

Our Stories - Redmond Connections

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Hello, I am Mayor Angela Birney and it's time for another edition of my monthly video series "Our Stories, Redmond Connections."

With the ongoing pandemic, we have all had to rethink the way we approach many aspects of our lives. However, with every challenge comes opportunities, hope, and new perspectives. This month, I thought it would be befitting to ask Vibhas Chandorkar from Redmond's Human Services Commission and Kristina Hudson of OneRedmond what their hopes and dreams are for the new year.

Vibhas Chandorkar - Redmond Human Services Commission Chair

This pandemic has exacerbated the social and economic disparities that existed even before COVID-19. So this year my hope for the Human Services Commission is to continue to work closely with our agency partners to be able to compassionately and equitably deliver help to our fellow citizens in need.

On a personal front, like many, I am hoping to safely be able to see family and friends again...soon.

Kristina Hudson - OneRedmond Executive Director

So my hope is that everyone will do their part in getting our economy back open, and we're talking fully opened. My hope in the next year is that everyone will feel comfortable going out again in public, and safe. My hope is that we can bring our businesses back to where we were before the pandemic. And my dreams? Well I think, regardless of your background and beliefs we all want the same things. It's a future that secures quality of life for each and every member of our community. And that means good well paying jobs and affordable housing for all. And for me personally? With two little kids, that is getting those kids back in school as soon as possible.

Mayor Angela Birney

My hopes and dreams for 2021 are simple. I'm looking forward to opening up the doors to City Hall so that people can get services in person and I'm looking forward to hugging my family and friends again. **Enough about me; I am interested to hear your thoughts. In the comments, please share some of your hopes and dreams for the year ahead using the hashtag #RedmondConnections.**

Thank you for making Redmond and our community a great place to work, live, and play. See you next time.