

# OYA Bulletin

## Oak Creek Special Edition

### Oak Creek Update

Work continues on the reopening of the Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility, scheduled for this winter. Significant renovation and remodel efforts are underway to create an environment designed specifically for serving young women. Workgroups and a steering committee meet regularly to guide the planning, preparation, and implementation of the facility's opening. Regular updates will be provided to keep staff and partners informed of progress and accomplishments.

#### Staff Selection Process

These last few weeks have been very busy with interviews and the hiring selection process. The Oak Creek team should be nearly complete by December 21st.

The Oak Creek management team is beginning to come together. The process to select the Oak Creek superintendent continues, with the agency enlisting assistance from a professional recruitment firm. Progress will be shared as this process continues.

- Alicia Baus, formerly the treatment manager at MacLaren YCF's Smith Cottage, has accepted the Program Director position.
- Jeff Tegner, formerly YCUC at Hillcrest YCF, has accepted the Treatment Manger position on the Birch Unit.
- The treatment manager positions for Aspen and Cedar units are currently open for job rotation applications until December 18th. Interviews for those positions will begin on December 26th.
- Selections for the Security Manager and Executive Support Specialist

positions are pending, and should be announced soon.

- Interviews to select the Cook Supervisor will take place on December 17th and 18th.
- Seventeen Group Life Coordinator II candidates currently employed by OYA have been selected to transfer to Oak Creek. These staff participated in a process to select their units and shifts on Thursday, December 13th. This process went smoothly and resulted in a group of experienced staff accepting assignments for each of the three living units and campus support.
- Interviews for GLC open competitive positions will take place December 18th and 19th. There are 23 full time positions available and four permanent part-time.
- Transfer candidate interviews for Cooks, RNs and QMHPs are completed, and shifts are being determined. Open competitive interviews for these classifications will conclude December 17th.
- Finalist interviews for Youth Corrections Unit Coordinators will be in early January after the Treatment Manager selections.
- Final interviews for the two Office Specialist II positions will be completed on December 17th and 18th.
- Open Competitive applications for the Rehabilitation Therapist and Volunteer Coordinator Manager close December 27th.

#### Remodel Process

Work on the renovation/remodel of the Oak Creek facility has multiple projects underway. The following photos are examples of some of the ongoing activities.

Mid-December, 2007



Above - Cedar Unit shower room concrete pour. Concrete substrate is ready for a mortar bed that will be topped with ceramic floor tile.



Above - Local Linn/Benton detention recreation yard excavation at sunset.



Above - Central courtyard grid layout; for positioning the location of side walks, the reflective pond, trees and furnishings.



Above - Interior painting is underway in the Unit Cedar dorm area

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