contractors who have jobs subject to prevailing wage rate requirements should ensure they are familiar with the changes to the law and how it may require prevailing wage rate to be paid for bespoke work performed offsite. Further, there are additional notice and reporting protocols given this new type of prevailing wage rate work.

For questions regarding compliance with HB 2688 and offsite bespoke work prevailing wage rates, contact Barran Liebman LLP partner Nicole Elgin at nelgin@barran.com.

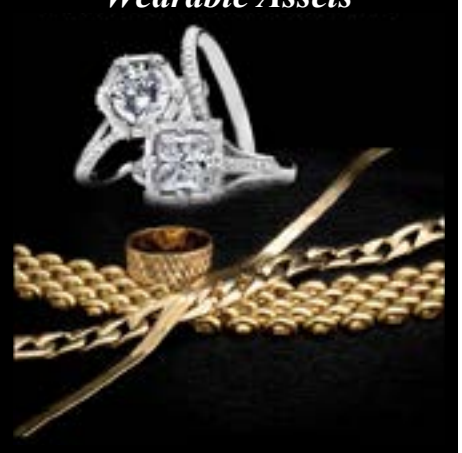
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Year-End Tax Strategies

by ERIN SCANNELL — Heritage Wealth Advisors



For many busy families, tax planning largely consists of finding the time to file a tax return by April 15 each year. But from our experience working with successful clients, true tax planning has some distinctive differences: It involves experts working on your behalf, and it looks ahead.

We recently held our annual Year-End Tax Strategies workshop, which covers the top ten strategies we have seen make a meaningful impact on our clients' lives — including the year-end strategies that deserve consideration before the calendar turns to January. Read on to learn one of the techniques we've recently added to this list, because it has resulted in outsized impact on some of our clients.

How to Defer Tax on Real Estate Gains

This strategy involves deferring tax on real estate sales, whether it be a home or investment property. The tax implications of selling investment property are as high as ever in Washington state, with the federal capital gains tax of up to 23.8% plus the up-to-9.9% state tax, resulting in a total possible tax of 33.7%. It wasn't that long ago that the tax on real estate gains was between 15% and 20%, and so with the substantial increases, we're seeing more people than ever looking for ways to reduce the tax.

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Many are familiar with 1031 exchanges, where if you sell a property and properly replace it with a like-kind property, you can defer the tax. But there are several other methods for deferring the tax — methods like 721 exchanges, Delaware Statutory Trust (DSTs) and Tenants-in-Common (TICs) arrangements.

First, a quick overview of 1031s: Here, if investors adhere to strict timing requirements, it's possible to defer the tax on the sale of a property. They must identify a replacement property within 45 days of the sale or transfer of the relinquished property, and acquire the replacement property within 180 days of the sale or transfer. Additionally, investors cannot take possession of the funds (i.e., the funds can't go into a personal bank account) — instead, proceeds from the sale of the relinquished property must go through a qualified intermediary, such as an attorney or company set up to facilitate 1031 exchanges.

While the tax can be deferred, there is a downside to 1031 exchanges, which is that you're generally replacing a property that takes time to manage with another property that takes time to manage. While real estate can be an incredible tool for growing wealth, it can also be quite time consuming, and many of our clients reach the point in their lives when saving time is more important than optimizing growth. And so they sell their real estate to do something much less time-consuming, where the income being produced is far more passive. Hence the problem with 1031s — you don't end up with meaningful time savings because you still own and have to manage real estate.

That's where 721 exchanges, TICs and DSTs come into play. Some 1031 exchange solutions may include a 721 exchange feature, in which DST interests can be exchanged for interests in a larger, diversified pool of real estate. These programs utilize Section 721 of the Internal Revenue Code, and the key benefit is that you can replace a concentrated investment in a single property with a diversified portfolio of institutional-quality real estate, which allows one to continue investing in real estate and at the same time achieve the sometimes more important time-saving goal.

Learn Our Top Tax Reduction Strategies

At Heritage Wealth Advisors, tax reduction is one of the many ways we help clients get more out of their financial resources, and it can result in significant benefits. While there are often ways to reduce taxes in the current year, we find that we can exert far more control when our advisors and tax specialists coordinate with your CPA to evaluate future tax years and make decisions proactively rather than reactively — resulting in less stress, fewer missed opportunities and more of your wealth and resources preserved for the things that matter most to you.

Our goal with all of our tax workshops is to motivate our clients to take a relatively small amount of time now to develop a forward-looking plan, in order to create significantly more freedom for themselves in the coming years. If you'd like to learn more, we're hosting another session of our Year-End Tax Strategies workshop on Friday, November 13. We'll cover the top techniques that have driven the biggest positive outcomes for our clients, as well as how our team can help you execute on these strategies within your greater financial plan. **Use the QR code to learn more & RSVP for the free virtual event now.**

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PINE TAVERN c. EARLY 1960s | PHOTO COURTESY OF DESCHUTES HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Pine Tavern

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MAREN GRIBSKOV & MARTHA BECHEN CONKLIN, ORIGINAL OWNERS OF THE PINE TAVERN | PHOTO COURTESY OF DESCHUTES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The renowned restaurant fronting Brooks Street was first founded in 1936 by two courageous and pioneering women named Maren Gribskov and Eleanor Bechen.

According to Deschutes Historical Museum records, Gribskov and Bechen had both graduated from Oregon Agricultural College before hopping in a touring car to explore the state, seeking a place to start a new restaurant venture.

They landed on Bend as an ideal opportunity due to its booming lumber economy and throngs of mill workers, together with a number of teachers joining the newly formed school district, all needing to be fed.

Armed with a bank loan during a time when the country was barely pulling itself out of the grips of the Great Depression, these women built the Pine Tavern and created a thriving business — a feat made even more remarkable by being achieved at a time when women owning and operating a prominent business was a relative rarity.

During World War II, Pine Tavern guests grew to include soldiers stationed at Camp Abbot, in what came to be known as Sunriver.

Over close to 30 years, these courageous ladies established the Pine Tavern as the best restaurant in Central Oregon, enjoyed as a gathering place for local organizations, community events and family celebrations as part of a tradition that continues to this day.

Over its life thus far, the restaurant has continually adapted to maintain its service, oftentimes with the help of the local community.

During wartime rationing, local farmers and ranchers helped supply ingredients, and in difficult winters, townspeople reportedly helped shovel snow and chop wood, while local women sold the restaurant produce, eggs and chickens.

As Bend grew and changed, so did the Pine Tavern. Some years, the restaurant favored casual family fare, and in others more of a fine dining approach.

A major renovation in the 1950s enclosed two gigantic Ponderosa Pines in the Garden Room, at the time a novel concept for the diners' experience. Rather than removing the massive trees as the restaurant expanded, the building was designed around them, and they became one of the Pine Tavern's signature defining features.

"Maren's niece Shirley Ray was also a member of the Deschutes Pioneer Association and the Deschutes County Historical Society," added Vanessa Ivey, Museum manager at Deschutes Historical Museum. "Shirley once shared with me that the name 'Pine Tavern' came from the pine paneling that covered the walls of the restaurant and the English pub-style hospitality Maren wanted for her customers — a place that served good food and that was warm and friendly — a gathering place for the whole community.

"Regarding the 1950s addition that included the two pine trees, a member of the family told me that at the time the restaurant was looking to expand, the kids in the family were asked if the new addition should include the pine trees.

"The kids all thought that was a great idea having trees in the room where you ate. Later, all grown up, the kids realized that might not have been the best decision!

"These are just some anecdotes that were told to me; wonderful little stories that highlight the Pine Tavern's rich family history, and is still to this day a warm, friendly place known for its hospitality and good food."

Gribskov and Bechen were beloved and active members of the community, with Gribskov being honored as Bend's Citizen of the Year in 1967, before they finally decided to sell the business and retire in that same year.

The Pine Tavern was then sold to a man by the name of Dallas "Tex" Carter. After Tex, yet another strong and capable woman, Winifred Roley, owned the restaurant in the 1970's. Being the shortest by Pine Tavern standards, her tenure lasted a little more than a decade.

Thereafter, Bert Bender & Joe Cenarrusa and Brad Hollebeck purchased the restaurant in 1982. Bender, a Chicago native, spent years honing his restaurant skills by managing and owning iconic restaurants in Idaho's Sun Valley, and it was he who imported the famous sourdough scones and honey-butter that Pine Tavern diners continue to enjoy to this day.



DINING ADDITION ADDED IN 1950s | PHOTO COURTESY OF DESCHUTES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

That ownership era coincided with another major transformation in Bend. As the timber economy declined, tourism took over as a major economic driver, with Bend increasingly becoming the popular outdoor destination visitors recognize today.

Among many other improvements, in the 90's, Bender and Cenarrusa had the patio and garden redesigned, resulting in enhancing the enchanting dining experience overlooking Mirror Pond so revered by summer diners.

Tragically, in September of 1997, Cenarrusa was killed in an airplane crash, and his widow, Jean Cenarrusa carried on as a valued partner. Bender passed away peacefully and in the company of his family in June of 2009.

Fast forward to 2014, and McCormick took over the mantle and continued the Pine Tavern's journey into the future, serving an array of American-style dishes and undertaking many key improvements himself to add to the Pine Tavern lore.

Born in Providence, Rhode Island, McCormick attended Boston University and served in the Army Reserve before moving to Northern California in the early 1960's and working in banking and insurance brokerage.

In 1966, with a group of friends, he opened his first business, a local steakhouse and bar in San Francisco on fashionable Union Street. He said it was a vibrant time in the city during that period, with budding movie stars such as Michael Douglas stopping by, adding, "You could throw nickels in the air and dollars would come floating down."

He went on to build, with two partners, the Refectory Steak House chain, a company that grew to 20 locations before being sold.

The partners then purchased the landmark "Jake's Famous Crawfish" in Portland in 1971, before McCormick joined Doug Schmick to open McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant — the award-winning chain that grew over 30 years from a single location with 37 employees to 94 locations with over 8,400 employees in the U.S. and Canada.

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He was also involved in a number of other sectors, including specialty seafood packaging and consulting.

In January 2011, the McCormick & Schmick chain was sold and McCormick formally moved to Bend, where he had owned a home since 1970.

But retirement plans would have to take a back seat when the opportunity to buy the Pine Tavern came up.

He said part of the reason he was attracted to the prospect was that he was a big fan himself of the restaurant since first dining there in the late '60s. "Operating McCormick & Schmick's became a corporate job," he said. "Owning the Pine Tavern allowed me to enjoy the fun part of the industry. We have adapted menu items to reflect changing customer tastes and it is really gratifying to see so many returning familiar faces."

McCormick also has an affinity for restaurants in historic locations, with 14 of his former locations being listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and the purchase of the Pine Tavern proved a "match made in heaven."

"I was always attracted to the Pine Tavern because of its iconic history," he added.

McCormick has been praised for a long history of generous civic and charitable involvement, including in Bend and California, and was honored by the Department of Veterans Affairs for his contributions and recognition of the nation's veterans.

Each year McCormick & Schmick Seafood Restaurants provided over 17,000 complimentary meals to veterans each Veterans Day. He also served as the U.S. Ambassador to New Zealand from 2005-2007.

During a recent visit to Pine Tavern, McCormick welcomed honored guest Gard Eriksen, a long-time resident of Bend, now 96 years old, who actually witnessed the original Pine Tavern opening.

Eriksen said his family actually owned a house close to the restaurant, across Wall Street in the 1930s, and his father had moved the family to Bend to pursue a career in pharmacy and co-owned a drugstore downtown for many years.

The Eriksen family has a long association with the Central Oregon area, being active members of the Central Oregon community and having owned businesses and commercial property around downtown, including the former Eriksen's Stationery and the Eriksen Building on Wall Street.

Gard Eriksen said he and his family had many fond memories of the Pine Tavern, having enjoyed many get-togethers such as birthday celebrations at the famous landmark. McCormick also recollected another customer telling of a time when teenage girls as young as thirteen would be employed to "swat flies and fold napkins."

Pine Tavern current General Manager Savannah Marrs said Pine Tavern is celebrating its 90th anniversary on Monday, November 16, with a special evening benefiting the Deschutes County Historical Society and Deschutes Historical Museum.

She said, "Rather than simply celebrating the restaurant, we are framing the evening as 'Pine Tavern: 90 Years of Bend' — a look at nine decades of Bend history, memories and community through one of downtown Bend's longtime gathering places.

"The Historical Society is helping curate historic photographs and stories for the evening, and proceeds from the event will benefit their work preserving our local history."

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New Chapter for "Long Blue Line"

First Phase of Bend Senior High $178M Campus Transformation Complete

by SIMON MATHER — CBN Feature Writer

A historic transformation has officially come to life on the campus of Bend Senior High School.

With the commencement of the new school year, students and staff began moving into the brand-new, three-story, 150,000-square-foot main classroom building, marking the successful completion of Phase 1 of the school's massive modernization project, which broke ground in June 2024.

Funded by a voter-approved $250 million school improvement bond passed in November 2022, the multi-year project is completely redesigning one of Central Oregon's oldest and most storied educational institutions.

The majority of the bond issue — approximately $178 million — was allocated for the Bend Senior High transformation, representing the largest single project undertaken in Bend-La Pine School District history.

Thanks to a highly coordinated effort between Bend-La Pine Schools, BBT Architects and general contractor Kirby Nagelhout Construction Company (KNCC), the transformative project's first phase wrapped up on time and on budget. It followed a pre-construction design phase that included input from students, families, school staff and community members.



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The newly completed main building, designed vertically to maximize campus space, replaces outdated facilities, originally built in the 1950s, with a state-of-the-art, open, collaborative learning environment layout filled with natural light and cutting-edge technology.

Key features of the initial facility upgrades include:

• **Advanced Classrooms**: The building houses 44 classrooms, with the majority of the third floor dedicated to the sciences, boasting state-of-the-art chemistry labs equipped with collegiate-level fume hoods and 85-inch monitors;

• **The Commons**: A vibrant new commons area and student-run "Java Bear" cafe serving as the central social hub of the building. The area includes a business management lab and features comfortable, lounge-style seating, soft natural lighting and a detailed timeline mural showcasing the historical lineage of the school;

• **Enhanced Amenities**: The building integrates modern study and collaboration rooms, dedicated staff workspaces on all three floors, and an on-site daycare facility for staff and students;

• **New Main Entrance and Infrastructure**: A new main parking lot and restructured entrance off Ninth Street, improving traffic flow, safety and school security.

"These spaces are conducive to learning and are the environment that our staff and students deserve," said Bend Senior High Principal Christopher Reese, who also noted that the modern science facilities surpass what many students would find in higher education.



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While the infrastructure is modern, the campus remains deeply rooted in the legacy of its nearly 122-year history. BSHS moved to its current site in 1956, but Bend Senior High was actually founded in 1904.

The new building incorporates localized nods to school pride, including a giant illuminated Lava Bear claw in the front window — featuring programmable colored lighting to showcase school spirit during community events — and a detailed timeline of the school's heritage decorating the commons area.

A new "Heroes Plaza" located in an interior courtyard, between the completed classroom building and the Robert D. Maxwell Center (*Maxwell was a Medal of Honor recipient and longtime automotive teacher at Bend Senior High) completed in 2021, is a dedicated memorial honoring military branches and 60 Bend Senior High alumni who tragically lost their lives in service.

The exterior design also incorporates distinct blue brickwork as a physical representation of the "Long Blue Line" that connects more than 120 graduating classes of Lava Bears, and that theme is continued throughout the campus.

As a fitting tribute to the latest chapter in Bend Senior High's illustrious history, tucked inside the interior architecture is a permanent structural steel foundational beam completely covered in signatures from the faculty and students who navigated through the Phase 1 construction period.

With Phase 1 complete, construction crews have already pivoted to Phase 2, beginning with large-scale demolition to clear out the school's historic old main building and gymnasium.

Over the next two years, crews will construct a brand-new, modern gymnasium and athletic training facilities, along with a state-of-the-art performing arts center and 1,400-seat auditorium, and a brand-new school library and media center, connecting to the new main building.

While students will navigate a changing campus layout and modified gymnasium capacity and facilities for the next two seasons, school officials emphasize that the long-term rewards are well worth the transition.

"This project was especially meaningful for our team because several members of the construction crew have deep ties to Bend Senior High School," KNCC Project Manager Bob Barker said. "Kirby Nagelhout, the founder of Kirby Nagelhout Construction Company, was a graduate of Bend Senior High and is recognized as a distinguished alumnus.

"Completing a major modernization project on an active school campus required extensive planning, coordination and communication. From the beginning, our top priority was minimizing disruptions to students and staff so learning could continue uninterrupted while construction progressed around them.

"This was a true team effort. The District, BBT Architects, KNCC and our subcontractor partners did an excellent job planning ahead, communicating openly and resolving challenges early before they could impact the project. That commitment allowed us to maintain momentum throughout construction and deliver a successful project for the Bend community."

The 2022 voter-approved bond initiative authorized $249.7 million in general obligation bonds to improve safety and modernize aging schools and classrooms, with projects touching nearly every building in the district.

While the bulk of the funds went into the Bend Senior High modernization, other initiatives financed include:

- School safety updates, including new interior classroom door locks and handles, and updated fire alarm systems;
- Replacing aging roofs at La Pine Middle School and Sky View Middle School
- Expansions at Buckingham Elementary School and Sky View Middle School
- Money-saving energy improvements to boilers, HVAC and lighting systems

Nearly half of the district's buildings were built prior to 1980, with some built more than 90 years ago.

Though these structures have been well maintained, many were in need of major repair and maintenance to extend their life and usefulness.

Bend Senior High's entire campus modernization project is on track for a final grand opening in Fall 2028.

"We're building for the future in Bend-La Pine Schools with our community's investment in upgrading, expanding and renovating our schools," Bend-La Pine Schools Communication Director Scott Maben said. "Voter-approved bonds for projects such as this allow us to pursue safety enhancements, technology updates, energy efficiency, classroom

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McConnell Labs Rebrands as Modern Chemistry Labs Following Acquisition

by MELISSA FORBES — Modern Chemistry Labs

McConnell Labs, an American contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO), recently announced a rebrand to Modern Chemistry Labs (MCL), following its acquisition by Impact Equity Partners. The company has also announced the appointment of beauty industry leader Elizabeth Morris as chief executive officer.



Elizabeth Morris

As part of the restructuring, MCL has also acquired ATTAIN Cosmetics, an e-commerce beauty brand founded by Morris that was developed and manufactured at the Redmond facility. Financial terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Morris takes the helm at MCL following a 15-year career spanning high-tech finance and beauty industry operations. Beginning as a financial analyst and corporate controller in the semiconductor sector, Morris later transitioned into the beauty space, working as a licensed technician, distributor, e-commerce operator and brand founder. Known within the professional cosmetics and nail sectors for her direct, operations-focused approach and advocacy for manufacturing transparency, Morris brings both financial discipline and brand-side experience to MCL.

"Before I became CEO, I came to this company with a brand I wanted to build," said Morris. "I know how much a founder puts into choosing a manufacturing partner, and how important it is to understand your options and trust the people helping you bring a product to life. I'm excited to bring that perspective together with the formulation and manufacturing excellence already here."

Built on the manufacturing foundation of McConnell Labs, MCL currently formulates and manufactures specialized UV gel systems along with skincare and other beauty and personal-care products. The company supports customers across multiple stages of the product lifecycle, including formulation and product development, batch manufacturing, filling and packaging, quality control, documentation and regulatory support.

The rebranded organization targets mid-sized and growing indie beauty brands seeking custom formulation and agile domestic production between low-cost overseas suppliers and high-volume, enterprise Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs).

"This transition builds on the decades-long manufacturing foundation established in Redmond while introducing the capital and strategic framework necessary for scaled expansion," Morris added. "Our focus is strictly on delivering high-performance chemistry, clear communication and reliable execution for our brand partners."

MCL will continue operating from its Redmond facility, offering brand founders on-site facility access, technical strategy sessions and direct collaboration with its R&D team.

About Modern Chemistry Labs:

Modern Chemistry Labs (MCL) is a U.S.-based contract development and manufacturing organization serving the beauty and personal care industry from its facility in Redmond. Specializing in UV-cured gel systems, skincare and more, MCL supports customers across multiple stages of the product lifecycle, including formulation and product development, batch manufacturing, filling and packaging, quality control, documentation and regulatory support.



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Epic Aircraft, LLC 22590 Nelson Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-318-8849	N/A	www.epicaircraft.com info@epicaircraft.com	Doug King	544	2004	Kits for building aircraft, including the LT-6-place turboprop which is currently in the process of being certified with the FAA. Training on site.
Les Schwab Tires Centers - Headquarters 20900 Cooley Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-447-4136	541-416-5363	www.lesschwab.com	Reception	446	1952	Tire centers located throughout Central Oregon.
Medline ReNewal 1500 NE Hemlock, Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-3310	541-923-3375	www.medlinerenewal.com customer.service@medlinerenewal.com	Steve Bettis	392	1997	Manufacturing & reprocessing of medical devices. A FDA-registered device reprocessor.
PCC Schlosser 345 NE Hemlock Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-0766	541-548-6579	www.pccstructurals.com	Keith Covlin	352	1989	Titanium investment casting foundry for the aerospace & medical industries.
Deschutes Brewery 901 SW Simpson Ave., Bend, OR 97702	541-385-8606	541-383-4505	www.deschutesbrewery.com info@deschutesbrewery.com	Gary Fish	289	1988	Craft brewery.
Knife River 64500 OB Riley Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-388-0445	541-388-8932	www.kniferiver.com chris.doan@kniferiver.com	Chris Doan	250	1968	Paving mixtures, asphalt, aggregate & construction.
Nosler, Inc. 107 SW Columbia St., Bend, OR 97709	541-382-3921	541-388-4667	www.nosler.com catalog@nosler.com	Zach Waterman	161	1948	Manufacturer the industry's finest bullets, ammunition, component brass & rifles for hunting & shooting enthusiasts.
Bright Wood Company LLC - Redmond 150 SE Evergreen Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-4511	N/A	www.brightwood.com inetinfo@brightwood.com	Stan Webb, Shawn Brown	160	1960	Wood products.
10 Barrel Brewing, 62950 NE 18th St., Bend (Brewery & Pub) 1135 NW Galveston Ave., Bend (Pub)	541-585-1007	541-585-1008	www.10barrel.com info@10barrel.com	Kyle Mckee	156	2006	Handcrafted beer.
PARR Truss Redmond 1000 SE Lake Rd., Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-2759	541-923-0023	qtruss@qtruss.com	Joe Hamann	133	1985	Roof & floor trusses.
Suterra LLC 20950 NE Talus Pl., Bend, OR 97701	541-388-3688	N/A	www.suterra.com customercare@suterra.com	Client Services	132	1984	Sustainable, pheromone-based insect control for commercial agricultural markets.
Microsemi Corporation 405 SW Columbia St., Bend, OR 97702	541-382-8028	541-388-0364	www.microsemi.com	Mark Gabler	130	1984	Mixed-Signal integrated circuits & discrete semi-conductors & RF components.
Systema 265 NW Franklin Ave., Ste. 201 Bend, OR 97701	541-602-2092	N/A	www.systema-usacorp.com	Travis Stevens	130	1993	Provides software solutions, processes & services to the high technology industry that are cost-effective, improve productivity & meet regulatory compliance requirements. Also provides comprehensive engineering & consulting services in end-to-end automation, manufacturing it & enterprise integration solutions.
Cascade Lakes Brewing Company 2141 SW First St. Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-3110	N/A	www.cascadelakes.com chris@cascadelakes.com	Andy Rhine	125	1994	Brews six beers year-round: Blonde Bombshell, 20 inch Brown, Salted Caramel Porter, This IPA, Lotus Pils Tropic Blur Hazy IPA & Staycay Pineapple with many seasonals throughout the year: Fresh Pressed Helles, Overlander IPA, Elk Camp IPA & more.
Hooker Creek Companies, LLC 95 SW Scalehouse Lp., Ste. 100, Bend, OR 97702	541-389-0981	541-389-4763	www.hookercreek.net info@hookercreek.net	Scott M. Carlson	123	1984	Ready mixed concrete, sand & gravel, equipment rentals, supplier of construction materials.
Ruff Wear 2843 NW Lolo Dr., Bend, OR 97703	541-388-1821	541-388-1831	www.ruffwear.com support@ruffwear.com	Patrick Kruse	70	1992	Performance gear for dogs.
Precise Flight Inc. 63354 Powell Butte Rd. Bend, OR 97701	800-547-2558	541-388-1105	www.preciseflight.com sales@preciseflight.com	Sam Barnes	67	1980	Global leader in aviation safety & performance, an ISO 9001 certified & AS9100 compliant manufacturer with extensive expertise in aerospace tube fabrication, lighting technologies (including the Pulselite system), oxygen systems & environmental control systems.
Brian's Cabinets 20780 Sockeye Place, Bend, OR 97701	541-382-3773	541-749-1205	www.brianscabinets.com info@brianscabinets.com	Tina Maxwell	65	1977	Cabinet & closet manufacturer.
Grace Bio-Labs 1015 SW Emkay Dr., Bend, OR 97702	541-318-1208	541-318-0242	www.gracebio.com Lhale@gracebio.com	Lisa Hale	50	1995	Global provider, local manufacturer. Developing laboratory products, services & custom solutions for research & diagnostics applications.
Mike's Fence Center, Inc. 59 SW Hayes Ave., Bend, OR 97702	541-388-1625	541-389-4578	www.mikesfence.com sales@mikesfence.com	Ryan Higgins	50	1980	Fence construction, fence supplies (retail), automated gates & mobile mix concrete.
Northland Furniture 681 SE Glenwood Dr., Bend, OR 97702	541-389-3600	541-389-4943	www.northlandfurniture.com sales@northlandfurniture.com	Brian Noll	50	1976	Custom furniture manufacturer for the hospitality, healthcare & senior living markets. Manufacture multi-family kitchen cabinetry.
Eberhard's Dairy Products 235 SW Evergreen Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-5181	541-548-7009	www.eberhardsdairy.com ebdairy@eberhardsdairy.com	Mark Eberhard	48	1951	Milk, ice cream, cottage cheese & butter manufacturer & distributor.
Oregon Wild Harvest 1601 NE Hemlock Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-9400	541-923-7235	www.oregonswildharvest.com questions@oregonswildharvest.com	Pam Buresh	47	2014	Herbal supplement manufacturer distributed nationally.
Metabolic Maintenance 601 N Larch St., Sisters, OR 97759	800-772-7873	541-549-3299	www.metabolicmaintenance.com info@metabolicmaintenance.com	Karla Cross	46	1984	Vitamin supplement manufacturers.
Bendistillery, Inc. 19330 Pinehurst Rd., Bend, OR 97703	541-318-0200	541-318-1886	www.craterlakespirits.com alan@bendistillery.com	Alan Dietrich	45	1996	Fully operating distillery, farm, tasting room, produces Crater Lake Vodka, Crater Lake Gin, Crater Lake Hazelnut Espresso Vodka, Ablis CBD beverages & supplements & more.
Zamp Solar 63255 Jamison St., Bend, OR 97703	541-728-0924	N/A	www.zampsolar.com support@zampsolar.com	Coner Miller	45	2010	Zamp Solar specializes in 12-volt solar charging systems for off-grid, RV, marine, agriculture & other applications. Offer a variety of portable & hard mounted solar kits made right here in Bend, OR USA.
Aircraft Rubber Manufacturing (Fuel Safe Systems) 1550 NE Kingwood Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-6005	541-923-6015	www.fuelsafe.com sales@fuelsafe.com	William Hare	43	1988	Fuel cells for race cars, planes & boats. Armored tanks, industrial tanks. Welding & fabrication. Liquid storage containers.
Host Campers 20526 Murray Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-330-2328	541-330-9002	www.hostcampers.com dwalker@hostcampers.com	Duane Walker, Duane Stevens	40	2001	Manufacture truck campers.
Metolius Mountain Products 20469 Brandis Ct., Bend, OR 97701	541-382-7585	541-382-8531	www.metoliusclimbing.com info@metoliusclimbing.com	Doug Phillips	40	1983	Mountain climbing equipment.
CLS Fabrication Inc. 20522 Builders Ct., Bend, OR 97701	541-749-4257	541-749-4263	www.clsfab.com jbanks@clsfab.com	Jesse Banks, Eric Fleming	39	1984	End to end fabricator & manufacturer of metal based products included commercial grade cabinetry & OEM sheet metal/structural goods. Primary processing is via CNC machinery with in-house design services.
Kawak Aviation Technologies, Inc. 20690 Carmen Loop, Ste. 102 Bend, OR 97702	541-385-5051	541-617-9857	www.kawakaviation.com andrew@kawakaviation.com	Andrew Sawyer, Steven Sawyer	34	1993	Designs & manufactures advanced systems & components that power the global utility aviation industry. Beyond firefighting & agriculture, Kawak provides engineered solutions for aircraft engine control quadrants, cargo door conversion hydraulics & custom electric motors.
BlackStrap Industries Inc. 1305 SE Armour Rd., Ste. 100, Bend, OR 97702	541-213-2500	N/A	www.bsbrand.com Info@bsbrand.com	info@bsbrand.com	32	2008	Domestic manufacturer of facemasks & active accessories in the global snow sports & outdoor recreation markets. All products are true products of the USA, having full control over its supply chain.
Bend Plating Inc. 550 SE Bridgeford Blvd., Bend, OR 97702	541-388-3456	541-388-3450	www.bendplating.com	Shairleen Chambers	30	1969	Decorative gold, nickel, chrome electroplating.
EP Climbing USA 63085 18th St., Ste. 101, Bend, OR 97701	541-388-5463	541-388-3248	epclimbing.com/na/en j.carilli@epclimbing.com	JoAnne Carilli Stevenson	30	1988	Indoor & outdoor climbing walls, outdoor boulders, volumes, macros & climbing holds.
Qorvo, Inc 63140 Britta St., C106, Bend, OR 97703	541-640-8663	N/A	www.qorvo.com crystal.ferris@qorvo.com	Customer Service	30	2005	Design & manufacture RF Solutions for mobile, defense & infrastructure markets.
DENT Instruments. Inc. 925 SW Emkay Dr., Bend, OR 97702	541-388-4774	541-385-9333	www.dentinstruments.com sales@dentinstruments.com	Sales Desk	29	1988	Design & manufacture of portable energy & power measurement instruments.
Big Ed's Artisan Bread 601 NE First St., Unit B, Bend, OR 97701	541-323-3773	541-323-3774	www.bigedsbread.com orders@bigedsbread.com	Merri Chilcutt, Ed Chilcutt	28	2013	Artisan breads, buns, hoagies, loaves, English muffins, bagels, focaccia, pretzels, pizza dough, granola, brownies, cookies & pies.
CR Fabrication Ltd. 833 SE First St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-4369	541-504-5493	www.cr-fab.com info@cr-fab.com	Casey Mott	28	2000	Produces fabricated & manufactured metal products & services for the aviation industry with ground support equipment. Continues to expand capabilities & ser-vices in the metal fabrication & more.
ISCO Industrial Service Company 63055 Corporate Pl., Unit 1, Bend, OR 97701	541-382-1573	541-382-6902	www.iscomach.com charlenew@iscomach.com	Craig Gribskov	28	1973	Machinery & computer numerical control (CNC) machine shop; ISO 9001 certified, abrasive waterjet cutting; aircraft parts, job shop & prototype fabrication.
Modern Chemistry Labs/ Light Elegance Nail Products 406 Umatilla Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-526-1417	N/A	www.modernchemistrylabs.com sales@modernchemistrylabs.com	Elizabeth Morris	28	2003	Manufacture of Light Elegance nail products. Specializes in private label nail products. Manufactures high-quality UV & LED cured gels & gel polishes, offers pumping & packaging services & more.
Commercial Powder Coating 20554 Builders St., Bend, OR 97701	541-330-1141	N/A	www.commpowder.com aaron@commpowder.com	Aaron Edelheit	27	1999	Offers powder coating, sandblasting, stripping, pretreatment, assembly, packaging & shipping.
CIES, Inc. 63049 Lower Meadow Dr., Bend, OR 97701	541-977-1043	N/A	www.ciescorp.net scott.philiben@ciescorp.com	Scott Philiben	26	2010	CIES Inc. is the largest supplier of fuel quantity indication systems in aviation. We have over 98% of the general aviation market. We also supply fuel sending units to solve difficult issues for the military & marine markets.
Electronics, Intl., INC. 63296 Powell Butte Hwy., Bend, OR 97701	541-318-6060	541-318-7575	www.buy-ei.com support@buy-ei.com	Tyler Speed	26	1979	Manufacturers of aircraft instruments.
Smith Bros. Pushrods 2895 SW 13th St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-388-8188	541-389-8840	www.pushrods.net smithbrothers@pushrods.net	Scott Mills	26	1999	Pushrod manufacturing & custom machining.
Newhouse Manufacturing Co. 1048 N Sixth St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-1055	541-548-4144	www.newhouse-mfg.com info@newhouse-mfg.com	John Jenkins, Dan Winton	25	1953	Manufacture farm equipment, parts, drive lines & belts.
Outback Manufacturing, Inc. 63076 Crusher Ave., Bend, OR 97703	541-388-1046	541-318-9397	www.outbackmfg.com Danno@outbackmfg.com	Brent Bourgault, Danno Shawe	25	1993	Production & high tech CNC machining services.
Carlson Sign Company 1605 NE Forbes Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-382-2182	541-382-2196	www.carlsonsign.com pcarlson@carlsonsign.com	Peter Carlson	24	1948	Signs & advertising displays.

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Prineville's Northwest Sign Recycling Builds Momentum for Nationwide Growth

by PENNY EDDINGTON — Every Idea Marketing

A traffic sign can travel a long way before it reaches Northwest Sign Recycling's shop in Prineville.

Some come from transportation agencies closer to home. Others travel thousands of miles to Central Oregon, where a specialized process removes old reflective material and prepares the aluminum underneath for another life.

That growing reach is part of the vision Greg Surgener has for Northwest Sign Recycling, a Prineville company that has specialized in recycling aluminum traffic signs since 2005.

When Surgener acquired the company in November 2025, all of the existing employees stayed on through the ownership change, bringing continuity and years of experience to the next chapter of the business. Since the transition, Northwest Sign Recycling has already grown its staff by 66% and increased revenue by 43%. With that momentum continuing, the company is looking to add employees in Prineville as it pursues new customers around the country.

"We have great customers, new customers coming on board and a lot of room to grow," Surgener said. "We're looking forward to building on what Northwest Sign Recycling has already accomplished."



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A Specialized Process in Prineville

Inside the Prineville facility, the work is anything but ordinary.

Northwest Sign Recycling uses a programmable, PLC-controlled system that directs water at approximately 45,000 PSI across the face of an aluminum traffic sign. The process removes reflective sheeting, laminates and adhesives without chemicals while preserving the protective coating on the aluminum underneath.

The resulting aluminum blank can be refurbished and returned to the customer for continued use.

For agencies and contractors that already have aluminum sign material in inventory, the process can provide an alternative to purchasing new material when existing blanks can be put back to work.

"We want to help our customers get the most value possible from the materials they already own," Surgener said. "If we can help an agency put existing aluminum back to work instead of having to purchase new blanks, that can make a real difference in their budget."

From Central Oregon to the East Coast

A recent project for the Maine Department of Transportation demonstrated the reach of the Prineville operation. Aluminum sign material traveled thousands of miles from the East Coast to Central Oregon for processing before being returned to the customer.

The project reflects a larger opportunity Surgener sees as transportation agencies, public works departments and contractors look for ways to control material costs, reduce waste and extend the useful life of existing aluminum.

Northwest Sign Recycling plans to deepen relationships with current customers while pursuing new opportunities with state departments of transportation, cities, counties and private sign contractors nationwide.

For a company that has called Central Oregon home for more than two decades, the next chapter is about growing beyond the region while continuing to invest in the people and community that helped build the business.

And that means more than sending signs back into service. It means growing a Prineville business and creating more local jobs along the way.

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Largest Manufacturing Deschutes County *(Listed by Number of Staff of 5 or more)*

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Company / Address	Phone	Fax	WebSite/Email	Contact	Staff	CO Year Est.	Business Description
Breedlove Guitar Company 61573 American Loop Bend, OR 97701	877-800-4848	541-385-8183	www.breedlovemusic.com info@breedloveguitars.com	Angela Christensen, Pete Mroz, Shannon Pollard	22	1990	Manufacturer of acoustic guitars.
BTL Sales & Lining, Inc. 3451 SW Empire Dr., Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-0712	541-447-0759	www.btlliners.com info@btlliners.com	Travis Wilcox	22	1981	Pond liners & greenhouse covers.
Key Technology/Redmond Operations 1011 SE Lake Rd., Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-3997	541-923-1170	www.key.net sedwards@key.net	Susan Edwards	20	1984	Design, manufacture & market process automation systems for food & other industries.
Norco Inc. 63024 Sherman Rd., Bend, OR 97703	541-382-2362	541-383-5996	www.norco-inc.com wayneb@norco-inc.com	Wayne Barker	20	1960	Industrial gases, welding machinery & safety equipment. Durable medical equipment.
Sat Pak Communications Inc. 1492 N. Sixth St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-0467	541-923-5925	www.satpak.com info@satpak.com	Bill Park	20	1983	Electronic cable assemblies.
The Deleone Corp. 1258 SE Lake Rd., Redmond, OR 97756	541-504-8311	541-504-8411	www.cascadelabels.com orders@deleone.com	Michael De Leone	20	1971	Label manufacturer.
Chapman-Huffman, Inc. 320 SE Bridgeford Blvd., Ste. 1, Bend, OR 97702	541-382-7869	541-382-4999	www.chapman-huffman.com jason@chapman-huffman.com	Jason Nyman	18	1979	Dental components & replacement parts.
GlasWeld Systems Inc. 20578 Empire Blvd., Bend, OR 97701	541-388-1156	541-388-1157	www.glasweld.com info@glasweld.com	Sales	18	1983	Worldwide provider of glass restoration products: windshield repair systems, scratch removal systems, headlight restoration system, training available.
Hydro Flask 900 SE Wilson Ave., Ste. H, Bend, OR 97702	888-58-HYDRO	N/A	www.hydroflask.com	Travis Rosbach	18	2009	The only all-insulated bottle company in the world that produces double-wall vacuum insulated bottles that are BPA & toxin free.
SisTech Manufacturing 63068 Lower Meadow Dr., Bend, OR 97701	877-792-2779	N/A	www.sistechmfg.com	Lorraine Kennedy	18	2009	Electronic assembly & box builds.
VocalBooth.com, Inc. 1103 NE 11th St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-330-6045	801-659-2475	www.vocalbooth.com info@vocalbooth.com	Calvin Mann	18	1997	Modular & portable sound enclosure booths.
Poltex 798 NE Jackpine Ct., Redmond, OR 97756	541-636-0802	888-976-5839	www.poltex.com paul@poltex.com	Paul Filipowicz, Danielle Filipowicz	17	2001	Plastic manufacturing firm specializing in hospital & laboratory organization products. Custom fabrication for any industry.
Bend Cabinet & Fixtures Inc. 62890 Boyd Acres Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-382-6093	541-382-6097	bendcabinets@bendbroadband.com	Kelly Wilson	16	1976	Commercial cabinet & fixture shop.
RDD Enterprises 2244 Airport Way, Ste.130, Redmond, OR 97756	541-504-0305	N/A	www.rddent.com info@rddent.com	David McRae	16	2006	Research, design & development group. Aircraft maintenance & fabrication.
Aerospace Instrumentation Research 2244 SE Airport Way, Ste. 100, Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-7500	541-923-4141	www.mhoxygen.com sales@mhoxygen.com	Brad Stankey	15	1985	Research, design & manufacturer of patented state-of-the-art digital aviation oxygen equipment. Known particularly in the general aviation, glider & home built industry for the MH EDS electronic Pulse-Demand adaptive oxygen delivery devices.
Cement Products Manufacturing 1945 SE First St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-5910	541-548-6917	www.cementproductsmfg.com joedemeyer@cementproductsmfg.com	Dick Yancey	15	1980	Complete line of masonry products including cement blocks, baffle & fire brick for wood stoves. Real stone & manufactured stone.
Mountain High E & S Company 2244 SE Airport Way, Ste. 100, Redmond, OR 97756	541-923-4100	541-923-4141	www.mhoxygen.com sales@mhoxygen.com	Eric Westeren	15	1985	Aviation oxygen equipment & supplies.
Laserline Manufacturing, Inc., 1810 SE First St., Ste. H, Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-0882	541-548-0892	www.laserlinemfg.com laserline@laserline.net	Bob Vanneman, Mike Vanneman	14	1995	Lasers for construction, road striping trucks, snow plow guidance, parking lot striping, tunneling, mining, dredging & direct reading grade rods.
Sullivan Glove Company 537 SE Glenwood Dr., Bend, OR 97702	541-382-3092	541-382-5369	www.sullivanglove.com	David & Terri Hayes	14	1948	Leather gloves.
Leoni Fiberoptics, Inc. 340 SW Columbia St., Bend, OR 97702	541-385-0170	541-385-0168	www.leoni.com	Shannon Fields	13	1990	High power fiberoptic cables & connectors for industrial, defense, scientific, medical & homeland security applications.
Straw Propeller Gourmet Foods 725 SW Umatilla Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-886-5783	N/A	www.strawpropeller.com info@strawpropeller.com	Sandy Anderson	13	2011	Woman-owned & operated gourmet food manufacturer that creates a variety of gourmet oatmeal & muesli products. All products made with certified gluten-free oats, non-GMO, all natural & Kosher certified ingredients.
Bend Steel Supply & Fabrication 20698 Brinson Blvd., Bend, OR 97701	541-383-3113	541-383-9073	www.bendsteelsupply.com sales@empiretruckworks.com	Jonathan Fay	11	2018	N/A
Willamette Graystone Inc. 64978 Deschutes Pleasant Ridge, Bend, OR 97701	541-388-3811	541-388-3812	www.willamettegraystone.com rext@willamettegraystone.com	Rex Turney	11	1979	Cultured stone, concrete block, brick & pavers, septic tanks.
Advanced Machining Services LLC 20690 Carmen Loop, #100, Bend, OR 97702	541-617-9500	N/A	amsbend.com info@amsbend.com	Craig Achatz	10	2002	A full-service machining shop excelling in CNC machining & design, specializes in precision-machined components from the aerospace industry to custom projects.
Easybar 63015 Layton Ave., Bend, OR 97701	888-294-7405	503-624-6741	www.easybar.com info@easybar.com	James Nicol	10	1968	Manufacturer & supplier of innovative devices that regulate the amount of liquor or beer poured in bar drinks.
Max Manufacturing, Inc. 20651 High Desert Ln., Bend, OR 97701	888-644-0280	541-382-2556	www.maxmfg.com mikeg@maxmfg.com	Mike Garoutte	10	1973	Laser cutting & processing, precision sheet metal fabrication, custom motor vehicle parts.
Snowline Manufacturing, Inc. 63360 Powell Butte Hwy., Bend, OR 97701	541-617-1107	541-617-1108	www.snowlinemfg.com mikes@snowlinemfg.com	Mike Snow	10	1990	Fabricates & welds aircraft products. Rock screening products.
Western Roller Corporation 63393 Nels Anderson Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-382-5643	541-382-0159	www.westernroller.com	Doug Collver	9	1972	Polyurethane processor. Make parts for industry soft feed roller systems.
BRANDLAB 512 SW Sixth St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-516-0469	N/A	www.thebrandlaboratory.com info@thebrandlaboratory.com	Customer Service	8	2026	T-shirt bar, bulk orders, online webstore building/hosting/fulfillment center.
Light Elegance 406 Umatilla Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-526-1417	N/A	www.lightelegance.com sales@lightelegance.com	Lezlie McConnell	8	1999	Manufactures a non-yellowing Light Elegance Nail product. Continuing to develop a international market.
BendUp Metal 62860 Boyd Acres Rd., Unit C, Bend, OR 97701	541-385-5794	541-385-8510	bendupmetal.com loren@bendupmetal.com	Loren Eby	7	1996	Formerly Diversified Products & now under new ownership. Manufacturing metal products for OEM's for almost 30 yrs. Precision laser cutting, break forming, fabrication, rolling, hardware insertion.
Imagine Stoneworks 1320 SE Armour Dr., Ste. A-1, Bend, OR 97702	541-312-3885	541-312-3899	www.imaginestoneworks.com trent@imaginestoneworks.com	Trent Gardner, Rob Angelo	7	2003	Natural & engineered stone slab designs for countertops, floors, bathrooms, fireplaces & large quantity CNC production runs.
MicroRidge Systems, Inc. 56888 Enterprise Dr., Sunriver, OR 97707	541-593-1656	541-593-5652	www.microridge.com mary@microridge.com	Mary Chisholm	7	1983	MicroRidge designs & manufactures a broad range of wired & wireless measurement collection solutions for industrial & manufacturing environments to monitor or improve their quality process.
Pyrotect 975 SW First St., Redmond, OR 97756	541-504-0340	541-504-0342	www.pyrotect.com support@pyrotect.com	Steve Russell	7	1972	Known for innovative advances in auto racing safety, it makes a range of products, including helmets, fire suits, gloves, shoes, protective wear, safety gear & more.
Rose Machinery Inc. 61543 American Ln., Bend, OR 97702	541-388-0856	541-388-7930	www.rosemachinery.com rayr@rosemachinery.com	Ray Rose	7	1978	Metal fabrication & machine shop that manufactures custom machinery & sells woodworking machines.
Cascade Spa Covers 63378 Nels Anderson Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-388-7963	541-388-0384	steve_cascadespacovers@yahoo.com	Steve Chambers	6	1987	Spa cover manufacturer.
Central Composites 4626 SW 21st Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-280-6704	N/A	www.centralcomposites.com info@centralcomposites.com	Marcus & Lindsey Sahlgren	6	2011	Specialize in advanced composite practices such as resin infusion, RTM lite & prepreg processes as well as more conventional hand layup techniques.
Custom Pro Shops 3002 NW Fairway Heights Dr., Bend, OR 97701	541-633-7117	N/A	www.procraftgolfshops.com contactus@procraftgolfshops.com	Jeff Miller	6	1987	Custom pro shop interiors & millwork.
M.C. Smith Signs 1515 NE Second St., Bend, OR 97701	541-389-2471	N/A	www.mcsmithsigns.com sales@mcsmithsigns.com	Chris & Elizabeth Linderman	6	1974	Full service direct to garment printing & embroidery service to add your logo or message to a complete line of wearables.
Maverick Publications 63324 Nels Anderson Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-382-6978	N/A	www.maverickbooks.com moreinfo@maverickbooks.com	Gary Asher	6	1968	Book manufacturing catering to self-publishers. Print-on-demand capabilities.
Pacific Wood Works 20514 Murray Rd., Bend, OR 97701	541-323-3667	541-382-2573	www.pacwoodworks.com jane@plateauwoodworks.com	Rick Fletcher	6	1982	Millwork - doors, windows & hardware.
Satterlee Jewelry Repair & Design 513 NW Fir Ave., Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-8788	Call first	www.satterleejewelers.com info@satterleejewelers.com	Gabriel Satterlee, Faith Satterlee	6	1941	Custom jewelry design, manufacturing, repair, restoration & retail.
Uni-Latch Inc 59 SW Hayes Ave., Bend, OR 97702	541-312-8920	541-389-4578	www.mikefence.com sales@unilatch.com	Mike Tanner	6	1994	Gate manufacturing, ornamental fencing & custom powder coating.
Bend Machine Inc. 267 W Sisters Park Dr., Unit B, Sisters, OR 97759	541-382-0402	N/A	www.bendmachine.com bmi@bendcable.com	Jeff Frink	5	1988	General machine shop (job work), tool & die shop, welding & fabrication & water jet services.
Downtown Ornamental Iron, Inc. 63023 Layton Ave., Ste. 1, Bend, OR 97701	541-389-8186	N/A	www.downtownornamentaliron.com downtownornamentaliron@gmail.com	Skye Kimel	5	1985	Ironwork & fabrication work including railings, artwork, home decor & textured decorative metals.
Northwest Custom Log Homes, Inc. 17273 Satterlee Way, Bend, OR 97707	541-593-5610	541-593-9741	www.nwcustomloghomes.com northwestcustomloghomes@gmail.com	Dennis King	5	1981	Design services. Log homes, log accents, restoration. General contracting. Custom conventional homes.
Ocean Equipment 20655 Carman Loop, Bend, OR 97702	541-318-1272	541-508-4066	www.navpod.com orders@oceanequipment.com	Rob Walsh	5	1991	Thermoforming manufacturer & importer of boating industry products.
Swan Industries Inc. 633 NE First St., Bend, OR 97701	541-389-4668	541-389-4068	www.swanindustries.com sales@swanindustries.com	Noelle Swan	5	1978	OEM Supplier to the RV industry.
Windward Performance LLC 63010 Powell Butte Hwy., Bend, OR 97702	541-382-1056	Call first	www.windward-performance.com info@windward-performance.com	Greg Cole	5	1999	Composite sail plane & aerospace design & manufacture.

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training, education and local partnerships.

According to EDCO, "Redmond High School and COCC are helping create pathways into skilled manufacturing careers. COCC is developing short-term certificate programs in areas such as fabrication, structural steel welding, CNC operation and industrial maintenance, with employer input helping align training with industry needs. COCC has also received a $2.2 million federal grant to develop seven short-term certificate pathways aligned with regional employer needs. Separately, the college is remodeling its existing manufacturing labs at the Redmond campus and adding a 6,500-square-foot build-out, with completion expected as early as winter term 2028. These investments will expand hands-on training opportunities and help prepare workers for the skills local manufacturers need."

An important note is that these initiatives are not exclusively designed to address the current workforce shortage in the short term; instead, they are designed to create a pipeline that consistently provides manufacturers with skilled workers for the long term, leading to steady and stable growth for years to come.

However, there are still some uncertainties in the industry. According to EDCO, the cost of doing business is another major concern. "Labor, health insurance, raw materials, construction and transportation costs all affect a company's ability to grow. Tariffs and supply chain uncertainty can add further complications, particularly for manufacturers that depend on imported materials or components."

Despite this, Central Oregon has seen growth, diversification, and a host of new developments. While AI is on everyone's minds, it would seem that its current impact on the manufacturing industry is negligible, at least for the time being. "Based on local industry feedback, some businesses are exploring tools to streamline sales, marketing and administrative work, create SOP's, and run scenario outcomes in manufacturing processes," said EDCO. "However, it is too early to characterize AI as a sweeping transformation across local manufacturing."

Continuing, EDCO shared that more broadly, automation and equipment upgrades are practical priorities for manufacturers looking to improve productivity and get more out of their workforce. Automation can take on repetitive tasks and improve consistency, but it does not necessarily mean fewer jobs. Robotics and increasingly sophisticated equipment also require skilled employees to operate, program, maintain and repair them. As manufacturers adopt new technology, the skills their employees need can change, making workforce training and technical education even more important.

Looking at the future of the industry, EDCO points out that communities vary in their available industrial land, existing buildings, workforce, infrastructure and proximity to markets. A company that cannot find the right site or conditions in one community may find a better fit elsewhere in the region. This gives businesses more options and helps Central Oregon compete for investment as a whole.

An example of this would be BASX Solutions, which recently completed a 36,000-square-foot weld shop in Redmond and opened an additional location in Sisters, illustrating how businesses can invest in multiple Central Oregon communities as their needs evolve.

The Central Oregon manufacturing industry is a leading example, across the state and the nation, in how local initiatives, diversification, community partnerships and genuine inquiry into the challenges manufacturers are facing can have a lasting, positive impact. Despite statewide trends, the local industry is, overall, on the up.

In a final statement from EDCO, "There are real challenges, particularly housing affordability and rising business costs. But the region's diverse manufacturing base, continued efforts to maintain industrial opportunities, skilled workforce and ongoing business investment provide a strong foundation for future growth. Continued investment in industrial sites and workforce training can help manufacturers expand in Central Oregon while creating skilled jobs for local residents."





Manufacturing Crook County *(Listed by Number of Staff)*

Company / Address	Phone	Fax	WebSite/Email	Contact	Staff	CO Year Est.	Business Description
Endura Products 1155 N Main St. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-4195	541-447-6479	www.enduraproducts.com sales@enduraproducts.com	Casey Jackson	241	1946	Moulding, millwork & engineered wood components.
Bright Wood Company LLC - Prineville 1941 Industrial Park Rd. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-5962	N/A	www.brightwood.com inetinfo@brightwood.com	Shawn Brown, Kim Dixon	45	1960	Wood products.
Helena Agri-enterprises 1225 N Gardner Rd., Ste. 200 Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-5609	541-447-1403	www.helenaagri.com minors@helenaagri.com	Scott Minor	42	1961	Fertilizer, chemical & seed.
Dayspring Hardwood & Moulding, Inc. 2816 SW Cessna Dr. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-0222 x112	541-447-0223	www.dayspringinc.com sales@dayspringinc.com	Michael Newman, Mike Engel	35	1986	Hardwood mouldings, flooring, stair treads/risers, handrails, crown mouldings, engineered/recycled flooring & specialty items.
Consolidated Pine Inc. 1951 NW Lamonta Rd. PO Box 1375 Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-5635	541-447-6525	N/A	Laura Barbeau, Steve Cole	29	1952	Wood products, finger-joint, primed mouldings & solid mouldings.
Mill Power, Inc. 3141 SW High Desert Dr. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-1100	541-447-1101	www.millpower.com emailtesterone@gmail.com	Dale Tompkins, Alison Muilenburg	20	1968	Design & manufacturing of custom vibrating industrial process equipment including conveyors, screens & feeders.
Basalite Concrete Products 1763 NW Gardner Rd. Mail: 1555 NW Murphy Ct. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-6869	541-416-2740	www.cementproductsmfg.com CPM_CustomerService@basalite.com	Customer Service	15	1990	Manufactures the high quality pavers, wall systems, outdoor living kits & packaged concrete products.
Advanced Cabinetry, Inc. 2853 SW High Desert Dr. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-7024	N/A	advcabinetry@gmail.com	Jason McCollum	10	1997	Custom cabinet making.
ABC Fence Company 421 NW Tenth St. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-6780	541-447-1974	www.abcfencecompany.net fencegal1@gmail.com	Serena Wood, Rawlin Smith	7	1984	All types of fence products & installation.
Northwest Sign Recycling LLC 1415 NW Murphy Ct. PO Box 7254 Prineville, OR 97708	541-279-0386	541-383-2072	www.nwsignrecycling.com tory@nwsignrecycling.com	Greg Surgener, Penny Eddington, Tory Allman	5	2004	Hydrostripping & recycling aluminum highway signs for cities, counties, states, other agencies & private sector.
Rohrer Manufacturing, Inc. 2615 SW Cessna Dr., Ste. 101 Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-7749	541-447-5190	www.rohrermfg.com information@rohrermfg.com	Ray Knotts	3	1989	Air operated post drivers, farm related manufacturing & design.
RYCO Manufacturing, Inc. 2959 SW High Desert Dr. Prineville, OR 97754	541-416-9313	541-416-9315	www.wildhorsemesa.com dave@rycomfg.com	David Ryan	2	1976	Custom metal fabrication.
Daniel R. Kentner Welding & Machine 14497 SE Wagonwheel Ln. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-7987	541-447-8649	www.EZlitefirestarter.com dkentner67@gmail.com	Daniel R. Kentner	1	2001	Fire starter manufacturer, welding & machine.

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Manufacturing Jefferson County *(Listed by Number of Staff)*

Company / Address	Phone	Fax	WebSite/Email	Contact	Staff	CO Year Est.	Business Description
Bright Wood Company LLC - Madras 335 NW Hess St. PO Drawer 828 Madras, OR 97741	541-475-2234	541-475-7758	www.brightwood.com inetinfo@brightwood.com	Shawn Brown, Kevin Palmer	837	1960	Wood products.
Keith Manufacturing Company 401 NW Adler St. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-3802	541-475-2169	www.keithwalkingfloor.com sales@keithwalkingfloor.com	Mark Foster	191	1950	Moving floor conveying systems.
Warm Springs Composite Products 3270 U.S. Hwy. 26, Bldg. #8 PO Box 906 Warm Springs, OR 97761	541-553-1143	541-553-1145	www.wscp.com contact@wscp.com	Jacob Coochise	60	1994	Fire rated door components & frames & roofing closer strips. Ballistic materials.
Bright Wood Company LLC - Culver 710 C Street Culver, OR 97734	541-546-5543	N/A	www.brightwood.com inetinfo@brightwood.com	Jesus Cohetzaltitla, Shawn Brown	49	1960	Manufactures wood components for doors & windows, mouldings, millwork & long-length engineered dimension lumber.

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Company / Address	Phone	Fax	WebSite/Email	Contact	Staff	CO Year Est.	Business Description
Central Oregon Seeds, Inc./ Central Oregon Basalt 1747 NW Mill St. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-7231	541-475-7233	cosi.ag	Michael Weber	42	1979	Grass, vegetable seeds & soil amendment, Cascade Minerals.
Helena Agri-Enterprises 505 C St. PO Box 117 Culver, OR 97734	541-546-5222	541-546-2237	www.helenaagri.com minors@helenaagri.com	Scott Minor	41	2012	Fertilizer, chemical & seed.
Shielding International Inc. 2150 NW Andrews Dr. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-7211	541-475-6628	www.shieldingintl.com info@shieldingintl.com	N/A	23	1996	Manufacturer of X-ray protective apparel & accessories.
Double Press Manufacturing 515 NW Cherry Lane Madras, OR 97741	541-475-4239	541-475-1952	www.double-press.com info@doublepress.net	Dan Jacques	18	1993	Bale compressors to compress hay for export.
Maragas Winery 15523 SW Hwy. 97 Culver, OR 97734	541-546-5464	N/A	www.margaswinery.com info@maragaswinery.com	Doug Maragas	8	1999	Wine.
WB & D Technologies 182 NW Earl St. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-7211	541-475-6628	www.shieldingintl.com info@shieldingintl.com	Carol Locke	5	1996	Manufacturer of lead sheeting.
Albina Asphalt 400 NW Paul Jasa Way Madras, OR 97741	541-475-6638	541-475-6168	www.albina.com madras@albina.com	Mike McCool	4	1989	Asphalt emulsion.
Griffin Seed International 3815 SW Culver Hwy. Metolius, OR 97741	541-546-2801	541-546-2906	www.griffinseedinternational.com sales@griffinseedint.com	Robert Griffin	4	1987	Sells vegetable seeds.
Meuret Pump, Inc. 6039 SW Franklin Ln. Madras, OR 97741	541-546-2992	541-546-7940	meuret69@outlook.com	Frank Summers	3	1945	Pumping & farm equipment, conveyors & pipe fitting.
Oregon Embroidery 182 NW Earl St. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-7211	541-475-6628	www.facebook.com/ Oregon-Embroidery	Kriste Lofting	2	1988	Direct embroidery of garments & accessories.
Red Iron Works, LLC 28 SW Elbe Dr. Madras, OR 97741	715-451-4698	N/A	www.redironmfg.com kent@redironmfg.com	Kent Weaver - CEO	2	2024	Repairs & manufactures loader attachments & equipment parts. Lathe & mill, sheet metal plasma & brake, D1.1 certification for structural welding, in-house 3D CAD design.

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Advanced Systems Portable 1300 SE Wilson Ave. Bend, OR 97702	541-389-5646	541-385-5226	www.advancedportabletoilets.com Cust2912@wcnx.org	Michael Grove	5	1965	Portable restrooms & storage units.	Central Oregon
Alfalfa Transfer Station at Walker Rd. Alfalfa, OR 97701	541-317-3163	541-317-3959	www.deschutescounty.gov/sw solidwaste@deschutescounty.gov	Customer Service	1	1999	Saturdays 8am-4pm.	Deschutes County
Cascade Disposal (Waste Connections) 1300 SE Wilson Ave. Bend, OR 97702	541-382-6660	541-385-6061	cascadedisposal.com cust2012@wasteconnections.com	Michael Grove	44	1965	Garbage hauling, curbside recycling, commercial, residential,special events, clean ups, roll offs & yard debris & food waste for city customers	S Greenwood & Newport & South of Alfalfa Mkt. Rd., Sunriver
City of Sisters PO Box 39 Sisters, OR 97759	541-549-6022	541-549-0561	www.ci.sisters.or.us kkeeton@ci.sisters.or.us	Kim Keeton	17	1946	Provides water & sewer services.	Within Sisters City Limits
Crooked River Sanitary, Inc. 13918 SW Commercial Loop Rd. Terrebonne, OR 97760	541-548-1542	541-548-0217	www.crsanitary.com info@crsanitary.com	Dave Jones	4	1996	Garbage hauling & more.	Crooked River Ranch
Deschutes County Department of Solid Waste, Knott Landfill 61050 SE 27th St. Bend, OR 97702	541-317-3163	541-317-3959	www.deschutes.org/sw solidwaste@deschutes.org	Jeff Merwin	47	1972	7 days a week, 7am-4:30pm. Closed holidays.	Deschutes County
Deschutes Recycling 61050 SE 27Th St. Bend, OR 97702	541-388-1910	N/A	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon TDaniel@republicservices.com	Troy Daniel	12	2001	Knott Landfill recycling depot. Recycling of computers, refrigerators, appliances, tires, scrap metal, glass, cardboard, etc. Composting facility for disposal of yard debris & sales of SoilBuilder & BioFine compost.	Central Oregon
Madras Sanitary Service 1778 NW Mill St. Madras, OR 97741	541-475-2071	541-475-9244	www.madrassanitary.com madrassanitary@madras.net	Melanie Widmer	24	1976	Garbage & recycling services, medical waste disposal, document destruction.	Jefferson County
Negus Transfer Station 2400 NE Maple St. Redmond, OR 97756	541-317-3163	541-317-3959	www.deschutes.org/sw solidwaste@deschutes.org	Jeff Merwin	7	1993	Monday-Saturday 8am-4pm.Negus Transfer Station offer waste disposal & recycling services including paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, jugs & tubs, glass, scrap metal, appliances, tires, electronics, batteries, paint, motor oil, wood waste, yard debris & more.	Deschutes County
Northwest Transfer Station 68200 Fryrear Rd. Sisters, OR 97759	541-317-3163	541-317-3959	www.deschutes.org/sw solidwaste@deschutes.org	Jeff Merwin	1	1993	Wednesday-Saturday 8am-4pm. Northwest Transfer Station offer waste disposal & recycling services including paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, jugs & tubs, glass, scrap metal, appliances, tires, electronics, batteries, motor oil, yard debris & more.	Deschutes County
Republic Services 20835 NE Montana Wy. PO Box Bend, OR 97701	541-382-2263	541-383-3640	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon jheylin@republicservices.com	John Heylin	50	1960	Curbside garbage & recycling collection. City curbside yard debris / food waste collection. Drop box & Rent-A-Bin services. Junk cleanup, SecureShred document destruction services. Delivered compost from Deschutes Recycling. Medical waste collection.	N Newport & Greenwood/Alfalfa Mkt. Rd. & Tumalo
Republic Services 1090 NE Hemlock Ave. Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-4984	541-548-2309	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon jheylin@republicservices.com	John Heylin	30	1967	Curbside garbage & recycling collection. City curbside yard debris collection. Drop box & Rent-A-Bin service. Junk removal, document destruction service & compost sales.	Redmond, Sisters, Terrebonne, Black Butte Ranch, Camp Sherman.
Southwest Transfer Station 54580 Hwy. 97 La Pine, OR 97739	541-317-3163	541-317-3959	www.deschutes.org/sw solidwaste@deschutes.org	Jeff Merwin	2	1993	Monday-Saturday 8am-4pm. Southwest Transfer Station offer waste disposal & recycling services including paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, jugs & tubs, glass, scrap metal, appliances, tires, electronics, batteries, motor oil, yard debris & more.	Deschutes County
Wilderness Garbage & Recycling PO Box 2669 La Pine, OR 97739	541-536-1194	541-536-9507	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon	Erica Haitsma	12	1984	Garbage, drop box service from Sunriver to Beaver Marsh. Recycling drop off depot, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm	Southern border of Sunriver, La Pine, Crescent, Chemult, Gilcrest, Crescent Lake Jct.

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Solid Waste Management Plan a 'Long-Term Roadmap' for Deschutes County

by ANDREA HINE — CBN Feature Writer

The equivalent of three modern aircraft carriers, 85% of the Empire State Building's weight, or 62,000 African adult bull elephants, Deschutes County residents and businesses generate approximately 310,000 tons of solid waste annually. Of that, about 27% is diverted through recycling, composting, or reuse.

"This percentage of the total waste stream hasn't changed much in recent years," said Jeff Merwin, who — with 30+ years of experience in the industry — was selected as Solid Waste director for Deschutes County in March 2026. In this role, he oversees waste disposal and recycling operations at Knott Landfill and the rural transfer stations in Redmond, Sisters, Sunriver/La Pine, and Alfalfa.

Of the 27% of landfilled waste (which translates to recovering about 84,400 out of 310,100 total generated tons), roughly 98% goes to Knott Landfill, which is expected to reach full capacity by late 2031. Horse Ridge, located 16 miles southeast of Bend, has been chosen as the replacement site.

According to Merwin, "Our recovery goal for the county, as set by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is 45% — which is incorporated in our Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) that provides a long-term roadmap to meet that target."

The SWMP includes new infrastructure projects such as construction of a materials recovery facility (MRF) — a specialized plant that receives, sorts, and prepares recyclable materials so they can be sold to manufacturers as raw material. "The MRF will give us the ability to handle new construction/demolition debris (both commercial and residential), as well as organic matter, for the first time," he said.

Merwin predicted that "expanding commingled curbside recycling to rural zones, as approved by the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners this July, will also have some impact."

On a more fragrant note, he pointed to another department project "that involves using forced air (aeration) to accelerate wood waste decomposition while helping to eliminate foul odors at the compost facility."



CURBSIDE RECYCLING HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO RESIDENTS IN DISTANT RURAL AREAS OF DESCHUTES COUNTY | PHOTO BY ANDREA HINE

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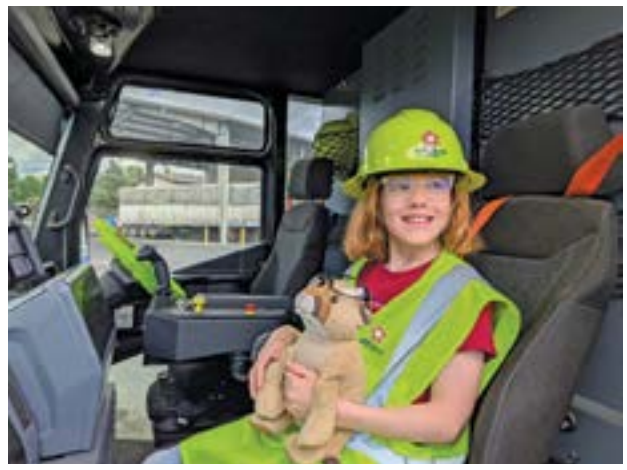


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B&R Auto 64154 Hwy. 97 Bend, OR 97701	541-382-1987	541-389-6299	www.autowrecking.com/locations/bend sales@autowrecking.com	N/A	7	1978	Complete auto recycling, selling used auto parts.
Bar Seven A Recycle 1060 SE Lake Rd. PO Box 890 Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-4747	541-548-0460	www.barsevena.com admin@barsevena.com	Brian Skidgel	27	1967	Wood recycling. Portable crushing. Portable grinding. Excavation. Commercial excavation.
Bend-Redmond Habitat For Humanity 224 NE Thurston Ave. Bend, OR 97701	541-312-6709	N/A	www.bendredmondhabitat.org rcooper@brhabitat.org	N/A	28	1998	Bend-Redmond Habitat builds strength, stability & self-reliance through affordable homeownership for families & individuals in Bend & Redmond. We are dedicated to changing lives by bringing people together to help make a difference in our communities through affordable housing. Since 1989, Bend-Redmond Habitat has built 167 homes & repaired 146 more, providing more than 1042 children & adults a safe, secure & healthy home. The Bend ReStore is a home improvement resale center that accepts & sells a wide variety of building materials, appliances & home furnishings. All proceeds from the ReStore benefit Bend-Redmond Habitat's mission.
Brilliant Environmental Building Products 327 NW Greenwood Ave., Ste. 100 Bend, OR 97703	541-317-0202	541-550-2230	www.brilliantmaterials.com info@brilliantmaterials.com	Jorden Swart	2	2008	Specializing in sustainable building materials for the interior of a home such as wool carpet, cork flooring, bamboo, counter tops, paints, stains & more.
Crook County Landfill 110 SW Landfill Rd. Prineville, OR 97754	541-447-2398	N/A	www.crookcountyor.gov jacquie.davis@crookcountyor.gov	Jacquie Davis	10	1979	Solid waste landfill. Recycling depot.
Deschutes Recycling 61050 SE 27th St. Bend, OR 97702	541-388-1910	N/A	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon TDaniel@republicservices.com	Daniel Troy	12	2001	Knott Landfill recycling depot. Recycling of computers, refrigerators, appliances, tires, scrap metal, glass, cardboard, etc. Composting facility for disposal of yard debris & sales of SoilBuilder & BioFine compost.
Fagen Trees & Chips 151 SE Second St. Bend, OR 97702	541-382-4997	N/A	www.bendoregontreeservice.com treesandchips@gmail.com	Wade Fagen	4	1986	Certified Arborist, land clearing & tree services, wood chip bark mulch supplier, snow removal.
Northwest Sign Recycling LLC 1415 NW Murphy Ct. PO Box 7254 Prineville, OR 97708	541-279-0386	541-383-2072	www.nwsignrecycling.com tory@nwsignrecycling.com	Penny Eddington, Tory Allman, Greg Surgener	5	2004	Using 45,000 pounds per square inch of water, we remove old sign laminates without chemicals & without harming the integrity of the aluminum. We recycle existing aluminum signs into clean, reusable, sign blanks ready for new sign faces. We also offer refacing services & new aluminum signs.
Opportunity Foundation of Central Oregon - Madras 1412 SW Hwy 97 Madras, OR 97741	541-475-6961	541-475-6971	www.opportunityfound.org/thrift-stores info@opportunityfound.org	Kirstin Nilles	335	1965	Thrift store & job training program.
Opportunity Foundation of Central Oregon - Redmond 835 E. Hwy. 126 3294 S Hwy. 97 PO Box 430 Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-5288	541-504-2115	www.opportunityfound.org info@opportunityfound.org	Marti Rasmussen	221	1965	Thrift store.
Printer Resources & Recycling, LLC 2669 NE Twin Knolls Dr., Ste. 205 Bend, OR 97701	541-318-5211	N/A	www.MyPrinterResources.com frank@myprinterresources.com	Jennifer Clark, Mark Giltner, Frank Patka, Mickey Meszaro	5	2000	Printer, multifunction, copier, plotter service & supplies. Discounted quality toner & inks, E-waste recycling services - printers, faxes, desktop copiers, computers, monitors, toners, inks, cell phones, home batteries; IT services.
Radius Recycling 110 SE Fifth St. Bend, OR 97702	541-382-8471	N/A	www.radiusrecycling.com sdoyle@rdus.com	Scott Doyle	5	1906	Scrap metal recycling.

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Implementing Recycling Legislation
'A Slow-Moving Progression, Rather Than a Light Switch'

by ANDREA HINE — CBN Feature Writer

Damaged by international market shifts (such as China's policy enacted around 2018 that sharply restricted the import of foreign recyclables); lack of consistency across Oregon as to what could or could not be recycled; and the fact that, for decades, local municipalities and rate payers have borne nearly 100 percent of the cost of sorting, processing, and managing packaging waste — rather than the companies producing the packaging — Oregon passed the Recycling Modernization Act (RMA) in 2021 to streamline the state's outdated recycling system.

Launched in 2025, its goal — according to Susan Baker, Waste Diversion & Franchise Services manager in Deschutes County's Solid Waste Department — was multifaceted: make recycling easier for the public to use; expand access to recycling services; improve facilities that sort recyclables; ensure recyclables are being processed responsibly; and help reduce contamination in the recycling system.

As she explained, under the RMA — which reinforced Oregon's reputation for progressive environmental policies — manufacturers and brands must bear some financial responsibility for the ultimate disposal of any packaging, paper, and food service ware associated with their products. The resultant fees fund improvements (such as modernization of sorting facilities) and management of the state's recycling program.

Among its components, RMA created a unified statewide recyclable list to clarify what can be recycled — in contrast to previous inconsistent and confusing rules in different cities and counties that led to high contamination rates and widespread public confusion. As a result, Baker said, whether people live in Beaverton or Baker City, they can now recycle the same items in their recycling bins or at drop-off transfer stations.

Circular Action Alliance (CAA)

Circular Action Alliance (CAA), a nonprofit producer-responsibility organization for paper and packaging in the U.S., was chosen by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to implement Oregon's RMA program. CAA also works with companies in California, Colorado, Maryland, Minnesota, and Washington that have passed similar legislation.

RMA Program Enhancements

Described by Baker as "a slow-moving progression, rather than a light switch," implementation of the RMA includes the following program enhancements in Deschutes County over the past year:

- **Items added to the recycling program**. Food and beverage cartons like soup, broth, and milk cartons, as well as juice boxes, and small scrap metal (under 10 pounds or 18 inches), can now be recycled. All materials must be empty and dry. Pizza boxes with no food residue also qualify.
- **RecycleOn Centers added at county drop-off transfer stations**. Residents can now drop off a list of "hard to recycle" items that cannot go into recycling bins at home or work, but which can be recycled when collected separately. Examples include plastic bags and plastic film; plastic lids from yogurt, salsa, cottage cheese, and other containers; aluminum foil and trays; and large plastic buckets and pails.
- **Curbside recycling expanded**. Residents in distant rural areas — specifically south of Sunriver; and north and east of Bend, Redmond, and Sisters — now have recycling included as part of their overall curbside collection service.

"Customers have really wanted that option for the past several years, saying that the effort required to haul recyclables to drop-off locations had kept many people from recycling at all," Baker said. And according to a Republic Services employee, response has been "terrific."

CAA's Role in Ongoing Communications

"Word is getting around about the various changes in the past year that have made recycling easier, which is nice," she noted. "And CAA plays a pivotal role with its statewide education campaigns that have resulted in a lot of local media coverage and helped reduce overall contamination."

These communications have included direct mail to customers of Republic Services and Cascade Disposal about recycling, and quarterly newsletters inserted in their monthly billing statements.



MORE THAN 140 NEW RECYCLEON CENTERS WILL OPEN ACROSS OREGON BY THE END OF 2027 | PHOTOS BY ANDREA HINE

Where do Recycled Materials Go?

Oregon's recycled goods are sent to certified "responsible end markets" — either within the state, to other U.S. states, or to overseas facilities in countries including Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Thailand — where they are processed into new products or feedstock, with strict environmental and safety standards applied.

A sincere commitment to statewide recycling, rather than professional duty alone, is apparent when talking to those involved in implementing RMA. As Baker expressed, "We want to make this happen!"

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A UNIFIED STATEWIDE RECYCLABLE LIST CLARIFIES WHAT PEOPLE CAN RECYCLE IN THEIR RECYCLING BINS OR AT DROP-OFF TRANSFER STATIONS



Deschutes County Offers Resources to Help Businesses Reduce Food Waste

by JACKIE WILSON, Community Outreach Coordinator – Deschutes County Dept. of Solid Waste

According to USDA, each year, roughly one-third of all food produced in the United States goes uneaten. That wasted food contains enough calories to feed150 million people.

In Central Oregon, the need is clear. NeighborImpact reports that more than six million pounds of food is distributed annually, and Family Kitchen has seen a 40 percent increase in the number of meals served each month this year.

Deschutes County is helping businesses and residents waste less food by sharing tips and resources about food rescue programs.

County Environmental Health Department offers a Surplus Food Donation toolkit. This resource helps organizations safely donate excess food. The toolkit includes key hunger and waste statistics, explains food donation laws, provides food-safety guidance, and offers practical tools to help businesses start or expand donation programs.



The County's Solid Waste Department also recently expanded its outreach to restaurants through the Food Waste Stops with Me initiative. Partnering with local and state organizations, Solid Waste aims to support businesses with their waste reduction efforts. Resources are available at deschutescounty.gov/sw.



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Even with prevention and donation efforts, some food waste is unavoidable. Commercial composting programs offered within city limits can play an essential role. Composting keeps food waste out of landfills, reduces methane emissions, enriches soil, and can enhance businesses' sustainability efforts.

Food waste is not just a business issue. Oregon households throw away an average of 6.3 pounds of food per week, costing households approximately $2,900 annually. Reducing food waste is one of the quickest and most cost-effective climate actions we can take.

Tips for preventing waste at home or work are available at Deschutes County Solid Waste website under Waste Prevention.

Businesses can contact solidwaste@deschutescounty.gov if you are interested in a waste audit, staff training, city commercial compost program resources. Residents can also access tips and resources to reduce food waste at home.

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Recycled Products & Services *(Listed Alphabetically)*

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Company / Address	Phone	Fax	WebSite/Email	Contact	Staff	CO Year Est.	Services
Republic Services (formerly SecureShred) 20835 NE Montana Wy. Bend, OR 97701	541-382-2263	N/A	www.republicservices.com/centraloregon	N/A	2	2003	Complete on-site document destruction. Serving all of Central Oregon.
Sisters Habitat for Humanity ReStore 254 W Adams Ave. Sisters, OR 97759	541-549-1621	N/A	www.sistershabitat.org Kris@sistershabitat.org	Kris Powell	7	2007	We recycle metal, paint & bottles & cans. We s ell furniture, electronics, sporting goods, tools, hardware & more.
Sisters Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store 211 E Cascade Ave. PO Box 238 Sisters, OR 97759	541-549-1740	541-549-6695	www.sistershabitat.org rick@sistershabitat.org	Rick Murray	5	2007	Used clothes, housewares, linens, books & more!
Strive Workplace Solutions 63011 Plateau Dr., Ste. 1 Bend, OR 97701	541-382-6688	541-389-1762	www.striveoffice.com billr@striveoffice.com	Bill Rosen	6	1969	Office supplies, furniture, office machines, design planning, printing, janitorial & break room supplies.
Swift & McCormick Metal Inc. 3192 NE Sedgewick Ave. Redmond, OR 97756	541-548-4448	541-548-4061	carol.smmetals@yahoo.com	Dan McCormick	11	1987	Scrap metal recycling.

This is a sampling of Central Oregon's Recycled Products & Services. If you would like to be added to this list, please email cbn@cascadebusnews.com.

Not listed?

Call 541-388-5665
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& get your company on a list!

Powering the Future of Collection Operations in Central Oregon

by WES DAVIS, General Manager — Republic Services Central Oregon



From Bend and Redmond, to Sisters and surrounding communities, Republic Services electric collection vehicles are becoming an increasingly familiar part of daily recycling and waste operations in Central Oregon. That presence reflects the company's commitment to advancing sustainable solutions while delivering the reliable service customers expect.



PHOTO | COURTESY OF REPUBLIC SERVICES

Republic Services currently operates 11 electric collection vehicles across Central Oregon and plans to add four more by the end of 2026. The planned expansion represents the next phase of the company's investment in electric collection operations across Central Oregon.

That growth is part of a broader fleet electrification strategy taking shape across Republic Services. In June, the company surpassed 250 electric collection vehicles in operation across its network and expects to exceed 300 by the end of 2026, continuing to grow the nation's largest electric collection fleet.

Purpose Built

Recycling and waste collection routes are particularly well-suited for electrification because they follow predictable schedules and return to the same facility each day for overnight charging. This allows electric collection vehicles to perform the same essential work as conventional collection trucks while producing zero tailpipe emissions during operation.

Quieter Operations

For residents, one of the most noticeable benefits is reduced noise. Electric collection vehicles operate more quietly than conventional trucks, contributing to a quieter experience in residential neighborhoods and during early morning collections.

Advanced Safety

The vehicles are also equipped with advanced safety technologies designed to enhance driver awareness and visibility. Most trucks include features such as 360-degree camera systems, automatic emergency braking, lane departure warnings and blind-spot monitoring.

The growth of Republic Services' electric fleet also reflects substantial investments in supporting infrastructure, including vehicle charging systems and facility enhancements designed to support electric collection operations. These investments help position the region as an important part of the company's broader electrification strategy.

As the fleet continues to grow, Republic Services is helping shape the future of collection operations in Central Oregon through continued investments in electric vehicle technology, charging infrastructure and operational capabilities. These efforts support the long-term expansion of electric collection services while helping deliver quieter operations, advanced safety features and zero tailpipe emissions to the communities the company serves.

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CVIP Opens New RecycleOn Center in Chiloquin

by ROBERT COWIE, Executive Director — Chiloquin Visions in Progress

Chiloquin Visions in Progress (CVIP) has opened a new RecycleOn Center in the parking lot of the Chiloquin Community Center at 140 South First Avenue.

The free public drop-off center gives residents a convenient place to recycle materials not normally accepted in home or business recycling bins.

"Chiloquin Visions In Progress is extremely grateful to The Circular Action Alliance for the opportunity to recycle things not allowed in normal recycling centers," said John Rademacher, CVIP president. "As a community, Chiloquin is very interested in preserving our beautiful environment."

The Center is open Tuesday-Friday 10am-4pm and Saturday 11am-4pm. It is closed on Sundays and Mondays.

The Chiloquin RecycleOn Center accepts:

- Plastic bags and stretchy plastics
- Plastic lids, caps and rigid package handles
- Aluminum foil and trays
- Shredded paper placed in a rolled or stapled paper bag
- Plastic buckets and pails

Materials should be empty, clean and dry. Visitors should read and follow the instructions posted above each collection bin.

The Center does not accept household trash, batteries, electronics, glass, bottles, cans, hazardous materials or plastic buckets that held automotive fluids, pesticides or herbicides.

RecycleOn Centers are convenient drop-off locations for materials that can't go in regular recycling bins. More than 140 centers are expected to open across Oregon by the end of 2027 as part of ongoing improvements to the state's recycling system.



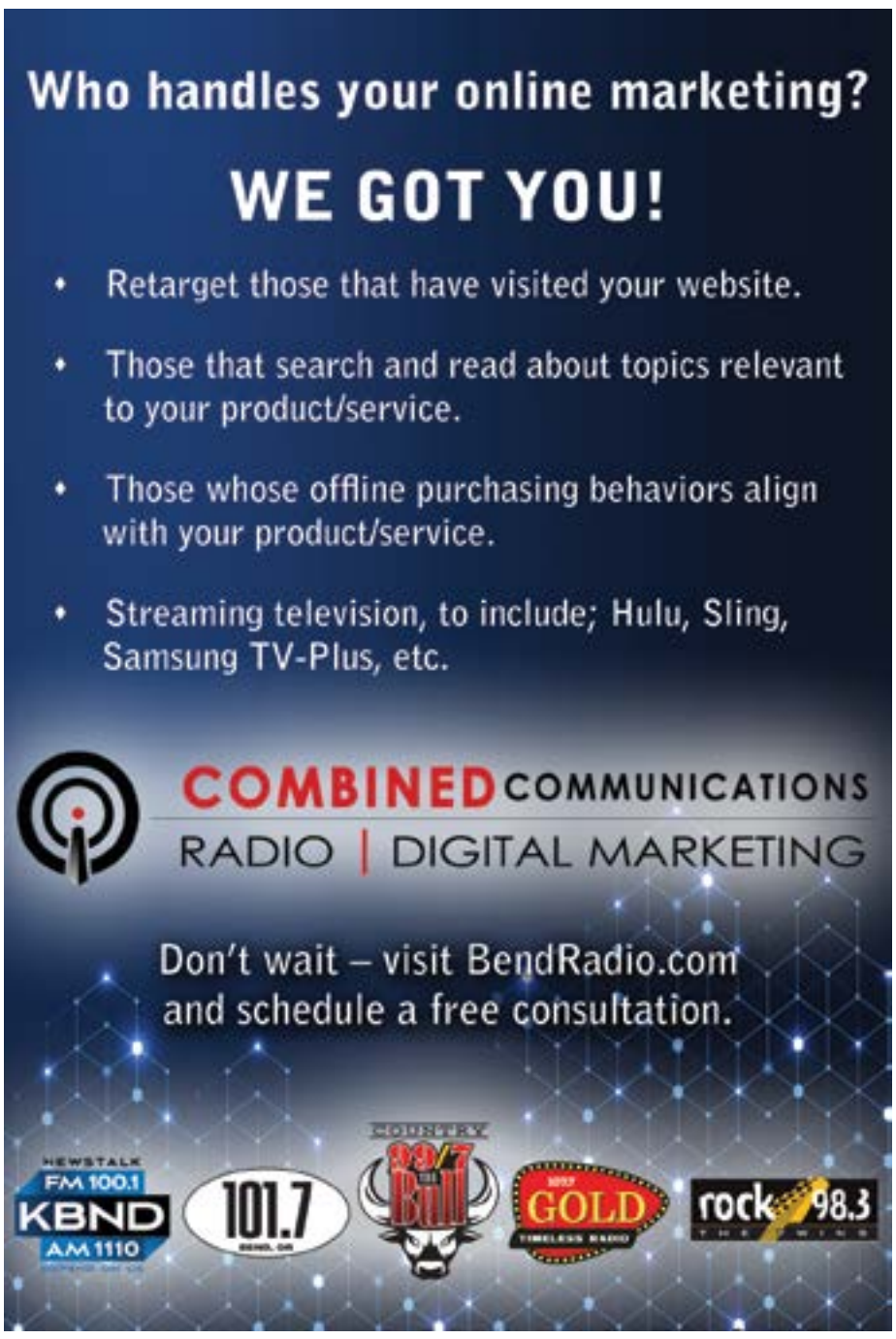
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Additional information about RecycleOn Centers and accepted materials is available at recycleon.org/oregon/recycling-centers/ and on the CVIP website at chiloquinvisions.com/recycling.

About Chiloquin Visions in Progress:

Chiloquin Visions in Progress is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that serves the greater Chiloquin area as a catalyst for a healthy, prosperous community. We promote civic engagement and community development in the Chiloquin area. Through various programs, initiatives and events, we strive to empower residents to become active participants in shaping their community's future.

chiloquinvision.com





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Jonathan Lee

Sunriver Resort announces the appointment of **Jonathan Lee** as director of Food & Beverage (F&B). Bringing more than 25 years of experience across luxury resorts, hotels, restaurants, culinary operations and international food and beverage development, Lee will oversee a diverse portfolio of food and beverage operations at the 3,300-acre destination, including restaurants and cafés, banquets, convention services, events and culinary programming.

In his new role, Lee will provide strategic and operational leadership across the resort's food and beverage functions across 11 food and beverage outlets, banquets and convention services. Drawing on a career that spans professional kitchens and executive leadership, he will lead and support F&B teams, oversee training and service standards, and work closely with culinary leadership to develop menus and experiences responsive to the local market. He will also drive new promotions and events, strengthen relationships with food and beverage suppliers and vendors, and identify innovative opportunities to enhance revenue and elevate the guest experience.

"Sunriver Resort is an incredibly special destination, and I'm excited to join a team that has such a strong connection to the Central Oregon community and the guests who return year after year," said Lee. "There is tremendous opportunity to build on the resort's culinary identity, celebrate the region's farmers, producers, winemakers, brewers and artisans, and create food and beverage experiences that are both elevated and approachable. I look forward to bringing my experience and passion for hospitality to Sunriver and becoming part of this community."

Lee joins Sunriver Resort following his role as vice president of Food & Beverage for Sun Hill Properties at Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City. Before that, he served as director of Food & Beverage at Hilton Hawaiian Village Waikiki Beach Resort, one of Hawaii's largest and most complex resort environments, where he led operations spanning restaurants, bars, banquets and high-volume resort dining.

Throughout his career, Lee has held leadership and culinary roles with some of the hospitality industry's most recognized brands, including The Ritz-Carlton, Four Seasons, InterContinental Hotels Group, Michael Mina Group and Ruby Tuesday International, in addition to independent hospitality consulting. His professional experience spans more than 20 countries and includes helping launch 36 restaurant locations across 17 countries over a five-year period.

"Lee's career path from professional kitchens to executive leadership has shaped an approach that combines culinary creativity with the operational, financial and strategic disciplines required to lead complex hospitality organizations," said Josh Willis, VP of Operations at Sunriver Resort. "At Sunriver Resort, he will bring that perspective to an expansive food and beverage program while helping ensure consistently elevated service and experiences for resort guests, owners and associates."

Lee's appointment comes as Sunriver Resort continues to evolve its food and beverage offerings, with a focus on showcasing the Pacific Northwest through seasonal ingredients, regional partnerships, distinctive dining experiences and events that bring guests and the local community together.



BRASADA RANCH | PHOTO COURTESY OF VISIT CENTRAL OREGON

Central Oregon shines in the 2026 *Conde Nast Traveler* Readers' Choice Awards.

Announced this week, three Central Oregon properties were recognized in the top ten resorts in the Alaska and the Pacific Northwest category:

#2 - **Brasada Ranch**, Powell Butte

#5 - **Tetherow Lodges**, Bend

#8 - **Sunriver Resort**, Sunriver

Among the ten award winners, six resorts are located in Oregon. The *Condé Nast Traveler* Readers' Choice Awards are highly regarded annual travel industry rankings based entirely on reader votes and surveys. Readers vote for their top destinations, hotels, resorts, cruise lines, airlines, airports and experiences each year.

The **Children's Museum of Central Oregon** (CMCO) recently announced two major milestones in its journey toward opening Central Oregon's first children's museum. First, the organization has secured a nearly 8,000-square-foot building in Bend's Central District and will begin its transformation into a year-round destination for curiosity and discovery.

Second, with a new home comes a bold new name — **Ruckus: A Children's Science Museum**. The new name reflects the museum's belief that curiosity can be noisy, discovery can be messy, and some of the best learning happens through play.

"Ruckus is the sound of kids building, exploring, experimenting and learning, and this building gives that energy a home right in the heart of our community," said Erica Segal, museum director of Ruckus.

The announcement builds on two years of growing momentum. In 2024, CMCO launched its Mobile Museum to begin putting its mission into action by sparking curiosity and creativity through playful STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) learning. Since then, the Mobile Museum has reached more than 24,000 community members at pop-up events across Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties. Demand has grown with every event, making one thing clear. Central Oregon families need a place to explore and learn together all year long, and they need it as soon as possible.

Central Oregon is one of the fastest-growing regions in the state and remains the only major metropolitan area in Oregon without a dedicated children's or science museum. Many children across the region lack consistent access to interactive, hands-on learning environments.

"For the last two years, we've had the incredible opportunity to bring these experiences to families across our region, and we see the same thing every time: kids who can't wait to get their hands on our exhibits, and grown-ups who ask, 'Where are you located?'" said Segal. "Today, we're thrilled to share that we have a spot and are actively fundraising to make this dream a reality.

"As a parent of young children, I know how much our families need places like the one we're creating. And as an educator, I know how crucial it is to have partners and destinations that support the learning and development of our next generation of problem solvers."

"Welcoming more than 24,000 community members before we've even opened our doors is an extraordinary milestone," said John Winters, chair of the Ruckus Board of Directors. "This level of engagement demonstrates the tremendous enthusiasm and demand for Ruckus across Central Oregon. Our board is honored and energized to help lead this next bold step forward. From day one, Ruckus has been shaped by the passion, ideas and support of this community. Together, we are building a world-class destination that will inspire, empower and create opportunities for children throughout our region. We invite everyone who shares our commitment to empowering the next generation to join us as we bring this transformative vision to life."

Ruckus is working with AOA, an immersive experience design firm founded by former Walt Disney Imagineering leaders, along with regional partners, to design interactive exhibits rooted in the landscapes and industries of Central Oregon. Exhibits will be built around how children learn at every stage of development and aligned with state learning standards.

The Mobile Museum will continue traveling across the region after the building opens, keeping STEAM programming within reach of rural communities.

Recently, Oregon breweries and cidermakers celebrated 35 won at the prestigious **Great American Beer Festival**.

"Year after year, Oregon is among the most medal winners. We have the accolades to prove we're among the world's best," said Brett Thomas, vice president of the Oregon Brewers Guild and founding brewer of **Sunriver Brewing Company**, who won three medals this year. "Oregon breweries are facing major challenges with record closures and people drinking less. Please, seek out these award winners and toast to keeping breweries alive so they can win even more awards next year."

Yet another year in the top three, Oregon took home 35 awards out of 336, the third most of any state, behind California with 80 and Colorado with nearly 40. You can see the full list of winners at greatamericanbeerfestival.com/2026-winners.

Two Oregon breweries also took home best brewery of the year within their category size — **Upp Liquids** for a brewery between 251-500 barrels and **Breakside Brewery** between 15,001-100,000 barrels.

According to Beer Serves America data, Oregon is home to 300 breweries, brewpubs and taprooms generating more than $8.9 billion in economic output, $2.8 billion in wages, and creating 46,700 jobs in the state. So important to the local economy, Oregon is the fifth most beer-job-reliant state, accounting for one out of every 633 jobs in Oregon.

Equine Outreach Inc. (EOI) and **Mustangs To The Rescue** (MTTR) have announced that MTTR has taken over operational management of EOI's horses and programs as of October 15. EOI will then formally wind down, with its remaining assets transferred to MTTR to support the care of Central Oregon equines.

All five horses currently in EOI's care will continue to receive uninterrupted care, backed by MTTR's volunteer base.

Together, the organizations will continue to provide:

- Direct Rescue & Retraining: Welcoming at-risk and displaced equines for medical rehabilitation, retraining and placement into adoptive homes.
- Frontline Disaster Response: Mobilizing emergency evacuation, sheltering and feed distribution during Oregon wildfires and regional crises.
- Community Support: Providing clinics, feed assistance and resources that help owners keep horses safely at home.

"This is an exciting step forward," said Kurtis Hooley, executive director of Equine Outreach Inc. "Uniting with Kate Beardsley and Mustangs To The Rescue ensures our herd receives seamless care while expanding our collective capacity for disaster relief, rehabilitation and community impact. We would like to thank all our partners, specifically Sundance Meadows, Bend Equine Medical Center and Coyote Rock Ranch, that helped EOI service the community for these 20+ years"

Take a haunted walk through the library, but beware of the ghosts! Join **Deschutes Public Library** as we bring deceased authors to life at the fourth annual Literary Ghost Walk on October 28 from 6-7pm at the Central Library. All are welcome to meet the ghosts of dearly departed authors stationed throughout the library to hear more about their works.

For one night only, meet the spirits of writers like Mary Oliver, Eric Carle, Jane Austen, Ray Bradbury, Octavia Butler, Dolly Parton, Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz and more. The sounds of haunting live music will fill the library, and guests can participate in family-friendly crafts. New this year, authors are handing out limited-edition Literary Ghost Walk trading cards. Collect all of the trading cards given by our ghosts before they vanish.

Costumes are encouraged and the event is designed to be family-friendly with something for everyone — whether you're a paranormal ghost-hunter or want to learn more about great works of literature. But be careful as you walk through the stacks… you never know who you'll run into (or walk through).

Council on Aging Launches Annual Food Fur All Campaign to Support Older Adults & Their Pets

by EMMA FRIED-CASSORLA, Director of Communications & Programming — Council on Aging

The Council on Aging of Central Oregon has launched its annual Food Fur All campaign, raising funds to support Pet Pals, a program that provides pet food, supplies and veterinary care for Meals on Wheels clients across Central Oregon. For many older adults who are homebound, pets provide more than companionship. They bring comfort, purpose and routine to daily life. Pet Pals helps remove some of the financial barriers that can make it difficult for older adults to care for an animal they love.

The program currently serves 164 Meals on Wheels clients with 275 pets in Bend, La Pine, Madras, Prineville and Sisters. Since Pet Pals began in 2022, the program has provided pet food and vet care for 373 seniors with 560 pets.

"Pets are an important part of our clients' lives," said Cassie Regimbal, executive director of the Council on Aging of Central Oregon. "When we support an older adult, we also want to make sure we're supporting the relationships and routines that matter to them. For many of our homebound clients, the most important relationship in their life is with their pet."

Over the past year, Pet Pals has expanded its veterinary services to better meet clients where they are, including in-home veterinary visits with the Humane Society of Central Oregon. The program has also added dental care in partnership with FIXbend, helping address a significant barrier to keeping pets healthy as they age. Alan, a Pet Pals client recently needed help when his dog, Angel, broke a tooth that became infected. Through Pet Pals, Angel was able to receive the dental care she needed at no cost to him.

"Stories like Alan and Angel's show why this program matters," Regimbal said. "A veterinary bill can be difficult for anyone to manage, especially for someone living on a fixed income. Pet Pals helps make sure cost doesn't have to mean going without necessary care."

Pet Pals is supported through community donations, sponsorships, including Cascade Natural Gas, and grants. The Food Fur All campaign gives community members an opportunity to help keep pets healthy while helping older adults maintain an important source of companionship.

How to Help:

Community members can support Pet Pals by donating directly at councilonaging.org/donate or sending a check to 1036 NE Fifth St., Bend, OR 97701. Please make a note that this is for Pet Pals. Supporters can also buy items from the organization's Amazon Wishlist at a.co/0ayUfgLY.



A LA PINE MEALS ON WHEELS CLIENT RECEIVES IN-HOME VETERINARY CARE AS PART OF PET PALS | PHOTO COURTESY OF COUNCIL ON AGING

About the Council on Aging of Central Oregon:

Since 1975, the Council on Aging of Central Oregon (CoA) has served as the designated Area Agency on Aging for Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties, offering adults aged 60 and older and their loved ones a range of support services. CoA advocates for, empowers and guides older adults and their loved ones to live with independence and well-being.

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Mid Oregon Supplies 4 Schools Empowers Success

by RACHEL SHULTZ, Community Engagement Specialist — Mid Oregon Credit Union

With the support of its members, staff and the community, Mid Oregon Credit Union collected several generous bins of school supplies for local students during its annual Supplies 4 Schools fundraiser benefiting Family Access Network.

During August, Mid Oregon collected school supplies and cash donations at each of their eight branches across Central Oregon. Every donation to Supplies 4 Schools directly benefits students in the communities where they are collected. Mid Oregon collaborates closely with local FAN advocates and school districts to ensure that supplies reach students in Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson Counties who may lack necessary items, especially as classroom needs continue to evolve.

"FAN is an amazing organization that helps kids stay in school by removing barriers and helping meet their family's basic needs," said Kyle Frick, SVP of Marketing and Community Relations at Mid Oregon. "We are proud to partner with our community to collect school supplies, supporting FAN's vital work in Central Oregon school districts for over 20 years."

"Every child should be able to walk into school feeling confident that they have all the supplies they need to succeed. Supplies 4 Schools helps to make sure that students across Central Oregon can show up to school with those supplies, feeling ready to learn." shared Shelby Cala, FAN Community Outreach coordinator. "FAN is grateful for the support of Mid Oregon Credit Union and proud to partner with an organization that understands the importance of supporting our Central Oregon children and families."



MID OREGON OLD MILL TEAM PRESENTS SUPPLIES 4 SCHOOLS DONATIONS TO FAN



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PacificSource Invests $50,000 in Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Oregon's La Pine Clubhouse

by ALICE IVIE, Chief Development Officer — Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Oregon

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Oregon (BGCCO) announced a $50,000 investment from PacificSource Community Solutions to support programming for youth and families at BGCCO's new La Pine Club.

The partnership will help BGCCO address key Social Determinants of Health for families in South Deschutes County by supporting scholarships, program staffing and delivery, healthy meals and snacks, transportation and Family Plus programming and wraparound support.

"It is always exciting to open a new club location... PacificSource's investment is about so much more than just helping us open the doors in La Pine. Their support helps make sure any school age child in La Pine can actually get through those doors and have the support they need once they're here," said Michael Baker, CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Oregon. "For many of the families we serve, things like cost, transportation, access to food or connecting with the right community resources can be significant barriers. This partnership with PacificSource helps us address those barriers alongside them."

BGCCO opened its La Pine Clubhouse this fall at the La Pine Community Center, expanding access to consistent out-of-school time programming for youth and families in South Deschutes County. The Club currently serves elementary-aged youth from La Pine Elementary and Rosland Elementary, with programming focused on academic success, healthy lifestyles and character and leadership.

PacificSource's support will also help bring Family Plus programming to the La Pine Club, providing additional social-emotional and behavioral support for youth while helping families connect with resources that meet their unique needs. Through Family Plus, BGCCO provides mentoring, small group programming, trauma-informed support and wraparound services that connect families with community resources related to food security, housing, transportation, behavioral health and other needs.

"We know health is shaped by much more than what happens in a doctor's office," shared Lindsay Atagi, director, Central Oregon Coordinated Care Organization. "It also depends on access to nutritious food, stable housing, supportive resources and safe places where children can learn and grow. We're proud to support the La Pine Boys & Girls Club and help expand these opportunities for families across South Deschutes County."



MICHAEL BAKER, CEO FOR BGCCO, ALICE IVIE, CDO FOR BGCCO, LAUREN THOMPSON WITH PACIFICSOURCE, DANIELLE ROSENFIELD, CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR BGCCO, COLLEEN BROSMAN, VICE CHAIR FOR BGCCO | PHOTO COURTESY OF BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF CENTRAL OREGON

Transportation is another important part of increasing access to the La Pine Club. BGCCO staff walk youth from La Pine Elementary to the Club, while a Club van provides transportation from Rosland Elementary. The van also helps youth access field trips, career exploration, health and wellness activities and other experiences throughout Central Oregon.

The La Pine Clubhouse is BGCCO's newest Club location and an important step in expanding access to safe, supportive out-of-school time programming for young people throughout Central Oregon.

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New Milestone in Healthcare Accessibility

Mosaic Community Health Launches Public Phase of New Campus Campaign

by NOAH NELSON — CBN Feature Writer

On Tuesday, October 13, 2026, Mosaic Community Health held a launch event, inviting neighbors, businesses and community members to help build a new primary hub for comprehensive health services on Bend's east side.

This new facility is called the Conners Campus, and it is now in the public phase of its fundraising campaign. Located at 2790 NE Conners Ave., the event brought together state legislators and Mosaic leaders to mark the milestone. Speakers included state Sen. Anthony Broadman, state Rep. Emerson Levy and Mosaic CEO Megan Haase, FNP. Mosaic Board Member Kristina Arnold shared a letter of support from U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden and ceremoniously affixed the first exterior siding panel to the building to symbolically begin this next phase of development.

According to Mosaic's website, the Conners Campus has been envisioned as an all-accessible medical facility, where "everyone, regardless of their background, has access to the healthcare they need to thrive. Picture a place where you're welcomed with warmth and respect, where your cultural and personal beliefs are honored, and your health needs are met with compassion and expertise. Envision a clinic that respects every person, regardless of background, focusing only on their health and well-being."

The Campus will include services like medical care, social support services, dental services, behavioral health services, substance use disorder services, pharmacy and pharmaceutical clinical support, registered nurse care navigation, health insurance assistance and nutrition services. The $47 million Conners Campus will double Mosaic's capacity in Bend, centralizing services currently spread across multiple locations. The 42,000-square-foot building is expected to serve about 20,000 patients a year.



MOSAIC CEO MEGAN HAASE WITH STATE SEN. ANTHONY BROADMAN | PHOTO BY NOAH NELSON



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Additionally, the Campus is co-located with both family and senior affordable housing and public transportation, helping ensure care is accessible to those populations.

The speakers at the event gave special thanks to all of the community members who have supported this mission, especially given that this has been a "tough budget year" when it comes to public funding and projects.

The campaign aims to raise $6.1 million in community philanthropy for the project. The remainder of the budget includes $36.9 million in Mosaic financing and investment and $4 million in secured state lottery bond funding.

"Access to healthcare shouldn't depend on where you live or what you earn. The state's investment in the Conners Campus reflects a belief that Central Oregon families deserve care close to home, and I'm proud to have advocated for it," said Levy. "Now it's the community's turn to help carry this project across the finish line."

The campaign is now in the home stretch of its $6.1 million community philanthropy phase. Mosaic needs to raise the final $900,000 in community gifts to complete a Tykeson Family Foundation matching challenge and reach the goal.

"Your gift can help us get there," Haase said. "Together, we can bring the full vision for the Conners Campus to life and create greater access to care for thousands of our neighbors."

When complete, the campus will increase Mosaic's capacity in Bend by 50%, including a 75% increase for pediatric health services, a 35% increase for pharmacy services and a doubling of dental capacity. It will also expand same-day primary care access for Bend and surrounding communities.

Construction began in early 2026, and Mosaic plans to celebrate the Conners Campus grand opening in summer 2027.

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said Ebony Clarke, OHA behavioral health director. "This facility reflects Oregon's commitment to building a behavioral health system where youth in our state can receive compassionate care when they need it most."

Families, behavioral health practitioners and legislative leaders spoke at the groundbreaking and acknowledged the facility will address long-standing behavioral health service gaps in the region.

The project is supported in part by $3 million in general fund dollars provided by OHA through House Bill 5024. Additional funding came from the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, Central Oregon Health Council, federal appropriations and contributions from the facility's developer, Headwaters Behavioral Health.

This new facility adds 16 beds to Oregon's existing pool of children's psychiatric residential treatment beds. Two similar facilities funded through House Bill 5024 are Community Counseling Solutions' STARS project in Boardman and Madrona Recovery Center in Tigard. Together, these facilities provide 36 children's psychiatric residential treatment beds. Once the Deschutes County facility opens, the total number of beds available through these facilities will increase to more than 50 statewide.

The need for expanded youth services in Central Oregon was made clear in St. Charles Health System's July 2024 report, *Unmet Mental Health Needs for Youth in Central Oregon*, which documented persistent shortages of psychiatric beds, crisis placements and regional treatment options. The gaps left many young people waiting in emergency departments for extended periods while appropriate care was arranged.

"This facility represents something our community has talked about, hoped for and worked towards for many years," said Molly Wells-Darling, senior behavioral health director at St. Charles Health System. "When a young person is in crisis, they deserve to have the right care at the right time at the right place, as close to home as possible."

The new 9,200-square-foot facility will provide evidence-based treatment that includes therapy, medication management, life skills training and academic support. Youth may stay from 14 days to several months depending on individual treatment needs.

Headwaters Behavioral Health, which received project approval from the City of Redmond, will operate the facility. The organization also runs a youth residential treatment center in Idaho. The new facility anticipates opening in late 2027.

OHA continues to prioritize investments that strengthen Oregon's behavioral health system and expand youth access to treatment statewide.

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The Top Workplaces list is based solely on employee feedback gathered through a third-party survey administered by employee engagement technology partner Energage LLC. The anonymous survey uniquely measures 24 culture drivers that are critical to the success of any organization; including values, interdepartmental communication, inclusion, execution and well-being, just to name a few.

"Receiving the Top Workplaces award for five consecutive years is a true testament to the culture we have built together at Mid Oregon," said Kari Joel, vice president of Human Resources. "This honor reflects the dedication of every team member, as it is based solely on their feedback regarding what makes Mid Oregon not just a great place to work, but a place where they can grow and succeed. This healthy culture enables us to provide exceptional service to our members daily."

Of the 102 companies named over three size categories in Oregon and Southwest Washington, Mid Oregon was ranked number ten in the category of Midsize Employers, those with 100-499 employees. Out of those 44 companies, Mid Oregon was the top-ranking financial institution. Mid Oregon was also one of only four financial institutions to receive recognition in any size category.

"Organizations that listen to their people consistently outperform," said Eric Rubino, Energage CEO. "Because Top Workplaces awards are based entirely on employee feedback, they reveal what people truly experience at work. The winning employers aren't just talking about culture. They're intentionally building and proving it through the voice of their people."

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Compliance Connection

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What You'll Learn

Join the Central Oregon Employers Council and the Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries (BOLI) for a lively, interactive presentation featuring Jeff Burgess from BOLI's Employer Assistance team. We'll take a closer look at some of today's most pressing employment law topics, including:

• **Artificial Intelligence in the Workplace:** Understanding the appropriate use and potential misuse of AI in employment practices.

• **Workplace Accommodations:** Navigating accommodation requirements and practical strategies related to disabilities, pregnancy, religious beliefs, and workplace safety.

• **Wage and Hour Compliance:** Exploring new developments, common employer questions, and important compliance considerations.

• **Paid Leave Oregon:** Three years later, examining common pitfalls, lessons learned, and effective administration strategies for businesses of all sizes.

• **Equal Pay Compliance:** Understanding Oregon's equal pay requirements and the challenges employers face in achieving and maintaining compliance.

Bring your questions and join us for a morning of learning, connection, and valuable insights!

About the speaker: Jeff Burgess earned his law degree from the University of Mississippi in 1988 and spent 15 years in private practice before joining the Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries (BOLI) in 2002. Since 2009, he has served on BOLI's Employer Assistance team, providing employment law training, compliance guidance, and practical resources to employers, managers, and HR professionals throughout Oregon.

The Compliance Connection:

What's New, What's Changing & What Employers Need to Know

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

Presented by: Jeff Burgess, Learning & Development Specialist II, BOLI

7:45am // Announcements and Introductions

8am-12pm // Presentation

Location: Hampton Inn, 730 SW Columbia St., Bend

Cost: $50, pre-registration required at bit.ly/4B4F2pg

This program is approved for 4 SHRM PDCs

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

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5,736 SF flex property located at 160 SW Scalehouse Lp in Bend. Congratulations to Deschutes Plumbing on your new location! This property closed at $1,633,500.

Brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM, Eli Harrison,** and **Emilio Tiscareno,** with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services,** represented the seller in the sale of a 2,200 SF industrial storage condo at 20485 NE Funner Place in Bend. The seller was FSC Bend, LLC, and the condo sold for $770,000 ($350/SF).

Walt Ramage & Jeff Reed, of **NAI Cascade**, represented the Buyer and Seller respectively in the acquisition and disposition of and industrial building and excess land located on the Wilson and 9th St roundabout at 625 SE 9th St in Bend. This property closed at $1,525,000.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, and **Eli Harrison**, represented both the tenant and the landlord in leasing a 1,702 SF restaurant space in the Cascade Village Shopping Center in Bend. The tenant was M's Bakery, and the landlord was CVSC LLC.

Chuck Brazer, of **NAI Cascade**, represented the Buyer in the acquisition of a 0.22 AC lot in midtown Bend located at 649 NE Kearney. The property is slated for seven cottage units and closed for $418,000.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, and **Eli Harrison**, represented both the tenant and the landlord in leasing two retail suites totaling 1,800 SF in the Cascade Village Shopping Center in Bend. The tenant was Margarita's Bridal, and the landlord was CVSC LLC.

Brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM, Eli Harrison,** and **Emilio Tiscareno,** with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services,** represented both the buyer and the seller in the sale of a 1,560 SF industrial storage condo at 20485 NE Funner Place in Bend. The seller was FSC Bend, LLC, the buyer was Michael Potter, and the condo sold for $495,000 ($318/SF).

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Kristie Schmitt, CCIM**, represented the tenant while **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services** brokers **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, along with outside broker Tiffany Lahey, represented the landlord, in leasing a 9,000 SF industrial suite at 494 SW Veterans Way in Redmond. The tenant was Roto Rooter Service, and the landlord was 2008 Min Family Trust.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Bruce Churchill** represented the buyer, MBV 243, LLC, in the sale of a 840 SF residential condominium at 19717 Mount Bachelor Drive in Bend. The property sold for $422,129.

Brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, and **Eli Harrison**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services,** represented the landlord, TREA Bend, LLC, in leasing a 6,000 SF industrial suite at 62980 Boyd Acres Drive in Bend. **Lyons** also represented the tenant, Wakemakers, LLC.

Brokers **Dan Kemp, CCIM, Terry O'Neil,** and **Emilio Tiscareno,** with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services,** represented both the landlord, LZ Woodburn, LLC Sherwood Hubbard, LLC, and the tenant, Forever Family Therapy, LLC, in leasing a 3,833 SF Bend office suite at 141 NW Greenwood Avenue.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services brokers **Ron Ross**, **Terry O'Neil**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, **Emilio Tiscareno**, and **Luke Ross** represented the seller, Rio Vista Townhomes LLC, in the sale of the 22-unit Rio Vista Townhomes multifamily property at 940 NW 2nd Street in Prineville. Brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, **Peter May, CCIM**, **Eli Harrison**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, also with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the buyer. The 19,296 SF property sold for $3,780,000.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Robert Raimondi, CCIM**, represented both the buyer and the seller in the sale of a 17,780 SF industrial building at 1560 NE 1st Street in Bend. The seller was Osborn Building, LLC, the buyer was Mercatus Partners, LLC, and the building sold for $2,430,000.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services broker **Adam Bledsoe** represented the seller, Channel Scalehouse, LLC, in the sale of a 5,736 SF industrial building at 160 SW Scalehouse Loop in Bend. The building sold for $1,633,500.

Brokers **Ron Ross**, **Luke Ross**, **Terry O'Neil**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the seller, Brown Living Trust, in the sale of a 4,416 SF multifamily property at 931 NW Carlon Avenue in Bend. The property sold for $1,480,000.

Brokers **Matt Sichel**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented both the tenant and the landlord in leasing a 3,185 SF medical office suite at 10001 SE Sunnyside Road in Clackamas. The landlord was Regals NW, LLC, and the tenant was Rhodes Chiropractic.

Brokers **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, and **Grant Schultz, SIOR, CCIM**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the seller, in the sale of 0.85 acres of industrial land at 498 SW Veterans Way in Redmond. The land sold for $550,000.

Brokers **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, **Peter May, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the seller, Lemon Tree Cafe, in the sale of the business located at 718 NW Franklin Avenue in Bend. Outside broker Jenn Limoges represented the buyer.

Brokers **Adam Bledsoe**, **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the landlord, Hayden Income Property LLC, in leasing a 3,541 SF office suite at 963 SW Simpson Avenue in Bend to the Bend Chamber of Commerce. **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, also with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the tenant.

Brokers **Russell Huntamer, CCIM**, **Eli Harrison**, and **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the landlord, JKC Redmond Cascade, LLC, in leasing a 1,556 SF restaurant space at Redmond Cascade Plaza, 2498 S Highway 97 in Redmond, to Wingstop.

Brokers **Dan Kemp, CCIM**, and **Emilio Tiscareno**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the tenant, Solaire Homebuilders, in leasing a 2,032 SF office suite at 395 SW Bluff Drive in Bend.

Compass Commercial Real Estate Services brokers **Robert Raimondi, CCIM**, and **Terry O'Neil**, represented both the landlord, Aero Park West LLC, and the tenant, Majesty's Animal Nutrition, Inc., in leasing four adjacent suites at 217 SW Pumice Avenue in Redmond, totaling 10,500 SF.

Brokers **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, and **Kristie Schmitt, CCIM**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the landlord, First Interstate Bank, in leasing a 2,496 SF office suite at 1125 NW Bond Street in Bend to Broken Top Brands, Inc.

Brokers **Grant Schultz, SIOR, CCIM**, and **Jay Lyons, SIOR, CCIM**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the landlord, Deschutes Ridge Business Park LLC, in leasing a 3,883 SF office suite at 1001 SW Disk Drive in Bend. **Kristie Schmitt, CCIM**, also with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented the tenant, Abbott Laboratories, Inc.

Brokers **Luke Ross** and **Terry O'Neil**, with **Compass Commercial Real Estate Services**, represented both the tenant and the landlord in leasing a 3,498 SF industrial suite at 693 SE Glenwood Drive in Bend. The landlord was Rock Ridge Investments LLC, and the tenant was Frontier Precision, LLC.

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Central Oregon Business Calendar

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BUSINESS EVENTS



October 21
1-3pm The Cascades East Transit (CET) Regional Public Transit Advisory Committee Meeting at Cascades East Transit, Hawthorne Conference Room, Bend.

October 21
5-7pm Connect W's Dinner Meeting, The Mental Side of Entrepreneurship, at High Desert Music Hall, Redmond.

October 21
5:30-7pm SCORE Open House at Deschutes Central Library.

October 21
5:30-7:30pm Bend Health Guide Healthy Happy Hour, Somatic RESET, at Bend Factory.

October 21
6pm Bend City Council and BURA Business Meeting.

October 21
6pm League of Women Voters of Deschutes County Candidate Forum 2026, La Pine City Council, followed by La Pine Mayoral Candidates, at La Pine Park & Recreation Community Center Gym.

October 22
8-9am Madras - Jefferson County Chamber Coffee Cuppers at Urban Home.

October 22
4pm Deschutes County Public Hearing before the Board of County Commissioners on the Sisters UGB.

October 22
5:30pm Deschutes County Planning Commission Meeting.

October 26
1pm Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners Meeting.

October 27
5:30-7pm SCORE Free, Confidential One-on-One Small Business Counseling at Bend Central Library.

October 27
6pm City of Redmond City Council Meeting.

October 28
9am Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners Meeting.

October 29
1pm Deschutes County Hearings Officer Hearing – Land Use: Caldera Holdings LLC & Woodside Ventures LLC (Caldera Ranch) – Plan Amendment, Zone Change.

October 28
4-6:30pm REDI News & Brews at General Duffy's Waterhole, Redmond.

November 2
1pm Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners Meeting.

November 3
3:30pm Deschutes County Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting.

November 4
7:45am Central Oregon Employers Council and BOLI Seminar, The Compliance Connection: What's New, What's Changing & What Employers Need to Know, at Hampton Inn, Bend.

WORKSHOPS & TRAINING



October 29
11:30am-1pm Mighty Growth Workshop, Find Your Growth Bottleneck, at Mighty Growth, Bend.

(Ongoing)
COCC Small Business Development Center Virtual Classes.

Building Permits

DESCHUTES COUNTY 10.6.26 & 10.13.26

$100,000.00 - Commercial (Alteration) 707 sf. at 13001 Century Dr. Bend 97702 OR Owner: Mt. Bachelor, Inc. PO Box 1000 Bend, OR 97709 Permit # 247-26-004232

$735,000.00 - Commercial (Alteration) at 51340 Hwy 97 La Pine 97739 OR Owner: Deschutes County PO Box 6005 Bend, OR 97708 Builder: 2kg Contractors, Inc. 503-489-2020 Permit # 247-26-003686

CITY OF BEND 10.6.26 & 10.13.26

$107,353.00 - Commercial (Alteration) 798 sf. at 900 NW Mt. Washington Dr. Ste. 110 Bend 97703 OR Owner: New Mountain Group, LLC Builder: Yozamp Construction, LLC 541-390-5613 Permit # PRRE202604668

$14,000.00 - Commercial (Alteration) 815 sf. at 1435 NE 4th St. Bldg A Bend 97701 OR Owner: KAAP, LLC Builder: Stilson Builders 541-728-3322 Permit # PRRE202605505

CITY OF REDMOND 10.13.26

$300,085.00 - Commercial (Alteration) at 345 NE Hemlock Ave. Redmond 97756 OR Owner: PCC Structures, Inc. 4600 SE Harney Dr. Portland, OR 97206 Builder: Kirby Nagelhout Construction Co. 541-389-7119 Permit # 711-26-001967

Bend High School

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and athletic facility improvements, and other projects across all schools in Bend, Sunriver and La Pine."

The funds acquired through bond sales are earmarked for designated projects, ensuring essential improvements across the district's schools, and the 2022 bond was structured so that taxpayers would not have a property tax rate increase.

The complete metamorphosis of Bend Senior High School was strategically planned to be rolled out in distinct phases, over four years, while keeping the active campus open and operational for students and staff.

Following completion of Phase 1, the remaining phases focus on a complete overhaul of the campus's athletic, artistic and community facilities.

Remaining work pursuant to the master plan covers final infrastructure and campus integration and will weave the new modern structures together with existing facilities that are being preserved, like the Robert D. Maxwell Center and the football stadium.

To accommodate the school's 1,300 students and provide an outdoor space on spring days, the rolling garage doors of the commons will open onto two secure courtyards: the already finished learning plaza, and Phase 2's active plaza.

BBT Architects Planning Manager for Phase 1 of the project, Kyle Burke, said: "It is really special to work on a high school project like this in your own community, and we have enjoyed strengthening connections with students and staff through this process.

"Principal Reese was a real advocate for highlighting the history and legacy of the school, which is so intertwined with that of the town — from the original schoolhouse at Drake Park, through to the former downtown location, which is now school district administrative offices, to the current location.

"As part of the design brief, we really wanted to capture that history and alumni story, through physical references to the 'Long Blue Line,' both from the exterior and interior perspective, with infographic representations."

Kourtney Strong, BBT Principal-in-Charge for the remaining phases of the project, added: "As part of highlighting the continuing legacy, the school bear claw logo from the old gymnasium was dug out and saved, and will be featured and displayed at the entrance of the new gymnasium.

"Much like the memorabilia highlighted in Phase 1, it will form part of a sporting 'Hall of Fame' showcasing the school's distinguished history of athletic achievements.

"The remaining work will continue extending the ability to have interactive collaboration groups, including through outside secure teaching and learning spaces, which will include a dining area and amphitheater for performing arts.

"The new theater will also be a state-of-the-art venue incorporating all the latest technology, and one of the main thrusts of the overall project was to provide a best-in-class modern educational environment, while honoring an illustrious history and legacy.

"We are proud to be part of a great team along with the school district and KNCC and look forward to continuing a successful working partnership for legacy community projects such as this."

"Passing the halfway mark is an exciting milestone in this lengthy and complex project," Maben said. "The enthusiasm from students, staff and families for the new classrooms, offices, commons and courtyard that opened this fall has been wonderful to see.

"These spaces offer a glimpse of what's ahead, and we look forward to celebrating the completion of the new Bend Senior High School in two years."

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CeramiCafe

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studio has grown into five locations, a feat made possible by the incredible communities that have supported CeramiCafe along the way.

CeramiCafe is a place for everyone to unplug, get creative and make something uniquely their own. Their new Bend studio — they also have locations in Clackamas, Corvallis, Lake Oswego and Beaverton — will offer paint-your-own pottery, mosaics, parties, canvas painting, private events, classes, camps and more, with hundreds of pottery pieces to choose from and projects for every age and skill level.

Whether you're planning a family outing, date night, birthday, girls' night, or just need a little creative escape, CeramiCafe will soon have Bend art enthusiasts covered. Set to be located on the second floor of the Old Mill District above Lush, Budd + Finn and Tumalo Art Co., CeramiCafe is excited to be Bend's new neighborhood creative spot.

"Great fit, great experience, great operator; we couldn't' have asked for more," said Beau Eastes, the Old Mill District's marketing director. "And they're going to be fantastic neighbors with our other art concepts upstairs."

CeramiCafe will set up shop just one door down from the Lubbesmeyer Art Studio & Gallery and The Stacks Art Studios & Gallery, which are also located on the second floor of the Old Mill District. "We can't wait to create a space where people can get creative, spend time together and have fun making something together where you don't have to be a Monet to create a masterpiece," Courtney added. "Our team is counting down the days for you to create memories with us!"

Artists at CeramiCafe will be able to choose from over 500 bisque pottery pieces, all ready to paint. Every paint is non-toxic, water-based and food-safe, and each piece is microwave- and dishwasher-safe after firing. Finished creations are ready in five days, or guests can choose a $5 rush option to pick it up within 48 hours.

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2026 Award Winners



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Awbrey Swanson



Emily Boyd



Emma James



Evan Dickens



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Kaitlin Baker



Katie Darquea



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Odessa Cleavenger



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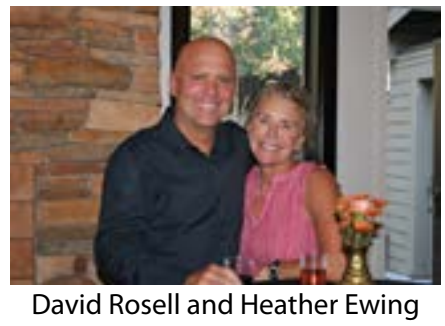
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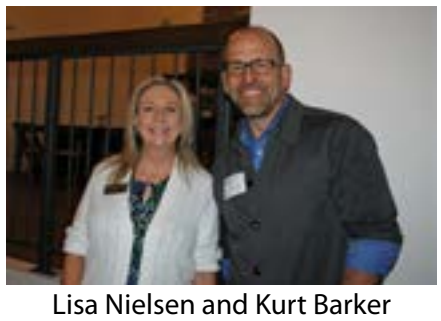
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