

Submitter: Christine Dashiell

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On  
Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or SB5531  
Topic:

Dear Senator Sara Gelser Blouin,

My name is Christine Dashiell, and I am a resident of Corvallis. I'm writing to express my strong support for the allocation of funds toward the much-needed repair and revitalization of Corvallis's Osborn Aquatic Center.

For years, the OAC has served as more than just a recreational space—it is a hub for families, a safe gathering place for youth during the summer months, and a site for swim lessons that not only teach water safety but build confidence and skills that last a lifetime. It is a rare and valuable resource, especially for families who do not have access to private facilities or travel options.

In light of the recent corrosion that has been detected, thousands of lives across our community have been impacted negatively, and without immediate funding, the impact will only continue to grow.

Investing in this public facility is not just a matter of repair—it's an investment in public health, youth engagement, and neighborhood cohesion. A safe, functioning pool keeps kids active, gives parents peace of mind, and brings neighbors together in a way few other facilities can.

I urge you to prioritize funding for the repair of our community aquatic center and to see it not as a cost, but as a commitment to the well-being and vibrancy of our town and the surrounding area.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Christine Dashiell  
Corvallis resident