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Grand Opening of Bascom Village Phase II



The Housing and Community Services Agency of Lane County (HACSA) will host the Grand Opening of their newest housing development, Bascom Village Phase II on Thursday November 10th at 10:00 a.m. The development includes 48 units and is located at 3077 Matt Drive in northeast Eugene. The project implements a vision of providing a family-oriented apartment community that promotes self-sufficiency and enhances opportunities. The City of Eugene provided the land and development assistance including \$302,739 in HOME funds, infrastructure funds to extend water and electric on Matt Drive, and Systems Development Charge exemptions.

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GIS Day Coming Up on November 16

Celebrating Maps at the City of Eugene
GISday 2016

City of Eugene staff are holding a [GIS Day](#) event on Wednesday, November 16, 2016. GIS Day is an annual, international event where GIS (Geographic Information System) users celebrate mapping and educate others about GIS.



The event will take place from 12:00 pm until 4:00 pm in the Bascom-Tykeson Room of the [Eugene Library](#). Tables will be set up hosting different departments/divisions who have mobile applications and printed maps showing how GIS and mapping is used in City services and operations. Stop by this drop-in event for live demonstrations, map displays, a GIS treasure hunt and some tasty goodies. GIS staff will be available to answer questions. The demonstration schedule is posted on the webpage www.eugene-or.gov/GISday, be

sure to check it the day before for the final program. Demonstrations include mobile applications for Urban Forestry and drive time analysis for medic units.

Make sure you sign-in to our mobile web app saying you were there! For more information, please contact [Sarah Zaleski](#).

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Donated Property Provides Burn-to-Learn Opportunity

On October 28th, Eugene Springfield Fire conducted a live fire burn-to-learn exercise using an acquired structure in West Eugene. The 3700 sq ft. house on Willow Creek Dr. was donated by Avago Technologies, who had recently taken ownership of the old Hynix facility. Real structures provide realistic training opportunities that cannot be simulated with smoke machines and known facilities. Crews were able to set and extinguish multiple second floor fires practicing hose advancement, fire attacks from the exterior, interior, and attic as well as incident command principles. At the end of the training exercises, the house was burned down. For more information, contact [Amy Linder](#).



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Pilot Project to Evaluate Synthetic Fibers in Willamette Street



A newly rebuilt portion of Willamette Street in downtown may be better built to withstand the weight of thousands of cars and buses a day. City engineers approved a pilot project that introduced tiny synthetic fibers to the top layer of asphalt on Willamette Street, between 11th and 13th avenues.

The synthetic fibers, built by Forta-Fi, are made of high-tensile strength materials.

During the asphalt mixing process, millions of the tiny yellow fibers are distributed throughout the material, blending into the black mix. They're intended to increase the asphalt's strength and durability, while resisting cracking and rutting.

Engineers chose this portion of Willamette Street because of its proximity to the downtown Lane Transit District bus station. Buses put extra stress on the street because of their weight. After studying the road over the coming years, engineers will determine if fibers should be used in more road projects throughout the City. Because this is a pilot project, the vendor for Forta-Fi, Alliance Geo, provided the fibers at no cost.

Some studies indicate that the use of fibers in asphalt pavement can allow engineers to specify a thinner pavement structure yet expect similar performance. For this pilot project, the thickness of the pavement was not reduced. Instead, this project focused on the constructability of adding fibers to the asphalt mix.



The Willamette Street reconstruction project, 10th to 13th avenues, is nearly complete, with a few minor improvements, including striping, to be made, weather permitting. The voter approved 2012 bond measure is funding a majority of the project. For more information on the fibers or the project, call Patrick Cox, project manager, at 541-682-5331.

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