



# MEMORANDUM

## *Senior Services & LINX Transit*

Date: November 3rd, 2025

To: Mayor Jackola and City Council

From: Kindra Oliver, Senior Center & LINX Transit Director

Subject: Monthly LINX Transit & Senior Center Report

### LINX Transit:

LINX Transit provided 7,567 rides in the month of October and just over 27,000 rides in total for the first four months of this fiscal year. We anticipate we'll reach at least 80,000 rides this fiscal year.

We are currently doing a soft roll out of our expanded LINX operations to assist with the increased demand for service. We are experimenting with schedules for two deviated fixed routes that are staggered to increase frequency of stops throughout town. This service is being paid for through an Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Discretionary Grant, for the FY2025-27 biennium.

### Senior Center:

During our years at school, work or other activities through life, we are often surrounded by others with similar interests and form bonds. In retirement, many feel the unease of a loss of those close ties held in younger years. Shared interests and opportunities for programs and activities are a wonderful way for retired adults to socialize, support one another and connect. The Lebanon Senior Center is always on the hunt for new activities to join our line up so everyone can find something that interests them when they open our newsletter, in hopes they come check out our programs and have more opportunities to connect with others.

We brought game night back in October to offer an evening to gather as the weather gets cooler. Eighteen people came out to socialize, play games and enjoy a baked potato bar.

Another new evening activity that kicked off in October is the Mystery Book Club. This group is headed by a new volunteer that loves a good mystery and is eager to share her interest with others. She had a great turn out and the attendees were very excited to meet regularly to discuss their love of mystery books!

Our bowling group continues to see new participants, as well. We now have a group of 20 plus seniors head to Linn Lanes each month to bowl, socialize and have a burger. The group includes bowlers at all levels, with or without the bumpers!

We had a Harvest Festival last week with over 60 seniors who came to listen to Jonathan Sterling perform some beautiful music and enjoy some apple pie. We receive many positive comments when we offer events with live music, as it often brings back memories of younger years, family and friends.

Our annual Thanksgiving Banquet will be held on November 20<sup>th</sup>, at noon. We are anticipating nearly 300 members of our community, 50 years and older, to come and enjoy a free holiday meal and the sense of community the Senior Center offers. Thank you to our community partners, The Oaks, Meadowlark, Willamette Manor and the Gillott Home Team for helping to host the event!