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Oregon Liquor Control Commission Encourages Responsible Tailgating

PORTLAND, OR – Labor Day weekend is the kickoff to college football season. The Oregon Liquor Control Commission encourages adults who are 21 years or older to make our teams proud by celebrating responsibly this tailgating season.

“Whether it’s before or after the big game, Oregon has thousands of licensed establishments to host your celebration,” said Rudy Williams, Public Safety Director for OLCC. “Have fun, eat a meal and have a drink. But know your limits and plan ahead for a safe ride home. Everyone wants the party to end on a high note, even if your team doesn’t win.”

Labor Day weekend is also the weekend before school begins. There is often an increase in underage parties the last weekend of summer break. “We hope parents will take the opportunity to talk to their kids about responsible drinking and set limits,” says Williams. “Recent studies show that parent involvement plays a big role in teens’ decisions not to binge drink.”

Oregon has over 12,000 liquor-licensed businesses that sell or serve alcohol and 246 liquor stores across the state.

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*Did you know that in the last two years, the OLCC distributed more than **\$350 million** to Oregon's General Fund, Cities, Counties, and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs? [See the distribution of dollars on OLCC's Website.](#)*