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## 12 of 13 Canby licensees tested pass OLCC-P.D. minor sales check

Twelve of 13 licensed liquor businesses tested in Canby refused to sell alcohol to a minor during recent compliance checking conducted by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and Canby Police.

The 92 percent passing rate is well above the statewide average of 76 percent recorded during OLCC compliance checks this year.

These licensees refused to sell to the minor volunteer: Tres Café, 243 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.; Fisher's Meats, 272 N. Grant; Mike's Place, 404 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.; Safeway, 1055 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.; Cutsforth Thriftway, 225 NE 2<sup>nd</sup>; 7-Eleven, 109 SE 1<sup>st</sup>; LA Mexicana, 733 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.; Fred Meyer, 1401 SE 1<sup>st</sup>; Lone Elder Market, 25995 S. Hwy. 170; Shriji Market, 891 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.; Rite Aid, 1025 SW 1st Ave.; Hwy. 99 South Canby Quik Mart, 1120 SW 1<sup>st</sup>.

TNT Market, 164 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., was the lone business to sell to the minor. Servers and bartenders or licensees whose employees provide alcohol to the minor or fail to verify their age, are subject to OLCC administrative sanctions including fines or license suspensions. Store clerks who sell are cited into court and face at least a \$350 fine.

Two OLCC inspectors, Canby police and a minor volunteer did the compliance testing Oct. 30 as part of the agency's effort to curtail drinking by minors, which is a serious problem throughout the state.

In a compliance test, the volunteer attempts to buy alcohol from licensees or their employees to determine if they are properly checking identification and obeying state law prohibiting alcohol sales to anyone under 21. The minors are supervised by OLCC inspectors or other law officers, carry their own legal ID and are advised not to disguise their age or encourage the sale of alcohol.

The OLCC tests about 1,600 licensed liquor businesses annually, along with a number of police agencies.

The OLCC offers training to store clerks, service permit holders and others on ID checking, identifying false identification and laws regarding minors and alcohol.