

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Argument

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For over a century, the Oregon Historical Society has served as the safeguard for Oregon's rich history. Measure 26-261 will help to preserve what makes our home unique, without raising the tax rate.

Yes for ACCESS

Thousands of people visit the Oregon Historical Society's museum and library each year—in person and online—to discover the people, places, and events that have shaped our home.

Yes for PRESERVATION

Year after year, as history marches on, the Oregon Historical Society has upheld its responsibility to provide context and record historical moments for future generations.

Yes for EDUCATION

Renewing the levy will allow the Oregon Historical Society to continue its important education and preservation work as a repository of Oregon's history, by providing:

- Free admission to all Multnomah County residents and school groups.
- Free public lectures and educator workshops.
- Original exhibitions showcasing Multnomah County's diverse cultures.
- Preservation of millions of documents, photographs, and artifacts.
- Support for four local Multnomah County historical societies in East Portland, Gresham, Troutdale, and Crown Point.

Help preserve Oregon history and education, all without raising the tax rate.

Please join us in voting "YES" on Measure 26-261.

Tobias Read, Oregon Secretary of State
Jessica Vega Pederson, Multnomah County Chair
Julia Brim-Edwards, Multnomah County Commissioner
Vince Jones-Dixon, Multnomah County Commissioner
Shannon Singleton, Multnomah County Commissioner
Meghan Moyer, Multnomah County Commissioner
Keith Wilson, Mayor of Portland
Dave Ripma, Mayor of Troutdale
Tiffany Koyama Lane, Portland City Councilor
Eric Zimmerman, Portland City Councilor
Barbara Roberts, former Governor of Oregon
Ted Kulongoski, former Governor of Oregon
Mary Oberst, former First Lady of Oregon
Lisa Reynolds, State Senator

Margaret Carter, former State Senator
Rob Nosse, State Representative

Marlee Boxler, Troutdale Historical Society
Karen Johnston, Gresham Historical Society
Jeff Neiger, Troutdale Historical Society
Leslie Radke, Gresham Historical Society

OHS Volunteer Educators

Jon Arakaki
Carol Chislett
Elizabeth Cooksey
Timothy Fier
Margaret Isom Johnson
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Elizabeth Pruden
John Schirmer
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Teachers and Education Leaders Support Oregon History, and in return, the Oregon Historical Society supports us!

As local schoolteachers, educators, and education leaders, we have seen firsthand the impact the Oregon Historical Society has on our students as they discover the people, places, and events that ~~have~~ ^{RC} helped to shape our unique state.

By fourth grade, Oregon students have begun learning local history, including about the Indigenous people who have lived here since time immemorial, European and American explorers, and settlers from across the continent and around the globe. In later grades, students dig into the people and ideas that have shaped U.S. and Oregon history, including our state's role in our nation's history.

With Measure 26-261, Multnomah County school groups can continue to visit the Oregon Historical Society and access their amazing online resources for free, making history come alive and creating a positive difference for our students.

The Oregon Historical Society has supported teachers and educators, providing professional development opportunities and standards-aligned, classroom-ready resources we can use with students of all grades. During the pandemic, OHS helped provide high-quality learning even amidst school closures.

Nothing can compare to students seeing history before them. By seeing artifacts firsthand, students can relate to our state's visionary leaders like Oregon's famed suffragist Abigail Scott Duniway and Presidential of Freedom Medal awardee and civil rights leader Minoru Yasui. Bringing a subject alive keeps students engaged long after they return to the classroom.

Please join us in voting Yes for Education and Yes for Measure 26-261 and in keeping this valuable resource available for future generations of Oregon students.

Heather Gomez, Oregon Trail Elementary
Mateo Ballard Strauhal, Southridge High School
Wim Wiewel, President Emeritus, PSU and Lewis & Clark College
Amy McBride, ACCESS Academy
Natalie Ballard Strauhal, Southridge High School
Laura Axon, Bridger Creative Science School
Brad Parker, Multnomah Education Service District
Nancy Sullivan, McDaniel High School
Portland School Board members Christy Splitt, Virginia La Forte, Michele DePass

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Help Keep Oregon History Alive

The Oregon Historical Society's research library is an essential tool for our state's artists, researchers, students, and teachers. Oregonians of all stripes visit virtually or in person and come away having discovered photographs, maps, or letters connected directly to them.

Vote Yes for historical preservation.

Vote Yes for 26-261 to support the research library, funding our preservation and digitization efforts, without raising the tax rate.

For more than 128 years, Oregonians have proudly supported the Oregon Historical Society in collecting, preserving, and displaying photographs, manuscripts, museum objects, and archeological finds about the history of Oregon. The Oregon Historical Society holds the largest collection in the world pertaining to the Oregon Country. The collections are renowned and well-used by visitors seeking to learn about Oregon, scholars researching topics for books or articles in OHS' award-winning Oregon Historical Quarterly, and local residents interested in their neighborhoods or family history.

The collection includes:

- 85,000 artifacts
- 45,000 books and publications
- 20,000,000 photographs
- 25,000 maps
- 20,000 cubic feet of manuscripts
- Thousands of reels of motion picture film
- 2,800 oral history interviews
- 46,894 items in OHS Digital Collections
- Thousands of additional digitized items in the Oregon History Project, Oregon Encyclopedia, and the library's online catalog

Please join Oregon's historians and researchers by voting YES for Oregon History.

Janice Dilg, independent historian

Hanako Wakatsuki-Chong, Japanese American Museum of Oregon

William Willingham, Ph.D., consulting historian

Katrine Barber, Professor of History, PSU

David-Paul Hedberg, outdoor history consulting

Jamie LaCour, Troutdale Historical Society

Joyce Belcher, Troutdale Historical Society

Anne Endicott, Gresham Historical Society

Steven Lehl, Vice President, Crown Point Country Historical Society

Johanna Ogden, researcher and historian

Diane Hess, civil rights history educator

Christin Hancock, Professor of History, University of Portland

Catherine McNeur, Professor of History, PSU

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East Multnomah County History Benefits from Measure 26-261

Multnomah County history is Oregon history, from Indigenous peoples to immigrants past and present. Levy dollars enable us to preserve and pass down to future generations knowledge of the past, across our entire community.

Passing Measure 26-261 provides essential support to four East Multnomah County Historical Societies:

- East County Historical Organization (ECHO) continued their mission of preserving and stimulating an interest in the history of the Fairview, Rockwood and Wilkes areas of East Multnomah County and in their care of the historic Heslin House and Zimmerman House.
- Gresham Historical Society is open with free admission for over 200 days per year and offers a dynamic slate of free educational programs, both in-person and online. The levy has enabled GHS to significantly expand access to its local history resources.
- Troutdale Historical Society completed major building repairs and security upgrades, expanded museum hours, improved and diversified exhibits, increased free educational programs and community events, launched new children's programs, strengthened preservation and shared Troutdale's history with more residents than ever before.
- Crown Point Country Historical Society's new museum is now open in Corbett for all to see. As they move forward to complete the grounds, the levy funds will assist in the operation of the museum, along with meeting their mission to preserve and share the heritage of this beautiful area.

We know how important this levy is to the ongoing preservation of local letters, maps, oral histories, and artifacts. These treasures help document the story of our unique area. With your support for Measure 26-261, we can continue sharing knowledge, collections, expertise, and materials.

Please vote Yes for Historic Preservation in ALL of Multnomah County!

Charles A. Rollins, President, Crown Point Country Historical Society

Peggy Olin, President, East County Historical Organization

Silvie Andrews, Executive Director, Gresham Historical Society

Christopher Garza, Executive Director, Troutdale Historical Society

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Fiscal Oversight & Independent Audits

As part of the original levy, the Multnomah County Chair appointed an independent citizens oversight committee to review all levy expenditures and ensure dollars are spent as approved by voters, a practice which will continue with the levy renewal.

The Levy Oversight Committee ensures the Oregon Historical Society has met its accountability targets, including:

- Ensuring a quality financial audit has been completed.
- Expanding hours of operation.
- Providing free access to Multnomah County residents.
- Supporting exhibits, programs, and operations that proactively represent Multnomah County's diverse communities.

The Levy Oversight Committee is made up of community members, meets at least twice a year, and reports annually to the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners.

Levy Oversight Committee Co-Chairs Janice Dilg and Diane McKeel presented to the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners on October 7, 2025 to share the Committee's findings:

"I can report that OHS continues to be in compliance with all levy language and requirements. These requirements include being open to the public a certain number of hours a week, providing an annual financial audit to the [Levy Oversight Committee], and of course offering free admission every day to all Multnomah County residents. I am also pleased to report that the LOC continues to be impressed by how OHS is in total compliance with the levy language that requires their exhibits, programs, publications, and partnerships reflect the history of Multnomah County's diverse population." —Janice Dilg

OHS Levy Oversight Committee members:

Janice Dilg, Diane McKeel, Elizabeth Pruden, Elka Grisham

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A Vote for 26-261 is a Vote for Our Local Culture

From Portland's famous penny toss to ringing in the Chinese New Year to learning about the tragic Vanport flood, the Oregon Historical Society provides a rich and necessary context to our home, reminding us of how we got to where and who we are. OHS serves as our collective memory, and has done so for over 125 years.

As leaders of Oregon's cultural and civic institutions we fully support the renewal of this important levy and recommend a Yes vote for Oregon History.

In addition, we are encouraged by the Oregon Historical Society's continued work to reflect Multnomah County's rich and diverse community—from its leadership and staff, to exhibits, partnerships, and programs.

We understand that Oregon's rich history cannot be contained within a single story or point of view, and that re-examination and new interpretations are necessary to tell a full and honest history.

This resource is essential to Oregon's cultural and civic community, providing inspiration and knowledge. It provides a platform to ask questions, make discoveries, and build connections with our neighbors.

We say YES for Oregon History and YES for Oregon's Cultural Fabric.

Elizabeth Nye, Lan Su Chinese Garden
Sankar Raman, The Immigrant Story
Zachary Stocks, Oregon Black Pioneers
Chisao Hata, arts educator and global citizen artist
Peggy Nagae, community leader
Diane Hess, civil rights history educator
Lynn Fuchigami Parks, Minoru Yasui Legacy Project
Hanako Wakatsuki-Chong, Japanese American Museum of Oregon
Nili Yosha, Outside the Frame

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Measure 26-261 Fulfills a Mission Important to All Oregonians

The Oregon Historical Society preserves our state's history and makes it accessible to everyone in ways that advance knowledge and inspire curiosity about the people, places, and events that have shaped Oregon.

Renewing this levy will not only allow the Oregon Historical Society to continue its critical **education** and **preservation** work, providing access to Oregonians of all ages — it will do it without raising the tax rate.

In addition, the levy will:

- Continue free admission to all Multnomah County residents and school groups;
- Provide free public lectures and original exhibitions;
- Produce weekly newsletters reaching more than 22,000 readers;
- Offer free curriculum and professional-development opportunities to teachers;
- Preserve tens of thousands of historical documents and artifacts; and
- Provide financial support for four East Multnomah County historical societies.

Moreover, we will continue to build exhibits and programs that reflect the diverse histories of our region and engage all parts of our county.

The Oregon Historical Society is Financially Responsible and Well Managed

As board members, we can say with confidence that the Oregon Historical Society manages finances responsibly and transparently. An independent citizens oversight committee, appointed by the Multnomah County Chair, reviews all levy expenditures and ensures dollars are spent as approved by voters, a practice which will continue with this renewal.

Join Oregon Historical Society Board of Trustees members in voting YES for Measure 26-261

Erin Zollenkopf
Franco Albi
Kristin Anderson
Paul Andrews
Suzanne Bishop
Emily Flynn
Gregory Keller
Brendan O'Scannlain
John Russell
Wim Wiewel

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Higher Education Professors Vote Yes for Oregon History
Please vote Yes on Measure 26-261

Reading, studying, and interpreting Oregon's history is as important to understanding our state's past as it is to preparing for our future. Without the Oregon Historical Society, our local academics wouldn't have access to the basic information we need.

We rely on the research library, museum, and Oregon Historical Quarterly for essential resources, including:

- Unique artifacts, including memorabilia from Oregon's non-Indigenous settlements, political and cultural ephemera, items related to arts and crafts, maritime history, and experiences of diverse ethnic groups;
- Millions of feet of film, videotape, microfilm, and documents. With 20 million photographs that detail Oregon's history available, there is really nothing like it in the world; and
- The Oregon Historical Quarterly, a peer-reviewed journal dedicated entirely to Oregon history.

We ask that you join us in voting YES for Measure 26-261, and renew our community's support for this go-to source for Oregon's history.

Katrine Barber, Professor of History, PSU

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Annelise Heinz, Associate Professor of History, University of Oregon

Courtney Hermann, Associate Professor of Film, PSU

Catherine McNeur, Professor of History, PSU

Wim Wiewel, President Emeritus, PSU and Lewis & Clark College

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Argument

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OHS Volunteers Talk About the Impact of OHS Educational Programs

Educational programs at OHS are supported by extraordinary volunteers. Through their work, Oregon students and Oregonians of all ages discover the history of our state and region. In their own words:

Elizabeth Pruden: "It's always exciting to judge History Day and witness the intelligence and dedication of Oregon students who will be future leaders. **OHS ensures that students participate in a learning experience that requires research and analysis of facts, both of which promote critical thinking.**The research effort culminates in a public presentation when students can hone public speaking skills, whether they are novices or stars."

Sara Spiers: "Volunteering with Oregon History Day and the Hatfield Lecture Series has shown me how **OHS programs build a lasting connection between Oregonians of all ages and the place they call home.** OHS programming creates a community of learners and provides spaces throughout the state where individuals can cultivate curiosity and deepen their understanding of Oregon, the Pacific Northwest, and our global connections. **Ultimately, OHS and its many programs and exhibits spark curiosity and foster a love of history, teaching us all how to be better stewards of Oregon.**"

Darren Layne: "As volunteer educators at OHS, welcoming numerous school classes every week of the academic year gives us great opportunities to interact with kids of all ages as we introduce them to our fantastic exhibits. **We often hear from teachers, parents, and students that the discussions we prompt are deeply meaningful, bolstering our passion and reminding us that there's something incredibly special going on here** ☺ ✓"

Volunteering as a judge for Oregon History Day always inspires, seeing such a fascinating breadth of projects by students from all across the state. Each year I am dazzled to see how many Oregon students are enthusiastic about the details and process of their projects. **OHD is a valuable program that demonstrably inspires our future generations of aspiring historians!**"