

Free coffee? Is it legit? Absolutely.



Free Coffee Program



The Oregon Free Coffee Program is administered by Travel Information Council. Contact us for more information about this life-saving program.

Visit us on our website at www.oregontic.com or telephone 1-800-574-9397 to speak with our program coordinator.



The Oregon Free Coffee Program is part of a public service managed by the Travel Information Council (TIC) and the Oregon Department of Transportation.

TIC issues permits for local non-profit groups to serve free coffee to motorists.

Studies indicate that frequent rest periods reduce motor vehicle accidents.

Drivers benefit by reaching home safely while civic and charitable groups receive donations to support programs such as Meals on Wheels and camps for disadvantaged youth.



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Encouraging driver safety.
Enriching community.

Free coffee FAQs

Q: Who is Travel Information Council (TIC) and why do they care about coffee in rest areas?

A: TIC is a semi-independent state agency charged by the Oregon Legislature to supervise rest areas within Oregon. This responsibility includes oversight and administrative services for the Free Coffee Program at rest area locations we manage.

Q: Who serves and pays for the coffee?

A: Non-profit organizations receive permits to schedule their coffee service. Each group pays for its own supplies and coffee.

Q: What do the groups do with the money motorists donate?

A: Groups use the donations to support their charitable missions. The money you donate supports local community programs such as senior services and teen scholarships.

A: Is there pressure to donate if I get a cup of coffee?

Q: No, you are not required to give. However, even a small donation will help to defray the cost of the coffee served, cups, napkins, and cream and sugar.

Q: Does my non-profit organization qualify to serve coffee?

A: Give us a call at 1-800-574-9397 and we'll help you apply for a permit.

Q: Can we join the program?

A: Yes! We are always looking for new volunteers. Call us at 1-800-574-9397.



Visit all TIC free coffee locations

- 1) Suncrest, MP 22, southbound, I-5
- 2) Manzanita, MP 63, north and southbound I-5
- 3) Cabin Creek, MP 148, north and southbound I-5
- 4) Gettings Creek, MP 178, north and southbound I-5
- 5) Oak Grove, MP 206, north and southbound I-5
- 6) Santiam, MP 241, north and southbound I-5
- 7) French Prairie, MP 281, north and south I-5
- 8) The Maples, MP 34.6, Hwy 22
- 9) Sunset, MP 28.6, Hwy 26
- 10) Tillamook, MP 70.6, Hwy 101
- 11) Van Duzer, MP 9.7, Hwy 18
- 12) Ellmaker, MP 31.9, Hwy 20
- 13) Memaloose, MP 72.9, west and eastbound I-84
- 14) Boardman, MP 160, west and eastbound I-84
- 15) Stanfield, MP 187, east and westbound I-84
- 16) Deadman's Pass, MP 229, east & westbound I-84
- 17) Charles Reynolds, MP 269.2, east & west I-84
- 18) Baker Valley, MP 295, east & westbound I-84
- 19) Weatherby, MP 336, I-84
- 20) Ontario, OR, MP 378, I-84 (Seasonal: Nov - March)
- 21) Cow Canyon, MP 68.7, Hwy 97
- 22) Peter Skene Ogden, MP 112.6, Hwy 97
- 23) Beaver Marsh, MP 206.5, Hwy 97

Rest Area Revival

Travel Information Council rest areas are supervised. What does that mean for you?

If you stop at one of our rest areas, most likely the coffee service will be housed in a dedicated structure that also serves as office space to our rest area specialist teams.

Rest area specialists are onsite to ensure that TIC public rest areas are clean, well maintained, and safe and secure for you and your family members.

Need help finding local flavor? Our employees live close to where they work, so ask away—they're sure to know a unique restaurant, hiking trail or other hidden gem close by.

