

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.

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

Location: Virtual on Microsoft Teams:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MGI1NDliZDgtM2EyNi00MGI5LThkMzEtY2Q4NmVhNTE5Y2Vi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%223683988d-7d40-4338-bf20-0b5dd13f4301%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%226252c5e6-591b-4120-a65b-080d8e4238de%22%7d

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

Contact: Laurie Followell, Phone: (503) 413-5658 or email:

caregiversupportgroup@lhs.org

Partners in Care - Caregiver Cafe

Come together with other caregivers in Central Oregon to share ideas, navigate challenges, and simply meet others in a similar situation, all in a safe, supportive environment at Partners In Care.

When: Second Tuesday of each month

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

Contact: Molly Denton, molly.denton@partnersbend.org

Touchmark at Mt. Bachelor Village

- In-person support groups offered for residents and the general public. Call 541-848-4161 to register and answer screening questions.

Spousal Caregiver Support Group
 When: Third Thursday of the month, 10:30am

- Grief Support Group

When: Fourth Thursday of the month, 10:30am

Adult Children Caregiver Support Group
 When: Third Thursday of the month, 5:15pm

- Location: 19800 SW Mount Bachelor Dr, Bend, OR 97702

Contact: Life Enrichment Director, 541-848-4161

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

Alzheimer's Association | Oregon & SW Washington Chapter

All support groups are via Zoom or phone. To register, please visit www.alz.org/crf or call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900.

- LGBTQ+ Caregiver Support Group

Meets the 1st Wednesday of each month 6 to 7:30 pm

- Caregiver Support Group for Adult Children Caring for Parents with Alzheimer's or Other Dementia
 Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month
 10 to 11:30 am
- Central Oregon Caregiver Support Group
 Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month
 2 to 3:30 pm
- Bend Caregiver Support Group
 Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month
 5 to 6:30 pm
- Sandwich Generation Caregiver Support Group
 Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month
 6:30 to 8 pm
- Support Group for Caregivers of Those with Younger Onset (diagnosed under the age of 65)
 Meets the 4th Monday of each month
 6:30 to 8 pm
- Caregiver Support Group Grief Loss of a Partner
 Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month
 6 to 7:30 pm
- Caregiver Support Group Grief Loss of a Parent
 Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month
 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Living Well with Dementia Sisters

Dementia Care Partners Support Group

When: Bi-weekly on Wednesdays, 1-2:30pm

Location: Sisters Senior Living, 411 E Carpenter Ln, Sisters, OR 97759, USA

Contact: https://www.livingwellwithdementiasisters.com/events-3, 541-647-0052,

Hello@LWWDS.com

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.

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

ALS Northwest Virtual Family Caregiver Support Group

Virtual group for caregivers of someone living with ALS

When: Second Tuesday of the month, 5–6:30 PM

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

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

ALS Northwest

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@alsnorthwest.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, 8 AM – 8 PM, PT, Saturday, 8 AM – 5 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-veter an-caregiver-network.html

National Alliance on Mental Illness Family Support Groups:

NAMI Family Support Group is a peer-led support group program for family members, caregivers, and loved ones of individuals living with mental illness. In these groups, which meet weekly or monthly, family members can talk frankly about their challenges and help one another through their learned wisdom. NAMI's Support Groups are unique because they follow a structured model to ensure you and others in the group have an opportunity to be heard and to get what you need.

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 5:30-6:30pm, PT

Location: Embark Coworking Community, 2843 NW Lolo Dr., Bend, OR 97703

Contact: Casey Munck, Programs Manager, NAMI Central Oregon,

programs@namicentraloregon.org

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

Location: Zoom meeting

Contact: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/v5Aude6gpz4gg6rcAXLQErijDvA3RjUHww

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

Location: Zoom meeting

Contact: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUpcumsrDltAeeAYSoQ5dmFPuwAi4EXcq

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