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## What's New in Cully

**You're Invited!**

# Cully Neighbors

## WINTER CELEBRATION

*Featuring*

- White Elephant Gift Exchange  
*Bring a wrapped gift. Secondhand items are encouraged or \$15 spend limit*
- Cookie Exchange
- Drawing for a \$50 gift card
- **Childcare provided**

*Join Us*

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**

**6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**  
6:00 PM DOORS

Grace Presbyterian Church (East entrance)  
6025 NE Prescott St, Portland

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ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORS

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### **Exchange white elephant gifts and cookies with your neighbors in Cully**

Please join the Cully Association of Neighbors for our December 2024 winter celebration. For the hybrid portion of the meeting, join on **Zoom** or in person at Grace Presbyterian Church ([6025 NE Prescott St](https://www.google.com/maps/place/6025+NE+Prescott+St,+Portland,+OR)). To join the white elephant gift exchange, cookie exchange, and gift card drawing, join at Grace Presbyterian.

In the hybrid portion of the meeting, Jonathan Cruz from the Multnomah County Health Department will update us on the county's wood smoke curtailment program, which helps to reduce air pollution. Brendon Wright will

present on community supported agriculture programs in our neighborhood. Then we'll wrap up the hybrid portion and start our annual winter celebration.

To participate in the white elephant gift exchange, please wrap and bring a used item from your household. Used items are preferred, but you may also bring an item you purchased for no more than \$15. White elephant exchanges are just for fun, so your gift can be silly, funny, or impractical.

To participate in the cookie exchange, bring a batch of cookies to share with your neighbors and a container for bringing home the cookies you received.

Arrive at 6:00 pm for meet and greet with your neighbors and CAN board members. The official meeting starts at 6:30 pm. Winter celebration begins around 7:15 pm. We look forward to seeing you!

Agenda

**Full Agenda on Google Docs**

Please note that the agenda is a draft in progress and may change before attendees approve the agenda at the start of the gathering.

**JOIN US FOR**

Find us at  
**4636 NE 42nd Ave**  
From 4-8pm on  
**December 12th!**

**THE CULLY  
WINTER FARMERS  
MARKET**

**CULLYFARMERSMARKET.COM**

### **Community Safety In Cully**

CAN is hosting a focus group for Cully residents. This focus group will discuss low-level crimes and safety in the Cully community.

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Location: [4636 NE 42nd Ave. Suite B](#)

Time: 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Feel free to use the QR in the flyer below or use this link.

<https://bit.ly/4eSJMCK>

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**Dinner, Childcare and interpretation will be provided!!**

In Cully we are proud of our diversity. We are looking for a diverse group to participate in this focus group. We strongly encourage people from all backgrounds, languages, race, age, various level of ability, LGTBQ to sign up by using the following QR code.



*Up to 20 people representing the diversity in Cully will be selected to participate in this focus group. Participants will receive a \$200.00 gift card from local businesses.*



## **SOLVE Community Clean Up Update!!**

We are thankful for the Cully volunteers who participated at the Killingsworth Community Care Cleanup on 11/23/2024. We had 34 awesome volunteers that picked up 400 pounds of trash, this is about the weight of two full-sized refrigerators!! Your dedication made a world of difference, and we couldn't have done it without you!

The energy, teamwork, and positive vibes were infectious, and it's so inspiring to see folks come together!



## Community Updates

### Do you have abandoned cars on your street?

We've heard from Cully neighbors that parking can be hard to find because of abandoned cars. If this is the case, be sure to report abandoned cars to the city.



<https://www.portland.gov/transportation/parking/abandoned-auto>

### Leaf Day is Back!

From November to December each year, Portland Bureau of Transportation's (PBOT) Leaf Day service helps provide cleaner, safer streets, keep our storm drains clear, and ensure our intersections don't flood.

PBOT instituted Leaf Day because the amount of leaves in our 53 Leaf Districts was simply too much for our regular street cleaning equipment. Leaf Day pickup is FREE for residents in Leaf Districts. There is no need to opt in or out. Not sure if you're in a Leaf District? **Look up your home or business address and find out!**

**Review this year's Leaf Day schedule**

### New Community Events Application Launches

**The Portland in the Streets team** is excited to announce that Community Events will feature a new application starting December 4! While the application looks different, the information gathered and the requirements for hosting events in the street will largely remain the same. This new application

helps streamline the internal process and will therefore make things easier for you.

**[Learn More](#)**

## **New Towing Rules Began**

Nov. 12: Vehicles Missing License Plate or VIN Subject to Tow.

Following recent changes to **city code**, Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) parking enforcement will now order an automatic tow for any vehicle that does not have a visible vehicle identification number (VIN) and does not display at least one license plate.

Allowing for an automatic tow will help parking enforcement officers more quickly clear vehicles in violation of city code from the public right-of-way – including **abandoned autos**.

**[Read the Full News Release](#)**

## **Building a Better 82nd Plan Document is Available Online**

After two years of planning and public engagement, the **Building a Better 82nd Avenue plan** is now available to view online. This plan brings together past plans, current projects, and future projects into one comprehensive document, outlining a practical and visionary approach to improving safety and maintenance on this important Portland street. The plan will be presented to the Portland City Council on Wednesday, December 4.

**[View the Building a Better 82nd Avenue Plan](#)**

## **Radical Winter Market! - With Alder Commons**

Join us at Alder Commons for an evening of local gifts, holiday treats, music, and more! With dozens of local vendors participating, we will have gifts to suit all fancies.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase. We will also have a raffle with fabulous gifts to support Alder Commons!

**[Radical Winter Market!](#)**



## Participate, Engage, Volunteer!

### Portland Winter Ice Rink is Now Open

The Portland Winter Ice Rink is a family-friendly outdoor ice rink located at the west end of the Morrison Bridgehead on the waterfront in Portland.



In addition to skating, enjoy a variety of activities in the Winter Village, which features a concession marketplace, food, warm beverages, and a cozy lounge.

### Purchase Your Tickets

### Bike the Lights at Portland International Raceway

Winter Wonderland Portland has one night each year where the huge holiday lights display surrounding Portland International Raceway is open to bicycles only. **Bike the Lights** has a dedicated following of bike lovers, decking out their rides in holiday lights and rocking their favorite holiday gear. It's the only event at Winter Wonderland that happens just once a season, rain or shine, so don't miss out!

**Tickets required**

### Advising Portland's New Government

Did you know the City of Portland has 87 advisory bodies? These advisory bodies are made up of Portlanders who volunteer their time and expertise to inform City projects, policies, and practices.



Civic Life houses the Advisory Bodies Program, which provides training and resources for advisory body members, ensures advisory bodies follow and uphold their rules and bylaws, and manages recruitment information for open positions.

The program is currently performing an inventory of the City's advisory bodies to be able to provide the most up-to-date and accurate information to the new Engagement Officer and the 12 new City Councilors. The program is also testing a new process to make applying for an advisory body faster and easier. To date in 2024, the Advisory Bodies Program has helped manage 399 applications to fill 110 vacant positions.

The most popular advisory bodies this year?

- Bicycle Advisory Committee – 51 applications
- Portland Advisory Committee on Housing – 38 applications
- Golf Advisory Committee – 33 applications

Check out the list of open positions at the end of this newsletter to learn more and apply!

### **Learn More About the Program**

## **Preparing Your Trees for Winter**

Large trees do a lot for the health of people and the environment. They reduce neighborhood temperatures, offer wildlife habitat, improve air quality, reduce stormwater runoff, and help mitigate the effects of climate change.

Maintaining them is critical to keeping our communities healthy and our city beautiful.

That's why Urban Forestry encourages property owners to get their trees professionally maintained, now, before winter weather begins. Certified Arborists can identify and address potential issues before it's too late, protecting your trees and your property.



Click below for some resources to help you find the best ways to support your tree so you can be at ease no matter what weather will bring.

### **Read More**

## **Visit the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI)**

### **Science Communication Fellowship Activity Workshop**

Saturday, December 7, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

OMSI ([OMSI Board Room & Classroom 2, 1945 SE Water Ave, Portland, OR 97214](#))

Neighborhood Tree Steward Quadri Taiwo is engaging local residents, K–12 students, and museum visitors to promote scientific literacy about urban nature-based solutions. The learning experience includes various activities: a poster presentation on the benefits of neighborhood trees, identification of common climate-resilient tree species, urban green modeling, and a Community Voice Talkback Wall for citizen science. Participate in this science communication project exhibition as a reviewer at OMSI—and feel free to invite others!

**Registration is required. Sign up [here](#).**



#### CALENDAR LISTING

**For Immediate Release**  
**November 11, 2024**

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**What:** NE Village hosts Seed Swap & Gardening Workshop

Northeast Village PDX invites you to a Seed Swap and Gardening Workshop – free and open to all. Come swap non-GMO seeds, rhizomes, roots and tubers with other local gardeners, and attend gardening workshops. Hosted by NE Village, which provides social events, activities and essential services to adults 60+ in northeast Portland who are aging in place. With support from Growing Gardens, Garden Fever and Portland Nursery.

**When:** Saturday, January 25th from 11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Where:** Rose Park United Methodist Church, 5830 NE Alameda St.

**Who:** Northeast Village PDX, a program of the Northeast Community Center. For more info call 503-895-2750 or email [info@nevillagepdx.org](mailto:info@nevillagepdx.org)

## Ongoing CAN Events

## CAN Neighborhood Gatherings

Next meeting December 10, 2024. 6:30pm to 8:30pm in person at Grace Presbyterian Church ([6025 NE Prescott St](#)) or in [Join Zoom](#) @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423

*Neighborhood Gatherings are on 2nd Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm, held at least 4 times per year between September and June. CAN Members are all persons who live, work, hold a business license, or own property within the boundaries of Cully.*

## CAN Transportation & Land Use (TLC) Meeting

Next meeting January 21, 2025

[Join Zoom](#) @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423

*CAN Transportation & Land Use (TLC) Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday, monthly and/or as-needed from 6:30-8 pm. More [Land Use and Zoning](#) info*

## CAN Board Meeting

Next meeting January 28, 2025. 6:30pm to 8:30pm

[Join Zoom](#) @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423

*CAN Board Member Meetings every 4th Tuesday, monthly year-round from 6:30-8:30 pm*

## Community Resources

Check out all these other events happening around the neighborhood.

- [Alder Commons](#)
- [Hacienda CDC](#)
- [Living Cully](#)
- [Naya](#)

Living Cully maintains a list of [community resources](#). Let us know what we're missing!



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