

## Civics Workshop 4 Influencing Gov

### **Overall Useful Resource**

#### **The Community Toolbox**

<http://ctb.ku.edu/en/tablecontents/index.aspx>

Part I. ["eye"] Organizing for Effective Advocacy, Chapter 33, "Conducting a Direct Action Campaign"

[http://ctb.ku.edu/en/tablecontents/chapter\\_1033.aspx](http://ctb.ku.edu/en/tablecontents/chapter_1033.aspx)

### **Resources on Policy and Media Organizations**

#### **Oregon Policy Directory**

<http://libweb.uoregon.edu/govdocs/opd.html>

#### **Oregon Media Directory**

<http://libweb.uoregon.edu/govdocs/omd.html>

### **Find Your Elected Officials**

**Congress.org** [put in your zip code and get your federal elected officials]

<http://www.congress.org/news/>

### **Find You State Legislator**

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/>

### **Tracking Legislation**

**Updates from Oregon Legislative Committees** [once you know the committee for the bill]

<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/ORLEG/subscriber/new>

Once you put in your email you will get a long list of committees and legislators from which you can choose which you want updates.

### **National Conference of State Legislators – Bill information from all states**

<http://www.ncsl.org/legislative-staff.aspx?tabs=856,34,736#736>

**GovTrack – federal** [receive email alerts about legislation from committees you choose]

<http://www.govtrack.us>

**MegaVote – federal** [receive email alerts on federal legislation]

<http://www.congress.org/congressorg/megavote/>

### **Gov Info**

#### **Oregon Legislature**

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/>

#### **Citizen's Guide to the Legislature**

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/citizenguide/>

### **Frequently Used Sites Related to U.S. Government Information**

[from GODORT – the Gov. Documents Roundtable of the American Library Association]

<http://www.library.vanderbilt.edu/romans/fdtf/>

### **Census Bureau – Federal, State and Local Government Data Sets**

<http://www.census.gov/qovs/>

### **Committees**

#### **Oregon Legislature Streaming [Live] and Archived Audio and Video Files**

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/listn/listenset.htm>

Once you know when/where a committee will meet [possibly, from the committee agenda alert you received] you can choose the hearing room here and watch it live. You can also listen to archived audio of hearings.

## **U.S. Government Telephone and Email Directories**

<http://www.usa.gov/Contact/Directories.shtml>

## ***Lobbying***

### **City of Portland, reports on lobbying, via the Auditor's Office**

<http://www.portlandonline.com/auditor/index.cfm?c=58592>

### **Guide to Lobbying in Oregon [state publication] Found on webpage:**

[http://www.oregon.gov/ogec/forms\\_publications.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/ogec/forms_publications.shtml)

### **Oregon Lobbyist List**

[http://www.oregon.gov/OGEC/docs/Lobby/2012\\_Lobby\\_List/2012,6-25\\_Lobbyist\\_List.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/OGEC/docs/Lobby/2012_Lobby_List/2012,6-25_Lobbyist_List.pdf)

### **How to Lobby the California State Legislature**

<http://asmdc.org/members/a48/attachments/LobbyGuideEng.pdf>

## ***Initiative and Referendum***

### **Initiative and Referendum Institute**

<http://www.iandrinstute.org/>

### **and Background on Oregon's Initiative and Referendum**

<http://www.iandrinstute.org/Oregon.htm>

### **Oregon - Initiative and Referendum Manual**

<http://www.oregonvotes.org/pages/publications/manuals/stateinitiativereferendum/index.html>

or <http://www.oregonvotes.org/doc/publications/statel&R.pdf>

### **City, County and District Referendum Manual**

<http://www.oregonvotes.org/doc/publications/countycitydistrictir.pdf>

## ***Getting Public Records***

### **How to Request Public Records from the State of Oregon**

[http://egov.oregon.gov/DAS/Pages/public\\_records.aspx](http://egov.oregon.gov/DAS/Pages/public_records.aspx)

### **Freedom of Information**

Basic Principles- Video

[http://www.kcnn.org/open\\_government/door\\_2\\_robert\\_freeman/](http://www.kcnn.org/open_government/door_2_robert_freeman/)

### **How to Make a FOIA Request**

National Security Archive

<http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/nsa/foia/howtofoia.html>

## ***Being an Agent of Change***

### **Carne Ross on Bill Moyers – Being an Agent of Change**

<http://billmoyers.com/segment/carne-ross-on-being-agents-of-change/>

Transcript: <http://billmoyers.com/segment/carne-ross-on-being-agents-of-change/>

Includes 9 principles for action.

### **New Rules for Radicals: 10 Ways to Spark Change in a Post-Occupy World**

[http://www.alternet.org/occupywallst/153972/new\\_rules\\_for\\_radicals:\\_10\\_ways\\_to\\_spark\\_change\\_in\\_a\\_post-occupy\\_world](http://www.alternet.org/occupywallst/153972/new_rules_for_radicals:_10_ways_to_spark_change_in_a_post-occupy_world)

### **Civil Disobedience**

<http://thoreau.eserver.org/civil.html>