

**Mailing Address**

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Our Tax ID

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Through advocacy, engagement and support, we assist the Willamina Public Library in its role of strengthening the quality of life for the people in our community.

Library Location

382 NE C Street
Willamina, OR 97396

Library Hours

Monday
10-3
Tuesday - Friday
1-5
Saturday
10-3
Sunday
closed

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Dear Representatives of the House Revenue committee:

Oregonians treasure their Bottle Bill, regardless of how they vote, where they live, or what they do for a living. Thanks to the Bottle Bill, we've been recycling longer and better than anyone else in the country.

That's why we are writing to you with urgency today. We understand HB 3940 threatens to add a beverage sales tax to Oregon's Bottle Bill as one option to pay for the growing need for wildfire defense in Oregon.

A beverage tax would raise costs when Oregonians can least afford it. This proposal threatens our ability to fundraise with the BottleDrop Give program, which helps support more than 6,900 nonprofit organizations like ours in every part of Oregon.

Love Our Library has greatly benefited from the BottleDrop Give program. We use the funds to help supplement early literacy and a food and essential needs pantry at the Willamina Public Library. The pantry is free to anyone in our community with no questions asked or qualifications needed. On a daily basis, the pantry receives multiple visits from community members who now rely on it as a vital resource to meet their basic needs.

Losing funds raised through BottleDrop would severely reduce our organization's ability to offer vital programs and services to Oregonians and their communities. We urge you to oppose a harmful beverage sales tax and protect Oregon's Bottle Bill.

Sincerely,

Kepola Napoleon
President for Love Our Library