

Understanding Your Utility Bill

Safe Drinking Water Delivered to Your Home

Water Charges Include:

- Base meter charge: Covers the costs that are ongoing regardless of amount of water used (pipes, pumps, hydrants, reservoir maintenance and meeting state and federal requirements).
- Water conservation block rate charges: Covers costs associated with the amount of water used. Water is measured in 1CCF increments, which equals 748 gallons per unit.
- Treatment: Pass-through charges of \$0.7486 per unit is included in the block rates, passed along to residents from the water treatment plant.

Sewer Removed From Your Home and Treated

Sewer Charges Include:

- Treatment: Pass through charges are not determined by the City, but passed through from the treatment plant.
- Collection: City costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the waste water collection system (Pipes, pumps and meeting state and federal requirements).

Stormwater Managed to Protect Homes and Rivers

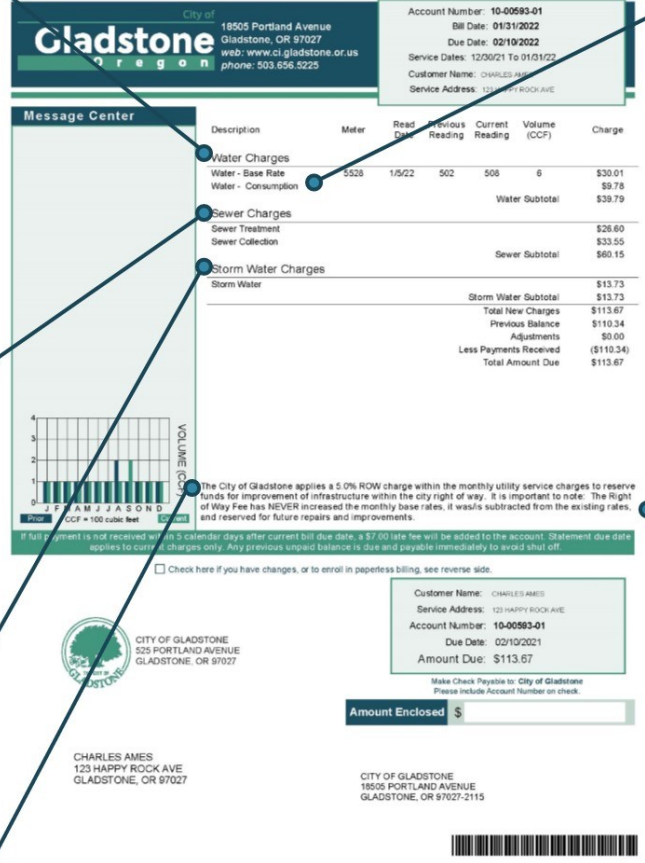
Stormwater Charges Include:

- Stormwater: City costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the stormwater collection system, such as pipes and storm drains, to reduce flooding and keep the rivers and streams clean while meeting state and federal requirements.

Improving the Public Right of Way

Right of Way Charges include:

- A 5% right of way charge is included in all water, sewer and stormwater fees.



City of Gladstone Oregon
18505 Portland Avenue
Gladstone, OR 97027
web: www.ci.gladstone.or.us
phone: 503.636.5225

Account Number: 10-00593-01
Bill Date: 01/31/2022
Due Date: 02/10/2022
Service Dates: 12/09/21 To 01/01/22
Customer Name: CHARLES AMES
Service Address: 123 HAPPY ROCK AVE

Message Center

Description	Meter	Read Date	Previous Reading	Current Reading	Volume (CCF)	Charge
Water Charges						
Water - Base Rate	5528	1/5/22	502	500	6	\$30.01
Water - Consumption						\$9.78
Water Subtotal:						\$39.79
Sewer Charges						
Sewer Treatment						\$28.60
Sewer Collection						\$33.55
Sewer Subtotal:						\$62.15
Storm Water Charges						
Storm Water						\$13.73
Storm Water Subtotal:						\$13.73
Total New Charges						\$113.67
Previous Balance						\$110.34
Adjustments						\$0.00
Less Payments Received						(\$110.34)
Total Amount Due						\$113.67

Right of Way
The City of Gladstone applies a 5.0% ROW charge within the monthly utility service charges to reserve funds for improvement of infrastructure within the city right of way. It is important to note: The Right of Way Fee has NEVER increased the monthly base rates, it was/is subtracted from the existing rates, and reserved for future repairs and improvements.

Water Conservation
As of January 1, 2020, the City started charging only for the water used, in addition to the base meter charge. All water usage is charged based on the water conservation block rate, which is below.

From 1-6 units	\$ 1.63 per unit
From 7-10 units	\$ 2.61 per unit
Units greater than 10	\$ 3.59 per unit

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Amount Enclosed \$

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Service Address: 123 HAPPY ROCK AVE
Account Number: 10-00593-01
Due Date: 02/10/2021
Amount Due: \$113.67

Make Check Payable to: City of Gladstone
Please include Account Number on check.

CITY OF GLADSTONE
18505 PORTLAND AVENUE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027

CHARLES AMES
123 HAPPY ROCK AVE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027

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18505 PORTLAND AVENUE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027-2115

VOLUNTEERS – Gladstone Needs YOU!

Are you looking for a new opportunity to serve in your community? If so, consider applying to serve on a City board, commission or committee. The City has six (6) active boards, commissions and committees that are composed of volunteers. Recruitment is underway for five open positions to be filled for 2022.

At the January 11, 2022 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments for two (2) terms on the Budget Committee, two (2) terms on the Traffic Safety Advisory Board and one (1) term on the Senior Center Advisory Board.

Boards, commissions and committees review new and existing operations in specific areas and suggest an appropriate course of action to City department heads and the City Council. Members of boards, commissions and committees provide an invaluable service to the City by advising the City Council on a wide variety of subjects and making recommendations on important policy matters.

Let your voice be heard by sharing your experience, expertise and time. You can provide valuable insight from the citizen's point of view to the operations of the City and the City Council's decision-making process.

To obtain an application and information about serving on a committee, board or commission, visit the city's website at <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/bc>, email bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us, call 503-557-2769 or stop by City Hall at 18505 Portland Avenue. Applications must be returned by 5:00 pm on January 4, 2022.

City Council Adopts Utility Rate Increases

At the December 14, 2021 City Council Meeting, City Council adopted a utility increase of 4% on Gladstone utilities effective January 1, 2022.

You may notice the following increase on the utility bill you receive at the beginning of February: Base meter charge on a 3/4" meter has increased from \$28.86 to \$30.01, water block rates have increased from \$1.57 to \$1.63 for 1-6 units, \$2.51 to \$2.61 for 7-10 units and \$3.45 to \$3.59 for 11+ units. City sewer collection rate has increased from \$32.26 to \$33.55 and stormwater has increased from \$13.20 to \$13.73.

The total overall increase on a household using 6 units of water \$3.33 for all City of Gladstone residents.

If you would like more information on how the rate increase will affect your monthly bill, please visit the City's website at <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/publicworks/page/utility-rate-increase-information> for more information.

For questions, please contact our Utility Billing department at ub@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Garbage Rate Increase

At the December 14, 2021 City Council Meeting, City Council approved a rate increase of 5% for B&B Leasing, also known as Gladstone Disposal Company. This increase will take effect on February 1, 2022 and will be as follows:

Residential Carts	Current Rate	Proposed Rate	Total Increase
20 Gal Weekly	\$ 23.35	\$ 24.81	\$ 1.46
35 Gal Weekly	\$ 28.80	\$ 30.60	\$ 1.80
65 Gal Weekly	\$ 39.15	\$ 41.60	\$ 2.45
95 Gal Weekly	\$ 42.35	\$ 45.00	\$ 2.65
35 Gal Monthly	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.88	\$ 0.88
35 Gal Will Call	\$ 11.50	\$ 12.22	\$ 0.72

Street Sweeping 101



Our DEQ stormwater permit requires regular maintenance of our stormwater conveyance system. As part of our DEQ permit requirements, Public Works sweep the streets regularly so as to limit pollutant outflow into our rivers. The street sweeper operates on an efficiency pattern to make the best use of personnel time, wear and tear on the sweeper.

If you see the street sweeper in your neighborhood, and it seems like it missed your street, please be patient, it will be back within the next few days. The street sweeper typically does not sweep neighborhoods on garbage collection day, as maneuvering around trash cans poses a risk to your garbage cans and to the city's equipment. The same is true for parked cars, basketball hoops, overhanging limbs, or anything that blocks the travel portion of the street. Public Works asks that you please use your yard debris receptacles rather than the street for your yard cleanup needs. The Public Works crew very much appreciates the cooperation and assistance of our citizens. Together, we make the City a better place for all of us.

During our rainy season, if you see a catch basin that is backed-up, please remember a rake is all it takes, in most cases a quick sweep with a rake will resolve the matter quickly. You may also contact our Public Works Dept. Monday – Friday 8:00 am -3:30 pm at 503.656.7957.

Meldrum Bar Parking Kiosk

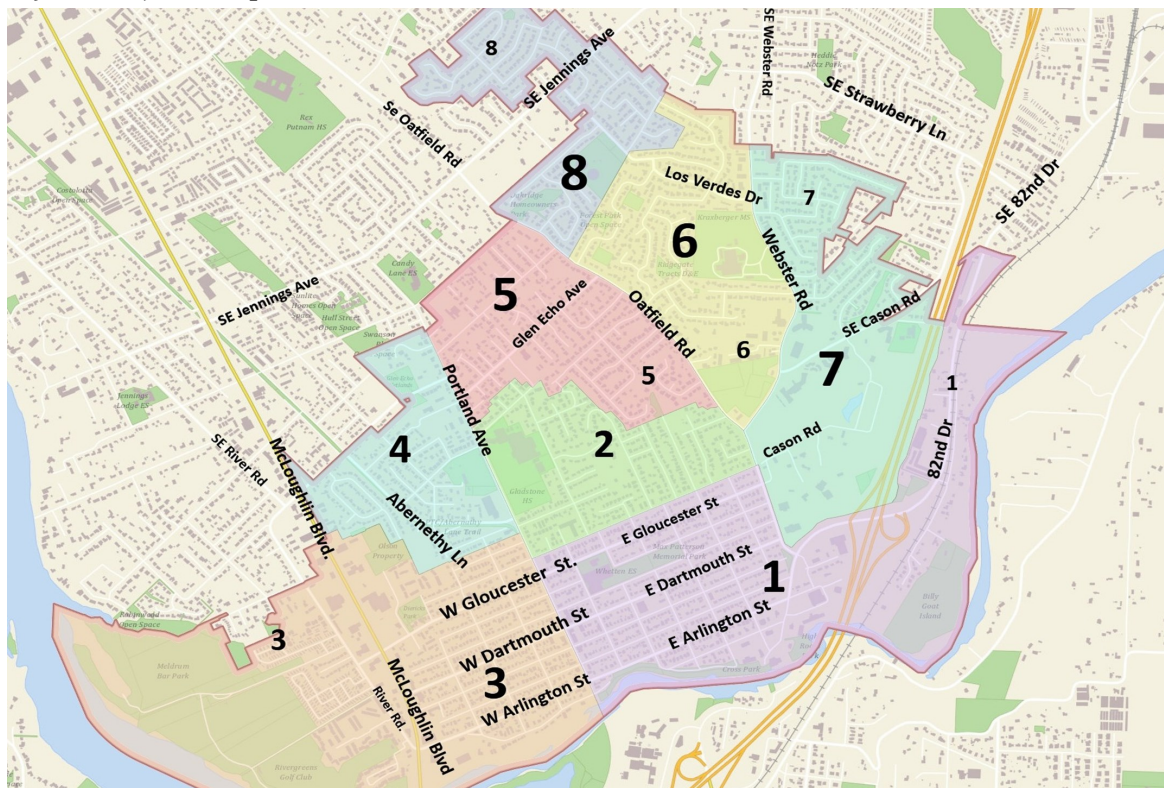
Below you will find the net profit (loss) since instillation of the parking kiosk in June 2021.

Revenues:	FY 20/21	FY 21/22
July		27,682.00
August		16,611.00
September		9,736.00
October		5,894.00
November		2,246.00
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June	12,657.30	
	<u>12,657.30</u>	<u>62,169.00</u>
Expenditures:		
Contractual Services		3,488.38
Credit card fees		2,633.81
Operations & Maintenance		5,707.94
Purchase & install kiosk	83,208.38	1,813.75
Year to date	<u>83,208.38</u>	<u>13,643.88</u>
Net Profit (Loss) Per Fiscal Year	(70,551.08)	48,525.12
Cumulative Balance Total:	(22,025.96)	

City of Gladstone Street Sweeping Schedule

Starting January 3rd The Public Works Department will be starting a “Monthly Street Sweeping Schedule”, this schedule will follow the same “area/zone map” as utilized for the Leaf Pick-Up Program. The first Monday of every month the street sweeper will run consecutively for eight business days, completing one area per day until the entire City is completed. The schedule takes into consideration garbage pickup days, as to not interfere with garbage pick-up. In the event your scheduled day falls on a holiday, the schedule will be delayed by one (1) day.

If you have questions, please contact the Public Works Office at 503.656.7957



Sweeping schedule begins on the 1st Monday of each month.

Street Sweeping Schedule

- Monday/day 1: Area 2
- Tuesday/Day 2: Area 6
- Wednesday/ Day 3: Area 5
- Thursday/Day 4: Area 1
- Friday/Day 5: Area 3
- Monday/Day 6: Area 4
- Tuesday/ Day 7: Area 7
- Wednesday/Day 8: Area 8

Sweeping areas are based on garbage days as to not interfere with garbage schedule.

In the event your scheduled day falls on a holiday, the schedule will be delayed by one (1) day.

2022 Business License Renewals

Business license renewals are due January 1st of each year. For businesses located within Gladstone the fee is \$100, plus \$5 per employee over 3 Full Time Equivalent employees, an additional \$50 fee is required for any **NEW** business being operated out of a home. For rental properties, the base fee of \$100 is required along with an additional \$25 for one rental unit, \$50 for 2-5 rental units, \$75 for 6-12 rental units or \$100 for 13+ rental units. Business license applications may be downloaded from the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us. Questions can be emailed to bl@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Liquor License Renewals

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) advises the City yearly for businesses that are eligible for a liquor license renewal. Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 471.166 establishes the process for local governments to make recommendations of approval or denial to the OLCC. The City is requesting residents express any concerns about currently OLCC licensed businesses. Please direct comments or concerns by February 1, 2022 to bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Neighbor Law

The City receives requests from residents about issues between neighbors that the City doesn't regulate. These issues include requests to: place trash and recycling cans out of public view, to not feed stray cats that may attract unwanted pets to a neighbor's yard or place of business, to trim overhanging tree limbs; locate property lines, move fences, etc. Many of these legal issues were settled years ago and resolution of current issues between neighbors are now typically settled by mediation instead of being litigated in court. For additional information on neighbor law, you may check out "[Neighbor Law: Fences, Trees, Boundaries and Noise](#)", by Cora Johnson at the Gladstone Library.

Sign-up to Receive Flash Alerts



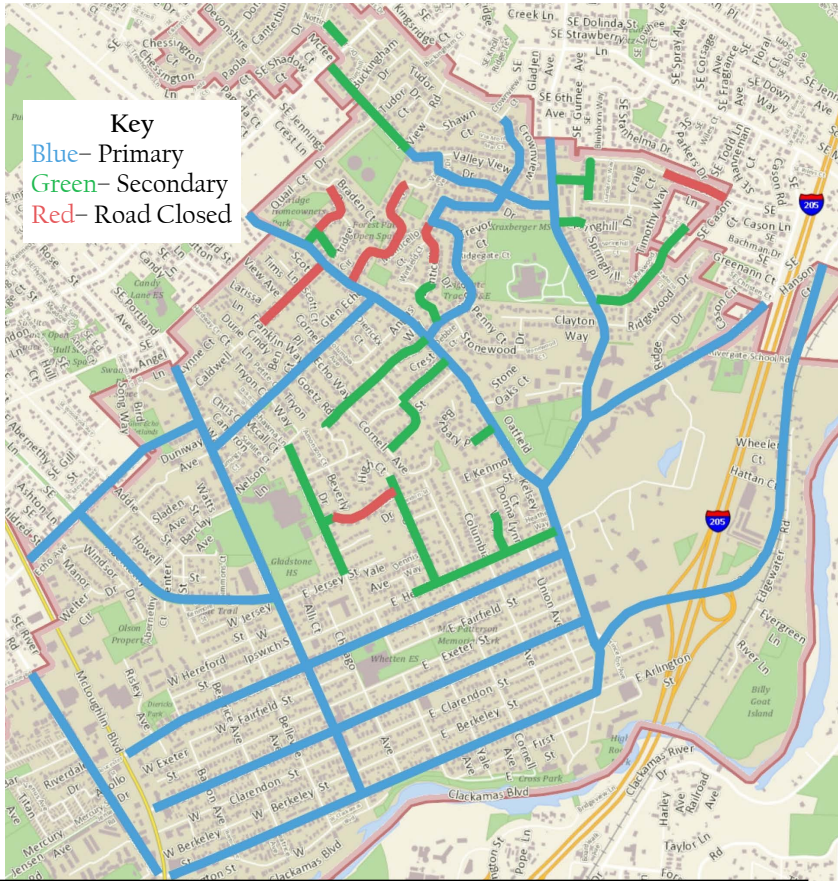
Want to sign up to receive Emergency Alerts for the City of Gladstone? Learn how to sign up for Flash Alerts by visiting www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/how-subscribe-flash-alerts.

Environmentally Conscious Deicing

The City of Gladstone will continue to utilize liquid deicer for the upcoming winter driving season. Sourced from the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), magnesium chloride (MgCl₂) with rust inhibitor; is an effective way to provide a safer road surface during winter driving conditions. Use of the deicing agent helps to reduce the use of sand, which reduces impact on air quality, water quality and aquatic habitat.

The City of Gladstone will use the lowest application rate necessary to achieve the desired road conditions. The product being used also meets the strict requirements of the Pacific Northwest Snowfighters Consortium. The City makes every effort to protect our nearby waterways, while still providing safe roadways. Plowing, sanding and deicing are all part of keeping the roadways safer. When winter weather is upon us crews will lay deicer down at stop and start areas, hills and curves, however crews will not lay deicer on flat straight roadways. Please remember that drivers have a shared responsibility to drive at speeds that are appropriate for road conditions and if at all possible, to delay travel until conditions are more favorable.

Know before you go, visit the City of Gladstone's website, review the cities Hazardous Weather Response map which is located at: maps.orcity.org/Html5Viewer_4_12_2/index.html?viewer=Gladstone.Gladstone. You can also visit Oregon's travel information website at: www.tripcheck.com, or by calling 511 you can get information on the latest road conditions.



Be Prepared for Winter Driving

Driving in the winter can be harrowing, especially in snowstorms and icy conditions. By getting your car ready for winter and using some simple tips to drive safely, you can face almost any weather Mother Nature decides to send your way.

Prepare Your Car for Winter

In addition to annual maintenance, here are some tips to winterize your car:

- Test your battery; battery power drops as the temperature drops
- Make sure the cooling system is in good working order
- Have winter tires with a deeper, more flexible tread put on your car
- If using all-season tires, check the tread on your tires and replace if less than 2/32 of an inch
- Check the tire pressure; tire pressure drops as the temperature drops
- Check your wiper blades and replace if needed
- Add wiper fluid rated for -30 degrees
- Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze

Remember to keep your car's emergency preparedness kit fully stocked, too:

- A properly inflated spare tire, wheel wrench and tripod jack
- Jumper cables
- Tool kit and/or a multipurpose utility tool
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Reflective triangles and brightly colored cloth to make your vehicle more visible
- Compass
- First aid kit with gauze, tape, bandages, antibiotic ointment, aspirin, a blanket, non-latex gloves, scissors, hydrocortisone, thermometer, tweezers and instant cold compress
- Nonperishable, high-energy foods, such as

- unsalted nuts, dried fruits and hard candy
- Drinking water
- Reflective vest in case you need to walk to get help
- Car charger for your cell phone
- Fire extinguisher
- Duct tape
- Rain poncho
- Additional items for cold weather include a snow brush, shovel, windshield washer fluid, warm clothing, cat litter for traction and blankets

Before You Start Out

- Clean your car's external camera lenses and side view mirrors so you'll be able to see what's around you
- Remove dirt, ice and snow from sensors to allow the assistive-driving features like automatic emergency braking to work
- In frigid weather, you may want to warm up the car before you drive it. To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never leave a vehicle running in your garage – even with the garage door up

If the forecast looks iffy, wait out the storm if possible; if you must travel, share your travel plans and route with someone before you leave

If visibility is severely limited due to a whiteout, pull off the road to a safe place and do not drive until conditions improve. Avoid pulling off onto the shoulder unless it is an absolute emergency. Limited visibility means other vehicles can't see yours on the shoulder.

Remember, you are your car's best safety feature. Take precautions to ensure you arrive safely at your destination. If you become stranded in an unfamiliar area, do not leave your car. Light flares in front and behind the car and make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked by snow, mud or objects.

City Closures

City offices, including the Gladstone Civic Center, will be closed:

January 17th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

During this time, payments may be placed in the silver drop box located in the center of the Civic Center parking lot. Other payment options can be found on the City's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/online-payments

Upcoming City Meetings

City meetings will continue to be held virtually. Upcoming meetings are as follows:

- Park and Recreation Advisory Board will be meeting on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6:30 pm
- City Council will be meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm
- Planning Commission will be meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 6:30 pm

More information regarding all City meetings can be found at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings.



Get Social



Connect with the City of Gladstone on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Stay up-to-date with all the latest news and events happening around you.

The City supports the use of social media technology to enhance communication and provide information on objectives and goals related to city business. It is a platform to ensure appropriate, consistent messaging from the organization and intended for informational purposes only, not for exchanges or comments.

Utility Bill Drop Box

Did you know you can drop off your monthly utility bills, including: PGE, Northwest Natural Gas, Gladstone Water/Sewer/Stormwater and Gladstone Disposal, at the Senior Center? No stamps needed! A drop box is located inside the main entry door as well as a 24/7 green drop-box located outside the main entrance.

City of Gladstone—Senior Center
1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027
Phone: 503-655-7701
(503) 655-7701 | ci.gladstone.or.us/sc



Community CLASSES in partnership with Gladstone School district ARE BACK as of JANUARY 4th, 2022

Yoga with Mary

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 9a-10a

Watercolor Painting class with Melissa

2p-4:30p, Wednesdays

Acrylic/oil painting with Shirlee

9:30a or 12:30p, Thursdays

As we reflect on the last year and maybe even contemplate our resolve for the New Year, we want to thank you for supporting the mission, program and services of this community center through another memorable and tumultuous year. We could not do this without you! Here's a little piece of reflection + love:

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." — Maya Angelou

If you have specific questions regarding the center please reach out to, Tiffany Kirkpatrick, MA, Community Services Manager 503-655-7708



SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13th at 6p-7:15pm

Special Guest, Anneke Bloomfield, public speaker for the Oregon Jewish Museum, and Holocaust survivor (*invited and sponsored by Gladstone Senior Foundation*)

Please come out and join us in hearing the narrative of Anneke Bloomfield.

...when Anneke's father feared the Nazi invasion of the Netherlands, he determined that he would not let his family be exterminated. He placed his four children into the homes of non-Jewish people for safe harboring. Since he was a member of the Underground, he decided to make a master plan for his family, should anything happen to him.....Join us soon to hear the rest.....

Bus Trips continue to be a main attraction at the Gladstone Senior Center on Fridays. Sign-up for trips by calling or coming in to the center 503-655-7701 Ask for Michelle McIntire.

FOOT CLINIC is BOOKED for January, and February has only 2 spots left. If you'd like to get into the March appt. book, call the center now to see our foot care nurse, Amanda. These times/dates go quickly. 503-655-7701

WE HAVE RENTAL SPACE AVAILABLE at the center: Call the center for details/prices 503-655-7701

THANK YOU!

Gladstone Senior Foundation!

You all continue to be a blessing to the Senior Center, and come through for our seniors in need, and our facility needs. Your gracious sponsorship of our holiday events, and gifts to those in need is astonishing and an example of "community care". Thank you Senior Foundation Board!

OX The Staff

I hope you find some joy in the photos we share here of our November/December at the Center



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



January 2022 Gladstone Senior Center Activities and Dining

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3 Arts & Crafts: 10am</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>4 Dining Room: Sweet & Sour Pork</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Bingo: 1pm</p>	<p>5 Dining Room: Lima Beans & Ham</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Watercolor: 2-4:30 Scrabble: 1pm Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>6 Dining Room: Turkey Pot Pie</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Acrylics Painting: 9:30-11:30/12:30-2:30</p> <p>BUS TRIP: Lakewood Theater</p> <p>Rummikub/Cribbage: 1pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>
<p>10 Arts & Crafts: 10am</p> <p>FOOT CLINIC</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>11 Dining Room: Meatloaf w/Brown gravy</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am FOOT CLINIC Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Bingo: 1pm</p>	<p>12 Dining Room: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Watercolor: 2-4:30 Scrabble: 1pm Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>13 Dining Room: Shoyu Chicken & Brown Rice</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Acrylics Painting: 9:30-11:30/12:30-2:30</p> <p>Rummikub/Cribbage: 1pm</p> <p>Special Guest, 6-7:15 PM Anneke Bloomfield</p>	<p>14</p> <p>BUS TRIP: Lunch Outing</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>
<p>17</p> <p>CLOSED TO OBSERVED MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.</p> <p>"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." - MLK Jr.</p>	<p>18 Dining Room: Baked Beef Rigatoni</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10 Bingo: 1pm</p>	<p>19 Dining Room: Roasted Turkey /Yams</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Watercolor: 2-4:30 Scrabble: 1pm Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>20 Dining Room: Turkey Sand/Lentil Soup</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Acrylics Painting: 9:30-11:30/12:30-2:30</p> <p>Rummikub/Cribbage: 1pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>BUS TRIP: OMSI</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>
<p>24 Arts & Crafts: 10am</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>25 Dining Room: Sliced Ham whipped Sweet potatoes</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10 Bingo: 1pm</p>	<p>26 Dining Room: BBQ Chicken Patty</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Watercolor: 2-4:30 Scrabble: 1pm Pinochle: 1pm</p>	<p>27 Dining Room: Beef Spanish Rice</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Chair Exercise: 10:30am</p> <p>Shopping Trip: 1pm</p> <p>Acrylics Painting: 9:30-11:30/12:30-2:30</p> <p>Rummikub\Cribbage: 1pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>BUS TRIP: Movie</p> <p>Yoga: 9-10</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>
<p>31 Arts & Crafts: 10am</p> <p>Scrabble: 11am Pinochle: 1pm</p>				

A Minute of Gladstone History

By: **Kim Argraves Huey**

Gladstone Historical Society Historian

Part 1 - In honor of 2022 being another election year, a look back into Gladstone's first decade of self-governing. The year before Gladstone became an incorporated town, it functioned with a "pre-charter government". Late 1910, a group of local men were chosen to fill temporary leadership positions until Gladstone's charter could be written and a legal election held to choose a mayor, a town council, and other necessary positions.



↑ J.K. Pardee.
Photo credit: www.academia.edu/42608935/J.K._Pardee_from_Ohio_Boyhood_to_Montana_Mining

J.K. Pardee took on the duties of Gladstone's first pre-charter treasurer and continued in this position until December 19, 1911 when Gladstone held its first "real" election. Mr. Pardee enjoyed being the treasurer and he decided to run to be a candidate for that office. He faced only one opponent: J.C. Paddock.

Pardee was defeated by Paddock and he wasn't happy about it. He complained that he was the rightful winner inasmuch as Paddock had spent the campaign season running around town proclaiming that he didn't want to be the treasurer and blaming his friends for signing him up. In Pardee's opinion, a man who didn't want the job shouldn't be forced to accept it.

With Paddock's complete agreement, Pardee took matters into his own hands and declared that if Paddock didn't want the job, then he would continue being the treasurer. But Paddock's friends, some of who now sat on the town council, said "nothing doing". They insisted that Pardee resign -- leaving many to wonder how a man could quit a position he no longer officially held. Paddock's friends had gotten the odd notion that when Paddock saw the treasurer's office vacant, he would take it as a call to action and rush to sit behind the desk. He did no such thing, but instead became all the more entrenched in his position, even going so far as to stoutly refuse to attend any council meetings. Finally, three months later as a last resort, he officially resigned from the position of Gladstone treasurer. The position remained empty for three more months.

By May, tax season was concluded and it was time for Clackamas County to pay Gladstone its share of the tax money. But only the Gladstone treasurer had the legal right to accept such money. With the badly needed \$1278.75 locked in the county's cash drawer and the County Tax Assessor adamant about obeying the law, Gladstone's city fathers had no choice but to get down on their knees and most graciously cajole Pardee into resuming his old position. It was that or go broke.

So, how did early Gladstonians learn who won and who didn't want to win but won anyway? At first, they waited for the newspapers. Later, they watched the big board.

Nov 5, 1920, the Morning Enterprise (Oregon City), "pulled off a stunt never before attempted in Oregon outside of Portland." Across the street from the newspaper office, a large white screen was erected. Using the latest in photography projection, national, state, and county election results were flashed in huge letters as soon as they became available. Everyone in Clackamas county was invited to spend a sociable evening watching the election returns "for free". For all the latest Gladstone Historical Society happenings visit our website: www.GladstoneHistoricalSociety.org

City of Gladstone Low Income Assistance Program

The City of Gladstone provides residential customers a Low Income Utility Assistance Program which permits a reduced monthly charge for City billed services such as Water, Sewer and Stormwater utilities.

Qualifications:

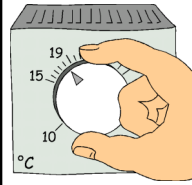
- A residential customer of Gladstone with one or more utility services provided by the City.
- The property is the principal residence and occupied by the applicant.
- No delinquent payments owed to the City, including utilities, court fines, and any other assessed fees or charges.
- Written application must be submitted on the City form and include all requested documentation for proof of income from all sources listed, from all income earners.
- Approval expires every year on June 30th and re-qualification must be submitted with current information annually.

The Finance Department will notify all applicants of approval or denial in writing. If denied the applicant will have the ability to appeal within ten days from the date of the denial letter.

Income Limits:

- Based upon Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Income Limits/ Very Low Income Limits (50% of Median Family Income) for the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA MSA as published at HUD.gov and updated annually. Limits in effect as of July 1 will apply for the fiscal year period.
 - Income limit areas are based on the current fiscal year Fair Market Rent (FMR) areas.
 - Income levels are incrementally based on households of one to eight persons.
- For more information on income limits or to complete an application form, please visit the City's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/finance/page/low-income-utility-assistance-program.

Energy Assistance



Clackamas County Energy Assistance has received LIHEAP American Rescue Plan Act funding to assist households with energy needs as utilities resume full operations. If you are currently facing disconnection, please request an application and let your utility provider know that you have contacted

Energy Assistance.

If you live in Clackamas County and seek home energy assistance, please call us at 503-650-5640 or request an application online.* We are not taking in-person appointments at this time for the safety of the public and our staff. Due to volume of requests the team is processing, we are not available to meet with any walk-ins.

*All requests to be mailed an application are tracked in our database and addressed in the order received so please make **only one request** either online or by phone. Repeat requests delay the process.

Applications can also be submitted by visiting <https://www.clackamas.us/socialservices/energyassistance>.

The team is clearing and responding to phone messages and online requests. We are mailing out applications as funds allow.

If you call, please listen to the menu options and choose the one that is most appropriate for you. Be sure to leave all requested information.

We will work to respond as quickly as we can, but we do ask for your patience as we focus on providing public service and keeping our community and staff safe.

Safe Sidewalks



You and your neighbors have a right to expect Gladstone sidewalks to be in good condition and free of defects in order to prevent possible injury. Typically sidewalks are a safe haven for pedestrians. Well-maintained sidewalks help create a vibrant community. Unfortunately, tree roots, ground settlement, freezing weather, and other acts of nature can damage sidewalks. Property owners are responsible for maintaining the sidewalk and planting strip abutting their property. This includes keeping sidewalks clear of debris such as leaves, ice, snow, weeds, and overgrown shrubs. Trees must be pruned to allow safe pedestrian and vehicle passage. A defective sidewalk is one that creates an unreasonable risk of danger to persons or property. For example, if a portion of the sidewalk is elevated enough to cause someone to trip, it is considered an unreasonable risk.

The Gladstone Municipal Code, 8.04.100 states that maintenance of sidewalks, curbs, and driveways is the responsibility of the abutting property owners. Any vertical uplift exceeding ½ inch is a violation of city code and the sidewalk must be repaired. Contact Code Compliance at 503-557-2763 or sboyle@gladstoneoregon.us if you have any questions.

Gladstone High School Hosts Vaccine Clinics

Families seeking COVID-19 vaccines and boosters can make an appointment for an upcoming vaccine clinic at Gladstone High School, provided by Providence Health Services and Clackamas County Public Health.

Currently vaccines are approved for ages 5 and older, and boosters are approved for ages 16 and older 6 months after your second Moderna/Pfizer vaccine or two months after your J&J.

Dates and offerings vary. Most events are Wednesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. Find appointments at www.bit.ly/3lhzaTN For more information, call Leslie Robinette at 503.974.5077.

Other vaccine providers near Gladstone include:

- Gladstone Safeway: www.safeway.com/vaccinations/home
- Gladstone Walgreens: www.bit.ly/3yfXFGV
- Rite Aid at Oregon City Shopping Center: www.riteaid.com/pharmacy/scheduler



Free Clothes for Babies, Kids, and Teens



The Gladstone Kids Clothes Closet is open for free clothes shopping and donation drop-offs each Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. It is located off Nelson Lane in a portable classroom on the north side of Gladstone High School.

The facility serves any youth from birth to age 18. They provide free, gently-used clothing, jackets, and shoes, as well as new socks and underwear.

Due to an abundance of community generosity, the Clothes Closet is closed to donations right now. For more information, contact Clothes Closet Coordinator Becky Speulda at bbspeulda@yahoo.com or call 503.997.8503.

Gladstone Food Pantry Provides Free Groceries



Families who need nutritious food are invited to choose free groceries at the Gladstone Food Pantry each Thursday from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The facility is located at 6460 Glen Echo behind Hillside Fellowship. All residents of Gladstone, Jennings Lodge, and Oak Grove are welcome.

Grove are welcome.

The pantry provides meat, fresh produce, bread, frozen foods, canned foods, and more.

For information, contact Food Pantry Manager Alex Van Pelt at 503.737.5283 or email avanpelt@nwfs.org.

St. Vincent de Paul and the City of Gladstone

The City of Gladstone has once again partnered with St. Vincent de Paul in helping Gladstone residents who have been financially impacted due to COVID-19. This Gladstone COVID Assistance Program (GCAP) may provide a combination of eligible assistance up to approximately two months of utility payments, one month rent and/or food assistance, with a maximum cap of \$1,000.00 per household.

This program is organized to run through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and is available for all City of Gladstone residents upon applicant approval. Applicants must show emergency financial need related to COVID-19 and be a Gladstone resident.

For questions or to see if you are eligible, please contact St. Vincent de Paul at 971-236-2111, leave a message with your contact information and financial need. This program will run until December 31, 2026 or until all funding is exhausted, whichever comes first.

Be Prepared- One Month At A Time- Part 9

If there is one thing we can take from the past year, it is that natural disasters are unpredictable. Days long power outage's, home evacuations or flooding are natural disasters that we may be faced with. It is important that you and your family are ready for anything that life may bring.

What is the best way to get started? Being prepared may seem overwhelming and costly but breaking up the task throughout the year helps lessen the burden. Over the next several newsletters, we will include a few items that can be good to have included in your emergency kit, as well as a task to complete to make sure your home and family are prepared.

Month 9 supplies:

- Dry Cereal
 - 1 box of gram crackers
- If needed:
- Special equipment such as hearing aid batteries

Month 9 activities:

- Take photos of each family member, including pets, and keep with disaster supplies
- Review home and auto insurance to ensure coverage for potential hazards in your community.

Portland General Electric (PGE)



For **Streetlight Outages:** Contact PGE at 1-800-544-1795 (press 3) or email info, including address of streetlight outage or problem, nearest cross street, pole & map number (on pole), if available, to lightout@pgn.com.

For **Power Outages:** Report an outage and get updates by contacting PGE at 503-464-7777, download PGE's mobile app, or report online at <https://portlandgeneral.com/outages>.

What additional steps should you take?

Here's how you can prevent possible power-surge damage and avoid overloading the system when power is restored.

- Turn on one outside and one inside light so you and PGE crews will know when service is restored.
- Turn off major appliances at the breaker box and unplug other sensitive electrical equipment like TVs and computers.
- If you have a backup generator and plan to use it, please review our tips for using generators safely at <https://portlandgeneral.com/outages-safety/be-prepared/backup-generators>
- Call PGE if your neighbor's power comes back on but yours does not.
- Call PGE and turn off the breaker if your lights are very dim or very bright once your power is restored.

Local Telephone Numbers

City Hall General Business Line	503-656-5225
Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info ..	503-557-2771
Municipal Court/Traffic Citations	503-557-2772
Public Works	503-656-7957
Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm	503-557-2797
Fire Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm	503-557-2776
Library	503-655-8540
Senior Center	503-655-7701
Recreation/Business License	503-557-2766
Planning	503-742-4510
Electrical/Plumbing Permits	503-742-4240
Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance ..	503-557-2763
Clackamas County Dog Services	503-655-8628
Gladstone School District	503-655-2777
Gladstone High School	503-655-2544
Kraxberger Middle School	503-655-3636
Wetten Elementary School	503-656-6564
Gladstone Disposal Company	503-656-9426
Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV)	503-299-9999
Portland General Electric	503-228-6322
Northwest Natural Gas	503-226-4211
Comcast Cable	1-800-934-6489
Century Link	1-866-642-0444
Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-655-8211
(option 1 for police or fire calls)	

Gladstone City Newsletter

If you have a community event you would like to see in the upcoming Gladstone City Newsletter, please send it to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us. Articles are due on or before the 18th of each month to appear in the upcoming Newsletter.

We welcome 2022 and appreciate your continued patience and cooperation with safety measures (such as masks for ages 5+) posted at the library when you visit. Our hours continue as usual:

Monday, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday: 10 am – 6 pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 12 noon – 8 pm

Wednesday: 10 am – 8 pm

• CLOSED Saturday, January 1st for New Year's Day and Monday, January 17th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

• *Take & Make Craft Kits* for kids appear on the 2nd Sunday of each month and are available at the library while supplies last. This month's 'yarn owl' kit lands on January 9th.

• The Library's *Food for Fines* program was held in conjunction with the 2021 Gladstone Toy & Food Drive organized by the Gladstone Fire Department Membership Association, Gladstone High School, and other community partners. The toys and food from the drive were distributed to families within the city of Gladstone. Patrons donating at the Library could have one dollar in overdue fines waived for every food item donated, resulting in over \$700 in fines being waived through December 18th!



← Thanks to all our generous Library patrons, including Erik and Amber Richter (along with their family), who completely filled an empty donation barrel with food and toys after shopping all morning. Erik reported that Amber came up with the idea and did most of the shopping! Donations to the 2021 Gladstone Toy & Food Drive benefited Gladstone families. *Photographer: Bonnie Espe, Library Assistant, Gladstone Public Library*

• A new *StoryWalk*® is coming this month at the Gladstone Nature Park! Follow the signs through the park to read the English/Spanish "The Snowy Day" by Ezra Jack Keats, and perform the activities on each

panel (now in both languages, too). Presented in partnership with the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park and the Gladstone Public Library Foundation.

• *ZOOM Virtual Storytime* Wednesdays at 10:30 am with Teacher Heather! Request meeting link/password at gladstone@lincc.org (this changes each week).

• *Twice Sold Tales* bookstore within the Library is open! Shop a great selection of books and DVDs for all ages. The bookstore is run by the Gladstone Public Library Foundation, who is once again accepting donations of books and DVDs at the Library (limit two bags or boxes).

• Your *Clackamas County Library Advisory Board* meets virtually at 5:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month. The regularly scheduled meeting on January 20th has been CANCELLED. For rescheduling information or upcoming meeting details and instructions, visit clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings.

• *Gladstone Task Force* meetings! For meeting schedules and links, visit clackamas.us/meetings/communityproject/oakgladproj. The Gladstone building project was delayed for four months to allow for more accurate cost projections after a pandemic-related spike in material prices. Here is the updated timeline:

Design Completed: Spring 2022

Permit Approved: Summer 2022

Construction Starts: Fall 2022

Construction Completed: Fall 2023

(assuming 12-month duration)

• Please contact us by phone at 503-655-8540, or by email at gladstone@lincc.org if you have questions.

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Senior Center—1050 Portland Ave
Library—135 E. Dartmouth St.

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates

Seems like only yesterday we were welcoming 2021, and now it's 2022. First, thanks to all who've donated to our foundation. We value your support. Step-by-step we're getting closer to building a new library.

Twice Sold Tales is brimming with great books and DVDs for all ages. Come in, browse and buy. If you're an online shopper, visit our online book sale by logging on to: <https://www.gplfoundation.org>.

We really appreciate your donations for our book sales. Unfortunately, our storage space is limited so we cannot accept the following: textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, dictionaries, reference books, large sets of books, VHF or cassette tapes, and damaged items.

Fred Meyer's Rewards program and Amazon Smile are excellent ways to help build our library. Sign up, then link onto our foundation website. For Fred Meyer's go to: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>.



For Amazon, link onto AmazonSmile, fill out the form and you're all set.

Donations to Gladstone Public Library Foundation can be sent to: PO Box 146, Gladstone, OR 97027-0145, or to our website. Every penny goes to support our library.

"The most important document a free society gives are a birth certificate, a passport and a library card." - e.l. Doctorow

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.

<p>City Meetings:</p> <p>*City Council- 2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) - 6:30 pm—currently being held on Zoom</p> <p>*Planning Commission- 3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm currently being held on Zoom</p> <p>*Traffic Safety- 4th Monday every other month (as needed) - 6:30 pm—currently being held on Zoom</p> <p>*Park & Recreation- 2nd Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm, currently being held on Zoom</p> <p>*Senior Center Advisory- held bi-monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 3:30 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center., 1050 Portland Avenue.</p>	<p>Copies of all City meeting packets and agendas can be found on the City's website at: www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings</p> <p>Local Meetings:</p> <p>*Friends of Gladstone Nature Park- Meets the last Saturday of the month from 9:00 am-12:00 pm at 18111 Webster Rd, Gladstone. For more info visit protecttheparks.org</p> <p>*Gladstone Historical Society- Please visit www.gladstonehistorical.society.org/ for more</p>
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