



WELCOMING WEEK

SEPT. 14-23, 2018

Borderless Stories

September 14 – September 22

Volunteers in Medicine, 2300 NE Neff Road, Bend, OR 97701

See the pictures and read the personal stories of immigrants in central Oregon! The Borderless stories exhibit will connect you with universal core values: love of family and hope that drives us to overcome. Exhibit available for viewing during clinic hours.

Launch Celebration

September 14, 6 – 8 :30 p.m.

St. Charles Health System, 2500 NE Neff Road, Community Room, Bend, OR 97701

Join us as we kick off Welcoming Week 2018! Hear from community members and City staff, view Borderless Stories and watch the documentary film *Harvest of Empire*. Snack and drinks are provided.

Latino Fest

September 15, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sahalee Park, 1 SE 7th Street, Madras, OR 97744

A community celebration honoring the heritages of our immigrant Latinx friends and neighbors with music, dance, food, education, community resources and kids activities. Featuring live mariachi music.

DREAMERS: Story and Art

September 15, 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Roundabout Books, 900 NW Mt. Washington Drive, Suite 110, Bend, OR 97703

Join us for a very special Welcoming Week Story Time at Roundabout Books! We will be reading Dreamers by Yuyi Morales. Following the story, we will talk about our own dreams, and use paint to create a collage of our own dreams on a canvas banner. Event is open to kids of all ages, though the target age for the book is probably Pre-K – Grade 3. Parents are very welcome to come help with the art project.

Eat With Muslims

September 15, 5:30 – 8 p.m.

Bend Church, 680 NW Bond Street, Bend, OR 97701

This is an evening you will long remember - dinner with friends, strangers, and those of the Muslim faith. We live in an age where neighbors often do not get to know one another, making it easy for preconceived notions to thrive. The Eat With Muslims organization is committed to building bridges between people of different cultures and faiths, bringing them together over delicious food and fostering dialogue. Email InterfaithNetwork@outlook.com to RSVP.

Solidarity Celebration & Vespers

September 16, 3-3:30 p.m.

Troy Field, 51 NW Louisiana Avenue, Bend, OR 97701

Representatives of faith communities in Bend will lead us in a public gathering of celebration of immigrants and refugees in our community and prayers for peace and justice in our neighborhoods and world. People of all faith backgrounds and perspectives warmly welcomed. Attendees are invited to bring signs expressing welcome, peace and justice. Upon conclusion, all are welcome to participate in Allyship in Action.

Allyship in Action

September 16, 4 – 6:30 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church, 469 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97701

In these uncertain times, communities of color, immigrants, and other marginalized groups need support they can count on. But how can well-meaning folks move from good intentions to concrete actions of solidarity? This workshop — facilitated by a diverse group of equity facilitators including Liliana Cabrera, Kerani Mitchell, and Erin Rook — will explore the social systems that shape how we interact with race and other differences; engage participants in meaningful reflection on how they interact with these systems; and provide tools and strategies for supporting people of color, immigrants, and others with marginalized identities.

This workshop is designed for those who have already engaged in some education and/reflection on racism, but all are welcome. Donations accepted to offset materials, preparation, and food costs. Suggested donation \$5-\$50.

Know "DREAMS"

September 17, 6-7 p.m.

Downtown Library, 601 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97701

DACA and the Rocky Road to the American Dream: Attorneys from Bend Immigration Group discuss immigration policy.

We are in a critical time in history in which immigration policy is at the forefront of public debate. The future of DREAMers hangs in the balance between federal court decisions, changing administrative policies, and congressional action. This discussion will break down the legal obstacles and challenges many individuals face when seeking the American Dream.

Latino Community Association Open House

September 18, 5-7 p.m.

Latino Community Association, 2445 NE Division Street, Suite 200, Bend, OR 97701

An opportunity to see the Latino Community Association's new office and meet some of their clients, staff, board and volunteers. Come learn about the many services they provide to strengthen and empower our immigrant families. Light snacks and drinks provided.

Community Picnic

September 19, 4 – 8 p.m.

Louisiana and Wall Street, Bend, OR 97701

Come hang out with community members who support the Welcoming Week message of inclusion and creating communities where everyone feels welcome! Local food trucks will be selling food from 4-8 p.m. There will be lawn games, a Borderless Stories art exhibit, and you can participate in the photo booth.

Immigration Policy, Past and Present

September 20, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church, 469 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97701

Oscar Gonzalez, Empowerment Programs Manager for the Latino Community Association, will give a presentation entitled "Keep the Dream Alive: Preserving Fairness, Equality, and Safety for All Oregonians." He will discuss U.S. and Oregon immigration policy history and give an overview of what it means to be an immigrant in Oregon today. There will be a Q&A session after the presentation.

Meet and Greet with the City of Bend

September 21, 4-6 p.m.

Volunteers in Medicine, 2300 NE Neff Road, Bend, OR 97701

A meet and greet to encourage community members to become acquainted with the City of Bend services and operations.

Community Soccer Tournament - CANCELED

Know "DREAMS"

September 25, 6 – 7 p.m.

Redmond Library, 827 Deschutes Avenue, Redmond, OR 97756

DACA & The Rocky Road to the American Dream: Attorneys from Bend Immigration Group discuss immigration policy.

We are in a critical time in history in which immigration policy is at the forefront of public debate. The future of DREAMers hangs in the balance between federal court decisions, changing administrative policies, and congressional action. This discussion will break down the legal obstacles and challenges many individuals face when seeking the American Dream.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

