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Courthouse Elevator Modernization Project Begins August 18

(Astoria, OR) - Clatsop County will begin work to modernize the elevator at the Clatsop County Courthouse on **Monday, August 18, 2025**. The project is part of a broader effort to improve accessibility, safety, and infrastructure at the historic courthouse.

The courthouse elevator will be out of service for approximately 4 to 6 weeks while the upgrade is completed. During this time, visitors and staff should plan accordingly, as stair access will be required to reach upper floors.

"We recognize how important reliable access is for the public and our employees, and we appreciate the community's patience as we make these improvements," said Buildings & Grounds Facilities Manager Matt Gerber. "The new elevator will enhance access for everyone who visits or works in the courthouse."

County staff are available to assist members of the public who may need accommodation during the construction period. Visitors with accessibility needs are encouraged to call ahead. For those unable to complete their court business by phone, a drop box and a courtesy phone will be available on the lower level to contact the Circuit Court and District Attorney's Office.

The elevator modernization is one of several improvements currently underway at the courthouse, including the construction of a new single point of entry and security checkpoint to enhance building safety for all visitors and employees.

The courthouse elevator is the first of several elevator upgrades scheduled over the next year in County buildings.

For questions or to request accommodation, please contact **Clatsop County Circuit Court at 503-325-8555** or **Clatsop County District Attorney's Office at 503-325-8581**.

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