

# Your Gifts at Work in Oregon

## State employees are giving generously to the CFD and having fun too!

State offices, and the employees who work there, are digging deep this year to help more than 850 charities who are working in all corners of Oregon.

Already, donations are coming in to the Charitable Fund Drive, and they look good!

- **Oregon Housing and Community Services** — Theresa Wingard and Dan Elliott broke the record set last year in their department by boosting participation to 82% and raising \$19,348, an increase of 45%.
- **The Governor's Office**, in just its first batch of pledges, have already topped last year's total by 57 percent!
- **Oregon University System's Chancellor's Office** continues its record-breaking tradition of giving, already surpassing last year's total gifts by 12%.
- **Division of State Lands**: increased 45% over 2007's total.

Some of the CFD events designed to get people's attention, raise donations and have a little fun during the campaign have included:

- Halloween costume competitions
- "Wii" virtual bowling and boxing tournaments
- "Chubby Bunny" competition (where participants stuff their cheeks with mega-marshmallows and try to say "chubby bunny".)
- A charity "circus" complete with homemade caramel apples and fresh popcorn

If you haven't turned in your pledge form to your office's CFD Site Coordinator, please do so soon! Some campaigns in State offices are already wrapping up.



**State offices have been abuzz with fun events during the CFD.**

**(top):** Tony Stroh from Children's Trust Fund brought hula-hoops to Administrative Services' Circus day. **(upper middle):** "Auto-berfest" at Lottery featured a classic car show and barbecue lunch.

**(lower middle):** Transportation employees like Lois Oesch competed in a ping-pong tournament.

**(lower):** Bob Baker from Community Health Charities talked to a Lottery employee about his giving options.

## Thank-you event for CFD Coordinators planned for Dec. 11th in Salem

In hundreds of State of Oregon offices, Agency and Site Coordinators made sure State employees had Charitable Fund Drive pledge forms. They planned potluck lunches and bake sales and informational events. They connected their co-workers to Oregon's nonprofit community.

And on Dec. 11th, we'll say "Thanks for your work!" The event will run from 9:00—10:30, at Oregon State Fairgrounds, in Cascade Hall.

If you served as a Site or Agency Coordinator, join all the Charitable Fund Drive charities and leaders from the Department of Administrative Services for coffee, breakfast treats, and recognition!

We want to have enough tasty treats, so please RSVP for the event with Deb Furry, 503-528-2783 or via email [cmoteam@earthlink.net](mailto:cmoteam@earthlink.net).

Visit the CFD website: [www.oregoninvolved.org/cfd](http://www.oregoninvolved.org/cfd)

## Get involved in Oregon

- **Submit your design for the new Charitable Fund Drive logo by Nov. 17th. Get all the details [HERE] and submit a design ASAP!**
- **[Habitat For Humanity of OR](#) — [Benton Habitat for Humanity](#) Home Building Volunteer Days — any Saturday in November.** Help build homes for working families in the Corvallis area. Just visit [Benton Habitat's web-site](#) to learn more and sign up to volunteer (groups and individuals welcomed.)
- **[United Way of the Columbia-Willamette](#) — Peninsula Children's Center in North Portland** needs classroom volunteers and "foster grandparents" to work with very young and school-age children. [More info...](#)
- **[Children's Trust Fund](#) SHOP ONCE, GIVE TWICE at [Our Children's Store](#) at Lloyd Center (2nd floor, near Marshall's and Sears), Portland.** Here you'll find gifts for all ages and all occasions, including gourmet foods, toys, home and garden items, holiday decorations, books and calendars, and unique products made by children. All profits benefit [25 local charities](#) that help kids.
- **[Work for Art](#) Come see [DO JUMP!](#) "Actorbats" Rehearse and Perform — Thu., Nov 20 & Fri., Nov 21, 11 am—3 pm — OMSI, 1945 SE Water Ave., Portland.** See [DO JUMP!](#) secrets revealed at OMSI. Learn how they create some of their most popular illusions, and participate in hands-on workshops.

For more ways to get involved in Oregon nonprofit groups, visit the [Volunteer](#) section of the CFD Web site, [www.oregoninvolved.org/cfd](http://www.oregoninvolved.org/cfd)

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