

Caregiver Support Groups

This list of support groups and other resources includes a variety of options for caregivers who want to talk about their experiences with others who face similar caregiving challenges. Be sure to connect with the organization to check that the group is still active.

Council on Aging Caregiver Support Group

Two groups are led by Council on Aging Case Manager, Wes Vaughn. These are closed groups, and regular participation is expected. There is currently a waitlist.

When: Mondays

Location: Unitarian Church, 61980 Skyline Ranch Rd, Bend, OR 97703

Contact: To be added to the waitlist, contact Wes Vaughn at wvaughn@councilonaging.org or

call (541) 678-5483.

Caregiver Café

Come together with other caregivers each month for a stress-free morning filled with resources from caregiving agencies, coffee and snacks. This support group is hosted by Partners In Care.

When: Last Wednesday of the month, 7:30 PM

Location: Partners In Care, Wyatt Room, 2075 NE Wyatt Ct. Bend, OR

Parking available at 2611 NE Courtney Dr.

Contact: (541) 382-5882

Legacy Health Group - Caregivers for Individuals with Chronic Conditions

Virtual support group open to all as a safe place to discuss the stresses, challenges, and rewards of providing care to, or being a support for a relative or friend with a chronic condition.



When: First Thursday of the month, 3 PM - 4:30 PM

(Jan 4, Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6, July 11(due to the holiday), Aug 1, Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5)

Location: Virtual on Microsoft Teams:

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Audio call in: +1 (971) 266-1555; Conference ID: 309 882 62#

Contact: Laurie Followell, Phone: (503) 413-5658 or email: caregiversupportgroup@lhs.org

Stroke Caregiver Support Group – Bend

When: Second Monday of each month, 1 PM - 2 PM

Location: In person at 695 SW Mill View Way, Bend, Oregon 97702. Zoom is also available.

Zoom ID: 267 166 8755

Contact: Ofelia Sanchez, sanchana@oregon-state.edu, (541) 323-5641

Stroke Awareness Oregon Caregiver + Family Support Group

Virtual support group via Zoom for family members of individuals suffering from a stroke or brain injury.

When: First Wednesday of the month, 3 PM, PT

Location: To get the Zoom link, visit: www.strokeawarenessoregon.org/support-groups

Contact: (541) 323-5641

Deschutes County Alzheimer's Association Groups

Alzheimer's Association Bend Office

When: Second Tuesday of the month, 1 - 2:30 PM

Location: 777 NW Wall St., Suite 104, Bend, OR 97703

Contact: Call 1-800-272-3900 for more information or to register.



Alzheimer's Association - Bend Senior Center

When: Third Thursday of the month, 5 – 6:30 PM

Location: 1600 SE Reed Market Road, Bend OR 97701

Contact: Call 1-800-272-3900 for more information or to register.

Alzheimer's Association - Community Presbyterian Church

When: Third Wednesday of the month, 2 – 3:30 p.m. Location: 529 NW 19th St., Redmond OR 97756

Contact: Call 1-800-272-3900 for more information or to register.

Alzheimer's Association - Sisters City Hall

When: First Tuesday of the month, 12 - 1:30 p.m. Location: 520 E. Cascade Ave., Sisters, OR 97759

Contact: Call 1-800-272-3900 for more information or to register.

Alzheimer's Association Early-stage Support Group

When: Second Wednesday of the month, 1:30 – 3 PM

Location: Bend Church of the Nazarene, 1270 NE 27th St, Bend, OR 97701 Contact: Registration and screening are required. Call 1-800-272-3900.

Crook County Alzheimer's Association Group

Mosaic Medical Prineville Clinic

When: Fourth Wednesday of the month, 5:30 – 7 PM Location: 375 NW Beaver St, Prineville, OR 97754

Contact: Call 1-800-272-3900 for more information or to register.

ALS Association Virtual Family Caregiver Support Group

Virtual group for caregivers of someone living with ALS

When: Fourth Tuesday of the month, 1 PM

Location: Contact Christina Riddock to receive the virtual meeting link.

Contact: Christina Riddock, 541-977-7502, Christina.Riddock@alsoregon.org



Central Oregon ALS Support Group

In-person group for individuals living with ALS and their loved ones.

When: Second Wednesday of every month, 11:30 AM – 1 PM Location: Partners In Care, 2075 NE Wyatt Ct, Bend, OR 97701

Contact: Christina Riddock, 541-977-7502, Christina.Riddock@alsoregon.org

Partners In Care Adult Bereavement Support Groups

Multiple in-person bereavement support groups available.

Times vary.

Location: Partners In Care, 2075 NE Wyatt Ct, Bend, OR 97701

Contact: Call (541) 382-5882 and ask for Carla to get more information and to register.

VA Caregiver Support Line

The United States Department of Veterans Affairs has a support line for caregivers who need advice and assistance.

Details: Monday - Friday, 5 AM - 7 PM, PT, Saturday, 5 AM - 2 PM, PT

Contact: Call the line, toll-free at 1-855-260-3274

American Red Cross Military and Veteran Caregiver Network

Online community and support groups for caregivers of veterans. To register, visit: https://www.redcross.org/get-help/military-families/services-for-veterans/military-veteran-caregiver-network.html

National Alliance on Mental Illness Family Support Groups:

When: Third Saturday of the month, 10 – 11:30 AM, PT

Location: Zoom meeting



Contact: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/v5Aude6gpz4gg6rcAXLQErijDvA3RiUHww

When: Last Thursday of the month, 5:15 – 6:45 PM, PT

Location: Zoom meeting

Contact: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUpcumsrDltAeeAYSoQ5dmFPuwAi4EXcg

Davis Phinney Foundation for Parkinson's

Care Partner Monthly Meetup with Connie Carpenter Phinney

When: First Tuesday of the month, 11 AM, PT Contact: To receive Meetup information, visit

https://davisphinneyfoundation.org/event/parkinsons-care-partner-meetup.

Parkinson's Caregiver Support Group

In-person caregiver support group through Parkinson's Resources of Oregon

When: Second Thursday of the month, 1 PM

Location: Partners In Care, 2611 NE Courtney Ave, Bend, Oregon 97701

Contact: Caryn at cblee@bendbroadband.com

Pulmonary Hypertension Support Group

In-person support group for individuals who have pulmonary hypertension and their caregivers.

When: First Saturday of the month, 1 - 3 PM

Location: East Bend Library, 62080 Dean Swift Road, Bend, OR 97701 Contact: Michele M. Freeman, oregonphgroup@gmail.com, (541) 638-0225

AARP Caregiving Resource Line

Agents are available to take calls Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 8 PM, ET.

For English, call: 1-877-333-5885 For Spanish, call: 1-888-971-2013