



# INDIVISIBLE BENTON COUNTY

N e w s l e t t e r

**April 21, 2026**

Our next General Meeting will be **Wednesday, April 22**, from **6:30 to 8:30 pm** at the **Corvallis Community Center** (not the Library). Our guest speaker will be Yema Measho, JD, who will speak about her work as an immigration attorney. [Read more about her work here.](#)

*Please note: We are sending a shortened-format newsletter, since it is the week of a General Meeting.*

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**CALENDAR**

- **4/29** | Song gathering. See flyer below. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)

Daily weekday protests. Benton County Courthouse,  
Noon - 1 pm, every weekday.

**Bold items are new/revised since last newsletter.**

*Scroll down for flyers about other community events.*

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### May

- **5/1** | Postcarding, 1 - 3 pm, Corvallis Plaza. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/1** | **May Day Nationwide Day of Economic Disruption. See below!**
- **5/2** | Visibility Brigade Freeway Overpass Bannering, 2 - 3:30 pm. For location, email [visibilitybrigadebc@gmail.com](mailto:visibilitybrigadebc@gmail.com).
- **5/3** | Peace & Justice Jam, 6 pm, Common Fields.
- **5/6** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/6** | Song gathering. See flyer below. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/6** | [Corvallis Election Town Hall](#). 6 pm, Linn-Benton Community College's Benton Center. See below.
- **5/13** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/13** | Song gathering. See flyer below. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/13** | Indivisible General Meeting. **NOTE location: [Corvallis Library](#)**. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/15** | Postcarding, 10 am - 12 pm, Natural Grocers. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/19** | **[Oregon's Primary Election](#). Remember to vote!**
- **5/20** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/20** | Song gathering. See flyer below. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/27** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)
- **5/27** | Indivisible General Meeting. **NOTE location: Corvallis Community Center**. Sign up on [Mobilize!](#)

*To learn more about our ongoing campaigns, visit <https://indivisiblebc.org/ongoing-campaigns/>.*

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[Click Here for Info About Oregon's May 19 Primary Election](#)

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**May Day Nationwide Day of Economic Disruption**

**INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY**

**MAY 1**

**WORKERS  
HAVE THE POWER  
— TO DEFEAT —  
TRUMP'S AGENDA!**

**NO SCHOOL. NO WORK. NO SHOPPING.**

**CORVALLIS**

**Benton County 19DM**

# Courthouse



PSL (Party for Socialism and Liberation), Third Act Corvallis, and other groups are organizing local events in support of the [May Day Nationwide Day of Collective Action](#). The central action will be a proactive, nonviolent choice to engage in little-to-no economic activity on May 1.

From the Great Strike of 1877 to the recent General Strike in Minneapolis, history has shown that the more people involved, the more we can overcome obstacles and find a way to support each other. There are challenges, there are risks, but the more of us involved, the more we can lessen the risk.

Immigrant rights groups, anti-war groups, and those fighting for healthcare, lower housing prices, education, and more must unite. When we merge our existing organizations, there is nothing we can't overcome, and history proves that.

This May Day, it's time for a national shutdown: **NO business as usual, NO work, NO school, NO shopping**. This is how General Strikes have historically emerged in this country, by merging our collective organizations with the anger, indignation, and determination of the masses of people to act.

We can turn the tide. It is already starting to turn. Now is the time. It has happened before, and it can happen again!

We encourage you to participate in the general strike, to the extent that you are able. If you can spend no money on May 1, that's fantastic. If you can walk away from work or school, wonderful! Join a local activity? Also great! Activities are planned at OSU and the Courthouse.

## **Oregon State University**

All are welcome - students, workers, alumni, and community members! We'll be meeting at 12 pm for a rally to demand affordability, freedom, and safety at our school. Bring your own signs! Sign up on [Mobilize](#).

## **Benton County Courthouse**

Rally starting at 12 pm. Sign up on [Mobilize](#).

*A core principle behind all our events is a commitment to nonviolent action. We expect all participants to seek to de-escalate any potential confrontation with those who disagree with our values and to act lawfully at these events. Weapons of any kind, including those legally permitted, should not be brought to events.*

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## **Educational Forum: Day Without An Immigrant**



# DAY WITHOUT AN IMMIGRANT

JOIN US FOR AN EDUCATIONAL FORUM & DISCUSSION ON THE HISTORY BEHIND THE MOVEMENT



## SAT APR 25 | 3PM

**MANYWORLD 1013 NW TAYLOR AVE, CORVALLIS**

**\*\*MASKS REQUIRED AND PROVIDED\*\***

On May 1st, 2006, workers across the country walked out of their jobs, students left classrooms, and businesses shut their doors to make one simple truth loud and clear: the U.S. economy runs on immigrant labor.

The movement, known as "A Day Without Immigrants," defeated some of the worst legislative attacks of that moment and forced the country to reckon with the power of immigrant workers. It demonstrated just what can happen when the people who keep society running stand up for their rights and shut it down.

Today, as the attacks on immigrants escalate and as the U.S. wages war around the world, causing even more immigration, it is time for workers to show their true power once again.

In preparation for this upcoming May Day, join an educational forum on **Saturday, April 25** to learn about the history behind the movement and how we can do it again!

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### Upcoming Community Events





# Your Family Your Community Your Oregon

## Town Halls Exploring the Impacts of Federal Action on Oregonians

SAFETY  
HEALTH CARE  
HOUSING  
AFFORDABILITY

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

■ KIDS WELCOME ■

(free childcare - Albany only)

### APRIL 18

#### Albany Riverfront Community Center

FREE CHILDCARE | ALBANY ONLY

FREE CHILDCARE | ALBANY ONLY

### APRIL 25

#### C3 - Corvallis Community Center

MORE INFO:



**TOWN HALL**

Join Representative David Gomberg and Secretary of State Tobias Read for updates and Q&A

**TWO DATES AND LOCATIONS IN DISTRICT 10**

📅 Saturday, April 25, 2026	📅 Saturday, May 9, 2026
🕒 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	🕒 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
📍 Philomath High School Auditorium	📍 Lincoln City Community Center

Scan to RSVP and pre-submit questions

David Gomberg

Tobias Read

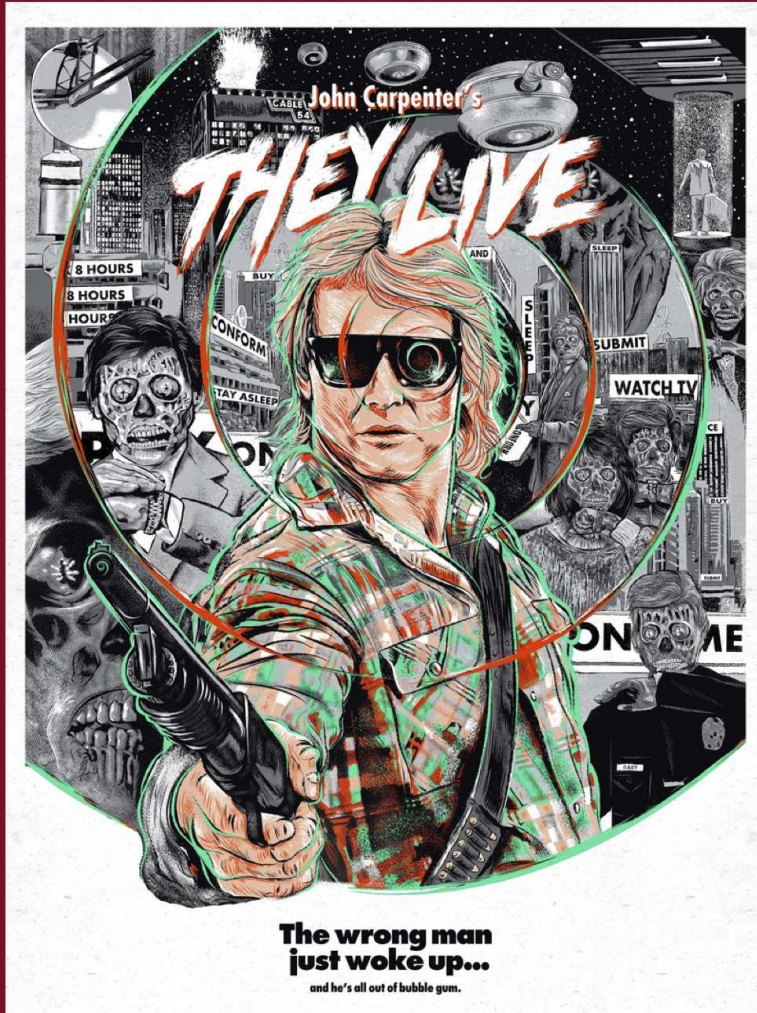
Join Secretary of State Tobias Read and Oregon District 9 Representative David Gomberg for an engaging discussion on voting and this year's elections.

Philomath - **Saturday, April 25th @ 1:30 PM (Philomath High School Auditorium; 2054 Applegate St, Philomath, OR 97370)**

Lincoln City- **Saturday, May 9th @ 9:30 AM (Lincoln City Community Center; 2150 NE Oar Pl, Lincoln City, OR 97367)**

RSVP and submit comments using [this link](#). Pre-submitted questions will have greater chance of being answered during the Q&A portion, due to the volume of expected attendees.

# WHITESIDE THEATRE



**SPECIAL SCREENING!**  
361 SW MADISON AVE CORVALLIS, OR

## **THEY LIVE (1988)**

**MAY 1ST AT 7PM**

**\$8-\$10**



**TICKET PROCEEDS AIDING THE PORTLAND  
IMMIGRANT RIGHTS COALITION**



# THE MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY CONVENTION FOR COMMUNITY DEFENSE & IMMIGRANT JUSTICE



**FREE  
TRAININGS  
RESOURCES  
SPEAKERS  
& MORE**

REGISTER HERE



**SATURDAY | APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> | 9 AM - 4 PM**  
1998 Lansing Ave NE Salem OR 97301



American  
Friends  
Service  
Committee



★★ YOUR VOTE. YOUR VOICE. ★★  
**Corvallis Town Hall**



Secretary of State  
**Tobias  
Read**



Senator  
**Sara  
Gelser Blouin**



Representative  
**Sarah  
Finger McDonald**

★★★★★

Questions about this year's elections? Join us on:

**Wednesday, May 6 at 6:00 pm**

**Benton Center, Linn-Benton Community College  
757 NW Polk Ave., Corvallis, OR 97330**

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ASL and Spanish interpretation provided.

RSVP using the QR code or the web address:  
[sos.oregon.gov/elections/pages/town-hall-rsvp.aspx](https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/pages/town-hall-rsvp.aspx)





## TRAININGS FOR 2026

# MIGRA WATCH

Skill up and learn how to show up for your neighbors. Join us for our next ICE Watch trainings! **No prior experience is required.**

### UPCOMING TRAININGS: (ALL VIRTUAL)

- Tuesday, April 21st
- Saturday, April 25th
- Wednesday, May 13th
- Saturday, May 16th
- Tuesday, June 9th
- Saturday, June 20th



*Links to RSVP will be available 1 week before each training in our linktree.*

RURAL RAINBOW COALITION + CORVALLIS PRIDE PRESENT:

# ALT PROM: } FRIDAY GOTHIC GLAM } 05/22

A SAFE AND AFFIRMING PROM EVENT  
FOR LGBTQIA+ TEENS AND ALLIES

FREE!

*MUSIC • FOOD • PHOTO BOOTH  
MINI DRAG SHOW*



AGES: 14-18  
SCHOOL ID REQUIRED

6:30PM-9PM

CORVALLIS COMMUNITY CENTER

2601 NW TYLER AVE, CORVALLIS, OR 97330



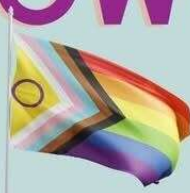
# WE'RE LOW ON CANNED VEGETABLES!



**DONATE DURING OUR OPEN HOURS:  
CORN, GREEN BEANS, PEAS,  
CARROTS, HOMINY, SPINACH,  
SWEET POTATO, AND MORE**

South Corvallis Food Bank; 1800 SW 3rd St #110  
Call **541-753-4263** for drop-off times

# RAINBOW FAMILY CIRCLE



Free dinner & childcare!  
Fun Raffle!



Join our free discussion & support circle of LGBTQ2SIA+ parents, caregivers, and families of LGBTQ2SIA+ youth. Share, feel heard, and build community.

Meets every other Thurs. evening in Corvallis starting 4/2 registrants will receive exact time, dates, & location



The group is facilitated by **affirming** parenting educators! Topics will be customized to suit the interests and needs of those who attend.

To sign up and be contacted, email [parkerla@linnbenton.edu](mailto:parkerla@linnbenton.edu)

Questions? Reach out to [parentinged@linnbenton.edu](mailto:parentinged@linnbenton.edu)



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## CHANCE Summer Essentials:



Water bottles!!!

Electrolyte packets / drinks

Sunscreen / Aloe

Weather-Appropriate Clothing

(Tank Tops, Shorts, Sandals, Flip Flops)

Deodorant / Hygiene Items

First Aid Supplies, Chapstick

Protein bars / Drinks

Individually Wrapped Snacks / Foods

Hats / Sunglasses / Umbrellas

Backpacks / Bags

Bugspray

Help CHANCE make a difference in our community for those who need it most this summer. Drop-off donations can be delivered at any of our locations!

[www.chancerecovery.org](http://www.chancerecovery.org)

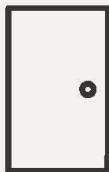
P: (541) 791-3411

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**Keep Our Community Safe**

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WITH IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

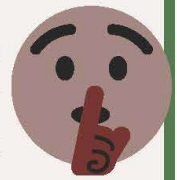
## DON'T OPEN THE DOOR



Communicate through the window or closed door. Immigration can only enter your home with an arrest warrant signed by a judge

## REMAIN SILENT AND DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING

You have the right not to speak. Say out loud that you will not answer questions or sign any documents without a lawyer present.



## DO NOT GIVE PERMISSION FOR SEARCH



You have the right to refuse permission for immigration authorities or police to enter or search your car or person unless they have a warrant signed by a judge.

## TAKE PHOTOS, VIDEO AND/OR NOTES

Inform the officer that you will be using your right to record. Take photos, record the interaction, and write down the details.



## REPORT ICE ACTIVITY TO THE COMMUNITY HOTLINE



PIRC will contact rapid response teams that will verify and document immigration activity and offer support to affected people.

## CONFIRM NEWS AND RUMORS

Do not share unverified information, as this only creates fear. Ask people sharing news about ICE to share their sources and have witnesses call PIRC to verify.



**PIRC HOTLINE:  
1-888-622-1510**

# COMMUNITY ALERT

The PIRC hotline has seen an exponential increase in the number of calls we are receiving during this current assault on our communities. The hotline is staffed almost entirely by volunteers who are working around the clock to respond to this crisis. In order to help us meet the challenges of this moment and to center those most impacted, we have an ask of the community.



## Please continue to CALL the hotline with any urgent concerns:

- You are witnessing ICE presence (suspected or confirmed)
- You have witnessed or have information about an ICE detention
- You're looking for a missing loved one

## Please TEXT the hotline with nonurgent issues:

- Questions about accessing non urgent resources (as long as it isn't needed within the next 24 hours).
- Photos of possible ICE sightings, license plates, etc. If urgent, please call first before sending text messages



## Please EMAIL:

- [press@pircoregon.org](mailto:press@pircoregon.org) for any media inquiries.
- [volunteers@pircoregon.org](mailto:volunteers@pircoregon.org) for questions about volunteering, donating to the PIRC Resource Center, and Migra Watch.
- [pircpdx@gmail.com](mailto:pircpdx@gmail.com) with any VIDEO footage of ICE activity (please be sure to include information about date, time, location, any other relevant info) OR any other general inquiries



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## Indivisible Benton County's Action Committees

Most of Indivisible BC's work is done by our four loosely organized action committees. To read about the general organization of our committees, visit our website [HERE](#).

**To join or learn more about any committee, please email [indivisible.bc.or@gmail.com](mailto:indivisible.bc.or@gmail.com) with the name of the committee(s), or attend the committee meeting at the next general meeting.**

### Our Mission

Indivisible Benton County is a grassroots organization of volunteers committed to advance bold and progressive actions and policies. We are determined to resist corruption, authoritarianism, and inequality. We educate, engage, and mobilize to promote values of inclusion, tolerance and fairness with the goal of helping build a more perfect and representative government that is For The People and By The People.

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