

# Community Newsletter

**Sheriff's Office**

541-440-4450



**Dispatch Non-Emergency**

541-440-4471

**Emergency**

9-1-1

**Community Outreach**

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**Records Division**

541-440-4463

**Civil Processing**

541-440-4468

**Patrol Division**

541-440-4457

**Investigations**

541-440-4458

**Drug Activity Tip Line**

541-440-4474

**Search and Rescue**

541-440-4448

**Marine Patrol**

541-440-4447

**Douglas County Jail**

541-440-4440

**Animal Control**

541-440-4327

**Concealed Handgun Licensing**

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## April is National Child Abuse Awareness Month

Preventing child abuse should be everyone's concern. In our own community you can help to strengthen families who are responsible for the well-being of their children. Every small effort can bring big rewards and will make a difference in the quality of life in Douglas County.

Here are 10 ways you can help prevent child abuse:

1. Be a nurturing parent. Children need to know that they are special, loved and capable of following their dreams.
2. Help a friend, neighbor or relative. Someone you know may be struggling with his or her parenting responsibilities. Offer a sympathetic ear or helping hand. Assisting occasionally with child care or offering to locate sources of community help can be a tremendous boost to someone under stress.
3. Help yourself. Recognize the signs that indicate outside help is needed. If you feel overwhelmed, constantly sad, angry, and out of control, get some help. Remember, it is a sign of strength, not weakness, to ask for help.
4. Get involved. Advocate for services to help families. Parenting programs, health care, and housing needs are all important to maintaining healthy children and families.
5. Speak up for non-violent television programming for children. Let local television stations and sponsors of network programs know that you consider excessive violence inappropriate for impressionable young viewers.
6. Make a contribution to a child abuse prevention organization. Your donations are put to good use in much-needed community programs. Prevention services are critical to preventing child abuse and to strengthen families.
7. Promote programs in schools. Teaching children prevention strategies can help keep children safe from those who would perpetrate abuse on them.
8. Volunteer at a local child abuse prevention program. There are many volunteer opportunities in Douglas County that will make a difference in the life of a child and can help families. The Family Development Center, CASA of Douglas County, and Douglas C.A.R.E.S. are to name a few.
9. Support activities that raise public awareness during April.
10. Report suspected abuse or neglect. Keeping children safe means that each of us has an obligation to inform authorities if you have reasonable suspicion that children are being harmed. Your concern may mean that children are protected from an abusive environment.

## Prevent Underage Drinking



The Douglas County Sheriff's Office in partnership with UMPQUA PARTNERS – For a Drug-free Future, would like to ask parents for their help in keeping teens safe. We want to prevent underage drinking, and the truth is that you, as a parent, have more influence over your teenager than we do! In fact, while it may not seem like it, research shows that youth care most about what you think.

Teens are drinking way too much in Douglas County: over 30% of 8th graders and 50% of 11<sup>th</sup> graders report using alcohol in the last 30 days. This is especially disturbing because of alcohol's impact on a developing adolescent brain. We know you want your kids to stay healthy. We also know that alcohol can damage their brain development, shrinking its capacity by up to 10%!

We also want to protect you from lawsuits if a party is held at your home. Don't fall for the idea that your child is safer if he or she drinks with friends in your home; research shows this practice backfires. Instead, it sends teens the message that drinking is okay and consequently, they are more likely to drink (and drink to excess) than other teens. Plus, adults who host underage parties can be arrested for Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor. And, if there is an injury or death, you could be sued.

The best message is "zero tolerance" for underage drinking (excepting family/religious ceremonies). During Spring Break, teens should enjoy their time off in healthy ways. Sports, outdoor adventures, art projects, supervised entertainment, and volunteering in the community offer safe activities while helping teens build valuable skills. Here are some additional suggestions:

1. Talk to each of your children and express your strong disapproval of underage alcohol and drug use. This is a very powerful step!
2. Tell your teens they may not go to parties where alcohol or drugs are consumed, but remind them that they can always call you if they get into a bad situation. Still, check with other parents before you allow your teen to attend a party.
3. Monitor your home alcohol supplies. Kids often get alcohol from homes. Consider a lock for your liquor cabinet or storing less alcohol in your home, and track alcohol supplies.
4. Report any suspected parties to local law enforcement at (541) 440-4471.
5. Plan fun activities for your teen and family. For activity ideas, visit **[www.orpartnership.org](http://www.orpartnership.org)**. Don't be fooled when your kid says it's not cool to do things with parents; they really value the time you spend with them.
6. Contact UMPQUA PARTNERS – For a drug-free future to find out how you can be involved in drug prevention efforts in your community. **[www.updrugfree.org](http://www.updrugfree.org)**.

For more information about underage drinking and resources for families, visit **[www.FaceitParents.com](http://www.FaceitParents.com)**.

## 9-1-1, Use it With Care

Dialing 9-1-1 in an emergency can save your life. It connects you directly with a dispatcher who can send the police, fire or emergency medical help you need. But remember, **9-1-1 is to be used for life threatening emergencies or crimes in progress only**, not for routine or non-emergency business.



9-1-1 was created to shave precious moments from the process of calling for emergency aid. You only need to dial three easily remembered numbers for help, instead of wasting time fumbling through the telephone book looking for the right number.

Unfortunately, some people are calling the number for routine business, tying up critical phone lines which could cause a delay in getting help to someone in trouble.

When should you use 9-1-1? As a rule of thumb, calls should only be placed to 9-1-1 for potentially life-threatening situations when a prompt response is needed. If your house is on fire, if someone is breaking into your house, if an assault or fight is in progress, or if someone in your family is badly hurt or seriously ill, the decision is clear, you should use the 9-1-1 number.

The Douglas County Communications Center also has a non-emergency dispatch number. We encourage people to call **440-4471** in non-emergency situations where no lives or property are in immediate danger. Examples of this would be to report abandoned vehicles, noise complaints or to check the status of a call you already reported. Using the non-emergency number keeps 9-1-1 available for true emergencies.

It needs to be stressed that the Douglas Communications Center is not a referral service for general information. Do not call 9-1-1 or the Non-Emergency number to conduct general business with any of the emergency services agencies. It is not to be used to ask about road or weather conditions, to report power outages, or to ask questions about your ambulance bill.

The business telephone numbers of your police and fire departments are listed in the blue pages of your telephone directory for easy reference. The Douglas County Sheriff's Office Information & Referral Line is **440-4450**. Other general government telephone numbers are listed in the blue or white pages of your telephone directory. If you do not need an emergency response, please take the time to look up these numbers.

Never dial 9-1-1 as a joke. If you misdial a telephone number and call 9-1-1 in error, **DO NOT HANG UP**. Wait until your call is answered, and explain that you have misdialed and that you do not have an emergency. If you hang up, the call taker will try to call you back. If the call taker is unable to contact you, they will dispatch a police officer to your location. This wastes valuable resources, and causes delays in their ability to respond to emergency calls.

## Sheriff's Office Crime Report —Unincorporated Douglas County

This is a summary report of property crimes occurring between February 1-28, 2009 reported to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

The information contained in this report is intended to help inform the citizens of Douglas County of the criminal activity occurring in their area. The data referenced in this report only includes incidents where a police report was initiated by a deputy and does not include all calls for service for the Sheriff's Office.

### Burglaries

7200 block Copco Rd, Diamond Lake  
300 block Snowberry Rd, Roseburg  
100 block Pleasant St, Roseburg  
500 block Metz Hill Rd, Oakland  
1000 block Mason St, Myrtle Creek  
1200 block N Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek  
200 block Carte Ln, Myrtle Creek  
800 block S Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek

### Thefts

100 block Mound St, Gardiner  
800 block John Long Rd, Oakland  
100 block Noblewood Ln, Idleld Park  
100 block Saddle Butte Ln, Roseburg  
4700 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
2100 block Frear St, Roseburg  
200 block Stonehenge Ln, Roseburg  
5100 block Old Melrose Rd, Roseburg  
700 block Plateau Dr, Roseburg  
200 block Saddle Butte Ln, Roseburg  
100 block Trust Ave, Roseburg  
1300 Rolling Hills Rd, Green  
100 block Zephyr Ct, Green  
200 block Coates Rd, Tenmile  
300 block N Main St, Riddle  
300 block N Park St, Riddle  
300 block SE Canyon St, Canyonville  
200 block E First St, Canyonville

400 block S Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek  
800 block S Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek  
100 block Montgomery Ave, Glendale

### Thefts from Motor Vehicle

80000 Block Hwy 101 Gardiner  
700 block Old Garden Valley Rd, Roseburg  
2700 block S Hwy 99, Roseburg  
200 block Zephyr Ct, Green  
100 block S Main St, Riddle  
200 block Maple St, Riddle  
300 block E Second Ave, Riddle

### Criminal Mischief

500 block Lower Smith River Rd, Reedsport  
600 block Drain Section Rd, Drain  
700 block Indian Creek Dr, Oakland  
200 block W B Ave, Drain  
400 block Elder St, Drain  
100 block E A Ave, Drain  
3900 Block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
200 block SE Jackson St, Roseburg  
500 block Stagecoach Rd, Canyonville  
3700 block Canyonville Riddle Rd, Riddle  
900 block Shoestring Rd, Riddle  
500 block Chadwick Ln, Myrtle Creek  
200 block Donald Terrace Rd, Myrtle Creek  
Adams St/Cameron Ln, Myrtle Creek

### Motor Vehicle Theft

77000 block Hwy 101, Gardiner  
1000 block Salmon Harbor Dr, Winchester Bay  
200 block Timothy Ct, Oakland  
Cal Henry Rd/Garden Valley Rd, Umpqua

### Drug Offense

500 block John Long Rd, Oakland  
300 block Whipple Ave, Drain  
2800 block Jay St, Roseburg  
1000 block Douglas Ave, Roseburg  
1300 block Pine St, Roseburg  
300 block Harvard Ave, Roseburg  
2700 block Steward Parkway Rd, Roseburg  
3400 block Newton Creek, Roseburg  
2700 block S Hwy 99, Roseburg  
2500 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
2100 block Frear St, Roseburg  
200 block Gregory St, Winston  
4400 block S Hwy 99, Green  
700 block Willis Creek Rd, Winston  
S Main St/Thompson Rd, Winston  
10000 block S Hwy 99, Dillard  
200 block Glenhart St, Winston  
600 block Callahan Dr, Green  
99 S/Dillard Gardens Rd, Dillard  
1000 block Dyke Rd, Dillard  
Green Ave/Hermosa Way, Green  
500 block SW Pine Ave, Canyonville  
First St / S Main St, Canyonville  
100 block Creekside Rd, Canyonville  
400 block Smith St, Riddle  
400 block SE Canyon St, Canyonville  
900 block Cornutt St, Myrtle Creek  
200 block Lamar St, Myrtle Creek  
1000 block N Main St, Myrtle Creek



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