HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

From the LCOG family to all of you - with much appreciation and thanks for your partnership and support this past year!

WISHING YOU A JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON!

ANNUAL MEMBER APPRECIATION DINNER

SAVE THE DATE!

LCOG Annual Appreciation Dinner
Saturday, March 2, 2019

Lane Community College – Center for Meeting & Learning
Get Acquainted Hour: 5 - 6 pm
Dinner and Program: 6 pm

This annual event is held to celebrate civic, economic, and regional accomplishments and formally recognize elected officials, private citizens, public employees, businesses, and intergovernmental teams for their outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the regional community.

Stay tuned for more information!

#### Call for 2018 Nominations for LCOG Appreciation Awards

The Lane Council of Governments is accepting nominations for formal recognition of an elected official, a private citizen, a public employee, a public career, economic enhancement and an intergovernmental team as being notably outstanding in their service, leadership and commitment to the regional community. You are invited to submit nominations of candidates in any or all of the six award categories.

Anyone may nominate a person or group to be considered for any of the awards.

The procedure governing these awards sets forth the following criteria for award nominees. The candidate must be:

- A resident of Lane County or have a Lane County location as his/her principal place of employment or community service.
- Have a service, employment, or (in the case of Outstanding Elected Official nominees) a public office-affiliation with LCOG, one or more of its member agencies or their associated programs and services.
- Demonstrated commitment to effective local government, regional cooperation and the welfare of the citizenry.

A “screening committee,” comprised of the LCOG Executive Committee, will consider the nominations submitted and will identify a single recipient for each award.

Please consider submitting an application to recognize outstanding achievements in our region. Nominations should include a statement of no more than three pages in length describing the nominee’s contributions to the community, the nominee’s achievements, and the rationale for the selection of that nominee as the award recipient.

I ask that you submit nominations by Monday, January 28. Nominations can be sent to me at: Email Nomination

Thank you in advance for your help with this!

#### League of Oregon Cities Podcast on Housing and Homelessness

This is a link to Episode 6 of the LOC's City Focus – the podcast from the League of Oregon Cities.
This episode features LOC lobbyist Erin Doyle talking about Housing and Homelessness and how the LOC seeks to provide tools and resources to address this statewide issue. I thought this might be helpful as this is an important topic being discussed in our region. Listen to Episode 6 here.

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**Things Going on at LCOG**

**Job Openings at LCOG:**

- **Eligibility Specialist** - ($19.08 - $26.00 per hour) Closes December 12
- **Minutes Recorder** - ($22.25 per hour) Open Until Filled

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**Things Going on in the Region**

**Coburg:** Christmas in Coburg and Light Parade. December 8 and 9. Learn more [here](#).

**Cottage Grove:** Christmas Bird Count. Register soon to secure your preferred birding location. Learn more [here](#).

**Creswell Schools:** Come sing with Community Choir. Rehearsals start December 11; concert December 19. Learn more [here](#).

**Emerald People’s Utility District:** Offering Rebate for Hybrid Electric Water Heater. Ends December 31. Learn more [here](#). EPUD gives customers $100 if they register their electric vehicle. Learn more [here](#).

**Eugene:** City will plant 2,000 giant sequoia trees by 2021 in honor of hosting the 2021 IAAF World Track and Field Championships. Learn more [here](#).

**Eugen 4j School District:** Student recognized for suicide prevention efforts. Learn more [here](#).

**Eugene - Springfield Fire:** New CPR mobile app. Learn more [here](#).

**EWEB:** New power outage map. Learn more [here](#).

**Fern Ridge Library:** Housing Readiness Class. Weekly classes, January 15 - February 19. Learn more [here](#).

**Florence:** Florence Public Arts Committee is accepting applications for new members. The deadline for applications is December 31. Learn more [here](#).

**Junction City:** Holiday Lights Parade – Dec. 7. Learn more [here](#).

**Lane Community College:** to partner with OSU, NCU to save students money and time. Learn more [here](#).

**Lane County:** Evaluating site for future public shelter. Learn more [here](#).
Oakridge: Several city committee positions are open. Learn more [here](#).

South Lane Schools: Hosted their annual Veteran's Day lunch. Learn more [here](#).

Springfield: Egan Warming Center finds much needed home in Springfield. Learn more [here](#). Winter Solstice Celebration at Dorris Ranch. December 21. Learn more [here](#).

Springfield Public Schools: Seeking input for new superintendent. Learn more [here](#).

Willamalane: Giving Tree event, December 3 - 15. Learn more [here](#).

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