



Sri Mukambika Mahadeva Hindu Shrine

श्री मूकाम्बिका महादेव हिंदू मन्दिरः



December 5, 2025

Willamette Valley Hindu Temple

Re: Expanding Operational Hour

Dear Community Members,

Achieving this depends on the dedication of volunteers from both the board and the wider community. Below is a clear outline of our current policy and how you can get involved.

1. **General Policy**

Whenever a board member or community volunteer is available to unlock, lock, and oversee the temple's operations, we will extend the temple's opening hours accordingly.

2. **Weekend Morning Schedule (Board Responsibility)**

The temple board guarantees that doors will be open for Darshan on Saturdays and Sundays from **11 a.m. – 1 p.m.** During these hours, we will also hold spiritual events and festivals celebrations for the wider community. If the weather is not good, temple hours may change as required.

3. **Evening Access on Weekends**

If you wish to have evening darshans on weekends, we are seeking **sevaks** to staff the temple during 4-6PM on Saturdays and Sundays.

4. **Additional Weekday Openings**

The following avenues are available to open the temple on a weekday.

- o **Festival Darshan on a Weekday** – When a festival occurs on a weekday, a community member may volunteer to keep the temple open for at least one hour of darshan for the broader community.

- o **Regular hours on a Weekday** – If a community member is available to open the temple on a regular basis for Darshan (at least 1-2 hours for a month), we would expand the temples’ operational hours.
- o **Programs on Weekday** – To hold a one-time special program, which would include performing ritual, special puja ceremony, prasad, music, or additional setup, consider renting the temple hall. See our rental form here: <https://forms.gle/zThV3vrxFHGuBmXC8>

5. **Guidelines for Volunteer Darshan**

Devotees can come and do their personal puja following community guidelines. We will not have any pre-planned prasad or program arrangements.

6. **Volunteer On-boarding**

All volunteers must complete a brief in-person orientation (≈ 30 minutes). Sessions will be held upon request from interested community members. Please sign-up for onboarding or volunteering for operations using this form:

<https://forms.gle/tC7NTz7qQ8Vyvs2t6>

7. **Being a Responsible Volunteer**

Please sign up only when you’re sure about your availability, and at least 3 days prior to the volunteer date to notify the community and update the community calendar. We strongly advise volunteers not to sign up for dates more than 2 months in advance as long-term plans are prone to change. Join the volunteers WhatsApp group for questions and all communications (<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KxycWN91Wx6HLhe3wDIANm>). If an unforeseen event happens and you can no longer volunteer on the said date, please notify on the WhatsApp group as soon as you can.

*Shared on behalf of the SMMHS Board,
Communications Coordinator*

The Board: All members of the SMMHS Board