

To get information about events and issues in Rockwood,
go to:

www.geocities.com/rockwoodneighbors

This booklet provides resource information to benefit you *and* Rockwood's rebuilding efforts. Save this book for access to valuable phone numbers, ideas for tax-deductible donations and to stay informed on what is going on within the community.

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"MAX IT" to "THE MARKET!"



4 MORE WEEKENDS!

* June 19-20

* July 17-18

* Aug 21-22

* Sept 18-19

SAT— 10 - 8
SUN— 10 - 7

An EXCITING new "open air" market, featuring multi-cultural folk arts, crafts, food, music, and visual and performing arts from around the world.

19500 S.E. Stark Street ~ Gresham
(Kaiser's Rockwood Medical Center)

Plenty of parking available!

www.eastcountyonestop.org

ROCK SOUP

Kaiser's Rockwood Medical Center, 19500 SE Stark



MAY 23rd, 2004
12—5 P.M.

Save this booklet for valuable resource information!

Symbols & their definitions...



Donations needed



Volunteers needed



Assistance available



Phone contact

Email/website contact

ROCK SOUP

A RECIPE FOR REBUILDING . . .

Bring what you've got,

Put it in the pot

Every bit counts,

From the largest to the least

Together we can celebrate a Rock Soup Feast!

THROW IN SOME FUN, CARING & COMMITMENT

Cook Time: Check on your recipe once per year, but stir constantly!

By the time the recipe is done, you should see a complete community – tender to the touch, but bounces back!

In this booklet you will find:

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- Rockwood Projects Pages 14 –15

WHAT IS ROCK SOUP ALL ABOUT?

“Rock Soup” is Rockwood’s version of a world renowned folktale recognized by many titles—Stone Soup, Axe Soup, Nail Soup. Yet, all versions share one common lesson that is valuable to Rockwood ...

The story teaches the lesson that working together (to build soup, a community, etc.) can bring great results for everyone. We invite you to consider what ingredient you can add — big or small, toward Rockwood efforts. You can donate to an agency in this book, start a project on your own, or offer other support. Each of us brings value to our community and “Rock Soup” celebrates it!

Thanks to these people and organizations who have started the soup, by adding ingredients:

<i>Portland General Electric</i>	<i>Kaiser Permanente</i>
<i>Drake’s Seven Dee’s Nursery</i>	<i>Total Rental Center</i>
<i>MHCC-Workforce Connections</i>	<i>Reynolds School Dist.</i>
<i>Gresham Elks Club</i>	<i>Centennial Lions Club</i>
<i>Original Taco House</i>	<i>Starbucks Coffee</i>
<i>Gresham Neon Signs</i>	<i>Rockwood Weed & Seed</i>
<i>Rockwood Int’l Market.</i>	<i>Rockwood McDonald’s</i>
<i>Albertsons</i>	

ROCKWOOD PROJECTS/INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Pages 5-14 of this program outline many opportunities to become involved in your community. Projects are springing up all of the time!

If you have a specific project that you feel can benefit the Rockwood community, you can find support. Please consult specific organizations listed or go to www.geocities.com/rockwoodneighbors to find out how to get involved with an existing project, or how to get started on your own.



www.weedandseedoregon.org/rockwood
503.816.1530

Rockwood Weed and Seed is a community revitalization strategy that combines aspects of law enforcement with community development projects. The Rockwood Weed and Seed project addresses the following strategic areas:

**Community Policing;
Health and Social Services;
Neighborhood Revitalization;
Economic Development & Jobs.**

CITY PROJECTS IN ROCKWOOD

- **Stark Street Boulevard Project:** Upgrading Stark Street from 181st to 190th as a “boulevard” with enhanced pedestrian safety features. Contact Rebecca Ocken, Senior Transportation Planner, at 503-618-2756 or rebecca.ocken@ci.gresham.or.us.
- **Pat Pfiefer Park:** Wheelchair accessible pathway with trees and irrigation improvements are in the works. Contact: Ric Catron, Park Planner, at 503-618-2747 or richard.catron@ci.gresham.or.us.
- **Yamhill Green Street:** Construction on improvements to Yamhill Street from 190th to 197th (including a sidewalk) in an environmentally-friendly manner will get underway late summer/early fall. Contact Mike Green, Civil Engineer, at 503-618-2492 or mike.green@ci.gresham.or.us.

URBAN RENEWAL IN ROCKWOOD ...

What are the goals of Urban Renewal?

Job creation and neighborhood revitalization. The plan lists eight goals, which include improving the Rockwood Town Center (the Fred Meyer site and surrounding area), creating new public safety, parks, recreation and other community service facilities, increasing the availability of quality housing, improving industrial and commercial areas to create and retain family wage jobs, and improving transportation.

What can urban renewal do for Rockwood-West Gresham? The Plan is a 20-year plan with the intent of improving the economy and the community of Rockwood-West Gresham. The overall goals of the Plan are to support the development of businesses that create well paying jobs and to advance the quality of housing for current and future Rockwood residents. The Plan could achieve these goals by providing public investment to support industrial, commercial and residential development and rehabilitation.

Where can I get additional information? To get the Urban Renewal Newsletter: Call 503.618.2842 or email: rockwood@ci.gresham.or.us;

For questions on Urban Renewal: The City's website has a wealth of information, including the Plan itself, newsletters, and other information. The site is www.ci.gresham.or.us/rockwood. You can also call the city at 503.618-CITY.

Many efforts are going on to improve the Rockwood Community, bringing benefits to individuals, families and businesses.

For more information, go to the website: www.geocities.com/rockwoodneighbors and click on Involvement.



ROCK SOUP SCHEDULE

NOON TO 1 P.M.—INTRODUCTION TO OUR COMMUNITY. Come hear what is happening in Rockwood, meet your police chief, your elected officials, and find out about opportunities to rebuild.

1:00-2: SHOUT-OUT! is a non-profit, educational and musical organization dedicated to presenting a message of diversity, teamwork and mutual respect through public performance and community service.

2:00: ROCKWOOD CHILDREN—"FREE TO BE, YOU & ME" - Pine Apartments w/ AmeriCorps support

2:15: SLAVIC BAPTIST CHOIR Learn from our Russian neighbors through discussion and a choir performance from the Slavic Baptist Church

3:00: ALDER ELEMENTARY PERCUSSION & DANCE TROUPE African American flair

4:00: HISPANIC TRADITION: Learn traditions of our Hispanic community through a presentation and performance

The Story of Stone Soup goes like this . A traveler comes into a town knocking on doors and asking for a meal. Each neighbor turns him away, feeling they have nothing to offer. The traveler exclaims, "I think I will make some stone soup!" The neighbors watch as the man puts a large pot of water over the fire, throws in a stone and stirs away while exclaiming how good his soup would taste. Each neighbor, troubled by the traveler's tasteless soup finds one small ingredient to offer. *By the time the soup was boiled, the soup provided a complete meal to feed the community.*

THE STORY OF "ROCK SOUP" GOES LIKE THIS . . .

A neighborhood is facing hard times and residents are holding on to what they have left, with no hope of it getting better anytime soon. many groups are working behind the scenes to improve the neighborhood with little help. Community members gather at the ROCK SOUP EVENT. They find answers to questions about what can be done and they find they too might have ingredients they can add.

EACH INGREDIENT ADDED TO THE COMMUNITY WORKS TOWARD REBUILDING ROCKWOOD!

OPPORTUNITY

Abandoned buildings	Code Enforcement/ Bldg. Services	618-2463/ 618-2832
Abandoned vehicle hotline, Gresham	Gresham Police Department	618-3081
Business upkeep	Code Enforcement/Building Services	618-2463/618-2832
Crime tips	Non-emergency police	823-3333
Dispute management	Mediation Services	618-3247
Domestic Violence non-emergency assistance	District Attorney's Office	988-3873
Drug activity tip line – non- urgent	Gresham Police Department	661-DRUG (3784)
Dumping areas	Code Enforcement, City	618-2463
Gang/graffiti tip line/concerns non-urgent	Gresham Police Department	666-1844
Garbage added to dumpsters	Code Enforcement, City	618-2463
Illegal parking	Abandoned Vehicle Non-emergency Police	618-3181 823-3333
Mediation – neighbors	East Metro Mediation	618-3247
Neighborhood associations	Citizen Involvement Office	618-2537
Noise	Industrial noise, ongoing – Code Enforce. Party, music, etc. – Non-Emergency Police	618-2463 823-3333
Overflowing garbage	Code Enforcement, City	618-2463
Overgrown yards	Code Enforcement, City	618-2463
Parks maintenance	Parks Operations, City	618.2626
Rats/Rodents	Multnomah Co. Vector Control	988-3464
Speed bumps	Transportation Dept., City	618.2639
Street improvements	Transportation Dept., City	618.2639
Suspicious activity (not current or emergency)	Non-Emergency Police	823-3333
Traffic signs	Transportation Dept., City	618.2525
Unkempt property	Code Enforcement, City	618-2463
Volunteer opportunity	Citizen Involvement, City See organization index for many other opportunities.	618-2537

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State of Oregon - Dept. of Human Services

503.731.3111 volunteer.mult@state.or.us

2446 SE Ladd Ave. Portland, OR

Temporary aid to needy families, food stamps, child protective services, Oregon Health Plan, employment daycare, domestic violence assistance, foster and adoption services

children's books, monetary

Foster parenting, respite care providers, drivers, youth mentors, offer worker, assemble materials

The Salvation Army - Gresham Corps.

503.661.8792 elle@verizon.net

139 NE 4th Gresham, OR

Work with Rockwood youth teaching life skills, self esteem, support camp opportunities. Family service office available for Rockwood residents.

Food, material donations

Food pantry, youth activities with proper screening

SUN Community Schools

503.988.6295 x28835 may.p.cha@co.multnomah.or.us

Extended-day activities; individual, group, and family support provided through local schools & school districts.

Contact your local school district to find out the activities at your nearest school

OPPORTUNITY

Police Activities League of Greater Portland (PAL)



503.256.3479



mike@palkids.org

424 NE 172nd Portland, OR



Recreational and healthy activities and alternatives for children



Snacks for homework club



Supper program assistants, tutors, field trip chaperones

Russian Oregon Social Services



503.777.3437



tgalina@emoregon.org

4033 SE Woodstock blvd. Portland, OR



Services to the Russian-speaking immigrant and refugee population



Clerical, ESL tutors, breast health educators, mentors, attorneys

Shared Housing - Ecumenical Ministries of OR



503.225.9924



housing@emoregon.org

2906 NE Glisan St. Portland, OR



Offer match services for home sharing - low rent to no rent housing (exchange of housing for services).



Home providers with low cost rooms for rent or in trade for services; people interested in doing service work in trade for rent; volunteers to be case managers for senior/disabled home providers.

SnowCap Community Charities



503.674.8785 x19



dmooney@snowcap.org

Site: 17805 SE Stark (behind church) mail: PO Box 160, Fairview 97024



Provide food, children's clothes, community garden and various emergency services like heat assistance, prescriptions, bus tickets, ESL classes, books for children



Food, children's clothes, monetary donations



Drivers to deliver items, package preparers, tutors for ESL, assist at clothes closet

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Camp Fire USA, Portland Metro Council



503.224.7800



mmarsett@portlandcampfire.org

619 SW 11th #200 Portland, OR



After-school youth development programs in 4 Centennial Schools.



Student art materials, old bicycle parts



Mentors, individuals to teach specific skills (cooking, art, environment, etc.), office help, other opportunities

Centennial Lions Club



503.665.3440



jlbilderback@juno.com

15 SE 199th Portland OR



Financial assistance for eye and ear needs for those who cannot afford medical-related costs. Support East County non-profits who assist the handicapped. Provide assistance to elderly when possible, Litter patrol on Halsey from 181st to 202nd.



Cooperation with community projects to envision, implement and operate.



We need members to continue our efforts and increase significant community projects.

Childcare Development Services



503.491.2851



melissa@metroccrr.org

912 NE Kelly Ave, Suite 239 Gresham, OR



Child care provider training, referrals, educating parents about quality child care. DHS and teen parent subsidies.



HAVE A TASTE OF WHAT A DIVERSE COMMUNITY CAN BRING.
SAMPLE THE SOUPS COURTESY OF LOCAL ESTABLISHMENTS!

City of Gresham - Rockwood focus

 503.618.2489 (CITY)  info@ci.gresham.or.us

1333 NW Eastman Parkway Gresham, OR

 Overall government services including Rockwood specific projects.

Examples: Rockwood West Gresham Urban Renewal, Rockwood Business Assistance Program, Rockwood Design and Redevelopment plan, public safety initiatives

 Yes. Please contact us for more information

Community Against Domestic Violence (CADV)

 503.667.0773  ronmetro@juno.com

 Awareness, education & resources concerning domestic violence and helping families heal from abuse & trauma

Community Alliance of Tenants

 503.460.9702  leacat@aracnet.com

2710 NE 14th Portland, OR

 Renter's rights info through hotline, support to tenants who want to organize for repairs. Advocacy for affordable housing and renter's rights policies.

 Membership donation, \$10/year

 Yes. Hotline and volunteers for other programs

Community Court Project

 503.988-3860  gayle.brooks@mcda.us

1021 SW 4th Ave, Portland, OR

 Arranges restitution for crimes within the area with service payback to the local community.

 Participate in arranging/suggesting payback projects

Portland Literacy Council

 503.284.9013  gmarschke@hotmail.com

6027 NE 34th Portland, OR

 Recruiting volunteer tutors and supporting existing community literacy programs.

 Monetary, or through purchasing artwork.

 Literacy tutors.

Rockwood Library (Multnomah County)

 503.988.5731  www.multcolib.org/vol

Branch: 180th & SE Stark/ **Volunteer Services:** 205 NE Russell St.

 Provide materials, programs, information and other library services to the community.

 Arranged through www.multcolib.org/vol

Rockwood Neighborhood Association

 503.666.2776  rogermeyer@earthlink.net

18162 E. Burnside Portland OR

 Support for resident concerns regarding livability, safety, land use, environmental and residential code. All residents invited to meetings..

 Resident and business owner participation for committees, projects and assistance.

Rockwood Weed & Seed

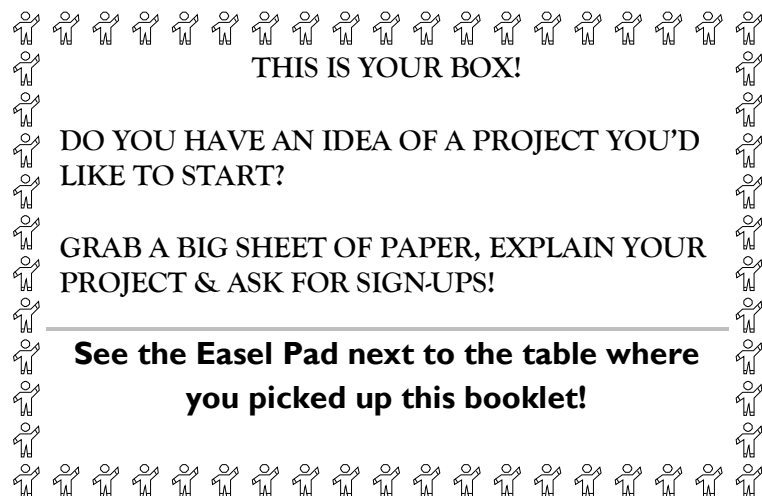
 503.816.1530  seed@palkids.org

424 NE 172nd Ave. Portland OR

 Team efforts to enhance the Rockwood community. Primary emphasis through crime prevention and neighborhood restoration.

 If you want to make a difference, we can explore shared interests.

OPPORTUNITY



People for Parks



503.661.2927



rkminden@earthlink.net

612 NE 197th Portland OR



Children's play equipment in Vance Park.



Material for playground, monetary support



Yes.

Portland Impact



503.988.6000



mwolfer@portlandimpact.org

4707 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, OR



Works with others to overcome financial hardship through rental and energy assistance, homeless family program, early childhood and senior services, youth development and community schools program.



Clothing, some household items, monetary donations.



Opportunities to work with youth, families and seniors.

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Community Project with HAP/AmeriCorp ELP



503.577.8670



saritoplin@yahoo.com

Project: Vance Park @ 182nd & Yamhill



Arranging a community service project to take place at Vance Park on June 6th. Plant trees, paint tiles.



Gardening supplies, flowers for planting.



Sign up to be part of the beautification project @ Vance Park!

East Metro Mediation, City of Gresham



503.618.2569



maria.smith@ci.gresham.or.us

1333 NW Eastman Parkway Gresham, OR



Provides mediation/conflict resolution for all; Outreach to the Latino community with sociodramas

El Programa Hispano



502.669.8350 x228



gwiggin@catholiccharitiesoregon.org

451 NW First Gresham, OR



Social services to low income latinos. Adult education, information, translation, job skills, emergency assistance, abuse intervention and prevention, mental health counseling, services to children, gang prevention. SUN program @ Hall and East Gresham.



School supplies, bus tickets



Soccer coaches, mentors, ESL assistants

Gresham Police Department



503.618.2546



sherry.connolly@ci.gresham.or.us

1333 NW Eastman Parkway Gresham, OR



Police services and community safety resources.



Neighborhood watch, apartment watch

HAP - Early Literacy Program

 503.802.8447  michaelb@hapdx.org

19045 SE Yamhill Portland, OR (Rockwood Landing)

 Early literacy sessions in English & Spanish for 3-5 yr. olds and their families. Home visits available.

 English & Spanish books, craft materials, toys, food

 Yes.

Housing Connections.org

 503.823.2355  charneski@ci.portland.or.us

421 SW 6th Ave., Room 1100 Portland, OR

 Web based tool to locate affordable rental housing and other services.

Human Solutions

 503.988.5200 x 25089  aduffy@humansolutions.org

2900 NE 122nd, Portland & 501 NE Hood, Gresham

 Anti-poverty services . Our mission is to help families gain self-sufficiency by providing affordable housing, skill development and family support. Energy assistance, rental assistance, services to homeless.

 Used clothes and household items

 Clerical and clothing closet assistance.

GIVEAWAY DRAWINGS WILL BE HELD
THROUGHOUT THE DAY. STOP BY THE
PROGRAM TABLE TO ENTER!

MHCC - Child Development

 503.491.6130  deitzm@mhcc.edu

 Services to families with children, prenatal to 5 years old. Summer lunch program at Yamhill Park,

MHCC - Workforce Connections

 503.252.0758 x 116  cashr@mhcc.edu

4510 NE 102nd Portland, OR

 Job search resources in East Multnomah County—resume writing, interview preparation, assistance in filling out applications and using internet job searches

Multnomah Community Television

 503.491.7636 x326  carolyn@mctv.org

26000 SE Stark St. Gresham, OR

 Public, educational, government cable tv access station.

 Monetary needs

 Learn to produce your own TV program or assist with other's.

Oregon Human Development Corporation

 503.666.3009  akauffman@ohdc.org

18448 SE Pine Portland OR

 Employment and training for migrant and seasonal farmworkers. Satellite office for East County One Stop & Workforce Connections. Career Center M-TH 8-4:30.

 Monetary donations for community appreciation event and annual Christmas party for farmworker families

 Bilingual speakers to help at center, tutor ESL students or fundraise