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“Share the Love” Returns to Tualatin this February

TUALATIN, OR — The City of Tualatin is continuing the *Share the Love* tradition by hiding 500 hand-blown glass hearts throughout city parks and trails in February, encouraging residents and visitors to explore local outdoor spaces and spread kindness throughout the community.

Throughout the month of February, a new batch of glass hearts will be hidden each week across the city. Hearts are placed throughout the week on different days and at different times, creating ongoing opportunities for discovery. Community members who find a heart are welcome to keep it or re-hide it for someone else to discover.

Share the Love began in 2021 in response to community isolation during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program was designed to get people out of their homes and into Tualatin's parks, with the goal of fostering safe outdoor community interaction. Since its inception, the event has grown significantly, from 175 hidden hearts in its first year to 500 this year.

Glass hearts will be hidden in the following locations: Atfalati Park, Brown's Ferry Park, Ibach Park, Jurgens Park, Little Woodrose Natural Area, Lafky Park, Las Casitas Park, Commons Park, Community Park, the Lake of the Commons, and Sweek Pond Natural Area. They will also be

placed along city greenway trails, including the Chieftain Dakota, Hedges Creek, Hi-West, Ice Age Tonquin Trail, Saum Creek, Shaniko, and the Tualatin River Greenway Trail. Hearts will be accessible without climbing or digging.

Each glass heart is handcrafted by artist Timothy Jaquet of Olympia, Washington. Community members who find a heart are encouraged to snap a photo and use the hashtag #ShareTheLoveTualatin.

For more information, visit tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/share-love.