



June 2026 Report

Recap of Events and Programs

Scholarship Breakfast – June 1, 2026

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce proudly hosted its annual Scholarship Breakfast to recognize and celebrate graduating seniors from Riverside High School. Through the generous support of sponsors, fundraising events, and community partnerships, the Chamber awarded \$18,000 in scholarships to local students pursuing higher education and career opportunities. This event continues to highlight the Chamber’s commitment to investing in youth development, workforce readiness, and the future success of our community.

Applicant	Scholarship Amount
Kaylee Christy	\$ 3,500.00
Maddyn Morton	\$ 2,500.00
Eleazar Salas	\$ 2,500.00
Abrianna Lomeli	\$ 1,500.00
Alondra Cortes-Madriral	\$ 1,500.00
Kambree Gomez	\$ 1,000.00
Elaina Salgado	\$ 1,000.00
America Garcia	\$ 1,000.00
Ethan Beaty	\$ 1,000.00
Adalia Chavez	\$ 750.00
Alajandra Lopez-Corona	\$ 750.00
Jessica Afanador	\$ 750.00
Miley Chavez	\$ 500.00
Analy Franco	\$ 500.00
Valeria Madrigal	\$ 250.00
Ingrid Adrianna Amaya	\$ 250.00
Miagros Regalado	\$ 150.00
Giselle Pacheco	\$ 150.00

Ryan Neal Invitational Golf Tournament – May 8 & 9, 2026

What an incredible year for the Ryan Neal Invitational Golf Tournament! 🏌️

Thank you to our amazing sponsors, golfers, volunteers, raffle donors, and community partners for helping make this year's event another huge success. With 26 teams participating in our two-day tournament, the event once again showcased the incredible support our community has for Riverside High School seniors and local scholarship opportunities.

From the Yellow Ball Challenge and Hole-in-One Contest to raffle baskets donated by local businesses, participants helped raise additional funds that will directly support student scholarships and workforce development opportunities for local youth.

We are grateful to everyone who helped continue this meaningful community tradition and invested in the future of our students. Thank you for making a difference!

Upcoming Events and Programs

2nd Quarter Chamber Luncheon – June 17, 2026

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce is pleased to host our 2nd Quarter Luncheon on June 17 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the SAGE Event Center, proudly presented by Title Sponsor Threemile Canyon Farms. This quarterly gathering provides an opportunity for business leaders, community partners, and stakeholders to connect, share updates, and stay engaged in the continued growth of our region.

We are excited to welcome Umatilla Electric Cooperative (UEC) as our featured guest speaker, who will provide insights on regional energy initiatives, infrastructure, and future planning that support economic development. In addition, the Riverside FFA Chapter will be joining us to highlight the importance of agricultural education and showcase the next generation of industry leaders.

Registration to participate can be found on the Chamber's Event Calendar. We look forward to bringing our business and community members together for this informative and engaging luncheon.

Boardman 4th of July Celebration – July 4, 2026

As one of Boardman's largest annual events, the 4th of July Celebration is a cornerstone of our **tourism strategy**, attracting visitors from across the region.

The event features:

- A community parade
- Live entertainment and family activities
- Vendor marketplace supporting local and small businesses
- A fireworks display over the Columbia River, sponsored by MCURD

This event plays a critical role in showcasing Boardman as a destination to **Live, Work & Play**, while generating economic activity and community pride.

End of Summer Celebration – August 28, 2026

The End of Summer Celebration brings residents and visitors together for an evening of connection and appreciation. The event includes live entertainment, complimentary food and ice cream, and recognition of our first responders.

Fully sponsored by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District (MCURD), this event remains free and accessible, reinforcing Boardman’s commitment to quality of life and community engagement. The evening concludes with a fireworks display over the Columbia River, further enhancing the visitor’s experience.

Tourism & Community Visibility Impact

Through these events and programs, the Chamber continues to advance its mission by:

- Increasing **visibility** of Boardman as a regional destination
- Strengthening the **voice** of business through advocacy and engagement
- Delivering **value** through economic impact, tourism activity, and community investment

Signature events drive measurable outcomes including increased visitation, support for local businesses, and enhanced community identity—directly aligning with the City of Boardman’s Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) investment and tourism development goals.

Upcoming Chamber Events

- 2nd Quarter Luncheon | Title Sponsor Threemile Canyon Farms – June 17, 2026
- 4th of July Celebration – July 4, 2026
- End of Summer Celebration – August 28, 2026
- 3rd Quarter Luncheon | Title Sponsor Lamb Weston – September 16, 2026
- 4th Quarter Luncheon | Title Sponsor Tillamook – December 16, 2026

For more information, please contact **Torrie Griggs, CEO**, at **541-571-2394** or email torrie@boardmanchamber.org. Visit www.boardmanchamber.org or call our office at **541-481-3014** for further details.



Major Capital & Leveraged Investments

Business Opportunity Incubator

BCDA continues to advance the approximately \$6 million Business Opportunity Incubator, anchored by a secured \$1.5 million U.S. Small Business Administration grant. This transformative project will provide a two-story, mixed-use facility featuring retail storefronts, executive office space, medical and service-based opportunities, and dedicated incubator suites. The project is designed to support small business development, with a focus on women-, minority-, and low-income entrepreneurs, while strengthening Boardman’s local economy. Additional funding partnerships and financing tools are being pursued to complete the full project investment. *Below you will find a conceptual design of the project, this design has not been finalized at this point.*



Homebuyer Incentive Program

As of this reporting period, 27 applications totaling approximately \$135,000 have already been reserved through the 2026 Homebuyer Incentive Program, reflecting continued strong demand for housing assistance and residential growth within the Boardman area. To address ongoing housing needs, the Boardman Community Development Association has committed \$250,000 in

2026 to continue the program. The Homebuyer Incentive Program provides a \$5,000 grant to qualifying homebuyers within the 97818-zip code, directly supporting workforce housing, encouraging homeownership, and contributing to long-term community stability. Since its inception in 2016, the program has invested more than \$2.5 million into the community.

Pickleball Court Development

The Boardman Community Development Association is continuing to advance plans for an 8-court pickleball complex, with the estimated project investment now totaling approximately \$950,000 as project expenses and infrastructure needs continue to expand. Current committed funding includes \$500,000 from Morrow County Unified Recreation District, including an additional \$200,000 recently awarded to support rising project costs, along with \$50,000 from Amazon Web Services. BCDA continues to pursue additional grants, sponsorships, and community donations to help fully fund this important community recreation project. Once completed, the pickleball complex will serve as a valuable recreational asset that promotes community wellness, enhances livability, and attracts visitors and regional tournaments to Boardman. *Below you will find a conceptual design of the project, this design has not been finalized at this point.*



Strategic Impact on our Community

BCDA's 2026 priorities reflect a disciplined and impactful investment strategy focused on leveraging outside resources, advancing housing solutions, supporting business development, and enhancing community amenities. These efforts collectively contribute to a stronger, more resilient Boardman—supporting economic vitality, workforce sustainability, and an enhanced quality of life for residents and visitors alike.