

MAY 2023

The Dallas Digest

City of Dallas, Oregon



City Manager's Space

Our City is turning 150 in February 2024, and we want to celebrate, Dallas-style!

We are forming a team of fun, energetic party planners (or wannabes) to create the greatest birthday bash the city of Dallas has seen in its 150 year history. Sign up now to join the team by [CLICKING HERE](#), or visit www.dallasor.gov and search for "150th Celebration". Our first party planning session will be May 25th at 5:30pm



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Parks and Recreation

John C. Barnard Memorial Park



Last month the City of Dallas was awarded a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for the construction of **John C. Barnard Memorial Park**. The grant is in the amount is just over \$570,000 and will pay for half of the cost of constructing the park. The park has been in the planning stages for several years and it's exciting to be able to set a timeline for construction. Groundbreaking for the park will take place in late spring 2024 with construction being completed in early fall 2024.

Named after long-time Dallas resident and City employee, John C. Barnard, the park will be 2.5 acres located at the corner of SE Academy St. and Fir Villa Rd. Once constructed, it will feature play structures, a basketball court, a covered picnic shelter, and a pollinator meadow all connected by leisurely paths and open lawns.

DHS at the DAC



Thank you to the Dallas High School students who braved wind and rain on a day off of school to spread fresh bark dust around the beds of the Dallas Aquatic Center. It might not have felt like spring, but thanks to these hard-working teens, the DAC is dressed for the season – whenever it gets here!

WHAT'S NEW WITH DALLAS FIRE & EMS?

Fall Prevention

Falls are common and costly, especially among Americans aged 65 and older. However, falls are preventable and do not have to be an inevitable part of aging. Every second of every day, an older adult (age 65+) suffers a fall in the U.S.—making falls the leading cause of injury and injury death in this age group. One out of four older adults will fall each year in the United States, making falls a public health concern, particularly among the aging population.

4 Ways To Reduce Fall Risk:

1. Talk openly with your health care provider and tell them right away if you are worried about falling.

2. Exercise to improve your balance and strength. Exercise in general can improve your balance and confidence on your feet.

3. Have your eyes and feet checked. Once a year check with your eye doctor. Poor vision can increase your chances of falling. Discuss proper foot wear with your healthcare provider.

4. Make your home safer. Remove clutter and things you can trip over. Use double-sided tape to keep rugs from slipping. Use non-slip mats in the tub and shower. Improve the lighting so you can see well and wear some sturdy shoes inside and outside the house.



Hydrant Makeover

You might notice the fire hydrants in town are getting a little makeover. Our personnel, along with several community volunteers, have taken on the task of making the hydrants more visible. The chipped white and black paint is being replaced with a vibrant yellow. This is a tedious project and what we need from you is this, if you have a hydrant on your property, be sure you have at least four feet of clearance around the hydrant so that there is no obstruction. Below are some examples of what not to do and what to do. The Dallas City Code about hydrants is referenced below.

If you have any questions, would like to help with this project (we have a little over 500 hydrants in Dallas!) or you have a hydrant on your property and want to freshen it up, feel free to call us at (503) 831-3533 and we can supply you with all the materials you'll need.



5.274 Obstruction Of Fire Hydrants

1. No owner of property adjacent to a street upon which is located a fire hydrant shall place or maintain within four feet of the fire hydrant a bush, shrub, tree, or other obstruction.
2. [Section 5.274(1) amended by Ordinance. No. 1457, passed March 16, 1992.]
3. No person shall place or deposit any material around or near any hydrant, stand pipe, plug, valve, water gate, or other appurtenance comprising a part of the water transmission system of the city to interfere with free access to it.
4. The chief of the fire department, a law enforcement officer, or any other city official may proceed to summarily remove any obstruction that prevents access to a hydrant or to the water transmission system if the obstruction presents imminent danger to public safety.
5. Violation of this section is a civil infraction.

Be #WildfireAware

With warmer weather finally in the forecast, tackling those yard projects may be top of mind. Help prevent escaped debris burn by chipping, composting, or recycling yard debris.

In Oregon, escaped debris burns are the number one cause of human-sparked fires. Be **#WildfireAware** and prevent a costly outdoor fire. If debris burning is your only option, follow these tips:

<https://tinyurl.com/3hrus8np>

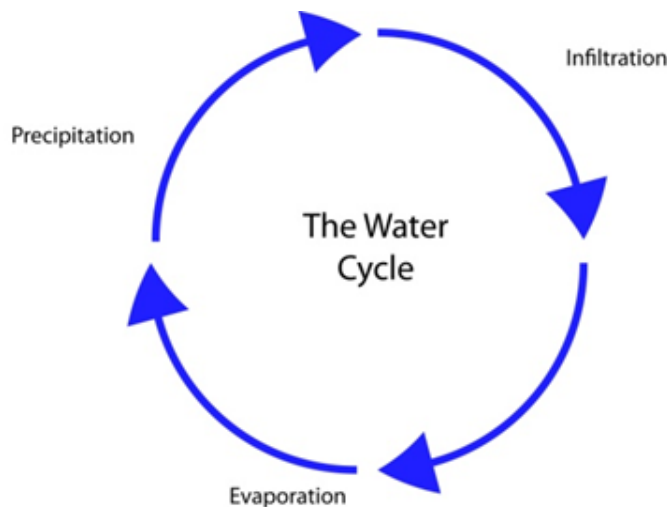
ADDITIONAL INFO: <https://tinyurl.com/32ch6vey>. And as always call the Polk County Burn line before you burn (503)838-2020.

KEEP UP WITH PUBLIC WORKS

City Seeks Stormwater Runoff Improvements

Modern cities are designed to provide shelter, roadways on which to travel, walkways on which to recreate, and buildings where we do our business and reside. These conveniences are the fundamental elements for a productive community, but this development has also changed the water cycle of this beautiful spot in the Willamette Valley.

Many of the readers will remember learning about the water cycle in school. In a nutshell, when it rains, water either soaks into the ground, runs off into streams, or is used by plants, and then evaporates back into the air where it condenses and forms rain. When we remove plants, build structures, roads, and another impervious surfaces, we interrupt the natural water cycle.



The stormwater system is a collection of pipes, storm drains, ditches, detention facilities, and other features that are intended to manage the water that is the result of the disturbance in the water cycle! It is often the case that heavy rain events can overwhelm a community's stormwater system. Moreover, high flows from community systems to waterways can mean an increase in the number of pollutants in the stream, degradation of the channel, and disturbance of fish and wildlife habitat.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & URBAN RENEWAL

Dallas Business Inventory

The Dallas Business Inventory (DBI) is a new free program for businesses provided by the City of Dallas. Businesses that sign up for the DBI will be the first to know about new grant opportunities, city-wide programs and events, and educational opportunities for business owners and their employees.

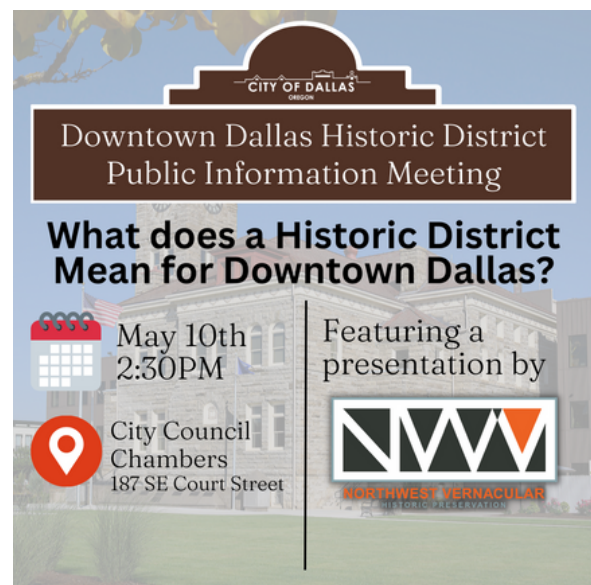
You can sign up at this link: <https://bit.ly/dallasdbi>

If you have questions about this program, please contact tyler.ferrari@dallasor.gov

Historic Preservation

The City of Dallas has begun the process of applying to recognize a portion of downtown Dallas as a National Historic District. The City has contracted with Northwest Vernacular to assist the city in writing this application. As part of this process, the City will be having an open house to discuss this project during the meeting of the Local

Landmarks Commission meeting on May 10th at 2:30 PM in the Dallas City Council Chambers. This meeting is an opportunity for building owners and business owners to ask questions about the process and what this would mean for the downtown.



Small Business Classes

Attention small business owners in the Dallas, Oregon area!

Don't miss out on the chance to attend a FREE in person webinar hosted at the Dallas Event Center and sponsored by the City of Dallas, Dallas Downtown Association, and Business Oregon. This webinar is designed to help small business owners like you plan for success.

BUILDING YOUR BUSINESS
Workshop Series

DALLAS
9:00-10:30am
Tuesday Mornings
Dallas Event Center

APRIL 11TH
Brand Your Brand-New Startup

APRIL 25TH
Getting Started with Waveapps

MAY 2ND
Email Marketing & Best Practices

MAY 16TH
Getting Started with Idea Buddy

MAY 30TH
Legal Structures for Starters

LEARN MORE / REGISTER

REINVENTING RURAL
CITY OF DALLAS
business oregon

Whether you're a new business owner or have been in business for years, this webinar will provide you with valuable insights and strategies to help your business thrive.

This is an amazing opportunity to gain knowledge and skills that will help your business grow and succeed. We hope to see you there!

You can register here at: bit.ly/44a50Yb

Small Business Bootcamp

The City of Dallas, Dallas Downtown Association, and Reinventing Rural are partnering together to host a two-day boot camp for small businesses here in Dallas. We are currently seeking 10-15 small business owners and entrepreneurs interested in attending this class on May 5th and 6th. If you are interested in attending, please email tyler.ferrari@dallasor.gov

Business Resource Fair

The City of Dallas is excited to partner with Indy Idea Hub to host a small business fair here in Dallas on May 26th from 8 AM-12 PM at Evangelical Bible Church (1175 SE Howe Street)! If you are a business owner, entrepreneur, or aspiring entrepreneur who wants to start, grow, or manage your business, this event is for you! Meet with service providers who can help you with resources on topics like business planning, financing, workforce development, and more! Resources will be bilingual and children and families are welcome!



GET CONNECTED WITH THE TOOLS AND RESOURCES YOU NEED TO SUCCEED!

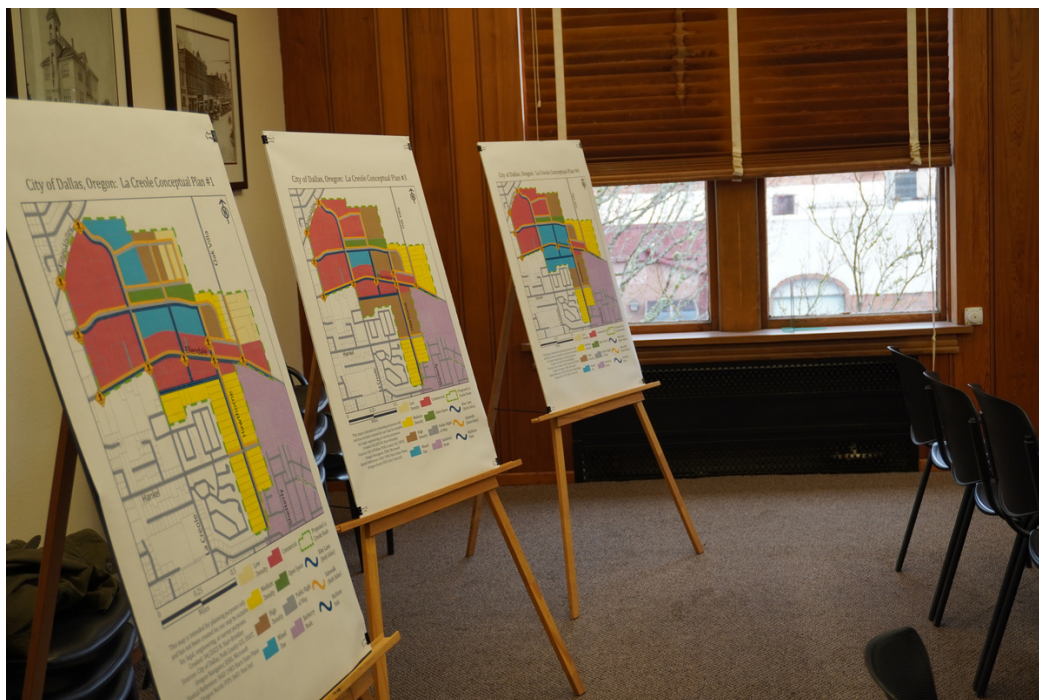
	Monmouth Friday, April 28 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Library: 168 Ecols Street S	APRIL 28
	Falls City Friday, May 12 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Old Clinic: 304 N. Main Street	MAY 12
	Independence Monday, May 22 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Indy Commons: 154 S Main Street	MAY 22
	Dallas Friday, May 26 8:00 am to 12:00 pm EBC: 1175 SE Howe Street	MAY 26
www.indyideahub.org hello@indyideahub.org		

La Creole Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

The advisory committee has refined the concepts from four down to three which closely align with the needs and preferences of the La Creole community.

We are excited to welcome everyone to the third La Creole Technical Advisory Committee meeting on May 4th. We look forward to hearing your feedback on the refined concepts, as well as your suggestions for commercial and residential components.

The City staff and consultant team launched the La Creole Master Plan Community Hub website. We encourage all committee and community members to visit the website at <https://la-creole-node-master-plan-tpdr.hub.arcgis.com/> and explore the interactive map, project updates, and other resources available.



ARPA Projects

The City of Dallas is scheduled to award nearly \$108,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funding to nine downtown Dallas building improvement projects. The City Council has authorized \$208,000 over two years in ARPA funds to be used for the downtown Building Improvement Grant Program. \$100,000 has previously been awarded to eight projects in 2022-23.

The nine projects selected to receive funding are:

1. **831/827 Main Street.** Replace roof. Grant amount = \$20,000; total project value = \$80,000.
2. **788 Main Street.** Replace windows and door. Grant amount = \$13,500; total project value = \$40,500.
3. **807/811 Main Street/ 131-139 Mill Street.** New awnings & insulation. Grant amount = \$8,430; total project value = \$25,287.
4. **962 Main Street.** Upstairs interior completion. Grant total = \$20,000; total project value = \$60,000.
5. **680 Main Street.** New windows & paint. Grant amount = \$8,465; total project value = \$25,400.
6. **869 Main Street.** New canopy & paint. Grant amount = \$6,945; total project value = \$20,835.
7. **144 SW Washington Street.** New ADA restrooms. Grant amount = \$6,527.39; total project value = \$19,580.72.
8. **430 Main Street.** Garage door replacement. Grant amount = \$4,125; total project value = \$12,500.
9. **742 Main Street.** ADA restrooms; awning reconstruction. Grant amount = \$20,000; total project value = \$85,000.

URDAC Vacancy

The seven members of this committee are appointed by the Dallas Development Commission - Urban Renewal Agency (URA) and serve four-year terms. The committee meets monthly on the first Tuesday. Generally, the committee recommends urban renewal projects and programs to the URA.

Members of the URDAC are not required to be residents of the City of Dallas. City employees are not eligible to serve on the committee
Click here for the committee interest form:

https://www.dallasor.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/city_manager039s_office/page/4391/committee_interest_form.pdf

Economic Development Commission Meeting and Vacancy

Economic Development Commission (DCC 2.905): The commission shall consist of seven members, each serving a four-year term. Members can be City residents or non-residents and are appointed by the City Council upon recommendation of the Mayor and may be removed by the City Council. The committee meets monthly on the fourth Thursday. In general, the commission makes recommendations to the City Council regarding Economic Development matters. A complete list of duties is provided in the Municipal Code.

- South Dallas Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee (URA Resolution 2022-02): The committee shall consist of seven members, each serving a four-year term. Members of this committee are the same members as the Economic Development Commission. The committee meets monthly on the fourth Thursday. Generally, the committee recommends urban renewal projects and programs to the URA.

Interested in joining the EDC?

Join the EDC at the next meeting on May 25th!

Click here for the committee interest form:

https://www.dallasor.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/city_manager039s_office/page/4391/committee_interest_form.pdf

PLANNING DIVISION



Accessory Dwellings

An accessory dwelling is a second, self-contained dwelling unit on the same property as another house.

Also sometimes known as “backyard cottages,” or “ADUs” Dallas allows accessory dwellings in all of our residential zones, subject to certain limitations. This second dwelling may be freestanding, attached to the main house, or above a garage, and can be site-built or pre-manufactured (but may not be an RV or trailer.)

In Dallas, accessory dwellings are limited in size to 50% of the floor area of the main house, up to a maximum of 800 square feet, and the total footprint of all buildings and paved surfaces on the lot cannot exceed 50% of the total lot area (select areas may have a higher limit). Because they are limited in size, however, accessory dwellings pay only 50% of the development fees of a full-size house, which may make an accessory dwelling more affordable than other options.

If you’re looking to add another dwelling to your property, contact the Dallas Planning Department to discuss your options by emailing us at planning@dallasor.gov or visiting us in person at Dallas City Hall.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT



Throughout the month of May, the City of Dallas will participate in the 43rd annual Building Safety Month, a worldwide campaign presented by the International Code Council, its members, and partners to promote building safety. This year’s campaign, “It Starts with YOU”, raises awareness about our role in ensuring safety in the spaces in which we live, work, and learn. The campaign also makes the connection between building codes and our safety, as well as the important work done by building safety professionals in our communities.

This year’s campaign addresses how building safety impacts everyone personally, locally, and globally. Follow along each week on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/cityofdallasoregon>

- **Week One:** Building Safety Starts at Home, May 1–7, highlights how building safety impacts our everyday life as family members, friends, and individuals at home.
- **Week Two:** Building Safety Professionals and You, May 8-14, shares a glimpse into the world of building safety professionals by outlining different roles and responsibilities.
- **Week Three:** Prepare Your Community, May 15-21, focuses on how to protect not just your home, but your community at large, from disaster.

- **Week Four:** Advocate for Your Community, May 22-28, provides the tips and tools needed to advocate for building safety in your community.
- **Week Five:** Solving Challenges Together, May 29-31, elevates Building Safety Month to a global scale by addressing how we can work together internationally to tackle the world's most important issues.

Building Safety Starts at Home



Week 1

Building Safety Professionals and You



Week 2

Prepare Your Community



Week 3

Advocate for Your Community



Week 4

Solving Challenges Together



Week 5

CODE SERVICES

Basketball Hoop Street Safety

Just like any other toy or sporting accessory, a bicycle, a ball, or a basketball hoop, put it safely away when you are done actively using it.

Basketball hoops left in the street block parking spaces, prevent the street sweeper from cleaning the curb and are a road hazard. When left in the curb strip or on a sidewalk directly next to the street, they can be a road hazard for taller vehicles. When left on the sidewalk they block ADA use of the sidewalk.



6.126 Encroachments Into Public Right-Of-Way

1. No person shall place, park, leave, deposit, or maintain any structure, barricade, or other obstruction such as building material or merchandise, other than lawfully parking vehicles, on any public right-of-way for more than 72 hours without first obtaining a permit to encroach into public right-of-way at the property owner's risk and subject to the conditions of subsection (3) of this section.

When you are done playing ball, please make sure the hoop is not left on or overhanging the street or blocking the sidewalk. If left in the curb strip, please turn it sideways.



The BLUE REVIEW

DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DALLAS POLICE NOW HIRING

The City of Dallas is hiring for Police Officer (Entry Level or Lateral)

Qualifications:

- Must be 21 years of age or older at time of employment
- Must successfully complete a Frontline Test or POST exam (with a minimum score of 70% on each portion of the test) and ORPAT
- Must be eligible to obtain Department or Public Safety Standards and training (DPSST) basic certification within 18 months of employment

Benefits:

- Base pay range \$5,388.39-\$6,813.29/monthly
- Additional qualifications-incentive pay
- Full benefits including health, dental, vision, life and ling-term disability insurance, PERS, paid holiday, paid vacation, vacation, and sick leave, and deferred compensation plans



<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/dallasor>

FEEMA Training

During the week of April 10th, Chief Simpson, Deputy Chief Mott, and Sergeant Hamilton attended a four-day FEEMA training session in Corvallis. This was FEEMA's ICS300/400, Intermediate and Advanced Incident Command, a key training element for staff members who might be involved in coordinating a response to a natural or manmade disaster or emergency.

Updates on New Hires

recruit Officer Joshua Grumbo is scheduled for academy training to start in mid-May and Recruit Officer Jesse Friedow is scheduled for academy training to start in mid-June. Both recruits will participate in our local field training program between now and their academy start dates. Once they graduate from the academy, they will resume field training until they achieve solo status.

New Dispatch System

City and county agencies that are dispatched through WVCC (Willamette Valley Communications Center) are switching to a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, which will go live on May 15th. Numerous supervisors and officers went to a "Train the Trainer" class which was a 4-hour class on the new system.

Intermediate Police Certification

·Officer Courtney Backer has filed the appropriate documents with DPSST to be awarded her Intermediate police certification from DPSST. This should be completed within the next week. Over the course of their career, officers can achieve numerous levels of certification. It begins with a Basic certification, followed by an Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisory, Management, and Executive.

Dallas Police Department Programs

On-going recruiting for Volunteers in Policing (VIP):

We are currently accepting applications for volunteers to assist with some of our special programs and events. Volunteers donate their time and skills to assist the department in better serving the community in which they live. By choosing to volunteer with the police department, you are making a difference in our community. The program utilizes volunteers with a variety of skills and talents, and is designed to be beneficial to all involved.

Volunteer Positions:

- Assist with community events such as Krazy Dayz, Family Night Out, National Night Out, and others
- Office Assistant
- Detail and maintain department vehicles
- Subpoena Service Assistant (Must be 18 years of age or older; and, have prior law enforcement knowledge)
- Vacation House Check Inspector (must be 18 years or older)

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Dallas Police Department is to provide professional, effective and unbiased police services, in a fair and ethical manner.



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 <https://www.dallasor.gov/police>


LIBRARY EVENTS THIS MONTH


**INTERACTIVE
KIDS MOVIE**

**Friday,
May 12th
at 4:00pm**



Citizen Project:
Bridging Divides
with Steve Higgs



**Friday,
May 5th
7:00pm**

at the
Dallas Public Library

Commemorative Quilt Unveiling





Join us in celebrating the donation of this unique gift created with materials from several renowned children's book authors!



**Saturday, May 6
1:00 p.m**

at the
Dallas Public Library
950 Main St.

Big Cats of Ancient Oregon
with
Author and Paleoartist
Mark Hallett

**Saturday,
May 13th
2:00 pm**

Teen Game Night!




**Friday,
May 19 at
5:30**





Dallas Public Library
950 Main St.
503-623-2633

MAY 2023 Dallas Public Library Events						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Storytime 10:30am Friends of the Library Meeting 5:00pm	3	4 Storytime 10:30am Book Discussion 12:00pm Braiding Sweetgrass	5 Citizen Project: <u>Bridging Divides</u> 7:00pm	6 Author Quilt Unveiling 1:00pm
7 	8	9 Storytime 10:30am	10	11 Storytime 10:30am	12 Kids Interactive Movie: <u>Paw Patrol</u> 4:00pm	13  Author & Paleoartist Mark Hallett 2:00
14 	15	16 Storytime 10:30am	17 Teen Advisory Board Meeting 4:00	18 Storytime 10:30am	19 Teen Game Night 5:30pm	20
21 	22	23 Storytime 10:30am	24	25 Storytime 10:30am	26	27
28	29 CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY	30 Storytime 10:30am Library Board Meeting 4:00pm	31	 Summer Reading Coming Soon!		

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 <https://www.dallasor.gov/library>

 https://www.instagram.com/dallas_library_oregon/



The Dallas Garden Club's
3rd annual

"In the Garden Faire"

Saturday May 20, 2023

9 am to 4 pm

In the Gym & Parking Lot of the

Evangelical Bible Church

1175 S.E. Howe St.

Dallas, OR 97338

45 Garden and Craft Vendors

Free Admission

For more information call: 503-510-4370



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