



# DAVIDSON & ASSOCIATES INSURANCE

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## ODYSSEY WORLD INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Odyssey World International Education Services (OWIES) is a Black-led, family-operated nonprofit based in the heart of Vancouver, Washington, dedicated to advocating for social justice and serving marginalized communities. Originally founded in 2006 and operating in Clark County since 2015, the organization serves as a vital bridge for immigrant and refugee families, unhoused neighbors, and youth navigating poverty. Their "CARE" model emphasizes direct relationship-building and trust, ensuring that the resources and advocacy they provide, from resource referrals to direct outreach, are both reliable and compassionate.

At the core of their mission is the belief that education and experiential learning are the ultimate catalysts for equity and empowerment. OWIES provides a wide array of programming



**Odyssey World**  
International Education Services

designed to support the "whole person," including youth advocacy training, workforce skill building, and outdoor recreational opportunities like their "Kites for Youth" events. By increasing access to educational tools and civic engagement, they help equip local youth and families with the confidence and knowledge needed to shape their own futures and influence the policies that affect their lives.

Beyond the classroom, Odyssey World is deeply rooted in local community-building through vibrant events and essential outreach services. They are well-known for hosting inclusive

celebrations like the annual Juneteenth Freedom Celebration and the Women's Friendship Tea, as well as providing practical support through food sovereignty programs and voter education. Whether through their volunteer-led direct outreach or their diverse internship opportunities, OWIES continues to foster a more resilient and connected Clark County by ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to thrive and belong. Learn more about OWIES at [www.odysseyworld.org](http://www.odysseyworld.org).

*Refer a friend, family member, colleague, or local business for their free, no-obligation quote to support this worthy nonprofit!*

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**Humane Society**  
FOR SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON

### Thank You April Referrers

Thank you to those that sent a referral in April, the **\$700 donation** went to **Humane Society for Southwest Washington**, a nonprofit that helps rescue, return, restore, rehome and reconnect animals in need in Clark County.

#### APRIL REFERRERS

- Amy & Tim Anderson
- Jacqueline & Lyle Anderson III
- John & Justine Andersen
- Wade Au
- Michael & Denise Burgoyne
- Lauren & Douglas Clark
- Shayla Davis
- Adrian Heydel
- Stacey Heerlein
- Mark & Emily Hood
- Tony & Lori Johnson
- Savannah & Domonique Lartigue
- Aaron & Renee Meyer
- Devon & Jessica Pilney
- Rosalind Hatch-Pirkl
- Cathie Reyes
- Ian & Meredith Rummel
- Anna & Jerod Miller
- Jamie Birkeland
- Adam Traubman
- Calista Vansoest & Nathanael Vansoest
- Brian & Ciara Stone

### Happy Birthday

We have 4 birthdays in June! Happy Birthday to Crystal, Trenton, Rachel and Kelly! We hope your next year around the sun is the best one yet.



Crystal



Trenton



Rachel



Kelly



### Best of Clark County Voting

Thank you for nominating us for Best of Clark County! Now it's time to VOTE! We would appreciate your vote for **Best Insurance Agency** via the banner on our website, by scanning the QR Code. Don't forget to vote



for all your favorite, local businesses! Thanks for your support, we couldn't do it without you.

### Happy Father's Day

Dads are the ultimate risk managers, providing 100% coverage for everything from flat tires to scary noises. While the premiums involve eye-rolling puns and grilling advice, their "dad-certified" protection is always deductible-free. We salute the chief safety inspectors who keep the household (and the thermostat) under control. Happy Father's Day!

### Happy Anniversary

The team has 3 work anniversaries to celebrate this month: Rachel has been with the agency for 3 years, Anna celebrates 5 years and Tina has been a team member for 4 years. Congratulations and thanks for your commitment to our team!



Rachel



Anna



Tina

### Policies for Pencils

Our new Policies for Pencils initiative donates \$100 worth of needed classroom supplies to a local, Clark County classroom. Each month, a new winner will be selected and rewarded. The April winner was **Miss Vogel's Kindergarten class at South Ridge Elementary**. We provided the class with lots of snacks and tissues, as outlined in their request. You can **nominate your favorite local classroom at the QR Code**, and follow us on social media to stay up to date on the winners!



2nd graders beautiful artwork from the March Policies for Pencils winner



### Happy Juneteenth!

Juneteenth, celebrated June 19, is a federal holiday recognizing the liberation of the last African American enslaved people in 1865. Odyssey World International Education Services is hosting a **Juneteenth celebration on June 20** in Esther Short Park. We hope you'll stop by to celebrate freedom as a community!





### Just a Medicare Minute:

Medicare Beneficiaries to See Simpler and More Flexible Plan Choices, Better Drug Coverage, Higher Quality and Lower Costs in 2027

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is improving health plan quality, making it easier to understand and compare Medicare Advantage (MA) and prescription drug plans, strengthening financial protections in Part D, and cutting unnecessary red tape for plans and providers. These changes, part of the Contract Year 2027 MA and Part D final rule, empower beneficiaries to make more informed plan choices, reduce unexpected costs, and access more reliable coverage while keeping the focus where it belongs: on patients' health outcomes and experience. They will focus improvement efforts on areas where quality gaps remain and where patient outcomes can be improved.

#### Key changes include:

- Refocusing the Star Ratings measure set
- Rewarding sustained high performance
- Reducing regulatory burden
- Strengthening prescription drug protections

#### Protecting Supplemental Benefits and Combating Fraud

To promote transparency and prevent misuse of funds, CMS is clarifying requirements for debit cards used to administer supplemental benefits in MA. The updated policy establishes clearer, more consistent rules across plans, promotes informed beneficiary choice, helps combat fraud, waste, and abuse, and ensures enrollees receive actual covered benefits, including healthy food benefits.

If you or a family member, friend or neighbor need personal and professional guidance with your health plan choices, please reach out to James Hamilton at [jhamilton@davidsoninsurance.com](mailto:jhamilton@davidsoninsurance.com).



For more information, please view the CMS fact sheet at the QR Code.

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Contact organizations for more details

### VANCOUVER'S PRIDE BLOCK PARTY



**Date:** June 13  
**Time:** 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
**Cost:** Free

**Location:** Dandelion Teahouse & Apothecary  
Pride Block Party is a free, family-focused event that draws over 4,000 attendees. This year's celebration will feature more than 80 vendor booths, exciting activities, and live performances—all in the heart of downtown Vancouver, at SW 7th and Main Streets! This is a free event for the whole family—and ALL ARE WELCOME!  
**Scan the QR code to learn more.**



### JUNETEENTH FREEDOM CELEBRATION



**Date:** June 20  
**Time:** 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
**Cost:** Free

**Location:** Esther Short Park  
Join Odyssey World International Education Services and the City of Vancouver at the Juneteenth Freedom Celebration. This free event is open to all ages and features live music, along with local vendors, an interactive history display, and family activities.

**Scan the QR code to learn more.**



### Sponsorship Spotlight: Catch us at Pride!



Davidson Insurance is proud to be a sponsor of Vancouver's Pride Block Party.



We hope you'll join in on the fun! There will be vendors, performances, activities and so much more. Please stop by our booth to say 'Hi,' and grab some goodies.  
**Scan the QR code to learn more.**





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## Join our team!

If you want to work in a great environment and help our clients protect what matters most, this may be a great opportunity for you.

Find out more information here:

[www.davidsoninsurance.com/join-us](http://www.davidsoninsurance.com/join-us)

Our office will be closed on **Friday, June 12** for Fun Friday, an employee appreciation day, and **Friday, June 19** for Juneteenth. We'll be back to assist you with all your insurance needs the following Monday!



## GET READY FOR HEAT WAVES

The National Weather Service recommends planning for heat waves well before heat wave season.

### Create a heat wave emergency kit with:

- Nonperishable food
- A can opener
- A power bank, batteries and a phone charger
- A first-aid kit with oral rehydration salt packets
- A thermometer
- Towels and cloths
- A handheld fan or mister
- Cold packs
- A heat stress checklist
- Moist towelettes and other personal care items
- Medications and medical supplies
- Copies of important documents (Social Security cards, birth certificates, IDs, etc.)

## Safeco has Rebranded to Liberty Mutual

Safeco Insurance® has been rebranded as Liberty Mutual. Safeco was acquired by Liberty Mutual in 2008, and this is simply a brand consolidation — it won't change your coverage.



### What to expect if you are a Safeco client:

- Davidson & Associates is still your independent insurance agency — nothing about our relationship changes.
- Your current premium, coverages, discounts, and benefits remain the same. Any future changes would follow the standard renewal process.
- Future renewals and communications will show the Liberty Mutual name. Your billing and payment info will transfer automatically.
- Review this FAQ to learn more: <https://www.safeco.com/libertymutual>.

No action is needed by you. Please email, text or call us with any questions.