

2025 Overview

Oregon Secretary of State

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Introduction



Agency-Wide Goals

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Integrity

Nonpartisan operations, prioritizing Oregonians' needs

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Accountability

Honesty, identifying and fixing shortfalls

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Competence

Improving implementation, attention to detail

Agency-Wide Challenges

- Frequent leadership change
- Shifting priorities
- Implementation of new programs
- Increased scrutiny on programs

Division Overview

Archives

Division Director: Stephanie Clark

- Preserving Oregon's government records
- Facilitating public access to Oregon's history
- Publishing Oregon Administrative Rules
- Producing the Oregon Blue Book

1 2025 – 26 Oregon
Blue Book

2 Improving OAR
Database

3 Digitizing Legislative
Audio Tapes

Audits

Division Director: Steve Bergmann

- Protecting taxpayer dollars: Financial audits
- Improving government function: Performance and IT audits
- Running the Government Accountability Hotline

1 New risk-based methodology

2 Audit Plan
2025 - 26

3 Findings
implementation

Corporation

Division Director: Eloisa Yarbrough

- Registering all businesses and non-profits
- Commissioning notaries
- Filing liens on personal property
- Providing apostille services
- Keeping record of state-level trademarks
- Empowering entrepreneurs through the Office of Small Business Assistance

1 Systems
modernization

2 Improve awareness
and accessibility of
services

3 Digitization project

Elections

Division Director: Dena Dawson

- Support local election officials in the conduct of federal, state, and local elections.
- Facilitate the ballot access process for state candidates and measures.
- Running the Campaign Finance and Candidate Filing System
- Administer the Statewide Voter Registration System
- Investigate election law and campaign finance violations

1 ORVIS

2 HB 4024

3 Voter Registration

Additional Agency Leadership

- Executive Office: Dmitri Palmateer, Chief of Staff
 - Tess Seger, Deputy Chief of Staff – Communications
 - Ricardo Lujan Valerio, Deputy Chief of Staff – Government Relations
- Chief of Strategic Initiatives: Mary Krehbiel
- Business Services Director: Michael Williams
- Human Resources Director: Tasha Petersen
- Information Services Director: Chris Molin

Final Thoughts

We will be responsive.

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Thank you!

