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Beaverton Public Works receives national accreditation. Beaverton's Public Works Department has been selected for **full Accreditation by the American Public Works Association (APWA)**. The city is the **153rd Public Works agency in the nation**, and just the **fourth in Oregon**, to receive this accomplishment (joining Bend, Eugene and West Linn). The accreditation demonstrates that the city is in **full compliance with recommended public works management practices**. The process included **two years of preparation** during which city practices were formally verified and recognized. Accreditation is designed to **assist in continuous improvement** and provides an **objective evaluation of agency programs**. Initial accreditation is for a **four-year period**. After that time, there is a **re-accreditation process that builds upon the original** and encourages continuous improvement and compliance with newly identified practices.

Recognize dedicated city employees during police and public works weeks! Take some time during **police and public works weeks** to recognize our dedicated staff who **protect and improve our community**. **National Police Week begins May 13** and is an opportunity to call attention to the outstanding service police provide in Beaverton and beyond. It is also an observance that pays tribute to officers who have died, or who have been disabled, in the line of duty. **National Public Works Week is May 19 through 25** and an effort to energize and educate residents on the everyday importance of public works projects.

Safe Parking Pilot Program has launched. The Safe Parking Pilot Program has launched as a **one-year pilot** to provide a **small number of managed sites for legal car camping** and support the **transition into housing for families and individuals experiencing homelessness**. For people who have lost their homes, living in a car or camper may be their only option besides sleeping on the street. Providing designated places for people to park while living in their vehicles helps families and individuals **stabilize their lives**, and improve their chances of **gaining access to services and employment**. For more information, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/SafeParking.

The Beaverton Volunteer Fair returns to Beaverton City Library on Saturday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This event is a great way to **find opportunities to get involved in your community!** More than **35 local non-profit groups and organizations** will be in attendance providing information on a wide range of volunteer opportunities. For more information, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/VolunteerFair. In addition, high school and eighth grade students are invited to stay for a **Youth Summit** that will be held after the Volunteer Fair from **1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Beaverton City Library auditorium**. At the summit, two separate panels will discuss **entrepreneurship and local government** and will be a great opportunity for **students to explore career opportunities in both of these fields**. Lunch will be provided. Go to www.BeavertonOregon.gov/YouthSummit to RSVP.