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USPS News

Due to ongoing issues at the USPS Portland mail sorting facility and efforts to consolidate mail transports, mail is currently taking 10-14 days to reach the institution. Please keep this in mind as we move closer to the holiday season, when additional delays are expected.

Mail Processing Update

We want to inform you about recent developments in our mail processing at SRCI and provide important information about what you may experience in the coming week.

WHATS HAPPENING: Additional resources have been deployed to the SRCI Mailroom to address a backlog that developed during the inspection process for mail requiring additional review. We anticipate having this backlog fully resolved by the end of the week.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU:

***You may receive mail that arrived several months ago**

***You and your correspondents may receive Violation Notices for mail that arrived several months ago**

***Please do not kytic the Mailroom asking if you have mail - we won't know until we process it as we clear the backlog**

CONTEXT: SRCI receives approximately 16,500 pieces of mail per month. Mail in standard white envelopes on standard white paper and Legal Mail have not been affected and continues to be processed within the normal 2-3 day timeframe. The backlog specifically affects mail that required additional inspection.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this has caused and appreciate your patience as we work through this issue.

Winter Holiday Events 2025

DOUBLES HANDBALL CONTEST IN THE GYMS! First and second place winners will be given certificates. If you have any questions, please contact Recreation Specialist G. Gross with an AIC Communication (kyte) form.

COMPLEX 1 - COMPLEX 2 - COMPLEX 3

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025 - 1:00 PM

SRCI Commissary News and Important Updates

SRCI Commissary will be offering a Double Spending week November 17 - 21 for General Population. The Spending Limits will be as follows:

Level 1 - \$100.00

Level 2 - \$180.00

Level 3 - \$240.00

The Double Spending does not affect Special Housing. No orders will be processed

November 24 - 28 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Holiday Buying Period for 2025 will be December 1 – January 2.



Thu 12/11	Fri 12/12	Sat 12/13	Sun 12/14	Mon 12/15	Tue 12/16	Wed 12/17
55° 33°F 	52° 29°F 	49° 27°F 	46° 29°F 	45° 34°F 	52° 42°F 	53° 39°F
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy

Ice Melt Training STORAGE! Improper storage of ice melt can cause breakdown of the chemicals that make ice melt viable. Here are some tips for storing it properly: *Per ice melt vendors around the globe...AKA Google:*

Keep it airtight! Store opened ice melt in an airtight container to prevent it from absorbing moisture from the air, which can cause it to clump, harden, and degrade. Store it away from moisture and air. Keep ice melt away from moisture, air, and sunlight. Store it in a dry place: Store ice melt in a dry place, but not in an attic or on shelves.

Cover it with a dark wrap: Cover ice melt with a dark wrap to protect it from ultraviolet light, which can make it brittle and less effective.

Store it away from other chemicals: Store ice melt away from other chemicals, such as rat poison.

Store unopened bags flat: If you have unopened bags of ice melt, store them lying flat in a dry area. Some bags don't seal well if stored on end.

Store pallets outdoors: If you have pallets of ice melt covered by a plastic shroud, you can store them outdoors on a well-drained surface. If the shroud is damaged, store the pallets indoors or under a waterproof covering.

Religious News **New Religious Service Class** on "Christian Beliefs" starting on January 5, 2026, Mondays from 1:45 pm to 3:45 pm. Kevin Dyke will be teaching this class, and it is open to anyone looking to learn more about Biblical Christian beliefs. If interested, fill out an ADD/DROP form, listing "New Believers Class", Mondays, 1:45-3:45.

Special Religious Observances For facility planning and programming purposes there are sign-up deadlines and requirements for special religious observances including the following religious traditions: Judaism, Islam, Asatru, Druid, Pagan, Odinist, Wicca, Buddhism, Catholic/Protestant, LDS, Native American, Jehovah Witness. AICs who want to participate in special religious observances should contact the Chapel for information at least two months before any special religious observance dates to ensure they meet those deadlines and requirements. The Chapel will then provide information regarding sign up requirements and deadlines. The Chaplain is not responsible for AICs who fail to meet the sign-up deadline. Exceptions include AICs who have recently transferred into the facility.

Seventh Day Adventist Service (Saturday 1:45-3:45 PM) is currently meeting. Please submit add/drop request to Chaplain Suh at box #331 to sign up for the service.

Muslim AICs will be celebrating "Ramadan in February 2026". If you want to participate, please send a kite to chaplain Clig. Please note this religious celebration is for only 'Muslim' AICs. If your religious self-identification is not Muslim, you must request a 'Religious Self-Identification' form as well. The deadline to sign up for Ramadan is December 15th.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

BCT Recruitment Opportunity! Want to obtain job skills and earn a certification in building and construction? Treasure Valley Community College has a Building Construction Technology program that collaborates with SRCI and the National Center for Construction Education and Research. As a work-based education program, it allows you the opportunity to have hands-on experience, take college credits, create a portfolio, and complete a one year certification. **Requirements for the program are:** *GED or High School Diploma *3 to 7 years or less left on your sentence *No Escape *No Arson *Minimum of 9 months housed at SRCI *No major DR's/Program Failures within 9 months * Must live or be willing to move to Complex 2. If interested, please send a Kyte to BCT C2 Industries, Box 333.

Channel 18	12/12-12/13	Four Christmases
	12/14-12/15	Jingle All the Way
	12/16	Ernest Saves Christmas
	12/17-12/18	Silent Night/Violent Night
Channel 19	12/12-12/13	Doctor Who Season 6
	12/14-12/15	Doctor Who Season 7
	12/16	Doctor Who Season 7
	12/17-12/18	Doctor Who Season 7
Channel 20	12/12-12/18	Schitts Creek Season 5 & 6

