



2025 Community Investment Report

As a customer-owned utility, community giving efforts are reserved for requests that closely align with the main priorities of EWEB's Board-adopted Strategic Plan:

- providing safe and reliable water and electricity to our customers,
- and helping our community be prepared and recover from emergencies.

Giving is categorized under the following types:



BOARD DIRECTED

Items that are funded through rates and specifically approved by the Board of Commissioners. Examples include education grants, limited income programs and system development charge (SDC) waivers.



CUSTOMER VOLUNTARY

Greenpower Program, an optional customer program that allows customers to support clean, sustainable energy and encourage renewable energy projects in our local community.



DISCRETIONARY

Projects, events, sponsorships and/or other requests of support from the community or industry directed to individual departments or the organization as a whole. Requests that provide strong alignment between EWEB's Strategic Plan are vetted through the General Manager's office for consideration.



MANDATORY

Because EWEB is a public agency, it is exempt from taxes. Instead, we contribute a portion of electricity sales revenue to the cities of Eugene and Springfield in the form of Contributions in Lieu of Taxes, or CILT.



OREGON CLEAN FUELS PROGRAM

Funding for these projects is made possible through EWEB and the Oregon Clean Fuels Program.



EXTERNAL GRANTS

Grant funding from a federal, state, county, or other public entity that EWEB elected to apply for and manage for the benefit of EWEB customers, community, and the environment. Funding is typically passed through to customers or watershed property owners with EWEB covering administrative costs.

EWEB invested a total of \$24,430,163 in 2025*

Donations, Grants, Sponsorships, and Contribution in Aid	\$637,181
Customer Programs	\$7,910,976
System Development Charge (SDC) Waivers	\$127,473
Contributions in Lieu of Taxes	\$15,754,533

**Does not including Energy Efficiency loans, Water Truck deployments, Greenpower grant awards yet to be paid out/finalized, or volunteer/ambassador efforts and events.*

Donations, Grants, Sponsorships, and Contribution in Aid

	<p>Jan-Jun 2025 Education Grants Eugene 4J School District* Bethel School District McKenzie School District Springfield School District</p> <p>January - As a part of our commitment to education, we dedicate grant funds to school districts in our service area in support of water and energy curriculum and activities. Each year thousands of students benefit from the programs funded through EWEB's education grants.</p>	<p>\$130,000 \$40,500 \$11,000 \$24,500</p>
	<p>EWEB Energy Share Program Bake Sale</p> <p>02/13/25 - EWEB's Employee Engagement Team (SPARK) organized the third annual Valentine's Day bake sale with proceeds benefiting EWEB's Energy Share program. Energy Share provides financial assistance to customers struggling to pay their utility bills and is primarily funded by donations from EWEB customers and staff-led donation drives.</p>	<p>\$600</p>
	<p>University of Oregon 65' Pole Donation</p> <p>March - EWEB donated a 65-foot utility pole to the University of Oregon for use as an osprey nest platform to discourage birds from nesting on electric equipment.</p>	<p>\$3,000</p>
	<p>SquareOne Villages Greenpower Grant</p> <p>April - EWEB's Greenpower subscribers voted to award \$50,000 Greenpower Grant to SquareOne Villages. Funds for the grant come from voluntary Greenpower customer contributions. This is the first Greenpower Grant award for SquareOne Villages, which is a community land trust with a mission of creating democratic communities with homes</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>

	that are permanently affordable and environmentally sustainable. The grant funds will be used to support the purchase and installation of a 172 KW photovoltaic system at organization's Rosa Village Co-op, which is being constructed in the Trainsong Neighborhood. The system will supply power to all 52 residential homes, as well as the Common house, significantly reducing electrical usage and lowering operating costs. The Greenpower Grant is offered every other year and is open to tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, schools and academic institutions or government and other public agencies.	
	Nightingale Hosted Shelters Contribution in Aid April - A collaborative effort between the City of Eugene, the Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB), and Nightingale Hosted Shelters brought permanent water, electric, and sewer infrastructure to the shelter site. The upgrades drastically improve safety, sanitation, and year-round livability for residents experiencing homelessness.	\$1,329
	EWEB Energy Share Program Cinco de Mayo Employee Giving Campaign Kick-Off event 05/05/25 – EWEB's Employee Engagement Team (SPARK) organized a "pay-what-you-can" Cinco de Mayo Taco Bar with proceeds benefiting EWEB's Energy Share program to kick off the annual Employee Giving campaign. Energy Share provides financial assistance to customers struggling to pay their utility bills and is primarily funded by donations from EWEB customers and staff-led donation drives. <i>*This amount is included in the total money raised through the 2025 Employee Giving Campaign.</i>	\$800*
	EarthShare, United Way of Lane County, EWEB Energy Share, Our Children Oregon, Black United Fund of Oregon and more Employee Giving 05/05/25-05/16/25 - Each year, EWEB supports the employee giving campaign which provides employees the opportunity to support charities they care about through payroll deduction or one-time gifts. In total, employee gifts were designated to over 200 different organizations, including EWEB's Energy Share program. <i>*The total amount includes the \$800 raised at the Cinco de Mayo kick-off event.</i>	\$24,708*
	EWEB Energy Share Program 7th Annual Golf Scramble "Fore" Employees 05/16/25 – Organized by EWEB's Employee Engagement Team (SPARK), the fundraising event is open to EWEB employees and their guests with proceeds benefiting EWEB's Energy Share program. Energy Share provides financial assistance to customers struggling to pay their utility bills and is primarily funded by donations from EWEB customers and staff-led donation drives. The Golf Scramble is additionally supported by various local business sponsorships.	\$3,075
	EWEB Energy Share Program SPARK 3rd Annual Garden Plant Sale	\$493

	05/21/25 - EWEBers and their family members are invited to attend the 3rd Annual Garden Plant Sale & Seed Planting Event hosted by SPARK, EWEB's Employee Engagement Team. Plant starts donated by EWEB employees will be available for purchase. Pay what you will, all proceeds will be donated to EWEB's Energy Share program. Energy Share provides financial assistance to customers struggling to pay their utility bills and is primarily funded by donations from EWEB customers and staff-led donation drives.	
	<p>Pacific Northwest Lineman Rodeo Association 31st Annual Pacific NW Lineman Rodeo</p> <p>June - Each year, electrical workers from across the west gather in Gresham, Oregon, to participate in the Pacific Northwest Lineman Rodeo. The rodeo is a family fun, action-filled event where teams of linemen and apprentices compete in activities that test their speed, safety and trade skills, with all proceeds going to the Legacy Oregon Burn Center. The 2025 PNW Lineman Rodeo raised an incredible \$113,100 for the Oregon Burn Center! EWEB's three-man team placed 2nd out of 24 teams earning a spot to represent EWEB at the International Lineman Rodeo in Kansas City, MO. In addition to competing, EWEB provided a sponsorship to cover the cost of trophies and offered power line safety demonstrations using EWEB's electric safety trailer at the Gresham event.</p>	\$5,544
	<p>4J, Bethel, McKenzie, and Springfield School Districts Annual EWEB EV Challenge¹</p> <p>06/05/25 - Each year, EWEB supports the EWEB EV Challenge curriculum and event. The challenge, which is organized by the Eugene 4J School District, brings together middle schoolers from the 4J, Bethel, Springfield and McKenzie School Districts to race and demonstrate self-made EV concept cars. The EV Challenge provides an opportunity for our local middle school science students to use engineering skills, scientific know-how, creative thinking, experimentation, and teamwork to build small electric battery-powered concept cars for competition. All materials needed for the project, training, and support from their district coordinators are provided to participating teachers.</p> <p><i>*Starting in 2026, this grant will be rolled under the larger education grant umbrella to align with board priorities for the 2025-2027 grant cycle.</i></p>	\$19,597*
	<p>Jul-Dec 2025 Education Grants Eugene 4J School District* Bethel School District McKenzie School District Springfield School District</p> <p>July - As a part of our commitment to education, we dedicate grant funds to school districts in our service area in support of water and energy curriculum and activities. Each year thousands of students benefit from the programs funded through EWEB's education grants.</p>	<p>\$158,875 \$43,875 \$13,500 \$24,500</p>
	AWWA - Cascade to Coast Subsection	\$530

¹ EWEB's EV Challenge relates to the City of Eugene's CAP2.0 for Transportation action items T24 and T36 (EV marketing and awareness).

	<p>1st Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser 08/22/25 - The Cascade to Coast Subsection of the PNWS-AWWA hosted the 1st Annual Golf Tournament with proceeds from this event will benefit the Cascade to Coast Scholarship Fund, helping to educate the next generation of water industry professionals.</p>	
	<p>EWEB Energy Share Program SPARK Soup Sale</p> <p>10/22/25 - EWEB'er chefs made an assortment of fabulous soups and breads for a soup sale benefitting EWEB's Energy Share Program. Energy Share provides financial assistance to customers struggling to pay their utility bills and is primarily funded by donations from EWEB customers and staff-led donation drives.</p>	\$730
	<p>Illioo Native Theater BlueJay's Canoe (Play)</p> <p>11/07/25-11/23/25 - EWEB appeared as official sponsor of the play in promotional materials created and distributed by illioo Native Theatre, including the Press Release and Play Program. EWEB Staff distributed EWEB promotional materials for a sponsor table in lobby of Very Little Theatre, and EWEB Source Water Protection and Communications staff attended events to show support and be on hand to talk about SWP work and Willamette River as source of drinking water.</p>	\$1,200
	<p>Food for Lane County Powering the Pantry 11/10/25-12/06/25</p> <p>We're proud to join the fight against hunger by supporting Food for Lane County. As a publicly owned utility, we're dedicated to strengthening the community we serve — and right now, many of our neighbors are struggling to put food on the table. From November 10 through December 6, EWEB collected food and funds to help ensure people in Lane County have access to healthy, nourishing meals.</p>	\$550
	<p>EWEB Customer Care Program Run to Stay Warm</p> <p>11/23/25 - The annual run event supports EWEB's Customer Care Program, which helps income-qualifying customers who are struggling to pay their utility bills and stay warm through the cooler months. EWEB deployed its water trailer to serve runners (approximate cost \$630).</p>	\$7,683
	<p>Oregon Environmental Council 50 Ways to Love Your River Educational Campaign</p> <p>December - Sponsorship of "50 Ways to Love Your River, Revisited" 2026 booklet that will include updated and new tips to address emerging sources of water pollution as well as protect groundwater resources that feed our rivers and that 70% of Oregonians rely on. This new campaign will feature a new 50 Ways design and will include web-based, print, email and social media outreach.</p>	\$1,000

	<p>Looking Glass Community Services Electric Mobility Community Grant²</p> <p>December - As part of the Electric Mobility Community Grant program, EWEB awarded 3 grants, up to \$30,000 each to cover up to 100% of costs for non-profits, academic institutions, or public organizations towards their electric mobility projects. Looking Glass Community Services' was awarded a grant to fund the electrification of their maintenance van to a fully electric vehicle. Funding for this program is in part made possible by the Oregon Clean Fuels Program (CFP) administered by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ).</p>	<p>\$30,000</p>
	<p>University of Oregon Electric Mobility Community Grant²</p> <p>December - As part of the Electric Mobility Community Grant program, EWEB awarded 3 grants, up to \$30,000 each to cover up to 100% of costs for non-profits, academic institutions, or public organizations towards their electric mobility projects. The University of Oregon was awarded a grant to fund the installation of a 150KW dual-port direct current fast charger for intercity bus lines. Funding for this program is in part made possible by the Oregon Clean Fuels Program (CFP) administered by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ).</p>	<p>\$30,000</p>
	<p>Shift Community Cycles Electric Mobility Community Grant²</p> <p>December - As part of the Electric Mobility Community Grant program, EWEB awarded 3 grants, up to \$30,000 each to cover up to 100% of costs for non-profits, academic institutions, or public organizations towards their electric mobility projects. Shift Community Cycles was awarded a grant to develop e-bike service stations that will professionally repair and refurbish e-bikes to offer more affordable repairs and purchases to vulnerable community members. Funding for this program is in part made possible by the Oregon Clean Fuels Program (CFP) administered by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ).</p>	<p>\$29,989</p>
TOTAL:		<p>\$637, 181</p>

² EWEB's 2025 E-Mobility Community Grant relates to the City of Eugene's CAP2.0 for Transportation action items T24 and T36 (EV marketing and awareness).

Customer Solutions Products and Services

ENERGY EFFICIENCY INCENTIVES³

Type	Program	Project Information	Amount
	EWEB Energy Efficiency Program: Residential Incentives	1677 residential projects.	\$2,182,586
	EWEB Energy Efficiency Program: Non-residential Incentives	115 commercial projects. 7 industrial projects.	\$1,442,036
	EWEB Energy Efficiency Program: Efficient Growth Incentives	192 residential heating conversions.	\$155,499
	EWEB Energy Efficiency Program: Transportation Electrification ⁴	268 residential EV chargers, 26 commercial EV Chargers. 1256 electric bikes.	\$646,962
	EWEB Greenpower Program: Solar Electric Incentives	106 residential projects.	\$149,806
	EWEB Water Conservation Program: Hand Valve and Toilet Rebates, Septic Maintenance Incentives, Weatherized Sprinkler Controls	91 hand valves, 116 efficient toilets, 16 weatherized sprinkler control rebates.	\$18,350
TOTAL:			\$4,595,239

LIMITED INCOME ASSISTANCE⁵

Type	Program	Project Information	Amount
	EWEB Bill Assistance Program: Limited Income Energy Assistance	6034 customers served through EWEB Customer Care (ECC) program (\$1,634,196), 1236 through Energy Share (\$216,316), 17 through Community Partner Care (\$6,312).	\$1,856,824
	EWEB Limited Income Assistance: Electric Line Repair Grants (Income eligible)	13 grants.	\$49,998
	EWEB Water Conservation Program: Water Line Repair Grants (Income eligible)	19 grants.	\$56,178
TOTAL:			\$1,963,000

³ The first three programs listed on this table (EWEB Energy Efficiency Programs for Residential and Non-Residential Incentives as well as Efficient Growth) relate to City of Eugene's CAP2.0 Building Energy action item B12.

⁴ EWEB's energy efficiency programs related to transportation electrification relate to City of Eugene's CAP2.0 Transportation action items T24 and T36 (EV marketing and awareness).

⁵ EWEB's Limited Income Assistance Programs relate to City of Eugene's CAP2.0 Building Energy action item B11.

WATERSHED PROTECTION INCENTIVES AND GRANTS

Type	Program	Project Information	Amount
	Water Source Protection: Septic System Maintenance Incentive	48 septic rebates.	\$14,400
	Water Source Protection: DEQ Holiday Farm Fire Grant	26 grants.	\$643,781
	Water Source Protection: Lane County Holiday Farm Fire Grant	35 grants.	\$665,057
	Reduce Fire Risk / Improve Reliability: Relocate Overhead Electric Service to Underground	5 grants.	\$29,499
TOTAL:			\$1,352,737

ENERGY AND WATER LOANS

Type	Program	Project Information	Amount
	EWEB Energy Efficiency Program: Loans - Residential ⁶	495 loans (including 39 for conversions to electric heat).	\$4,448,711
	EWEB Water Conservation Program: Water Line Repair & Septic Repair/Replacement Loans	22 loans.	\$145,707
	EWEB Resiliency Program: Generator Loan Program	8 loans.	\$26,092
	EWEB Electric Service Line Upgrade Loan Program	25 loans	\$129,393
TOTAL:			\$4,749,903

⁶ EWEB Energy Efficiency Programs relate to City of Eugene's CAP2.0 Building Energy action item B12.



System Development Charge (SCD) Waivers

Project Approval Date	Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Amount
02/09/25	Dev NW	Nelson Place Phase III	Nelson Place is adding 31 new Community Land Trust homes to Eugene, with Phase 3 of the project completing the last 14 units and finishing the housing project that kicked off in 2022.	\$29,588
06/13/25	Homes For Good	Ollie Court	80 units with one, two, and three bedrooms, serving households earning no more than 60% AMI. Homes For Good is partnering with Head Start of Lane County and Early Childhood CARES to co-locate affordable housing with an Early Learning Center. The property is owned by City of Eugene who awarded HFG this site, in addition to financial resources.	\$34,146
06/17/25	Cascade Housing Association	Legacy Park Apartments (PKA River Rd Apts)	48 Units, distributed across three 3-story buildings. Offering 1,2,3-bedroom apartments: 3 full ADA units, 13 adaptable units to serve persons with disabilities, and 1 manager's unit.	\$18,211
08/22/25	Community Development Partners (CDC Park Run LLC)	Park Run	Park Run will create 158 units of affordable rental housing on South Garden Way. Twenty-nine units will be reserved for households earning up to 30% AMI and 129 units for households earning up to 60% AMI.	\$34,146
10/13/25	Cornerstone Community Housing	The Lucy	The Lucy will provide 36 affordable housing units in the Santa Clara neighborhood of Eugene on a 1.3-acre site. The three-story buildings will include six one-bedroom, 21 two-bedroom, and 9 three-bedroom units, along with a community space. Income and rent limits will range from 50% to 60% of Area Median Income (AMI).	\$11,382
TOTAL:				\$127,473



Contributions in Lieu of Taxes (CILT)

City of Eugene	
Q1	\$4,191,976.96
Q2	\$3,452,137.50
Q3	\$3,626,480.51
Q4	\$3,977,870.57
TOTAL:	\$15,248,465.54

City of Springfield	
Q1	\$102,168.55
Q2	\$136,847.52
Q3	\$129,510.84
Q4	\$137,540.62
TOTAL:	\$506,067.53

Total Contributions in Lieu of Taxes: \$15,754,533.07



EWEB Ambassador Efforts and Events (Paid)

EWEB Ambassadors provided over 700 hours of services to the Community in 2025.

Event Date	Agency/Group/Organization	Event	Description of Participation
01/09, 02/06, 03/06, 04/17, 05/28, 05/29, 7/24, 8/21,12/09	College Hill Community	Coffee with Laura/Walk the Worksite	College Hill Reservoir Replacement Project Q&A Sessions with Laura Farthing, Principal Engineer & Project Manager.
01/10/25	Eugene City Club	Presentation	Facing aging infrastructure and the threat of a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake, EWEB is working to modernize its water system. EWEB Chief Operations Officer Karen Kelly discussed several critical projects that have been completed and plans for the utility's most impactful project to date: establishing a new water treatment plant on the Willamette River.
01/14/25	City of Eugene Planning	University Area Planning Meeting	EWEB attended a panel to answer questions about power line safety and presented about what to do around downed power lines.
01/21/25	Cascade Manor	"Where Our Water Comes From" presentation	EWEB staff presented on the source of our drinking water and how to conserve water at this private event for residents of the Cascade Manor.
01/30/25	General Community	Willamette Water Treatment Plant - Industry Open House	EWEB hosted an industry open house for water-centric businesses like breweries, medical facilities, labs and manufacturing centers to provide more information about our planned water treatment plant on the Willamette River. EWEB presented a deep dive on water quality and discussed the timeline for new water to be added to the system.
02/11/25	Willamette Water Treatment Plant - Adjacent Neighbors	Willamette Water Treatment Plant - Adjacent Neighbor Open House	EWEB held an informational open house for properties adjacent to the proposed Willamette Water Treatment Plant and pipeline construction site. The session began with a short presentation from EWEB Project Manager, Laura Farthing, P.E., which covered the current project timeline, plant and pipeline design, possible construction impacts, and ways to stay informed.

02/13/25	City of Eugene/University Neighborhood	Information Sharing Series w/the City of Eugene	EWEB was invited by the City of Eugene to join their University Area Neighborhood Planning presentation on Public Amenities & Infrastructure to educate residents on city and partner agency processes and how current or past projects have impacted their neighborhoods.
03/06/25	NW Steelheaders Emerald Empire	Meeting	Leaburg Decommissioning Update/Presentation
03/11/25	Jefferson Westside Neighborhood Association	Emergency Preparedness Fair	EWEB joined about 10 other emergency prep booths to provide information focused on power line safety and emergency preparedness, specifically emergency water station locations.
03/12/25	Bethel Preschool Promise	Community Helpers Presentation	Brief, child-friendly presentation to four preschool classrooms, with students aged 3-5 years old. Content focused on EWEB's role in the community and the skilled staff who work hard to keep water and electricity flowing to homes. The presentations aligned with the Community Helpers theme at the schools during the month of March.
03/21/25	Students from Local Schools	Hayden Bridge Water Filtration Plant Tour	Tour of the facility for students grades 2 through high school (various schools).
04/05/25	Residents of Blue River and surrounding area	Blue River Rebuilding Block Party	EWEB tabled this event on behalf of the EWEB Septic System Assistance Program and Pure Water Partners.
04/09/25	Military Officers Association of America	Emerald Empire Chapter Meeting	EWEB presented information on water resiliency topics to local military officer veterans.
04/13/25	Community	Re-Imagine Earth Day: A Collaborative Celebration of Sustainability in Eugene	EWEB, MECCA, BRING, Shift Community Cycles, City of Eugene Waste Prevention, Wastewise Lane County and other community organizations came together to provide information about how to live more sustainably and take meaningful steps toward a healthier planet.
04/24/25	Oregon Division of Financial Regulation & City of Eugene	Financial Preparedness for Disasters Seminar	EWEB hosted, in partnership with the City of Eugene, a free financial preparedness seminar for the community.

04/27/25	Eugene Marathon	Eugene Marathon	<p>Nearly 12,000 runners from across the country participated in the annual Eugene Marathon. EWEB was proud to be part of this legendary race and community event.</p> <p>To help keep runners of the half-marathon and marathon hydrated, EWEB deployed the emergency water trailer to provide fresh, clean, local drinking water.</p> <p>Our communications team was also on-site, handing out stickers, buttons, and unveiling a specially-designed water paper cup.</p>
04/27/25	Nightingale Hosted Shelters	Nightingale Celebration and Meet-and-Greet	<p>A community celebration marked the completion of major infrastructure upgrades made possible through a powerful public-nonprofit collaborative effort between the City of Eugene, the Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB), and Nightingale Hosted Shelters brought permanent water, electric, and sewer infrastructure to the shelter site. The upgrades drastically improve safety, sanitation, and year-round livability for residents experiencing homelessness. To celebrate the milestone, Nightingale Hosted Shelters welcomed contractors, donors, volunteers, and media to tour the upgraded facilities and honor the many hands that made it happen.</p>
04/28/25	4J School District	Hayden Bridge Water Filtration Plant tour	<p>29 students from an AP science class toured the Hayden Bridge Water Filtration Plant</p>
05/06/25	Children's Legacy Foundation (CLF Network) (formerly Active 20-30 Club of Eugene)	Dinner Meeting	<p>Presentation of current EWEB projects to 20-30 people, young professionals (volunteer, service, and networking group that focuses on supporting Lane County children's charities)</p>
05/15/25	McKenzie Valley Customers	McKenzie Valley Customer Appreciation Dinner	<p>EWEB Commissioners hosted the McKenzie Valley Customer Appreciation Dinner, bringing folks together with EWEB staff to discuss how the utility can continue to support community resiliency in the face of growing challenges such as climate change, aging infrastructure, and a rapidly changing electricity industry. The evening kicked off with an open house and transitioned into a structured agenda centered on the year's theme: "Investing Today for a Resilient Tomorrow."</p>

05/27/25	Fairfield Elementary School	Power Town Power Line Safety Demonstration	In an effort to increase power line safety education in our community, EWEB's Safety Team, in partnership with the Communications team, has created a special demonstration geared towards the 4th grade audience. The teams successfully delivered a power line safety demonstration using "PowerTown", a live electric demo table, to two groups of 4th graders at Fairfield Elementary. Focus was on the public safety slogan "S.O.S." (Stop. Observe. Survive.)
06/05/25	4J, Bethel, Springfield and McKenzie School District	Annual EWEB EV Challenge	The EWEB EV Challenge is organized by the Eugene 4J School District and brings together middle schoolers from the 4J, Bethel, Springfield and McKenzie School Districts to race and demonstrate self-made EV concept cars. The challenge provides an opportunity for the students to use engineering skills, scientific know-how, creative thinking, experimentation, and teamwork to build small electric battery-powered concept cars for the competition. All materials needed for the project, training, and support from their district coordinators are provided to participating teachers.
06/08, 06/22, 07/20, 08/10	Eugene Emeralds	Bike to the Ballpark	A community bike ride to PK Park to watch a Eugene Emeralds baseball game. At the ballpark, younger riders were able to participate in bike-themed activities and win free bike accessories. A free bike valet sponsored by EWEB and Peacehealth Rides was available to secure bikes.
06/28/25	River Road / Santa Clara Volunteer Library	River Road / Santa Clara Volunteer Library Open House	EWEB staff were on hand to provide information on EWEB's Energy Efficiency products and services.
06/28/25	Community	Eugene Pride Festival	Spearheaded by the Diversity Team and partnering with Communications and Marketing, EWEB hosted a table at the 2025 Eugene-Springfield Pride Festival. Our presence celebrated safety, equity, and connection with the community – core values reflected in both our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) policy and our broader mission of public service.

07/17/25	Oregon Utility Safety Committee (PUC)	Meeting	Line Techs demonstrated the EWEB Electric Line Safety Trailer for a large group of safety professionals from around the region.
07/23/25	Lane ESD's Youth Trades Academy	Day of Learning and Career Exploration at Hayden Bridge	EWEB hosted a day of learning and career exploration at the Hayden Bridge Water Filtration Plant. The summer program supports Lane County high school juniors and seniors who are interested in pursuing careers in the trades, providing them a behind-the-scenes look at what we do! Throughout the day, students talked with EWEB employees from Water, Electric, and Utility Support to learn about their work and some of the different career paths available. They toured the water treatment plant and lab, tried their hands at repairing a broken water main, got to view the valley from the height of a bucket truck, watched an electric safety demo (seeing a hot dog cooked on a live electric wire made a definite impression), learned about locating, and more. It was a great opportunity for them to ask questions and for us to connect with and inspire the next generation of trades professionals.
7/23-07/27	Lane County Fair	Lane County Fair Water Booth	EWEB partnered with Springfield Utility Board and Rainbow Water District to staff the best booth at the fair – cold, delicious, free water!
07/26/25	Pacific Northwest Lineman Rodeo Association	31st Annual Pacific NW Lineman Rodeo	Each year, electrical workers from across the west gather in Gresham, Oregon, to participate in the Pacific Northwest Lineman Rodeo. The rodeo is a family fun, action-filled event where teams of linemen and apprentices compete in activities that test their speed, safety and trade skills, with all proceeds going to the Legacy Oregon Burn Center. The 2025 PNW Lineman Rodeo raised an incredible \$113,100 for the Oregon Burn Center! EWEB's three-man team placed 2nd out of 24 teams earning a spot to represent EWEB at the International Lineman Rodeo in Kansas City, MO. In addition to competing, EWEB provided a sponsorship to cover the cost of trophies and offered power line safety demonstrations using EWEB's electric safety trailer at the Gresham event.

08/03/25	Santa Clara Community Organization	3rd Annual Santa Clara Concert	A community event in Santa Clara. EWEB staff were on hand to provide information on EWEB's Energy Efficiency products and services.
09/12/25	Veterans in Lane County	Lane County Stand Down Event for Veterans	EWEB participated in the Lane County Stand Down job fair. Veterans who stopped by our table were able to talk about a possible career in the utility industry and learn more about the positions we had open.
09/23/25	University of Oregon Division of Graduate Studies	Graduate Student Welcome Lunch & Resource Fair	Educated new arrivals on the goals and aims of EWEB as well as best practices in getting service and understanding bills (especially for international students)
09/27/25	Community	Kennedy Middle School Emergency Water Station Demonstration	EWEB and Eugene School District 4J held a ribbon cutting and demonstration event at the new Emergency Water Station site. Attendees were able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive a free 3-gallon emergency water storage container – one per family while supplies last! • Participate in operating the emergency water station from filling to sanitizing. • Learn how our community is preparing for emergencies and how to get prepared at home. • Enjoy family activities like coloring and water storage container decorating.
10/08/25	Eugene Springfield Fire	Building Tour	Facilities Supervisor John Marshall provided a building tour to help new firefighters learn about building construction, specifically concrete tilt-up construction.
10/18/25	McKenzie Fire and Rescue	Community Preparedness Meeting	Short (~10-minute presentation) about seasonal preparedness topics (e.g., generators, fuel, water, cooking fires, electrical cords, snow and ice events, flooding, etc.) and tabling.
10/20/25		Public Power Week Poster Contest	Each year, EWEB holds the Public Power Week Poster Contest for 5th-grade students in our service territory. We received over 275 stellar submittals (a 48% increase over last year!). The top 20 were displayed at EWEB's Halloween Truck-or-Treat event at the Lane Events Center.
10/21/25	Southwest Hills Neighborhood Association (SHiNA)	Neighborhood Association Meeting	EWEB delivered a presentation on general EWEB information, Resiliency and Wildfire Mitigation Work, and Customer Engagement with time for Q&A.

10/21/25	University of Oregon	Green Cities Class	Guest lecture for 80 upper-level undergraduates about the challenges that cities face in securing green energy supplies.
10/21/25	University of Oregon	Tour of Hayden Bridge	Undergraduate and Graduate students from the University of Oregon, approximately 26 people.
10/22/25	Pleasant Hill Middle & High School	Career Fair	An event to provide students with valuable information about skill sets, education, training, and technologies required in a variety of career clusters and industries. Students collected information, considered career interests and personal goals in preparation for post high school education and training.
10/24/25	Community	EWEB's Halloween Truck-or-Treat	At EWEB's second annual Truck-or-Treat Customer and Crew Appreciation Event, our fleet transformed into a festive Halloween spectacle. More than 2,500 people came out to trick or treat from trucks adorned with kid-friendly decorations. Along the way, they learned about the exceptional crew members and equipment that keep water and electricity flowing to homes and businesses 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
11/7 – 11/23	Illioo Native Theater	BlueJay's Canoe (Play)	EWEB was an official sponsor of the play with staff distributing promotional materials at the Very Little Theatre. Source Water Protection (SWP) and Communications staff attended events to show support and be on-hand to talk about SWP work and the Willamette River as a source of drinking water.
11/21/25	Oregon Utility Safety Committee (PUC)	Meeting	EWEB's Safety Team delivered a power line safety demonstration using "PowerTown", a live electric demo table to a large group of safety professionals from around the region.
11/23/25	EWEB Customer Care Program	Run to Stay Warm	The run event supports EWEB's Customer Care Program, which helps income-qualifying customers who are struggling to pay their utility bills and stay warm through the cooler months. EWEB deployed the water trailer to serve runners.
12/03/25	Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Eugene Inc.	Christmas Tree Installation	EWEB crews installed a Christmas tree in Kesey Square, including the tree stand, tree and Christmas lights, using a small crane and a bucket truck.



Volunteer Efforts and Events (Unpaid)

EWEB employees, friends and families volunteered over 28 hours in the community in 2025.

Event Date	Agency/Group/Organization	Event	Description of Participation
7/12/25	PNWS-AWWA Cascade to Coast	Wicked Wine Run	EWEB staff provided beverages to runners and helped with other various duties.
09/27/25	McKenzie Watershed Council	Annual McKenzie River Cleanup	Each year, an EWEB team cleans up Lloyd Knox Park.