



Corvallis Aquatic Team  
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Election Day – May 17, 2011; Measure 02-74

The City of Corvallis proposes a local option property tax levy at the rate of \$.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value, lasting for three years and beginning July 1, 2011. This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

The tax revenue from this measure would be used to support operations of the Library, the Osborn Aquatic Center, and the Chintimini Senior Center, along with for allocations to social service agencies. In addition to tax revenue from this measure, general fund money would be required to continue funding these operations. The revenue from the levy would be restricted to these uses. Among these uses, distribution of the revenue would also be restricted in the following manner:

23.03% of the levy each year (approximately \$412,200 for fy 2011-12) for year-round operation of the Osborn Aquatic Center; including programs such as swimming lessons, therapy classes, youth special needs classes, water safety, high school swim practice, swim meets, fitness classes, and lap swimming;

17.22% of the levy each year (approximately \$308,200 for fy 2011-12) for year-round operation of the Chintimini Senior center; including programs such as senior meals, health and fitness, life long learning classes, support groups, tax aide assistance, volunteer recruitment and coordination;

11.79% of the levy each year (approximately \$21 1,000 for fy 2011-12) for year-round Library open hours on Mondays;

42.22% of the levy each year (approximately \$755,730 for fy 2011-12) for operation of the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library; including the acquisition of books, periodicals, and other library materials; and programs such as preschool reading readiness services for families and child care providers; for volunteer recruitment and coordination; and

5.74% of the levy each year (approximately \$1 02,870 for Q 2011-12) for funding social service programs that provide emergency or transitional assistance, such as aid in obtaining food, water, shelter, warmth, clothing, safety, acute health care, or access to information about obtaining this assistance.

The requested rate is estimated to raise approximately \$1,790,000 in fiscal year 2011-2012, \$1,850,870 in fiscal year 2012-2013, and \$1,924,900 in fiscal year 2013-2014 or a total of \$5,565,770 for all three years.

Osborn Aquatic Center (OAC) is a recognized hub of activity within the Corvallis community. While employing over 120 individuals OAC functions as much more than just a recreational facility for the community. It is a center for health, fitness, education, safety, and a public meeting space. It serves a diverse population including infants, children, adults, seniors, people with disabilities, families, and professionals.

OAC is good for our economy. Through many events, OAC brings thousands of visitors and over \$1.5M to our local economy. OAC is a premier west coast training facility for therapy classes, AquaFitness instructor training, Liquid Degree learn-to-swim program, and WaterBabies, an award-winning program developed at Osborn. In addition it is host to numerous events supporting local youths including swim meets for high school teams and club teams, water polo for high schools and OSU, and triathlon races and clinics.

OAC is a place where people of all ages and abilities can come to meet other community members with similar needs, exercise, and learn to swim. It provides the community with activities throughout the year ranging from swim lessons, to state championships at all levels, to Special Olympics, to children's birthday parties. As members of the Corvallis Aquatic Team, we have the opportunity to witness OAC in use at different times throughout the day and year. Not a day passes that we don't see an elderly person getting out of their house for some exercise and socialization, a baby learning to swim for the first time, or a person with special needs strengthening their body. OAC is not only a swimming facility. It is a place where families meet and where young adults get their first jobs as instructors or lifeguards. It is a place where a child may receive their first ribbon or award, or a group gathers to celebrate a special occasion.

Together with other critical services; i.e., the Library and the Senior Center, OAC has made Corvallis rank as one of the top 100 communities to live in nationally.

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