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New Public Meeting Space in Sherwood

Sherwood Public Library and Sherwood Library Foundation (Sherwood Library Foundation) are proud to announce a newly created public meeting space, made possible through generous fundraising efforts and grants. The public is now invited to use the new space—a modular meeting pod designed to seat up to four people—which opened April 10.

The new meeting pod provides a previously missing asset to community members looking for free public access to study rooms and space for private meetings in Sherwood. Public libraries across the country routinely offer public meeting space as an amenity, which fits into the mission of providing space for public discourse and the exchange of ideas, as well as access to private space for virtual meetings such as for telehealth, participation in legal proceedings, distance education, tutoring, test proctoring, small business client meetings, and more.

“This project is a testament to what can be accomplished with teamwork and the dedication of people who believe in making the community a better place. SHELF has been hitting the ground running as a new non-profit dedicated to supporting the library,” said Adrienne Doman Calkins. “One of the most frequent questions we have had to say ‘no’ to here at the library, over the nearly 12 years I’ve been Library Manager at Sherwood Public Library, is whether we have a public meeting

room or study room. I'm incredibly grateful and proud to be making such a meaningful addition to our facility."

The meeting pod is a modular design made by Framery and sourced from a local firm, Harris WorkSystems. The unit is wheelchair accessible and equipped with a table and two padded bench seats that can be folded upright for more space. It includes power, adjustable LED lights, a built-in fan, and glass windows.

The project, with a final price tag of just over \$30,000, was funded through the fundraising efforts of Sherwood Library Foundation (SHELF), local donors, and grants. Special thanks to these contributors: the Keene Family Foundation, the Community Enhancement Program grant (funded through a partnership with the City of Sherwood and Metro, collected by Pride Recycling Company), Friends of Sherwood Library, Adam Lewkowsky, the family of Laura Baldschun in memorial, iQ Credit Union, and more.

The meeting space is available by reservation for up to two hours at a time, up to twice a month and up to eight weeks in advance. Users must be ages 10 and older, or accompanied by a responsible adult or caregiver, and show a WCCLS (Washington County Cooperative Library Services) Library Card or photo ID. At the beginning, reservations must be made in person or by contacting library staff, with the goal of adding online booking in the future.

For more information, please contact Sherwood Public Library at 503-625-6688 or askusSPL@sherwoodoregon.gov, or visit sherwoodoregon.gov/library.

More about Sherwood Library Foundation (SHELF)

Sherwood Library Foundation (SHELF) enriches the resources and services of the Sherwood Public Library by complementing public funding with charitable giving. They are looking for Trustees to join and help choose the next project. Donations can be made at sherwoodlibraryfoundation.com, or a check can be mailed to P.O. Box 44, Sherwood, OR 97140.

More About the Library

Sherwood Public Library, a Washington County Cooperative Library Services member library and department of the City of Sherwood, is located on the first floor at 22560 SW Pine St., Sherwood, OR. Hours: Mon-Wed 10:00 a.m. to 7:00

p.m.; Thu-Fri 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Sat 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.. Sun 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. All parking is free in downtown Sherwood.

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