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BRC Receives the Better Beaverton Award!

We are beyond honored to share that the Beaverton Resource Center has received the Better Beaverton Award from Mayor Lacey Beaty—a truly meaningful recognition of the work happening within our Beaverton community and throughout Washington County. This award is more than a certificate or title. It's a symbol of the heart, dedication, and unwavering commitment of the people who brought the Beaverton Resource Center to our community—Lisa Montesana and Al Schmitt. Their vision, persistence, and love for this community laid the foundation for something truly special.

Lisa and Al, your leadership is marked by grace, humility, and a powerful belief in the strength of community. Because of you, the BRC has become a place where families find not only food, resources and health services—but also hope, dignity, and connection during life's most challenging times.

This award also honors the incredible volunteers, staff, partners, and community supporters who make the work of BRC possible every single day.

Whether you're: stocking shelves in our food pantry, welcoming families with warmth and care, coordinating resources, or donating time, goods, or funds—you are part of this mission. Your generosity and compassion are the driving force behind the positive change we're seeing in Beaverton. We truly believe that this award belongs to all of us. It's a shared celebration of the relationships, trust, and kindness that fuel our work.

We invite you to celebrate this milestone with us! Thank you for believing in our mission. Thank you for being part of our community. And thank you for making the Beaverton Resource Center what it is today: a place where people come not just to receive help—but to feel seen, valued, and empowered.

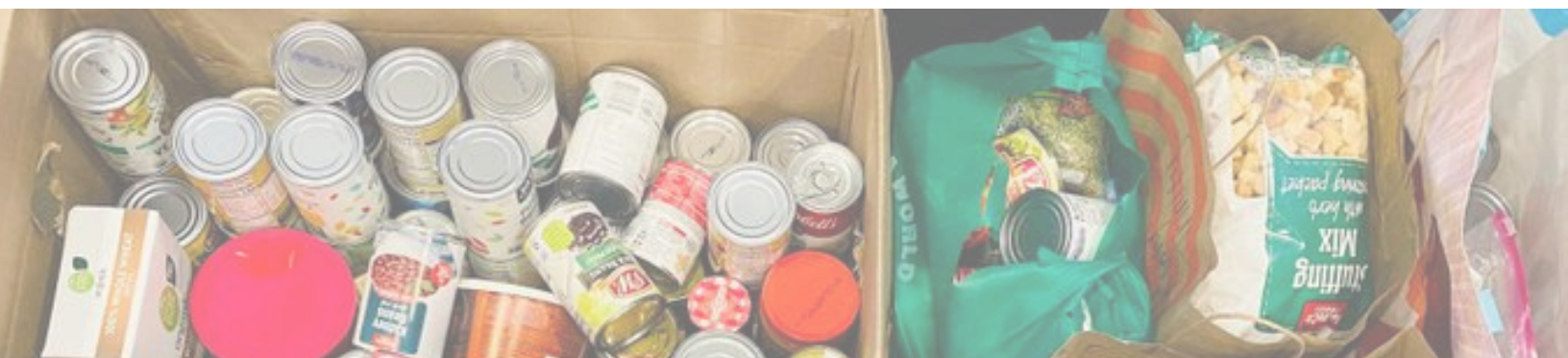
With gratitude,

The Beaverton Resource Center Team

Emler Swim School's February Food Drive Was a Huge Success!

We are thrilled to share that the February Food Drive hosted by Emler Swim School was a tremendous success! Thanks to the generosity of Emler's staff, students, and families, we were able to stock our food pantry with hundreds of pounds of non-perishable food items, ensuring that local families in need have access to essential supplies. The outpouring of support from the community was incredible. Parents and children alike came together to make a difference, filling donation bins with canned goods, pasta, rice, peanut butter, and other pantry staples. Their contributions are already helping families who rely on BRC for food assistance.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to Emler Swim School for their commitment to giving back and fostering a spirit of generosity among their students. If you missed this food drive but still want to contribute, we are always accepting food donations at BRC. Every can and box of food makes a difference!



We Need Volunteers for the Care to Share Office!



Do you want to give back to your community? Are you looking for a meaningful way to make an impact? We need volunteers like you to help us continue providing essential services through our Care to Share office at the Beaverton Resource Center. Whether you have a few hours a week or a few hours a month, your time can make a big difference. We are currently looking for volunteers to assist with:

- Answering phone calls – Help schedule appointments and provide information to community members in need.
- Client coordination – Help connect individuals with the appropriate resources and ensure smooth operations within the office.

Volunteering with Care to Share is a rewarding experience that allows you to provide direct support to families in our community and make an immediate impact in their lives. If you're interested in volunteering, please visit our website at <https://beavertonresourcecenter.org/volunteer> to sign up or learn more. Your time and effort mean the world to us!

A Grateful Milestone

March 22nd marked the 5-year anniversary of the Beaverton Resource Center, a milestone that fills our hearts with gratitude and hope. While the doors officially opened in 2020, the journey to bring this center back to our community began seven years earlier—after the Beaverton Family Resource Center closed its doors in 2014, following nearly two decades of service.



Al Schmitt and I shared a vision and a passion: to restore a hub of support, compassion, and connection for our neighbors in need. Today, thanks to your belief in that vision and your unwavering support, the Beaverton Resource Center continues to grow and serve with dignity and care.

From the bottom of our hearts, **thank you for walking this journey with us.** If you feel called to lend your expertise or talents, **we warmly welcome new members to our Board of Directors and committees.**

Together, we can continue building a stronger, more compassionate Beaverton.
With gratitude,

Lisa Montesana

SCHEDULE OF WEBINARS FOR MAY

04-15-25

11:00AM- 1:00 PM

JOB FAIR

Join us at the Career Fair Job Connection every third Tuesday at the Beaverton Resource Center, where employers accept applications and conduct interviews—bring your resume and dress professionally!

05-02-25

8:40AM- 2:00 PM

CARE AND CONNECT WELLNESS CLINIC

Call 503-591-9025 to schedule services, including dental care (extractions and fillings), medical screenings (blood pressure tests, A1C checks, and vision exams), and emotional wellness screenings to connect with professionals for support.

Tues., Wed., & Fri.

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

FINANCIAL COACHING

Call 503-591-9025 to schedule and join us at the BRC for weekly Financial Literacy & Wellness Support, where you'll learn budgeting strategies, effective debt payoff techniques, and how to build emergency savings for a secure financial future.

OHP (Oregon Health Plan) registration is available through the Beaverton Resource Center on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM—appointments are required. Call 503-207-5670 to schedule and secure your health coverage today!