

# CITYWIDE NEWS

## MAYOR FERRELL, THE CITY COUNCIL, AND OUR FEDERAL WAY COMMUNITY SUPPORT THE ANNUAL ARTS EXPLOSION!



The City of Federal Way sends a massive shoutout to our Arts Commission and the Kiwanis Foundation of Federal Way for sponsoring the highly anticipated second annual Arts Explosion Festival! Mayor Jim Ferrell kicked off the festivities by presenting awards on day one of the Arts Explosion.

The festival ran from Friday, May 31, until Sunday, June 2, at the PAEC. Mayor Ferrell and our dedicated City Councilmembers met with organizers and were there to show their support throughout the weekend. They thanked them for their hard work in making this event possible for our community to enjoy!

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## MAYOR FERRELL WELCOMES THE FEDERAL WAY COMMUNITY FOR OUR FOURTH ANNUAL PRIDE MONTH FLAG-RAISING CEREMONY



Thanks to Senator Claire Wilson (pictured at the bottom right), City Council President Linda Kochmar, Councilmember Susan Honda, Federal Way Diversity Commission Chair Saudia Abdullah (pictured at the bottom left), and everyone else who attended our Pride Month flag-raising ceremony at City Hall on Friday, May 31. Jim Ferrell shared a Mayoral Proclamation for Pride Month, followed by a brief program before raising the Pride Flag.

“Pride Month in June is an excellent opportunity to celebrate our community’s diversity, and this flag-raising ceremony at our City Hall Flag Plaza signifies our efforts to take action and drive change,” said Mayor Ferrell. “The City of Federal Way is committed to building a more inclusive community for our hard-working residents.”

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# MAYOR FERRELL SUPPORTS THE FEDERAL WAY YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AT THE PAEC!



Mayor Ferrell supported his community by attending the Federal Way Youth Symphony Orchestra, established in 2006, concert and auction at the PAEC over the weekend! The Youth Symphony Orchestra delivered a sparkling performance in front of a packed crowd. The Mayor thanked the Artistic/Executive Manager, Dr. Rick Kong (pictured to the right on stage), for his hard work and commitment to the Federal Way Youth Symphony Orchestra and its Board of Directors Chair, Sandra Englund, for the personal invitation to this fantastic event. The Federal Way Youth Symphony Orchestra raised over \$14,000 to support scholarships and programs!

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# THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY THANKS FWPD OFFICER NICK WONG FOR REMOVING A HATE-RELATED MESSAGE IN OUR COMMUNITY



During our City Council meeting on Tuesday, May 21, Federal Way Police Officer Nick Wong received the Mayor's Commendation from Jim Ferrell for his prompt action in addressing a racist and hateful electronic message displayed on a reader board—that does not belong to the City of Federal Way—earlier this year.

Two individuals had tampered with the sign, but Officer Wong quickly responded, disabled it, and secured it.

Congratulations to Officer Wong on his exemplary judgment and dedication to keeping the residents of Federal Way safe.

We thank Officer Wong for his sense of urgency and excellent work.

### The Mayor's Commendation goes as follows:

***Tonight, we honor an individual whose swift and decisive action symbolizes the City's long-standing zero-tolerance policy against racism. Within nine minutes of the sign being reported, Officer Nick Wong of the Federal Way Police Department arrived on scene and disabled the sign.***

***Not only did he immediately remove the power source, he went to Walmart, bought a lock, and installed it on the sign. He didn't know whose sign it was; he just knew it displayed a hateful message and that he needed to do everything in his power to squash it.***

***Alongside the Mayor, City Council, and good people of Federal Way, Officer Wong has zero tolerance for racist behavior. Because of his exemplary service, we honor him tonight with a Commendation for going above and beyond the line of duty to represent everything that is good in our community.***

***Thank you, Officer Wong. We salute you this evening.***

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## MAYOR FERRELL AND THE CITY COUNCIL ISSUED A PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL POLICE WEEK



CITY OF  
**Federal Way**  
PROCLAMATION  
"National Police Week"

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the 150 dedicated members currently serving in the Federal Way Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the City of Federal Way Police Department was established in October 1996 to protect and serve the citizens, residents, and visitors to the City of Federal Way; and

WHEREAS, National Police Week was established in 1962 with President Kennedy proclaiming May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which it falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, each year, National Police Week recognizes the officers that are serving, have served, and those who have given the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty, including two members of the Federal Way Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Mayor and City Councilmembers of the City of Federal Way, do hereby proclaim May 12-18, 2024 as NATIONAL POLICE WEEK, and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and the communities across the nation.

SIGNED, this 21st day of May, 2024.

FEDERAL WAY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

 _____ Jim Ferrell, Mayor	 _____ Linda Kochman, Council President
 _____ Lydia Assefa-Dawson, Councilmember	 _____ Paul McDaniel, Councilmember
 _____ Susan Honda, Councilmember	 _____ Hoang V. Tran, Councilmember
 _____ Jack Walsh, Councilmember	 _____ Jack Dovey, Councilmember

On Tuesday, May 21, Mayor Ferrell and City Councilmembers proclaimed May 12-18 National Police Week.

Police Chief Andy Hwang, along with Commanders, Lieutenants, and officers of the Federal Way Police Department, joined the meeting to showcase and acknowledge the department's tireless work in serving and protecting our community.

National Police Week also honored the officers we have lost and recognizes the sacrifices officers make every day to keep us safe.

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## FEDERAL WAY COMMUNITY UPDATES



The City of Federal Way thanks King County Executive Director Dow Constantine for visiting us last week! Mayor Ferrell met with him and his team to discuss important topics related to what's happening in our Federal Way community. King County Executive Constantine and his team are always welcome in our City!



Brian J. Carter, the Executive Director of Seattle-based 4Culture, pictured third to left, appointed by King County Executive Dow Constantine and the King County Councilmembers, delivered an excellent presentation at the Good Eggs Breakfast in Auburn last week. Mayor Ferrell and Regional Mayors were present to hear Brian speak about the arts in the community and their positive impact on our culture and economy. We thank King County Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer, pictured far left, for organizing the event!

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We were thrilled to have students from our Sister City in Hachinohe, Japan, visit us on Friday, May 31! The students toured the office of Mayor Jim Ferrell and heard about our great City of Federal Way! It was their first visit to the United States, and they told us one of their favorite American foods is cheeseburgers—a fun moment! Thanks to Federal Way Police Department Chief Andy Hwang and our Municipal Court Judges, David Larson, and Brad Bales, for showing them around.



Connecting with Rose Ehl—the co-founder of the Federal Way Farmers Market pictured in the middle—and our community at the Farmers Market is always fantastic! On Saturday, June 1, Mayor Ferrell prioritized stopping by to thank our vendors' dedication and hard work every weekend. You're keeping the Farmers Market thriving, and your efforts are appreciated!

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Mayor Jim Ferrell recently attended the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) General Assembly at the Seattle Convention Center, where Seattle Mayor Bruce Harrell welcomed everyone! The PSRC Executive Director, Josh Brown, pictured at the top right, spoke about transportation safety. U.S. Representative Rick Larsen, Washington's 2nd Congressional District, pictured at the bottom left, delivered remarks on transportation and infrastructure funding and received an award for his 12 terms (24 years) in Congress from Becky Erickson, President of PSRC and Mayor of Poulsbo—a memorable moment last week!



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Rugby returned to Federal Way on Saturday, May 18, as girls' and boys' youth teams from Washington, Oregon, and California competed at Saghalee Park in the 3rd Annual Island Bowl! The Federal Way Warriors Athletics organized and sponsored this popular event. Mayor Ferrell thanks Sonny and everyone for their hospitality!



Our City Councilmembers and Mayor Ferrell attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the March of Diapers, Babies & Beyond Diaper Bank on Thursday, May 23. Cheryl Hurst (pictured third to left from Mayor Ferrell) was also present and led the well-known annual Diaper Drive at the Twin Lakes Fred Meyer for 10 years—thank you for everything, Cheryl! We appreciate your community service!

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AS A VOLUNTARY  
COMMISSIONER FOR OUR  
CITY COMMISSIONS!

## VOLUNTEER CITY COMMISSIONS:

- HUMAN SERVICES
- DIVERSITY
- CIVIL SERVICE
- ARTS
- PARKS & RECREATION
- YOUTH
- SENIOR
- PLANNING



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [FEDERALWAYWA.GOV/BOARDS-COMMISSIONS](https://federalwaywa.gov/boards-commissions)

# Upcoming EVENTS

FWPAEC

6.5

## AMERICAN ROCK LEGENDS

7:30 PM

6.8

## NATURAL COLUMBIA CLASSIC

10:00 AM

6.16

## FALLING IN LOVE

5:00 PM

7.14

## SISTER'S SUMMER SCHOOL CATECHISM

3:00 PM

9.19

## PRINCE AGAIN – A TRIBUTE TO PRINCE

7:30 PM

PAEC  
PERFORMING ARTS  
AND EVENT CENTER



**EVENT CALENDAR**

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FEDERAL WAY, WA 98003

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reflecting the public..."*

– Arthur Brisbane

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AND APPETIZERS  
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## South King Fire

# 75th Anniversary open houses

### Join us

- Demonstrations
- Learn Hands-Only CPR
- Kitchen Fire Demonstration
- Kids firefighter obstacle course
- Fun activities
- Hot dogs
- FIRE ENGINES!!

**June 8th 10-2pm  
Station 67**

**June 15th 10-2pm  
Station 62**





2024

*Federal Way*  
**FARMERS MARKET**

MAY 11 - OCT. 26  
*Saturdays*  
9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

**LOCAL FARM FRESH PRODUCTS**  
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Food Vendors • Snacks  
Live Entertainment and Much More!

[FederalWayFarmersMarket.com](http://FederalWayFarmersMarket.com)

Located at the Commons Mall South-Parking Lot (324th & Pacific Hwy.)



Help Us Tee Up for Success!

## Seeking Donations of Golf Clubs & Bags!

The Federal Way Inclusion Program is looking for gently used golf clubs & stand and carry golf bag donations for our upcoming summer recreational golf league!

**We are in need of all types of clubs, including:**

- Drivers
- Irons
- Putters
- Wedges
- Hybrids
- Fairway woods

**Contact Sabrina Bates for more information or to schedule a donation drop-off!**

Sabrina.Bates@FederalWayWA.gov  
253-835-6927



**Please drop off at Federal Way Community Center!**





Evergreen Middle School 1-5pm  
**Saturday, July 20, 2024**

Gather your **team of SIX** and join us  
for family-friendly FUN!

Raising funds to benefit your  
community!



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**TEAM EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!**

*Register before July 8th*

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- Individual Player \$50
- Buffet & Auction Only \$30



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Club of Federal Way



Sponsorships are available...

Donations and Auction items are appreciated.

Contact Cindy Ducich at 253-336-5362

Email [rotaryfederalway@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryfederalway@gmail.com) with questions.

**FREE**



# Federal Way COMMUNITY Festival 2024

**Celebrate and experience diverse cultures in and around Federal Way!**

- Free admission!
- Fun for the whole family
- Diverse kid activities
- Vendor booths
- Flavorful food from around the world!
- Multicultural Stage Performances



**AUGUST 10**  
**11AM - 6PM**

**TOWN SQUARE PARK**

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