



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

November 2023

CO-MINGLED RECYCLING COMING TO PENDLETON

The Oregon Legislature passed Senate Bill 582 in the 2021 Legislative session, also known as the Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act (Recycling Modernization Act or RMA). The legislation is complex but was created to update and modernize Oregon's recycling system.

The RMA is a model based on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) recycling systems. Although Oregon's model is uniquely designed to fit Oregon's needs, there are EPR programs currently operating in Canada and Europe. Oregon's model bases the financial responsibility for packaging (paper, plastic, etc.), its sustainability, and recyclability more directly on the packaging producers. This model is new in the United States; in addition to Oregon, the states of California, Maine and Colorado are also in the beginning phases of implementing EPR recycling systems.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR PENDLETON?

Although the RMA is extremely complex, the biggest change Pendleton will see is the implementation of commingled (mixed together) recycling service for residential customers beginning in 2025. The law calls for all cities over 4,000 in population to provide curbside commingled recycling service to residents beginning July 1, 2025.

Although plans for this service are preliminary given the rules are not yet finalized, commingled recycling service in Pendleton would look something like this:

- Each PSSI cart customer (32 & 96 gallon cart customers only) would receive a 96 gallon cart for commingled/mixed recycling.
- Service would likely be every other week pickup.
- Solid waste collection rates for 32 & 96 gallon cart service will increase across the board to cover the increased cost for this service.
- One potential benefit to customers may be that they'll recycle more at home and be able to reduce the size of their existing garbage container.
- Under the RMA – Oregon will have a standardized list of what is commingled recycling – called the Uniform Statewide Collection List (USCL). Here is the **draft** list of commingled recycling materials DEQ is currently proposing (again, this MAY change):
 - ◇ *Corrugated cardboard, brown kraft paper, paperboard packaging (cereal/cracker boxes), molded pulp packaging (egg cartons), polycoated cartons (milk cartons, aseptic cartons), tissue paper, non-metalized gift wrap, office paper, newspaper, magazines, telephone books, junk mail, paperback books, aluminum food and beverage cans, steel/tin cans, scrap metal weighing less than 10 lbs. and 18" in length (no tangles - wire, bicycle chains, etc.), plastic bottles and jugs that measure at least two inches in each of two or more dimensions made of clear PET #1 or natural or colored HDPE #2 or Polypropylene (PP) #5, plastic tubs (cottage cheese) 6 oz or larger made of PET #1, HDPE #2, LDPE #4 or PP #5, plastic nursery packaging HDPE #2 and PP #5 only, plastic buckets, pails, storage containers HDPE #2 or PP #5. NO GLASS WILL BE ALLOWED IN PSSI COMMINGLED RECYCLING.*
- Items such as glass, aluminum foil, plastic film and other items not allowed in the commingled recycling will have depot/drop off options available for recycling.

As the rules for this legislation are finalized, PSSI will provide more information about implementation and the exciting changes coming to Pendleton to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Compost more, all for the betterment of our environment!

- Michael R. McHenry, President, PENDLETON SANITARY SERVICE, INC.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

November 21

City Council 7 pm

PDC Meeting 6 pm

December 5

City Council 7 pm

All meetings in the Council Chambers

FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

<http://www.pendleton.or.us/>

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Turner	Mayor	541-922-8605
Addison Schulberg	At Large	541-379-1677
Steve Campbell	At Large	541-379-0130
Kevin Martin	Ward 1	541-969-6744
Carole Innes	Ward 1	541-276-0644
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CITY OF PENDLETON

Administration	541-966-0201
Airport	541-276-7754
Convention Center	541-276-6569
Community Dev.	541-966-0203
Finance	541-966-0207
Fire	541-276-1442
Human Resources	541-966-0222
Library	541-966-0380
Municipal Court	541-966-0209
Parks/Rec/Cemetery	541-276-8100
Police	541-276-4411
Public Works	541-276-3078

500 SW Dorion Ave. Pendleton, OR



FREE LEAF DROP OFF

*Pendleton Sanitary Services and the City of Pendleton are again bringing you the opportunity to dispose of all the fall leaves from your yards and roads at **NO COST TO YOU!***

WHEN

*The entire month of November!
Open from 8:00 am to
4:00 pm Monday - Saturday.*

*Closed for
Veterans Day,
Thanksgiving Day
and Black Friday.*

CAN YOU BRING OTHER YARD WASTE?

YES - However, there is a charge for yard waste other than leaves.

Please visit our website for more information:

pendletonsanitaryservice.com

WHERE

**PENDLETON
SANITARY SERVICES**
5500 NW Rieth Road
Pendleton, OR

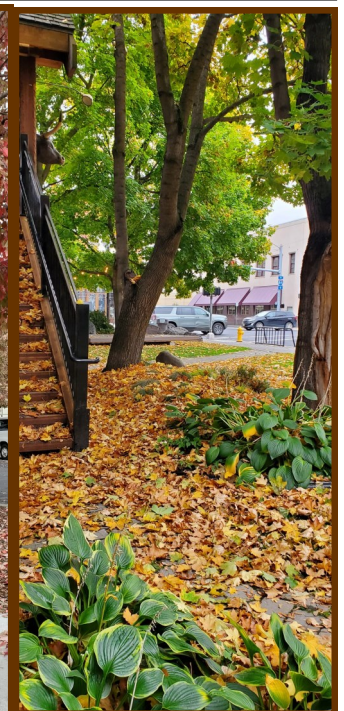
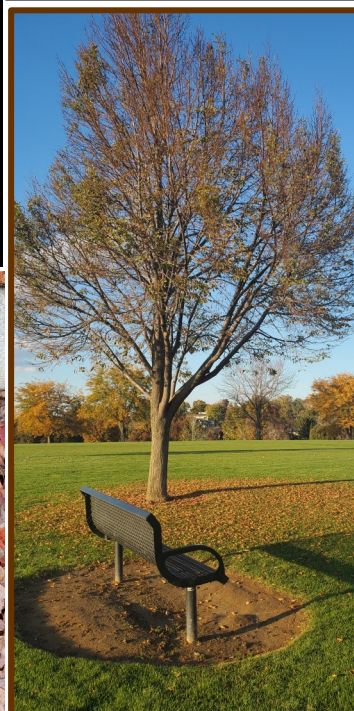
WHAT

LEAVES ONLY.

Leaves can be brought in bags, but you must empty them. Disposal containers will be available to dispose of your bags.

QUESTIONS?

*Contact Pendleton
Sanitary Services at
541-276-1271*



New leadership at Pendleton Fire & Ambulance

Anthony Pierotti takes over as chief, Valorie Tomren as assistant chief



New leadership has taken the wheel at Pendleton Fire & Ambulance.

Pendleton's former assistant fire chief, Anthony Pierotti, stepped into the Fire Chief role on Nov. 1, and this week, the department welcomed Valorie Tomren as the new assistant chief and fire marshal.

Pierotti said the duo is adjusting to their new roles and just starting to plan for the future. He said having Tomren on board as fire marshal will allow them to increase the focus on community outreach and education.

"One thing I do know is we're looking to expand the community risk reduction area. That's going to be our big push," Pierotti said. "We are just getting started, so we're going to get our feet under us. That being said, we're going to keep running calls, keep our crews training and healthy."

Pierotti came to Pendleton from Tucson, Arizona. He worked for 21 years at the Tucson Fire Department before moving to Pendleton four years ago to become the assistant chief under Fire Chief Jim Critchley. When Critchley retired at the end of October, Pierotti stepped into the head role. Pierotti said he is looking forward to continuing the system of training and leadership he and Critchley started.

"We have a great community here, and Jim (Critchley) and I were able to set a new system in place for the department over the past four years that has made a ripple effect around the community. I'm really excited to be able to keep that going," he said.

Tomren will help Pierotti with that momentum. Pierotti said he first met Tomren through training in the Airport Rescue Fire-fighting (ARFF) program. Tomren oversaw that program out of the Tri-Cities and has assisted in training many of Pendleton's firefighters.

"We've been working with Valorie for a couple years, and she's going to do a great job here," Pierotti said. "She's got a great personality, a good demeanor, and I'm excited for her to start interacting with the community in that fire marshal role."

Tomren grew up in Ronald, Washington, a small community near Cle Elem. She started her firefighting career in the Army Reserves and has spent 25 years with the fire department for the City of Pasco. Tomren said she was going to retire in June but coming to Pendleton gave her an opportunity for growth and the ability to be part of a good department wanting to grow its Prevention and Community Risk Reduction program.

"Sometimes you need a change in order to grow," she said. "I really like that it's a smaller department. I'm going to learn the community, learn the people that I work with, and then go from there."

Typically, a fire marshal focuses on inspections and investigations, especially in arson cases. Pierotti said Tomren will handle those duties as well as community risk reduction. She will promote safety information, craft safety tips and draft social media messaging.

"She's going to be the face of the fire department when it comes to community risk reduction," he said. "People think of the fire department as fighting fires and running EMS. We're also education, getting CPR classes out, getting safety messages out, helping our elderly population if they have trouble with falling. We're going to try to revise and expand what people think of the Fire Marshal as. I'm excited about that."

Learn more about Pendleton Fire & Ambulance at <https://pendleton.or.us/fire> .



Want Direct Payment of your Utility Bill?

Did you know you can have your City of Pendleton utility bill paid automatically with our free Autopay program?

Autopay is a free service and enrollment is easy!

Simply complete the form and return to us with your current City of Pendleton utility payment or mail anytime.

Once you are enrolled, you will continue to receive your monthly statement, which will state AUTO PAY. It's that simple!

Questions? Call us! (541) 966-0207

Bills are paid automatically from your checking or savings account on the due date. Our Autopay program is a free service and you can withdraw anytime by contacting us at least 10 days prior to your due date

City of Pendleton Application for Direct Pay Plan Utility Bill

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Utility Account _____

Financial Institution: _____

Checking Savings

Bank Account #: _____

Routing #: _____

By signing below, I am authorizing the City of Pendleton utility department to automatically withdraw my utility payment from my checking/savings account.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail completed forms to:

City of Pendleton
Attn: Utility Billing
500 SW Dorion Ave.
Pendleton, OR 97801

Questions? Contact:

Utility Billing Department at
(541) 966-0207 or
UBill@ci.pendleton.or.us

Rather Pay Online?

Payments can be made by visiting <https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/pendletonor/utilities> or clicking "Pay Online" or scan the QR code below.



PAY ONLINE



TOT TIME

is back at the Rec Center!

Mondays and Wednesdays

Starting August 14th
10 am - 11 am

Tot time is a drop-in activity for kids not yet in school. This is a great way for parents to connect with other parents, toddlers to make new friends while burning off steam. Drop-in cost is \$2 per toddler.



CITY OF
PENDLETON
PARKS & RECREATION



A day in the ASP:

- Transportation from elementary school provided by PSD and First Student, Inc.
- Snack and circle time
- Structured rotations:
 - Gym activities
 - Art or science project
 - Loft area games
 - Literacy component at the Public Library
 - time and help available for homework



Steps to register:

1. Call or register online.
2. Complete the student information form and the alternate bus form located on the ASP page on our website.
3. Communicate which days your child will be going to ASP to your child's school.

Cost: \$15 per day or \$60 per week

Location: Recreation Center

510 SW Dorion Ave. in Pendleton

Time: 2:30-5:30pm, Monday-Friday

Ages: 1st-5th grade

QUESTIONS?
541-966-0228



CITY OF
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SCHOLARSHIP POLICY 2023-2024

Possible financial assistance levels: 20%, 40%, 60%, 80% based on need.

Please allow for up to 5 business days for processing and notification to awarding families.

Recreation Program Scholarship application process is separate from Aquatics scholarships.

Participants can use the granted scholarship for **one** childcare based program (After School Program or Summer Adventure Camp) and **one** additional program per quarter*.

All Recreation Program scholarship applications must be submitted in person to the Recreation Center at 510 SW Dorion Ave. in Pendleton.

Scholarships are granted for the fiscal year and will expire on the final day of June each year. Families can reapply in July.

All paperwork required for application must be present at time of submission.

Questions?
541-966-0228

*eligible programs do not include events or drop ins.

FIGHT



F.O.G. stands for **Fats, Oils & Grease**, which are found in common food and food ingredients such as meat, fish, butter, cooking oil, mayonnaise, gravies, sauces, and food scraps. If poured down the drain or into your garbage disposal, F.O.G. will build up over time by sticking to your sewer pipes. *This could eventually cause an expensive sewer backup into your home or our natural water system.*

Keep fats, oils & grease out of your drain to prevent clogged pipes and sewer back-ups!



- Pour cold fats, oils and grease into a covered, disposable container and throw it into your garbage. Never pour fats, oil or grease down sink drains or toilets.
- Soak up spilled oils and grease with an absorbent material such as paper towels or kitty litter and throw into your garbage.
- Before you wash dishes, scrape food scraps, fats, oils and grease into your garbage.
- Use sink strainers to catch any remaining food waste while washing dishes.

WHY SHOULD I WORRY ABOUT F.O.G.?

F.O.G. DOWN THE DRAIN can cause service lines to become clogged and back up into the home. F.O.G. can also result in potential public health issues and pollution problems.

EVERYONE CAN RECYCLE USED COOKING OIL IN PENDLETON!

Bring any type of food oil to our Resource Recovery Facility in a clean, clear, screw top plastic jug.

We will take, empty your oil and send you home with your jug to refill.



WE ACCEPT:

Peanut Oil	Olive Oil
Coconut Oil	Avocado Oil
Mustard Oil	Palm Oil
Safflower Oil	Rice Bran Oil
Corn Oil	Canola Oil
Vegetable Oil	

Bring in your food oil for recycling today!

RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER
4300 SW Houtama Rd.



HOMEOWNERS ARE

LIABLE for all clean-up costs related to a homeowner-caused sewer backup.* In order to protect your home from a sewer backup, DO NOT put F.O.G. down your drains, and use your garbage disposal according to manufacturer recommendations.

**Consult with your insurance provider for flood and sewage backup coverage.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact the City of Pendleton Resource Recovery Facility at 541-276-3372, or City Shops at 541-276-3078

DID YOU KNOW? The oil that comes to the facility is recycled as fuel for the City's combined heat & power co-generation unit that supplies up to 120kw per hour of electricity. This helps save your Resource Recovery Facility power costs.

Upcoming Events & Activities



Pajama Storytime

This special family night is sponsored by The Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub and includes pizza dinner and bedtime stories. Participants will each make a nightlight to take home and receive a free book per household.

Don't forget to wear your pajamas!



Nov. 16
5 p.m.



WALKING FOR WELLNESS

Start your day off right and get walking! This FREE program is a great way to meet friends, listen to music, and get your body moving in a safe and warm environment during the autumn-spring months.



**ALL AGES
FREE
REC CENTER**

510 SW DORION AVE.
MONDAY-FRIDAY
8:30 AM-9:30 AM
OCTOBER - APRIL 30

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT US: 541-966-0228

The Pendleton Public Library presents...

STEAM GAMES



DEMOLITION DERBY

Sponsored by **change X**

Welcome to STEAM Games, the brand-new monthly program that lets children learn about the BIG 5 STEAM disciplines through fun and educational activities. Ages 8-12. Registration Required.

Playdough Party

This library favorite is back for another round! Join us in the children's area for themed playdough tables. You make the mess, we clean it up! What's not to love?

Nov. 25th @ 10:15 a.m.



TEEN NIGHT

AT THE REC CENTER

FREE
DROP IN

VIDEO
GAMES

PIZZA

BASKETBALL

DODGEBALL

EVERY OTHER
FRIDAY
AGES 12-18
6-8PM



We are partnering with the Pendleton Public Library to bring teens a **FREE Drop in night at the Rec Center!** Come hang out with your friends and have PIZZA, play video games, open gym, & more!

Nov. 17, 2023 at 6:00 pm
For ages 12-18

Congratulations to the crew at the Pendleton Rec Center for winning this year's department costume challenge on Halloween with their Wizard of Oz costumes and decorations.



Congratulations

Abling named to national Advisory Group

Pendleton UAS Range Manager Darryl Abling has been named to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory's ARM UAS Advisory Group. ARM (Atmospheric Radiation Measurement) is a division of the Department of Energy, and the highly esteemed advisory group is made up of accomplished subject matter experts from respected research institutions all over the United States



PNNL has been testing an atmospheric research vehicle, ArticShark, at the Pendleton UAS range for more than 7 years, and Darryl has worked closely with the company from the very beginning.

"The fact that PNNL reached out to Darryl to serve on this advisory committee just shows what high regard they hold him in," Economic Development Director Steve Chrisman said. "It's pretty awesome to see Darryl and the Pendleton UAS Range (PUR) listed amongst some of the most learned UAS researchers in the Country."



WANT TO WORK AT THE ICE RINK?

Pendleton Parks & Recreation is hiring for Ice Rink Attendants. Positions are responsible for opening and closing the ice rink at Roy Raley Park, helping skaters, snow removal, and general cleaning.

The position requires the ability to handle money, provide good customer service, drive and perform basic janitorial duties. Hours include weeknights and weekends, approximately 15-20 hours/week. Some knowledge of ice skating is a plus, but not required. Wage is \$13.20 per hr. Requires a valid driver's license and the ability to pass a criminal background check.

For questions, contact Jeff Hamilton at 541-276-8100.

Applications available at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, or online [HERE](#).





PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

This position may perform any variety of supervisory, administrative, skilled, technical, and maintenance work in the planning, construction, operation, repair, maintenance, and replacement of City water, sewer, street, and storm drainage facilities and systems. Coordinates all work with other supervisors and utilities/agencies. Requires a High School Diploma or equivalent; seven (7) years of experience in the construction, repair and maintenance of water, sewer, street, or storm drainage systems including the operation of related maintenance equipment; or any satisfactory equivalent combination of education and experience. Special requirements are you must possess, or be able to obtain by time of hire, a valid Class A commercial driver's license and have a satisfactory driving record. Must be able to pass the department's security clearance standards including review of driving record and criminal. Must have or be able to get within 6 months of hire, Operator in Direct Responsible Charge certification for Wastewater Collection IV.

Salary range \$6,310 - \$7,950 DOE, plus excellent benefits. Applications are available at www.pendleton.or.us/employment, at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, or by calling 541 966-0201. Completed applications must be return to Human Resources at City Hall or at human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. This position is open until filled with first review on Thursday, November 16, 2023, by close of business day.

UTILITY WORKER 2—POOL/ICE RINK OPERATOR (FULL-TIME/YEAR-ROUND)

The Pendleton Park and Recreation Department is seeking a highly motivated self-starter to serve as pool operator at the Pendleton Family Aquatic Center, perform maintenance tasks at the Ice Rink, and other Park and Recreation Department facilities. The position will report directly to the Recreation Supervisor and will be a full-time year-round position.

This position will be a mix of routine maintenance, and reacting to issues and failures as they arise to ensure continuous successful operation of a 1.5 Million Gallon aquatic center containing 3 pools, water slides, locker rooms, and grounds. This position will also be responsible for maintenance tasks at the ice-skating rink during the winter and at other park and recreation facilities as needed. Work will be performed both indoors and outdoors in all weather conditions, and will regularly require lifting of up to 60lbs, bending, kneeling etc.

The ideal candidate will have a strong background in plumbing, general maintenance, and troubleshooting systems. This position will be required to either have or be able to obtain, within 6 months of hire, a Certified Pool Operator qualification, and forklift certification. The department is willing to provide training for the candidate to acquire these certifications.

The position will be primarily Monday-Friday 7am-4pm, but will be required to be on-call evenings and weekends every other week during the pool and Ice rink seasons. The wage range is \$4,037 - \$5,128 per month DOE plus excellent benefits. Requires valid driver's license and ability to pass a criminal background check.

For questions, contact Jeff Hamilton at 541-276-8100. Applications are available [HERE](#) or 500 SW Dorion Avenue. Completed applications must be returned to human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. The position is open until filled, with first review November 1, 2023.

PART-TIME RECREATION INSTRUCTOR POSITION IN THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

The position is responsible for the provision of safe, nurturing, well-supervised day programs, events, and other special programs. Duties will include supervising and engaging youth in daily activities; coordinating with parents, collaborators, and volunteers; assigning the work of Recreation Aides, and keeping appropriate records. Requires 2 years of training, education, or experience in childcare or education. Good interpersonal skills, ability to communicate effectively, work independently, use a computer and drive are also required. Approximately 20 hours per week, primarily afternoon & early evening. \$15.50-\$17.95 per hour DOE, no benefits. Applications are available at [HERE](#) or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801.

Pendleton Fire Dept.

Resident Intern Program



Requirements

Designed for students pursuing a career in the Fire Service or EMS

At least 18 years old w/High School Diploma or GED Equivalent

Valid driver's license and insurable driving record

Maintain GPA 2.0 for tuition reimbursement

Application, Interview, Background, Medical and Drug Screen check

Oregon State Certified EMT-B in first 6 months and DPSST Driver/Operator , FFI and Haz-Mat Awareness/Ops within the first year.

Benefits and Wages

Safety Equipment and uniforms provided

Receive experience and hands on training in Firefighting and EMS

Work schedule 48 on 96 off and assigned to a duty shift

Off duty housing, utilities and Wi-Fi paid

College tuition reimbursement for half of approved tuition

Obtain Fire and EMS certifications at no cost

After obtaining Fire and EMS certifications additional Reserve paid opportunities exist

Application and job opening can be found on <https://pendleton.or.us/hr/page/employment>

Contact Reserve Lieutenant Coleman
Email: kevin.coleman@ci.pendleton.or.us