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H.O.P.E. Drug Court Participant Launches “Hope for Kids in Crisis” Community Donation Drive to Support Local Children

Roseburg, OR — May 26, 2026 — A Douglas County H.O.P.E. Drug Court graduate phase participant is proud to announce **Hope for Kids in Crisis**, a community-wide fundraising and donation effort benefiting the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) Child Welfare Division in Douglas County.

The project aims to provide essential items for local children and families experiencing crisis situations. The ODHS Child Welfare Division works daily to ensure the safety and well-being of vulnerable children by providing emergency support, placement services, family assistance, and resources during some of the most difficult times in a child’s life. Having immediate access to basic necessities can make a significant difference in helping children feel safe, comfortable, and cared for during periods of uncertainty.

Community members are encouraged to donate **new items with tags** for children from newborn to age 12, including:

- Diapers
- Baby wipes
- Light toiletries
- Clothing
- Shoes

Other items to consider are car seats, gas cards, or non-perishable snack items for when clients are in the office. All donated items must be received by **June 7, 2026**.

Donation Drop-Off Locations

Donations may be dropped off at:

- **Champion Car Wash** – 250 Suite A NE Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg
- **Douglas County Juvenile Department Lobby** – First Floor Courthouse, Room 105A – 1036 SE Douglas Avenue
- **ODHS Child Welfare Office** – 738 W Harvard Avenue, Roseburg

Community Car Wash Fundraiser – May 30

The public is also invited to participate in a special fundraising event on **Saturday, May 30, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** at **Champion Car Wash**, located at **250 Suite A NE Garden Valley Blvd.**

For every vehicle washed during the event, **\$1 will be donated to the Hope for Kids in Crisis project.** Community members may also bring donation items to the event for collection.

A Project with Purpose

The H.O.P.E. Drug Court Program believes that recovery is strengthened through service to others. Community service projects are an important component of the program, providing participants with opportunities to give back, build positive community connections, and demonstrate personal growth through meaningful action.

Drug Court helps individuals overcome substance use disorders through accountability, treatment, support services, and regular court supervision. By participating in projects such as Hope for Kids in Crisis, participants can make a positive impact on the lives of others while reinforcing the values of responsibility, compassion, and community involvement that are essential to long-term recovery.

“This project is an opportunity for our community to come together and support children who may be facing challenging circumstances,” said Jeremiah Ulam, Drug Court Graduate Phase Participant. “Every diaper, pair of shoes, package of wipes, and clothing item donated helps ensure that children entering or receiving services through Child Welfare have access to basic necessities and a sense of dignity and comfort.”

The H.O.P.E. Drug Court Project encourages community members, businesses, civic organizations, and families throughout Douglas County to join the effort and help make a difference in the lives of local children. Together, we can provide hope, comfort, and support to children in crisis throughout Douglas County.

For more information or to contribute, community members are encouraged to participate in the listed event. Graduate flyers and additional information about the H.O.P.E. Drug Court program are available through the Douglas County website via the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC) at: <https://douglascountyor.gov/851/HOPE-Drug-Court>

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