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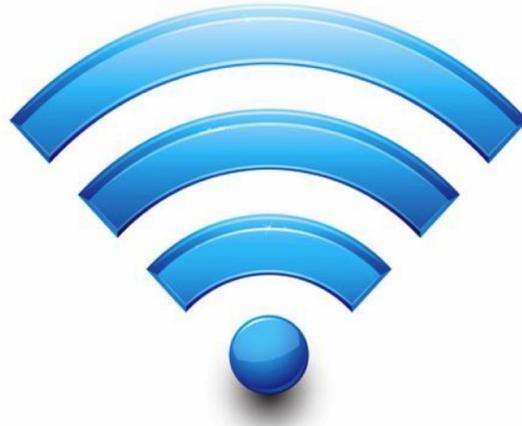


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REGIONAL BROADBAND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

The Regional Broadband Planning Committee met again this month and took the following steps:

- Jake Callister, LCOG, provided an overview of the website developed for the Broadband Planning Process, to enable easy and ongoing access to context, background, materials and updates. [Link](#) to website.
- Stakeholders agreed that the number of projects highlighted on the website conveys an increasing level of interest around Broadband Planning in Lane County and the Committee proposed adding more activities to this page.
- The Committee began evaluating the workshop deliverables and identifying the internal and external next steps.
- Participants discussed forming a Regional Broadband Steering Committee and the purpose and expectations of the Committee.



LCOG'S METRO TV WINS GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMING AWARD AND TELLY AWARDS



LCOG's Metro Television won an Award of Excellence in the Community Awareness category of the **Government Programming Awards (GPAs)** for a short film created for the City of Eugene's Cultural Services Department titled "**20x21 EUG Mural Project 2018 Recap.**"

The GPAs are annual awards that recognize excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies. Categories cover a variety of programming including, among others,

community events, documentary, public affairs and public service, interview/talk show, performing arts, sports, election coverage and children's issues.

Celebrating over 30 years of programming excellence, the GPA's celebrate the achievements of programmers across the nation.

Metro TV also won two Telly Awards this year: a **Sliver Telly Award** for a short film titled "**20x21 EUG Mural Project 2018 Promotional**" also created for the Cultural Services Department of the City of Eugene, and a **Bronze Telly Award** for a short film created for Eugene's Waste Prevention and Green Building Program titled "**Love Food Not Waste.**"

Founded in 1979, the Telly Awards honors video and television made for all screens and is judged by The Telly Award Judging Council; a group of leading video and television experts from some of the most prestigious companies in entertainment, publishing, advertising, and emerging technology.

VENETA RECRUITMENT FOR NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR

LCOG is providing recruiting assistance to the City of Veneta to help with their search for a new City Administrator, following the announcement that Ric Ingham will retire.

Information and applications can be found [here](#)

Application should be submitted electronically to jobs@lcog.org

Job Closing Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 - 5:00pm

- Recommendation of Candidates: October 28, 2019
- Finalist Interviews: November 14-19, 2019

If you need an alternate format of the application or assistance to participate in the hiring process please contact:

LCOG - Attention: Human Resources

WE ARE SEEKING A RURAL-FOCUSED SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL COORDINATOR

Please help spread the word about this important and exciting brand new Coordinator position for Lane County's first-ever rural-focused (outside the Eugene/Springfield metro area) Safe Routes to School program.

This position will work with schools, communities, students, and families to help elementary and middle school students learn how to use active transportation modes (walking, biking, and scootering) more safely. The ideal candidate will be motivated, creative, and collaborative with a community-focused approach to implement this new program in partnership with Lane County, Lane Council of Governments, and Lane Education Service District.

For more information, visit the LCOG Jobs Page [here](#)

THE 2020 CENSUS

LCOG is currently coordinating with the US Census Bureau to set up "Complete Count Committees". The Census Bureau wants local jurisdictions to involve community groups that can help bring in response from everyone but especially from hard-to-reach segments of the community: elderly shut-ins, Hispanic and non-white communities, homeless and transitional-shelter population, remote rural population, university students, etc.

The first meeting of the Lane County Complete Count Committee (CCC):
Thursday, October 17, 2019 from 1:00 to 3:00
at LCOG, 859 Willamette Street, STE 500, Eugene

Why it matters:

- Distribution of more than \$675 billion annually in federal funds back to tribal, state, and local governments.
- Redistricting of state legislative districts.
- Forecasting future transportation needs for all segments of the population.
- Determining areas eligible for housing assistance and rehabilitation loans.
- Assisting local government in planning and implementing programs, services, and emergency response.
- Designating facilities for people with disabilities, the elderly and children.
- The State of Oregon could gain a U.S. House of Representatives seat.

It's up to all of us! If you are interested in assisting with getting a complete count in Lane County - please let me know! Email me: [Brenda Wilson](mailto:Brenda.Wilson@lcog.org)

SEISMIC REHABILITATION GRANT PROGRAM

The Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Program (SRGP) is a state-run grant program that has provided more than \$250 million in funding for seismic rehabilitation for critical public buildings since 2014. Approximately \$120 million is available in the next two years with individual grants being awarded at \$2.5 million or smaller.



What buildings are eligible for grants?

Public school districts, education service districts, community colleges and emergency facilities are all eligible to apply for grants. This is for seismic upgrades to existing facilities, *not* new construction, demolition, or re-builds. A designated grant committee determines the awards which will be announced in spring of 2020.

How do you get started?

Start early as the process requires a complete seismic assessment and engineering report prepared by a qualified licensed engineer. **Grant applications are due January 17, 2020.** The grant does *not* require matching funds.

“We’ve written successful grants for a number of agencies around the state,” says Greg Ausland, PE, with Ausland Group. “Finding the right firm to perform the seismic assessment and accompanying technical data, is critical to a successful application. There are a number of qualified engineers at Ausland Group and other firms who would be happy to consult with you about the viability of your project.”

Find more information [here](#)

THINGS GOING ON IN THE REGION

Bethel School District: Mural Now on Permanent Display at Bethel Farm. **Learn more** [here](#)

Coburg: Trail's End Park is being enhanced! Look for additional parking spaces, wetland restoration and a new path. In the meantime, the park will be closed while the work is ongoing. **Learn more** [here](#)

Cottage Grove: Cottage Grove Armory is getting updated, destined to be a community meeting place. **Learn more** [here](#)

Creswell: Take the Creswell Community Safety Open House Survey: **Learn**

more [here](#)

Creswell School District: Strategic Visioning and Planning Process on the Horizon for Creswell School District. **Learn more [here](#)**

Eugene: Eugene Seeks Input on the Final Draft Design for Town Square. **Learn more [here](#)**

Eugene 4J School District: Gustavo Balderas Named Oregon Superintendent of the Year. **Learn more [here](#)**

EWEB: EWEB encourages customers to take action during National Preparedness Month. **Learn more [here](#)**

Florence: Skywarn Weather Spotter Training – October 19. **Learn more [here](#)**

Junction City: Fall Clean Sweep Event - November 16. Bring your un-bagged lawn debris to JC Public Works. **Learn more [here](#)**

Lane County: Property owners invited to make the switch to electronic tax statements. **Learn more [here](#)**

Lane ESD: Lane ESD's Migrant Education Program: **Learn more [here](#)**

Lowell: Come and enjoy breakfast on the first Sunday of every month at the Lowell Grange. Proceeds go to the Building Restoration Fund. **Learn more [here](#)**

LTD: LTD's Receives National Attention for its Service Animal Program. **Learn more [here](#)**

Springfield: Indigenous People's Day/Tribal Flag Raising Ceremony– October 14 at City Hall. **Learn more [here](#)**

Springfield Public Schools: New crossing in Springfield part of effort to create safe route to school. **Learn more [here](#)**

Veneta: Fall Arbor Day Event– October 19. **Learn more [here](#)**

Willamalane Park and Recreation District: Willamalane Begins Work on a 60 x 35-foot Mural at Willamalane Park – Unveiled at 75 year anniversary on September 29. **Learn more [here](#)**



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