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CITY OF TIGARD CONNECTS RESIDENTS TO FOOD AND ESSENTIAL RESOURCES AMID SNAP DISRUPTION

Beginning November 1, many Oregon residents will experience a gap in their Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits due to federal funding delays. The City of Tigard is working with local partners to ensure community members have access to food, health, and support services during this time.

SNAP provides monthly assistance to help families purchase nutritious food. Across Oregon, roughly one in six residents rely on the program. Recent federal funding interruptions have temporarily halted November disbursements, creating uncertainty for households that depend on SNAP to make ends meet.

"Food insecurity affects families in every part of our community," said Acting City Manager Emily Tritsch. "We want residents to know that help is available, both through community partners and in upcoming local events."

Community Events and Food Drives

While food assistance remains a critical need, many residents are also seeking help with housing, healthcare, and overall well-being. Local partners across Tigard and Washington County are expanding access to these essential services through community events and year-round programs.

The Tigard-Tualatin School District is leading the **"Tackle Hunger" Food Drive** from **October 20–30** to benefit the Tigard-Tualatin Family Resource Center. Donations can be dropped off at Tigard and Tualatin High Schools or Fowler and Hazelbrook Middle Schools.

Recommended items include rice, beans, canned goods, peanut butter, and granola bars (no glass containers).

On **Thursday, November 7**, Project Homeless Connect's **Tigard '25 [One Day Event](#)** will offer free services from **9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** at **NW Christian Church – Tigard Campus (13405 SW Hall Blvd, Suite 100)**, including housing support, healthcare, haircuts, clothing, and food assistance. Spanish language assistance is also available.

Tigard residents can continue to access food and essential items through several local and ongoing programs.

- **Tigard Self-Sufficiency Center Free Food Market** (10777 SW Cascade Ave) – Shelf-stable food, formula, toiletries, diapers, and clothing. Every 4th Monday, 1:30-2:30 p.m. No eligibility requirements.
- **Packed with Pride** – Shopping-style pantry for Tigard-Tualatin families at **Christ the King Church** (11305 SW Bull Mountain Rd). Open Tuesdays 1–3:30 p.m. and Thursdays 5–7:30 p.m.
- **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry** – Located at **St. Anthony Catholic Church** (12630 SW Grant Ave). Serves ZIP 97223 and 97224, offering food, clothing. Community meal on Sundays from 5:30 - 6:30, pantry is open Mon, Wed, Fri from 12 p.m.-2:30 p.m., Tues from 4:30-6:00, and Sat from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- **Rise Church Community Crop Table** (10445 SW Canterbury Ln) – Fresh produce available Saturday mornings, June–December.
- **Bethlehem House of Bread** (9055 SW Locust Street) – Food pantry open Sundays 1-3 p.m.; Tuesdays: 4-6 p.m., Thursdays: 1-3 p.m.
- **Tigard Grange** (13770 SW Pacific Highway) – food pantry open Mon and Thurs from 2-4:30 p.m.
- **Just Compassion Resource Center** (12264 SW Hall Blvd) – Open daily from 7am-7pm to community members looking for a safe place to find connection to shelter and housing resources, meals, showers, and more.
- **Tigard Covenant Church** (11321 SW Naeve St) – food pantry, Tuesdays from 9 a.m - 12 p.m., Community meal on Tuesdays 6 - 7 p.m.
- **Tigard Friends Community Church** (15800 SW Hall Blvd) – food pantry, every 3rd Saturday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- **Trinity Community Church** (10900 SW 121st Ave) – food pantry, every 3rd Saturday from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Additional City and regional resources include:

- City of Tigard [Housing Support & Community Resources](#) – Assistance with housing, tenant rights, eviction prevention, and utility support.



- **Library Social Services Coordinator Ryn Starr** (ryn.starr@tigard-or.gov) – Connects residents with food, clothing, benefits, housing, and mental-health services during drop-in hours at the Tigard Library.
- **Portland General Electric (PGE)** – Billing assistance and hardship options for eligible customers.
- [Oregon Employment Department](#) – State unemployment benefits available even during federal shutdowns.
- **Oregon Law Help** and the **Oregon Law Center** – Free legal assistance for residents facing eviction or housing instability.
- View the City’s [Local Community Resources Guide](#) for a full directory of local support programs.

Community members that would like to support our local pantries are encouraged to connect with the pantries directly to find out the best way to donate. Most pantries are requesting monetary donations so they can be used towards wholesale food purchases that benefit the most people possible.

“By working together, we can ensure Tigard families continue to have access to healthy food and critical services,” Acting City Manager Tritsch added.

Residents, businesses, and organizations interested in supporting local food programs or volunteering can find more information at www.tigard-or.gov/communityresources.

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