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Legislative forum to address challenges for children, families

Oregon legislators and candidates for seats serving both Polk and Marion Counties have been invited to attend a forum with members of the Polk and Marion County Children & Families Commissions. The event will take place Thursday, September 25, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the West Salem Courthouse Athletic Club, 300 Glen Creek Road NW in West Salem. The public is invited to attend.

The needs of Polk and Marion County's children and families are among the greatest in Oregon. High levels of poverty, child abuse and substance abuse make surviving a critical challenge. The forum will engage legislators and candidates in dialogue about how efforts to help our most vulnerable populations might be advanced during the next legislative session.

Confirmed participants include: Incumbents: Representative Vicki Berger, Representative Kevin Cameron, Representative Brian Clem and Representative Betty Komp. Candidates are: Jason Brown, Hanten Day, Jim Gilbert, Richard Riggs and Dan Thackaberry.

Members of the Polk and Marion County Children and Families Commission members will be in attendance, as well as Marion County Commissioners, Polk County Commissioners, Silverton Mayor Ken Hector and Gervais Mayor Shanti Platt.

The event will be taped by CCTV and aired on CCTV's channel 21 in the Salem area.

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