

Central Oregon receives \$404,002 in Dec. liquor revenue

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Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler counties and their 32 cities received \$404,002 in December in the Oregon Liquor Control Commission's (OLCC) statewide liquor revenue allocation.

Here's the distribution: Crook Co., pop. 24,525, \$12,013 -- Prineville, \$14,137; Deschutes Co., pop. 152,615, \$74,758 -- Bend, \$106,490; Redmond, \$33,238; Sisters, \$2,468; Gilliam Co., pop. 1,885, \$923 -- Arlington, \$827; Condon, \$1,089; Lonerock, \$28; Hood River Co., pop. 21,335, \$10,451 -- Cascade Locks, \$1,634; Hood River, \$9,307; Jefferson Co., pop. 21,410, \$10,488 -- Culver, \$1,641; Madras, \$8,594; Metolius, \$1,174; Klamath Co., pop. 65,455, \$32,063 -- Bonanza, \$615; Chiloquin, \$1,018; Klamath Falls, \$29,306; Malin, \$1,139; Merrill, \$1,294; Lake Co., pop. 7,540, \$3,693 -- Lakeview, \$3,755; Paisley, \$354; Sherman Co., pop. 1,865, \$914 -- Grass Valley, \$240; Moro, \$495; Rufus, \$382; Wasco, \$566; Wasco Co., pop. 24,070, \$11,791 -- Antelope, \$85; Dufur, \$891; Maupin, \$665; Mosier, \$651; Shaniko, \$28; The Dalles, \$17,708; Wheeler Co., pop. 1,565, \$767 -- Fossil, \$651; Mitchell, \$240; and Spray, \$226.

The agency distributed \$18.8 million statewide in December, using a formula based on Oregon's population of 3.69 million, which has been adjusted upward from 3.63 million. The amount was 49 cents per capita for counties; \$1.41 for cities. The 36 counties received 10 percent of the total, \$1.81 million; 239 cities, 20 percent, \$3.62 million; state general fund, 56 percent, \$10.1 million; and city revenue sharing account, 14 percent, \$2.53 million. In addition, the State Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services received \$740,386 and the Oregon Wine Board got \$23,723.

OLCC revenue is derived from the sale of distilled spirits in 241 liquor stores, taxes on malt beverages and wine, license fees, and fines for liquor law violations. Last month's revenue share was \$8.26 million.

The OLCC collects privilege taxes of \$2.60 for a 31-gallon barrel of malt beverage, 67 cents a gallon for taxable wine with an alcohol content of 14 percent or under and 77 cents on taxable wine over 14 percent. Of that, 2 cents a gallon goes to the Oregon Wine Board to fund research and promotion.

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