LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS

In accordance with 62 O.S. 2021, § 354, notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Independent School District Number 88 of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, will receive bids by: sealed bid, facsimile bid, electronic (Parity®) bid or similar secure electronic bid on the 8th day of September, 2026, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., at the Media Center, Bethany High School, Bethany Public Schools, 4500 N. Mueller Ave., Bethany, Oklahoma, for the sale of $950,000 of General Obligation Building Bonds of said School District, which Bonds will mature $300,000 annually in two (2) years from their date, and $650,000 annually each year thereafter until paid. The bids will be opened and read and shall be awarded at the first Board of Education meeting held after the bids are due.

Said Bonds shall be sold to the bidder bidding the lowest rate of interest the Bonds shall bear and agreeing to pay par and accrued interest for the Bonds. Each bidder shall submit with his bid a sum in cash, cashier's or certified check, electronic (wire) transfer or surety bond payable to the Treasurer of the District, equal to two (2%) percent of the amount of his bid. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids.

WITNESS my official hand and seal this 17th day of August, 2026.

Lisa Yates
Clerk, Board of Education
(SCHOOL DISTRICT SEAL)

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR
OKLAHOMA COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

TTCU FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

v.

RABIH KALIDY, Defendant.

Case No: CJ-2026-5624
Honorable Don Andrews
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: RABIH KALIDY.

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued by Plaintiff TTCU Federal Credit Union ("TTCU") and that you must answer the Petition of TTCU, filed in this matter on July 10, 2026, on or before the 2nd day of October, 2026, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered against you, awarding TTCU the relief requested in its Petition.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 13 day of August, 2026.

Rick Warren
Oklahoma County District Court
By: Deputy Court Clerk
(SEAL)

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

GAREN ROBERT DONALDSON, Petitioner,

and

SHARON ELAINE DONALDSON, Respondent.

Case No. FD-2026-1242
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: SHARON ELAINE DONALDSON

You have been sued in Oklahoma County District Court by Petitioner, Garen Robert Donaldson, in Oklahoma County Case No. FD-2026-1242 and that you must respond to the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage on or before the 2nd day of October, 2026, or the Petitioner will be granted his requested relief.

RICK WARREN,
COURT CLERK
By Deputy
(SEAL)

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Ordinance No. 1270

An ordinance adopting a new Section 19.41.035 to establish regulations for flags and flagpoles, providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances, severability and declaring an emergency.

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Ordinance No. 1271

An ordinance amending Section 5.04.420 of the Warr Acres Municipal Code to provide an exception to City Business Licensing Requirements for those performing Plumbing, Heat and Air, and/or electrical work when the person would be exempt from obtaining a State license to be able to perform said work, providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances, severability and declaring an emergency

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Ordinance No. 1272

An ordinance amending Section 8.08.150 of the Warr Acres Municipal Code to remove sanitation fees, costs and deposits as well as the frequency of bulky waste pickup from the City's ordinances and to provide that those fees will be established by resolution of the city council, providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances, severability and declaring an emergency.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2096

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2022 TO THE BETHANY CODE OF ORDINANCES.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced before the Bethany City Council on the 18th day of August, 2026, and was duly adopted and approved by the Mayor and City Council on the 18 day of August, 2026, and after compliance with notice requirements of the Open Meeting Law (25 OSA, Sections 301, et seq.)

MAYOR
/s/ Amanda Sandoval

ATTEST:
/s/ Michael Vaughn,
CITY CLERK
(SEAL)

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ORDINANCE NO. 2097

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.19 (B) (9) OF THE CITY OF BETHANY CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE PURCHASES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SELLING OR TRADING OF POLICE, FIRE, OR PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT TO ANOTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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MAYOR OF THE CITY COUNCIL
/s/ Amanda Sandoval

ATTEST:
/s/ Michael Vaughn,
CITY CLERK
(SEAL)

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ORDINANCE NO. 2098

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 158.071 (A) OF THE CITY OF BETHANY, OKLAHOMA CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND AMENDING THE TIME SUCH MEETINGS MAY BE STARTED AND AMENDING THE LOCATIONS WERE THE MEETINGS MAY BE HELD.

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MAYOR
/s/ Amanda Sandoval

ATTEST:
/s/ Michael Vaughn,
CITY CLERK
(SEAL)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On September 17th, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. the Bethany Planning and Zoning Commission will during its regular session hold a public hearing at Bethany City Hall, 6700 N.W. 36th St., Bethany, OK 73008 for the following: Consider a special use permit request from Hope Center Ministries Gary Grace, Applicant, and Hope Center Ministries Inc, Property Owner to allow a Transitional Living Facility at 8008 NW 33rd St.

Following the public hearing the Bethany Planning & Zoning Commission will vote on the request and forward a recommendation to the Bethany City Council, which in turn will hear this case on October 6, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. At that meeting a second public hearing will be held and following the hearing the Council will vote to approve or deny the request.

The City of Bethany encourages participation from all its citizens. If participation at any public meeting is not possible due to a disability, notification to the City Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. The City may waive the 48-hour rule if signing is not the necessary accommodation.

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SIMPSON ACRES Block 000 Lot 003

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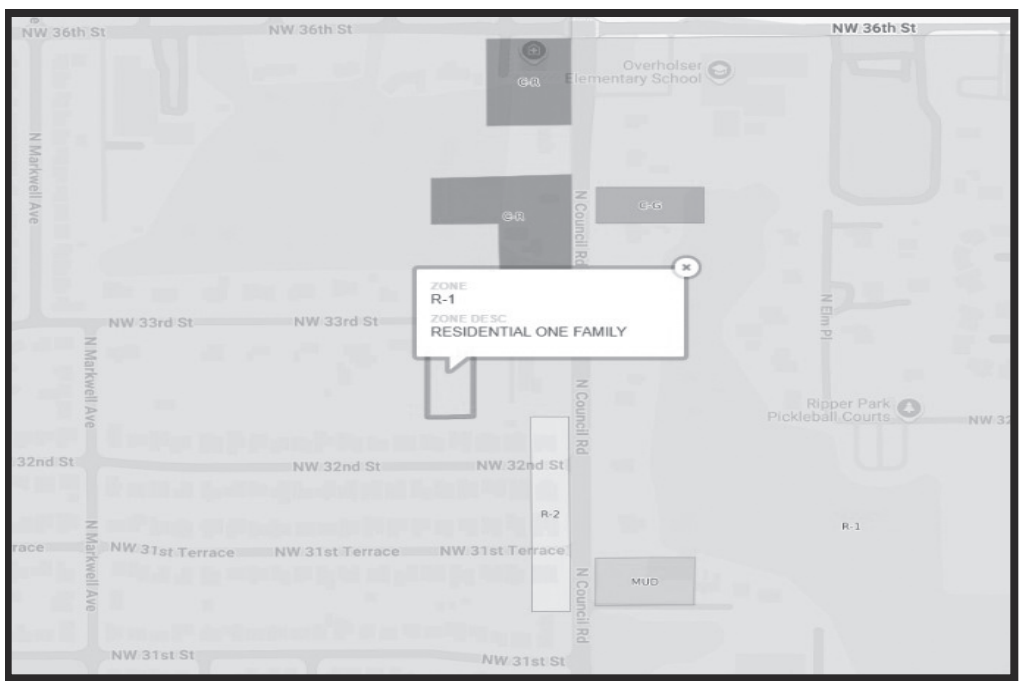

OSDE awards $3.2M in grants

The Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) has awarded more than $3.2 million in new 21st Century Community Learning Center grants. These 5-year grants will deliver high-quality out-of-school programs to students and families statewide. With 13 recipients, OSDE supports 50 grantees with $13 million in federal funding each year.

New initiative aims to curb Oklahoma kids doing drugs an all-time high rate

Brenna Witchey
Oklahoma Watch

High schoolers in the 80s were told to just say no to drugs. Studies show that didn't work.

Now, Oklahoma's Attorney General wants to try something different.

On July 8, the Office of Attorney General Drummond invited school districts to participate in the Botvin LifeSkills Training program at no cost through his Oklahoma READY initiative. The program was selected because of its evidence-based approach and prior research on its results.

Provided
Rachel May, Stillwater Public Schools' substance abuse counselor, pauses for a photo on August 11.

The Numbers Are Grim

Children in Oklahoma have higher substance use rates than the national average in many categories, including cigarettes, marijuana, illicit drugs and opioids, according to the 2021-2023 Behavioral Health Barometer. The only category that is below the national average is alcohol use.

Drummond's initiative uses opioid abatement grants as stipends to aid participating school districts in implementing the program, making it effectively free if a school district has a person who can serve as a facilitator.

Being a facilitator means attending an eight-hour training, then going into classrooms and teaching the LifeSkills curriculum to a variety of age groups. The program, when adhered to, has proven effective at reducing substance use, according to a 2025 study in the Journal of Adolescent Health.

But educators have a lot on their plate. Counselors, in districts that have them at all, are outnumbered, and President Donald Trump's early 2025 funding cuts ended programs such as the University of Oklahoma's PRIME that brought counselors to rural schools, according to reporting by The Oklahoman.

While the Oklahoma READY Initiative offers a curriculum with glowing reviews, it can't conduct parent outreach or address the need for more direct intervention, which often requires more employees.

Free Isn't Always Easy

Rachel May, a substance abuse counselor at Stillwater Public Schools, described the predicament as a puzzle with four parts: manpower, fidelity to programming, time, and money.

"Teachers being trained in that would be amazing, and it makes a lot of sense to be structured into what they're doing," May said. "However, they are required to do so much that sometimes I kind of wonder like, is that something else on their plate that's hard to manage?"

A Cart Full of Props

May can be found pushing her cart of props into classrooms all over the Stillwater Public School District throughout the school year. She lugs around a model brain and tubes of chemicals to discuss substance use with students.

She dismantles the brain to show children what parts of theirs are still developing. She displays the chemicals to show what's really in vapes. It's not fruit juice; the kinds of chemicals found in insect killers and floor cleaners.

Her teaching method emphasizes increased knowledge, not scare tactics. She'll spend six hours a day for four days going from class to class, making sure all students in just one grade level receive her lesson on a topic.

Stillwater's data collection method for students receiving substance abuse counseling wasn't solidified across the district for the first two years of May's employment. While the data is a little shaky because of that, she said the school has had a decrease in substance abuse-related offenses by students in the last three years.

May was hired using COVID relief funds. Since then, the district has had to apply for grants to maintain her employment. While there are a lot of options when it comes to addressing substance abuse among children, district decisions can be money-motivated.

Before Drummond's Oklahoma READY Initiative was introduced, Adair High School had already been implementing the program using opioid abatement grant money.

The school's facilitator, Keni Burns, said she's had a very positive experience with Botvin LifeSkills. She recalled hearing students in the hallway discussing why nicotine is bad for them after one of her lessons.

"It got their brains working, so I think that that's a positive because they are having honest conversations about those things and they don't just talk about it to talk about it," she said.

The Oklahoma READY Initiative uses the same funds that Adair was already using to pay for Botvin. The school is currently in the process of being switched over to the Oklahoma READY Initiative, according to Deputy Press Secretary for the Attorney General's Office Carrie Burkhart.

Switching to the Oklahoma READY Initiative will free up the money Adair is using for the Botvin program. This will enable them to pay for other opioid-prevention models, such as hiring a part-time counselor, Burkhart said.

What the Curriculum Can't Do

Craig Zettle, senior vice president of the Lifeskills Training program, said the curriculum is a universal model. It's aimed at informing kids who have no experience with substances and those who have experimented.

Botvin LifeSkills Training would not be harmful to a thrill-seeking adolescent in the ways that other programming might be, but some young people do need extra support in the form of counseling, Zettle said.

The Missing Piece

University of Central Oklahoma substance abuse studies professor LaDonna McCune said having a licensed substance abuse counselor on hand is vital.

"You might get into that and start working with these young people and not realize the degree of help that they need," McCune said. "Just educating them is just like the tip of the bucket; they really need someone who can give them good referral information or could set up some counseling for them and their families."

From 2021 to 2023, 18.4% of children aged 12 to 17 surveyed for the Behavioral Health Barometer in Oklahoma reported having a substance use disorder in the past year.

Oklahoma READY will be offered to middle and high school students. While that is the target age group of the survey, May said that for many students, their first interaction with substances occurs in fourth grade. The most common drug used by children in Oklahoma is marijuana.

A 2024 survey of school resource officers throughout Oklahoma showed 92% of respondents reported an increase in marijuana-related incidents after its medical legalization in 2018, with about one-sixth saying students obtain marijuana with their own medical card and one-third attributing access to parents. May estimated the sources were evenly split.

School resource officers are another intervention point for youth substance abuse. May works closely with Stillwater resource officers to connect children who break the rules with other forms of counseling. Lisa Hale, the local regional director for the National Association of School Resource Officers, said that she emphasizes educating students on the "why" behind the rules.

Incorporating third-party educational services, such as Key Choices, into the school day can also be an effective way to intervene. Founded by Catherine Crawford, the free program emphasizes a child's autonomy and choice in experimenting with substances and the outcomes of their participation. Teachers contracted with Crawford can be requested by schools. They'll then teach multiple lessons over the course of a week.