



# News Release

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## **62% of businesses checked in Forest Grove and Cornelius pass OLCC check for alcohol sales to minors**

**PORTLAND, OR** – Eight out of 13 businesses visited in Forest Grove, Cornelius passed a check for alcohol sales to minors by refusing to sell alcohol to a minor volunteer. The sales checks were performed April 4, 2014 by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission in conjunction with the Forest Grove and Hillsboro Police Departments.

The sales check resulted in a compliance rate of 62 percent which is below the 2013 statewide average of 84 percent.

“We are very grateful for the relationship we have with the Forest Grove and Hillsboro Police Departments,” says OLCC Portland Regional Manager, Shannon Hoffeditz. “We can reach more businesses when we partner together and share our resources. Keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors is important to all of us.”

The commission performs the minor sales checks in an effort to reduce drinking by minors, which is a serious problem throughout the state. The OLCC tests licensed liquor businesses throughout the year. Licensees or their employees could be held liable for alcohol-related damages and injuries if they serve or sell alcohol to a minor.

The OLCC offers a free training course on how to check ID's. Participants learn how to identify false identification and the laws regarding minors and alcohol. Additional training opportunities are available including classes for store clerks and service permit holders. Interested persons can call the local OLCC office to schedule a training session.

*(Samples of OR Driver Licenses for minor and adult*

*<http://www.flickr.com/photos/oregonliquorcontrolcommission/sets/72157624623539267/>)*

During the sales checks, a minor volunteer attempts to purchase alcohol from a licensed business to see if staff are checking ID's correctly and refusing to sell alcohol to anyone under 21. Commission inspectors or other law enforcement officers supervise the minor volunteers. The volunteers carry their own legal ID that identifies them as under 21 and do not disguise their age or lie to encourage the sale of alcohol. The Oregon Driver license for a minor carries a red border around the picture with the words “Minor Until” followed by the date of his/her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

Under Oregon law, businesses in cities with a population of 20,000 or more have an equal chance of being randomly selected for a minor decoy compliance check. A business can also be selected for a compliance check if there is a documented complaint of sales to minors. Businesses in cities with a population under 20,000 and unincorporated areas in counties are not subject to these selection requirements.

## Minor Decoy Operation

April 4, 2014

### FOREST GROVE, CORNELIUS

13 premises visited: 8 No Sales, 5 Sales – Compliance rate of 62%

<p><b><u>NO SALES</u></b>            1910 MAIN AN AMERICAN BISTRO            1910 MAIN ST STE A            FOREST GROVE</p> <p>BI-MART #635            3225 PACIFIC HWY            FOREST GROVE</p> <p>BASELINE MARKET            1894 BASELINE ST            CORNELIUS</p> <p>TABB'S SPORTS BAR &amp; GRILL            148 N 20<sup>TH</sup> AVE            CORNELIUS</p>	<p><b><u>NO SALES</u></b>            JUNGLE ROOM            1034 BASELINE ST            CORNELIUS</p> <p>CORNELIUS SHELL            845 N ADAIR ST            CORNELIUS</p> <p>SUPER MERCADO SAN ALEJANDRO            80 N 10<sup>TH</sup> AVE            CORNELIUS</p> <p>PLAID PANTRY #25            89 N 10<sup>TH</sup>            CORNELIUS</p>
<p><b><u>SALES</u></b>            IZGARA BAR AND GRILL            2036 MAIN ST B            FOREST GROVE</p> <p>PIZZA SCHMIZZA FOREST GROVE            2042 MAIN ST            FOREST GROVE</p> <p>CORNELIUS FAST SERV            990 N ADAIR            CORNELIUS</p>	<p><b><u>SALES</u></b>            LEO'S LAIR            1098 BASELINE ST            CORNELIUS</p> <p>76 OF CORNELIUS            2888 BASELINE ST            CORNELIUS</p>

*"Promoting Responsible Alcohol Sales and Service"*

*Did you know that in the last two years, the OLCC distributed more than \$397 million to Oregon's General Fund, Cities, Counties, and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs?  
[See the distribution of dollars on OLCC's Website.](#)*

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