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Bowling with the feds: FBI Bowl-a-thon rolls into Beaverton

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You might feel out of your element bowling with the feds, but the FBI Bowl-a-thon is open to all, raising money in Beaverton for a good cause.

Organized by the Oregon chapter of the FBI Citizens Academy Alumni Association (which, to be fair, isn't really the FBI), the Bowl-a-thon is a thrice-annual fundraiser for human trafficking survivors.

Tickets for the March 7 event are \$30 apiece, with the money going to the Human Trafficking Committee of the nonprofit Citizens Academy Alumni Association, a group that "assists survivors of sexual exploitation and educates citizens about human trafficking's tragic effects on society."

The funds will likely wind up with a local organization that aids survivors, but organizers have not publicly named a specific beneficiary for the Bowl-a-thon.

The event has moved from the late Hollywood Bowl to Sunset Lanes in Beaverton, where the organization will also raise money with a host of raffle items - from Columbia jackets to a "mystery box."



The Bowl-a-thon event at Sunset Lanes will be a fundraiser for the human trafficking committee of the local FBI Citizens Academy Alumni Association. (Eric R. Ward/Flickr)

The real draw, however, is the casual round of bowling with a group of local citizens handpicked for an inside education about the FBI. They might be able to shoot a gun, but how good is their game on the lane? ❄️