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SPRINGFIELD OFFERS A DEBT REDUCTION PROGRAM

A reduction in court fees and interest is available for a limited time to help community members clear their outstanding debts

The City of Springfield has partnered with Professional Credit Service (PCS) to offer a program for Springfield Municipal Court accounts that have been assigned for collections. The program will be available until July 4, 2010.

Individuals seen at the Springfield Municipal Court have often been impacted by the poor economy and continue to have difficulty meeting their financial obligations to the court. Defendants who fail to pay their fines are referred to the court's collections agency, PCS, for further collection efforts. Many of these cases in which a defendant's driver's license has been suspended because of unpaid traffic citations.

Program Intent:

To assist individuals with "economic relief" by providing an opportunity to gain a substantial discount in paying off old debt. To provide the means towards "economic recovery" – reinstatement of driving privileges and the ability to drive legally, assist in rectifying bad credit ratings as a result of past due court fines and fees and aid in the ability to gain employment.

Program Conditions:

Only cases 2007 and older that have been assigned to the collection agency are eligible to participate and make a one-time payment in full before July 4, 2010. Professional Credit Service and the Court will waive any interest owing. A discount of 25% or 50% may be applicable depending on the age of the case.

To contact the collection agency: Call Toll Free 800-972-1635; Local 541-343-5641
Or visit them at their office:
400 International Way, Suite 100, Springfield Oregon 97477

Hours of operation
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM Monday – Thursday
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Friday
9:00 AM = 1:00 PM Saturday