



INDIVISIBLE
BENTON COUNTY

Newsletter



On Wednesday, around 100 people packed the council chambers at Albany City Hall. In front of the standing-room only crowd, over 30 Albany residents made statements urging the council to cancel Albany's Flock contract, compared to only a few supportive testimonies. Albany also received 25 to 30 written comments.

[According to the Gazette-Times](#), 'By the end of Wednesday's meeting, [Albany City Councilor] Van Drimmelen said he had been "very much of two minds" about Flock, but **public testimony had tipped the scales.**' This win demonstrates the importance of showing up to make your voice heard. It also underscores that, while we often focus on politics at the federal and state levels, local governments have a direct impact on people's lives.

In this newsletter, learn about opportunities to comment on **data centers in Oregon (TODAY, Zoom)**, to learn about **running for office in Corvallis (June 8, in person and Zoom)**, and to **encourage Albany to ban private ALPR cameras (July 8, in person & virtual)**.

Democracy is not a spectator sport!

CALENDAR

June

- **6/03** | Corvallis Housing First: Spring into housing. See below.
- **6/03** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/05** | Postcarding. 1 - 3 pm, The Plaza. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/05** | Visibility Brigade Banner Making Session, 4-5:30 pm, Unitarian Fellowship, 2945 NW Circle. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/06** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **6/06** | Democracy Day, national freeway bannering. See below. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/07** | Pride in the Park. See below.
- **6/10** | Indivisible General Meeting. **Corvallis Library.** [Sign up!](#)
- **6/10** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/13** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **6/14** | Piñata Workshop. See below!
- **6/14** | **No Kings Watch Party in the Park! See below.**
- **6/17** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/20** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **6/20** | Philomath Pride. See below.
- **6/20** | Juneteenth Homecoming Celebration. See below.

June/July

- **6/24** | **Indivisible General Meeting, Corvallis Community Center.** - Cancelled
- **6/24** | Weekly Wednesday Protest. [Sign up!](#)
- **6/27 - 6/28** | Resistance Bootcamp, Portland. [Info here.](#)
- **6/27** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **6/28** | Albany Pride. See below.
- **6/28** | Open Streets Corvallis. See below.
- **7/04** | Independence Day in Corvallis.
- **7/08** | Indivisible General Meeting, **Corvallis Library.** [Sign up!](#)
- **7/11** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **7/18** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.
- **7/22** | Indivisible General Meeting, **Corvallis Community Center.** [Sign up!](#)
- **7/25** | Indivisible BC at the Saturday Market. 8am - 1pm.

Scroll down for flyers about other community events.

Indivisible Benton County Activities



Visibility Brigades across the country will be displaying banners on freeway overpasses to commemorate World War II D-Day and to shine the light on our current fight for democracy. We will be coordinating with other banner groups up and down the Willamette Valley on I-5 and I-84. Email visibilitybrigade@indivisiblebc.org for more info.

- 6/5, 4-5:30 at the Unitarian Fellowship, 2945 NW Circle. **Banner Making Session:** [Sign up!](#)
- 6/6, 10:30am – 12pm, **D-day National Freeway Bannering:** [Sign up!](#)

Volunteers Needed for Open Streets Community Chalk Mural!

At [Corvallis Open Streets](#) on June 28, we'll be making a giant community chalk mural that says "SAVE OUR DEMOCRACY!" We will invite people to decorate the letters and add artwork around them.

We need volunteers to: sketch out the big letters, staff the table, participate in the chalking, and help draw in people to chalk.

We especially need volunteers for the 12-2 pm and 2-4 pm shifts.

Email visibilitybrigade@indivisiblebc.org.



We need volunteers to staff the Indivisible Benton County table at these events!

Philomath Pride - June 20

Email: events@indivisiblebc.org

Albany Pride - June 28

Email: events@indivisiblebc.org

Farmers Market - Every Saturday through November!

Email: farmersmarket@indivisiblebc.org

June 14th Rise Up, Sing Out Watch Party



On June 14th, Flag Day and the anniversary of No Kings, the No Kings Coalition is partnering with the Committee for the First Amendment for a national day of action, "Rise Up, Sing Out." Their livestream event will be an uplifting evening of music & speeches, featuring an all-star lineup including Jane Fonda, Patti Smith, Bette Midler, Rufus Wainwright, Joy Reid, Wilson Cruz, Broadway Inspirational Voices, and more.

Indivisible BC is hosting a family-friendly potluck watch party. In addition to the concert, we will be creating art to display as outreach to the community, playing fun democracy-themed games, and building community. Folks who are new to organizing and activism, or interested in becoming more involved, are welcome!

Fireside Shelter at Avery Park (1200 SW Avery Park Dr, Corvallis)

Sunday, June 14, 3 - 7 pm. Livestream starts at 4:30 pm.

If you are able, please bring food or non-alcoholic drinks to share. Additionally, Good Trouble Corvallis will be collecting non-perishable food for local food banks.

Please email events@indivisiblebc.org if you are interested in helping with the event.

Local and State Actions



Public Listening Session

June 2, 2026 | 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

[Join via Zoom here.](#)

Members of [Oregon's Data Center Advisory Committee](#) will be online to hear public comments regarding data centers in Oregon. All attendees will be given 3-5 minutes to share their perspectives on a first-come, first-served basis.



All nine Corvallis City Council seats, plus the Mayor, will be on the ballot in November. On **Mon., June 8 at 6:00pm**, learn about the responsibilities and duties of elected officials, as well as the process of running for office. This event will not be a forum for debating issues, nor will it address how to campaign for office. Everyone is welcome, especially those interested in running for City Council.

Madison Avenue Meeting Room, 500 SW Madison Ave., Corvallis; or [sign up here](#) to attend **virtually on Zoom**. A recording will be made available on the City website.

Tell Albany: No ALPRs Anywhere!

While Albany police will no longer use Flock cameras, private properties, such as Lowe's, have their own. Albany City Councilor Carolyn McLeod has requested that city staff research the feasibility of prohibiting the use of all automated license plate reader (ALPR) systems, like Flock, within Albany city limits. This would make Albany the first city in Oregon to completely ban public **and private** use of ALPRs. The analysis will be concluded by the City Council meeting (**July 8 at Albany City Hall/virtual**).

Continue to [contact your Albany councilors](#) to demand an end to ALPRs in Albany everywhere!

Quick Indivisible National Actions

1) [Call your representative](#) and [both of your senators](#) and demand they investigate ICE's detention facilities, expose the conditions that immigrants are facing, and block any additional funding for ICE and Border Patrol. Then, encourage your friends and neighbors to call their Members of Congress, too.

2) [Email your Members of Congress and tell them to block Trump's corrupt slush fund for insurrectionists](#). Then, drive the message home by calling as well. [Click here to call your representative's office](#) and then [contact your senators here](#).

Support Immigrant Communities



Piñata Workshop

Celebrate National Children's Day at this educational, family-friendly fundraiser activity

Learn about the fascinating history behind the piñata, then decorate and fill your very own piñatas to take home! All materials provided.

\$25-50 donation/piñata encouraged. Scan this code or email FUNdraiser_541@proton.me to secure your spots and learn more!

Sunday, June 14th

Avery Park Lions Shelter

12pm-2:30pm

Stay 'til the end to help smash a GIANT piñata!



Your sliding scale donation will support vulnerable immigrant families in our community. To learn more about the NeST fund visit tinyurl.com/caringforneighbors



CASA LATINOS UNIDOS FUNDRAISER



Help our most vulnerable Latino/a communities in Linn and Benton Counties. 100% of your donations will help supply local families with food, household supplies, toiletries, and other necessities.

Matching Funds Available!

Sign up for regular monthly donations and your initial contribution will be **DOUBLED!**



*While funds last. Donations to Casa Latinos Unidos are tax-deductible. <https://casalatinosunidos.org>
Mail check donations to PO Box 716, Corvallis, OR, 97339. Made possible with support from Indivisible Benton County and East Linn Indivisible.



VIRTUAL TRAINING

MIGRA WATCH ICE WATCH

**TUES JUNE 9TH
7PM**
RSVP bit.ly/JUNE-9

Learn how to:

- Safely and accurately identify and respond to potential ICE activity in your neighborhood
- Get plugged into **PIRC's** rapid response network

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED.
SHOW UP. SKILL UP. PLUG IN.



Support Local Community Events



CORVALLIS HOUSING FIRST
**JUNE 3,
2026**
CS CORVALLIS
COMMUNITY CENTER
5:30PM - 7:30PM
DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM
JOIN US FOR DINNER,
DRINKS, LIVE MUSIC,
AND COMMUNITY!

**SPRING
INTO
HOUSING**



Enjoy a fun evening featuring tacos and drinks, live music, and interactive community art. \$15 donation requested to help cover event costs, so funds raised during the event can go directly toward providing housing solutions and services to end homelessness and improve lives!

Sign up on [EVENTBRITE](https://www.eventbrite.com). Email development@corvallahousingfirst.org with any questions.

Parks & Recreation, Majestic Theatre, Corvallis Pride,
and the Rural Rainbow Coalition welcome you

PRIDE IN THE PARK

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

AT 1:00PM

COMMUNITY. COLOR. CELEBRATION.

PAINT THE SIDEWALK WITH RAINBOW PAINT!

ACTIVITIES

Face Painting
Balloon Artist

ENTERTAINMENT

Drag Story Time
Music with Karen Sikich

FEATURED FUN

Dunk a Drag Queen
Bounce Houses

Avery Park, on SW Avery Park Ln

All Ages & Abilities Welcome



THE MAJESTIC THEATRE



Linn Benton NAACP Juneteenth Celebration

Sat., June 20, 2-7 pm
Corvallis Community Center (2601 NW Tyler Avenue).

FREE. Everyone is Welcome!

Featuring: Keynote Speaker Dr. Dana Emerson; Music & Dancing; Games & Activities; Delicious Food from Smith Catering

We have New Email Addresses!

Email info@indivisiblebc.org, with general questions, comments, and suggestions.

Email newsletter@indivisiblebc.org, to send items for the newsletter (space permitting, and subject to editorial review).

Email voter@indivisiblebc.org with questions or comments about voter outreach.

Email legislative@indivisiblebc.org for legislative-related issues.

Email events@indivisiblebc.org for questions about specific events.

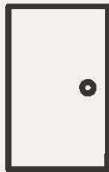
Email community@indivisiblebc.org for questions about community outreach activities.

To read about the general organization of our committees, visit our website [HERE](#).

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 for any media inquiries.
- volunteers@pircoregon.org for questions about volunteering, donating to the PIRC Resource Center, and Migra Watch.
- 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



HOTLINE: 1-888-622-1510



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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