

CITYWIDE NEWS


FEDERAL WAY'S 23RD ANNUAL 9-11 CEREMONY



Mayor Ferrell was honored to participate in South King Fire's ceremony commemorating the 23rd anniversary of September 11, 2001. This day recognizes those first responders who bravely went back "into the fire" to selflessly save others. The ceremony was emceed by Fire Chief Dave Van Valkenburg, featured patriotic music by Councilmember Jack Walsh, remarks by Police Chief Andy Hwang, and a keynote by AJ Frank, retired firefighter with the South King and Seattle Fire Departments. He spoke of his efforts of him and his rescue dog, Ohlin, to search the wreckage of the World Trade Center. Thank you to all who made this contemplative event a success.

SEATTLE SPORTS COMMISSION BETH KNOX PRESENTATION






WE ARE 2026 SEATTLE

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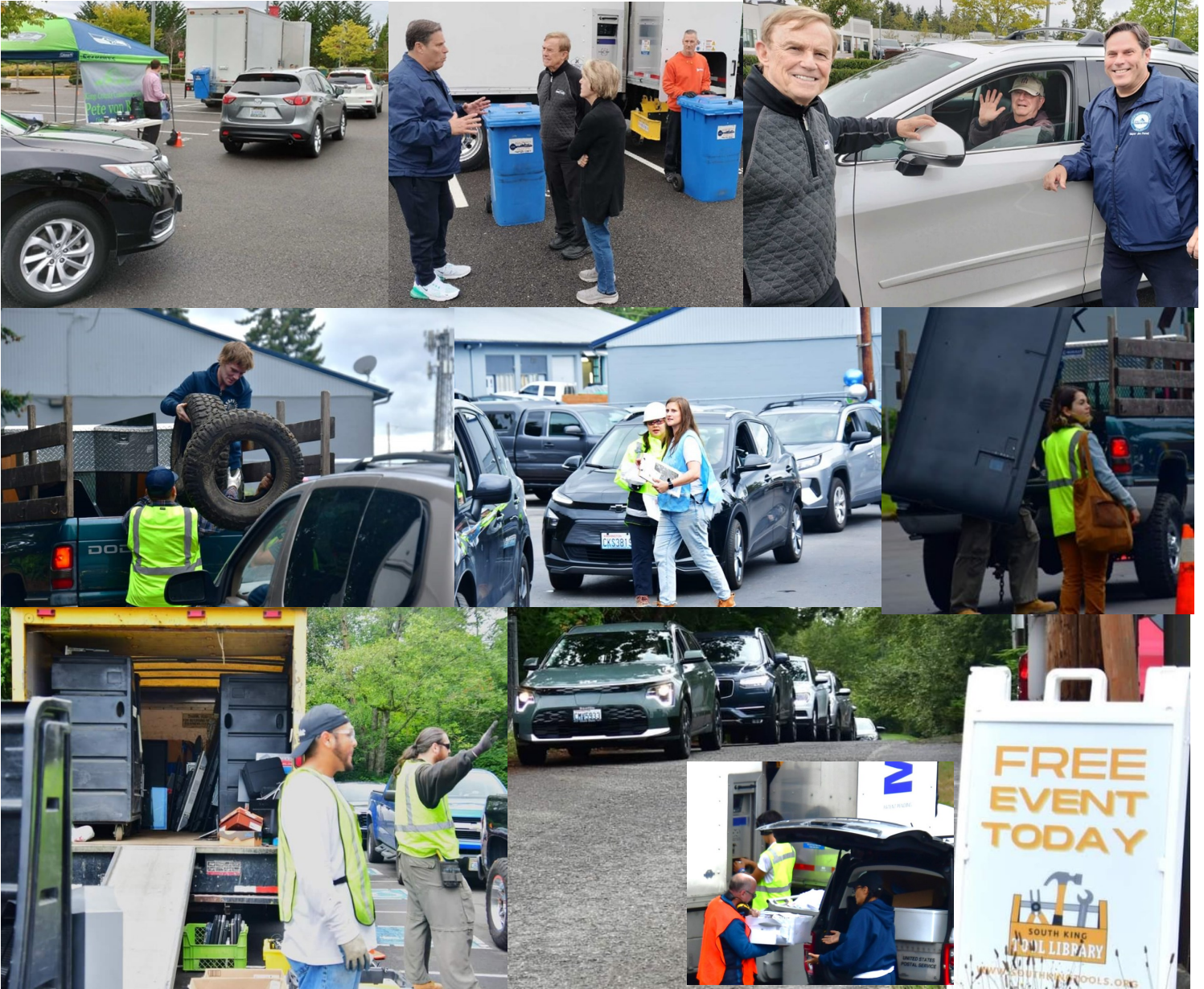
MATCH SCHEDULE

6/15/26	GROUP STAGE	6/26/26	GROUP STAGE
6/19/26	USA GROUP STAGE	7/01/26	ROUND OF 32
6/24/26	GROUP STAGE	7/06/26	ROUND OF 16

Beth Knox, President and CEO of the Seattle Sports Commission, was the speaker at the recent Good Eggs Breakfast hosted by King County Council member Pete von Reichbauer. She gave us an update on the upcoming FIFA World Cup in 2026 and also recognized that our City is hosting the NCAA Division I Women's and Men's Diving Championships and the Big 12 Swimming and Diving Championships in early 2025.

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SHREDDING/RECYCLING EVENTS IMPACT IDENTITY THEFT AND THE ENVIRONMENT



Mayor Ferrell helped at the King County shredding event hosted by King County Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer. Many residents took advantage of this opportunity to shred their confidential documents at the PAEC. On the same day, the South King Tool Library, led by Amanda Miller, worked in cooperation with our Public Works team to collect tires, appliances, and electronics for recycling. Preliminary results are that 265 tires, 6,000 electronics, 120 monitors, and 80 refrigerators were recycled. Thanks to those involved in these environmental efforts!

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MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATED AT YO SOY UNICO CHILDCARE



September 15th is Mexican Independence Day; and on its eve, King County Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer and Mayor Ferrell were delighted to be invited to the Yo Soy Unico Childcare to meet the parents of the students. Thanks to Maria Luisa Aguilera, Center Director; and Gabriela Martinez, Administrator, for hosting us. Feliz dia de la independencia Mexicana!

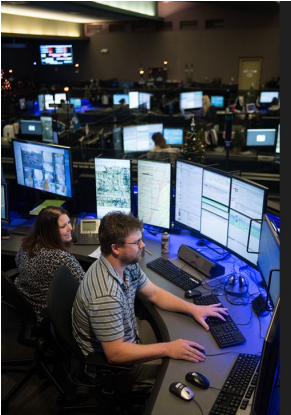
INTEGRITY LIFE CHURCH'S "SWEET 16"



Mayor Ferrell was delighted to share his birthday at the "Sweet 16" celebration of Integrity Life Church. Thank you to Pastors Joseph and Pamela Bowman for letting me share my appreciation to the congregation for their commitment to our community.

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FOCUS ON VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE PARTNER



In our ongoing commitment to ensure the highest standards of safety and service, we are proud to highlight the role of Valley Communications, our vital partner in emergency response and public safety. As a key agency within Valley Communications, our police department benefits greatly from the collaborative and integrated approach that this organization embodies.

Valley Communications, often referred to as Valley Comm, serves as the regional 9-1-1 emergency dispatch center for multiple jurisdictions, including our own police department. This centralized hub plays a critical role in coordinating emergency services across the area, ensuring that calls for help are met with swift and effective responses. Since 1977, the Valley Comm staff has increased from 16 authorized positions to 133 in

2017. The administrative staff consists of several executive, support, and administrative staff but the main workforce consists of 59 dispatchers, 44 call receivers, and 9 supervisors.

One of Valley Comm's primary functions is to handle 9-1-1 calls, dispatching appropriate emergency services to incidents ranging from minor disturbances to major emergencies. Their state-of-the-art technology and highly trained staff work around the clock to manage these calls with precision and efficiency. This streamlined approach helps to eliminate delays and ensures that our officers are deployed promptly where they are needed most.



Valley Comm's role extends beyond emergency dispatch. They are also pivotal in managing non-emergency requests for assistance, maintaining communication between different agencies, and providing crucial support during major incidents and public events. Their dedication to maintaining a high level of service is evident in their proactive approach to continuous improvement and innovation. In fact, Valley Comm is accredited by the

Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), the same commission through which the Federal Way Police Department has earned the Gold Standard of Public Safety Accreditation.

Valley Communications exemplifies the importance of collaboration in public safety. By working together, we are able to provide a more coordinated, effective, and responsive service to the community. We are grateful for their ongoing support and partnership, and we look forward to continuing this important work together to ensure the safety and well-being of our residents.



For more information about Valley Comm and their services, please visit their website at <https://www.valleycom.safety>

BOARD AND COMMISSIONS OPEN RECRUITMENT

<https://www.federalwaywa.gov/page/boards-commissions-recruitment>

OPEN RECRUITMENT



The City of Federal Way has numerous citizen boards and commission that offer valuable guidance to the Mayor and City Council on a wide variety of subjects that help inform the decision-making process. These advisory bodies bring together public viewpoints that might not otherwise be heard and offer an effective means of public participation in your local government.

If you are interested in contributing to the future of our community and sharing your expertise, we encourage you to [apply](#).

To view eligibility requirements and more information for each commission please review the [Boards and Commissions](#) overview page.

YOUTH COMMISSION

Current Openings: 4 Voting, 3 Alternate

The purpose of the youth commission shall be to afford an opportunity for youth to engage with and learn about local government; serve as an advisory body to the city council contributing a youth-focused perspective on policies, code, plans, proposals, and practices; and provide input to the city council, other city boards and commissions, and city staff on youth programs, recreational activities, and other issues of importance to youth.



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Current Openings: 2 Voting, 2 Alternate

The purpose of the parks and recreation commission is to work with city staff in an advisory capacity on matters pertaining to parks, open space, natural areas, trails, and recreational facilities and programs for the purpose of informing, advising, or recommending actions to the city council.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Current Openings: 1 Voting, 2 Alternate

The commission shall serve in an advisory capacity to the city council and make recommendations on matters including, but not limited to, the planning and funding of behavioral health, community services, prevention services, and senior services.



STEEL LAKE PUBLIC MEETING



Share your thoughts on the elements you prefer, helping us create a final master plan at our third and last meeting. Your input is key to crafting a design that truly represents our community's vision.

Thursday
September 26, 2024
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Located at the Federal Way Community Center
Community Room A
876 S 333rd St, Federal Way, WA 98003



QUESTIONS?

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federalwaywa.gov/page/help-grow-our-parks



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UPCOMING PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS FALL PROGRAM GUIDE AT

<https://catalogs.cityoffederalway.com/books/beza/>



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CITY OF
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PARKS & RECREATION

PROGRAM GUIDE

Seniors in the Spotlight!

Making waves in and around our community!

NOW AVAILABLE DIGITALLY AND IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES!

Disponible en español / 한국어로제공 / Доступно на русском языке

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DOWNLOAD OUR NEW PARKS AND RECREATION MOBILE APP

DITCH YOUR KEYFOBS!

Download Now!

Cardless FWCC Entry
Get Push Notifications for closures, schedule changes, and more!
Find Fitness & Pool Schedules
Register for Programs
Pay Balances!

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google play

[itallhappenshere.info/app](https://allhappenshere.info/app)

Check the brand-new Federal Way Parks & Rec mobile app, your handy hub for everything parks and the Federal Way Community Center. It provides convenient FWCC cardless entry, instant updates & schedules with push notifications, fitness & pool schedules and easy program registration. Download at <https://allhappenshere.info/app>

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE PAEC



The poster features a dark purple background with a pattern of small white dots and several grey arrows pointing in various directions. The main title 'Upcoming EVENTS' is prominently displayed in the upper center, with 'Upcoming' in a white script font and 'EVENTS' in large, bold, yellow block letters. Below this, 'FWPAEC' is written in a smaller, pinkish-purple font. A list of five events follows, each preceded by a date in a white diamond shape. At the bottom left is the PAEC logo, and at the bottom center is a QR code. To the right of the QR code, the text 'EVENT CALENDAR' is written in yellow, followed by the address '31510 PETE VON REICHBAUER WAY S FEDERAL WAY, WA 98003' in white.

**Upcoming
EVENTS**
FWPAEC

- 9.19 PRINCE AGAIN – A TRIBUTE TO PRINCE**
7:30 PM
- 9.27 MASTERS OF HAWAIIAN MUSIC**
7:30 PM
- 10.1 GARRISON KEILLOR TONIGHT**
7:00 PM
- 10.5 ALWAYS OLIVIA: AN OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN TRIBUTE**
8:00 PM
- 10.12 HOLLY BOWLING**
7:00 PM

 PERFORMING ARTS
EVENT CENTER



EVENT CALENDAR
31510 PETE VON REICHBAUER WAY S
FEDERAL WAY, WA 98003

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE PAEC

PAEC PRESENTS '24-25 SEASON

BOX OFFICE: (253) 835-7010 FWPAEC.ORG



10/5/24
8:00 PM

Always Olivia: An Olivia Newton-John Tribute



Always Olivia celebrates the legendary Olivia Newton-John, featuring Annie Aiello and an all-star band. Enjoy five decades of timeless hits, engaging storytelling, humor, and stunning visuals.

10/24/24
7:30 PM

Capitol Comedy: You Can't Be Serious.



Enjoy song parodies, comedy sketches, and fake news updates as seven talented performers satirize the Biden-Harris Administration, the Trump-Vance challenge, and more.

11/19/24
7:00 PM

The Kingdom Choir



The Kingdom Choir captivated the world at the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle in 2018. Led by award-winning conductor Karen Gibson, their infectious joy and raw gospel style have taken them worldwide.

12/8/24
2 & 6 PM

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical



Sleigh what? Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical is coming to Federal Way this winter, delighting families with two special performances!

2/28/25
8:00 PM

Cirque Kalabanté



Afrique en Cirque by Yamoussa Bangoura celebrates Guinea's culture with vibrant acrobatics, Afro-Jazz, and percussion. Experience the strength, agility, and joy of young Africans in this dynamic performance.

3/5/25
7:00 PM

R.E.S.P.E.C.T. A Celebration of the Music of Aretha Franklin

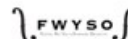


An electrifying tribute to Aretha Franklin, the Queen of Soul. Experience a night of her greatest hits, including "Natural Woman," "Respect," and more, performed by a live band and supreme vocalists.

RESIDENT ORGANIZATIONS



10/13/24 3/09/25
12/7/24 4/13/25
1/25/25 5/10/25



12/15/24 Holiday Concert
3/22/25 Spring Concert
6/7/25 Finale Concert



12/13/24 YULETIDE 2024
12/14/24 "A Celebration of the Season in Song"
5/17/25 Sounds of Spring 2025
"The Beautiful Night"



ARTS FOUNDATION
FEDERAL WAY

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SENIOR COMMISSION CONNECTIONS



The flyer features a blue and white color scheme with decorative elements like white dots and wavy lines. A circular graphic on the left contains the date 'SEPTEMBER 18'. A central white speech bubble contains the event title 'Senior Commission Connection MEETING'. Below this, the time '11am-1pm' and location 'Federal Way Community Center' are listed. A circular portrait of Kevin Pelley is shown with an arrow pointing to a text box that identifies him as the special guest. The address '676 S 333rd St Federal Way' and the note 'Light Lunch Served' are also included.

**SEPTEMBER
18**

*Senior
Commission
Connection*
MEETING

**11am-1pm
Federal Way
Community Center**

**676 S 333rd St
Federal Way**

Light Lunch Served

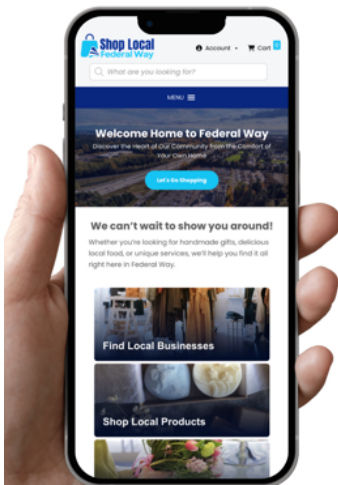
WITH SPECIAL
GUEST,
EMERGENCY
MANAGER KEVIN
PELLEY

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SHOP LOCAL START TO CART PROGRAM

Start to Cart Program - Shop Local Federal Way Marketplace

- ShopLocalFederalWay.com is live and active with businesses (19) and nearly 200 e-commerce products live for purchasing.
- Ready to redirect previous Shop Local Fed Way site to new one



- Continued onboarding of businesses & products
- Continued email outreach campaigns to businesses
- Building up social media presence
- Building awareness campaigns of the site to businesses & consumers
- Building up awareness of the start to cart training program

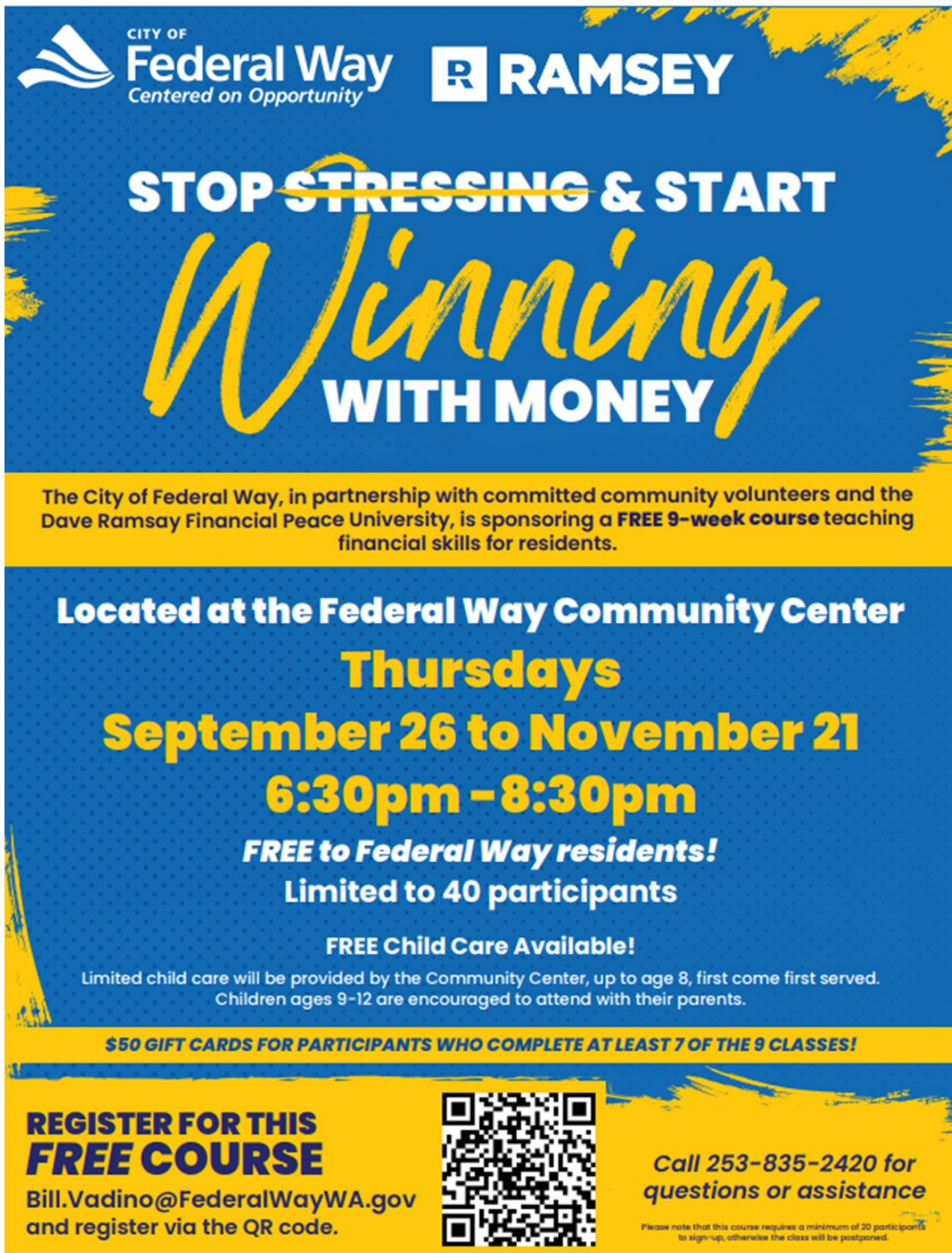
Start to Cart Program - E-Commerce Cohort Training Program


- Start to Cart E-Commerce Cohort Program - Now accepting registrations
- Scheduled to begin on Thursday September 26th & run for 6 weeks
- Final training/Launch - October 31st just in time for holiday shopping season

<p>GETTING YOUR FEDERAL WAY BUSINESS ONLINE IN 6 WEEKS!</p>	<p>Week 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Shop Local Federal Way • The importance of selling online • The advantages of being part of an online marketplace • What's needed to start your business • Questions to ask yourself • Online tools 	<p>Week 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Packaging and shipping your products • Return policy • Shipping policy • Online payments • Managing your inventory
	<p>Week 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your inventory • Inventory timeline • Planning your product listing • Sourcing your products • Costing & pricing • Taxes 	<p>Week 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketplace guidelines • Receiving orders • Sales reports • Technical Support • Merchandising • Discounts/offers • Planning your launch • Social media
	<p>Week 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up your store online • Product photos • Online content • Adding your listing • Storefront buildout 	<p>Week 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting on the platform • Hands-on assistance • Launch party

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL LITERACY CLASSES



 CITY OF
Federal Way
Centered on Opportunity

 **RAMSEY**

STOP STRESSING & START *Winning* WITH MONEY

The City of Federal Way, in partnership with committed community volunteers and the Dave Ramsay Financial Peace University, is sponsoring a **FREE 9-week course** teaching financial skills for residents.

Located at the Federal Way Community Center
Thursdays
September 26 to November 21
6:30pm – 8:30pm
FREE to Federal Way residents!
Limited to 40 participants


FREE Child Care Available!

Limited child care will be provided by the Community Center, up to age 8, first come first served.
Children ages 9-12 are encouraged to attend with their parents.

\$50 GIFT CARDS FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO COMPLETE AT LEAST 7 OF THE 9 CLASSES!

**REGISTER FOR THIS
FREE COURSE**

Bill.Vadino@FederalWayWA.gov
and register via the QR code.



*Call 253-835-2420 for
questions or assistance*

Please note that this course requires a minimum of 20 participants to sign-up, otherwise the class will be postponed.

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TASTE OF FEDERAL WAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

Federal Way FARMERS MARKET

TASTE OF FEDERAL WAY

ALL SPORTS ROUND UP

SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 • 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Wear Your Sports Jersey!

ENTER RAFFLES For Prizes!

LIVE Entertainment

	MEATBALL & TIRAMISU MAMA STORTINI'S		SCRAM BABY BREAKFAST SANDWICH POVERTY BAY CAFE BY FUSION		CHICKEN FAJITAS PUERTO VALLARTA, TWIN LAKES
	SEATTLE DOG WITH PEANUTS JIMMY MAC'S ROADHOUSE		CHOCOLATE CREAM PIE BLACK BEAR DINER		FRIED CHICKEN & WAFFLE FRIES SWAGG-N-WAGON
	CURRY MUSSELS ON BASMATI RICE EAST INDIA GRILL		PORK SLIDER K.C. DEEZ BBQ		NITROGEN ICE CREAM SUB-ZERO NITROGEN ICE CREAM

RESTAURANTS TEAMING UP WITH NON-PROFITS

Do the Right Thing Mama Stortini's Federal Way	FUSION Poverty Bay Cafe By Fusion	Ted Colby for St. Vincent De Paul Parish School Puerto Vallarta Mexican, Twin Lakes
Rotary Club of Federal Way Jimmy Mac's Roadhouse, Federal Way	FW Warriors Athletics Black Bear Diner Federal Way	Federal Way Knights Baseball Swagg-N-Wagon
Valley Cities Counseling & Behavioral Center East India Grill	Federal Way Knights Softball K.C. Deez BBQ	Federal Way Farmer's Market Sub-Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream

SPONSORS

- Pete von Reichbauer
- Sound Transit
- Federal Way Licensing
- Heritage Bank
- Federal Way Public Schools
- Way Scarff Ford
- Vickie Chynoweth Realtor for KWPS Realtor
- Federal Way Mirror
- Realm Renovation
- Yvonne San Luis Design

TASTE OF FEDERAL WAY

TICKETS - \$25.00

Your ticket includes tastes from different restaurant's with drink & dessert!

Purchase tickets at:
Participating Non-Profits & Federal Way Farmers Market

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

www.federalwayfarmersmarket.com

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GOOGLE & AI FOR BUSINESS



Sign Up Here



The Mission & Objective

This workshop series helps business owners learn important digital skills using Google Workspace and AI tools like Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Slides, and Google Sites. We focus on key skills such as making business documents, managing documents, and creating marketing content. Our training is simple and practical, perfect for those with limited English or business knowledge. It will help make your business more efficient and improve decision-making. This approach gives each participant real skills to improve their business

The Hub: Federal Way Higher Education Center

✓ Creating a Project Management Website using Google Sites & AI.

Aug 22nd @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

✓ Creating a Business Plan using Google Sheets & AI.

Aug 29th @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

✓ Creating a Marketing Pitch using Google Slides & AI.

Sep 5th @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

✓ Creating a Project Proposal using Google Docs & AI.

Sep 12th @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

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FREE BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

FREE BUSINESS WORKSHOP



EARN MORE AND INCREASE BUSINESS EFFICIENCY.
REGISTER FOR YOUR FREE WORKSHOPS!

WHO CAN ATTEND?

Nonprofits, Community Based Organizations, and Small Businesses located in or serving Federal Way are welcome to attend.

GRANT WRITING & FUNDRAISING

The first 3-part series on grant writing will share how to craft your project, find funding and measure success.

The second 3-part series on fundraising will share how to craft your fundraising ask, then craft your powerful sales pitch and then measure your impact.



DIGITAL LITERACY

Google & AI for Business is a free training series. Learn important digital skills using Google Workspace and AI tools like Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Slides, and Google Sites. With a focus on key skills such as making business documents, managing documents, and creating marketing content.



SHOP LOCAL - MARKETPLACE

Build your online shop for products and services during this free 6-week course.

Or if you have an online shop, sign up and build it for free on our new and improved Shop Local Federal Way marketplace launching this fall! Join your business community and grow together!



Live workshops in English. Select recordings available on City website in Español, 한국어, and українська.

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FUNDRAISING FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS



FUNDRAISING FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS

WHAT: LEARN ABOUT THE BASICS OF THE FUNDRAISING PROCESS

- OCTOBER 17TH: THE ASK UNVEILED: FUNDRAISING BASICS AND STRATEGIES**
- OCTOBER 24TH: THE ART OF THE ASK: CRAFTING POWERFUL APPEALS FOR EVERY OPPORTUNITY**
- NOVEMBER 7TH: BEYOND THE ASK: MANAGING, MEASURING, AND MAXIMIZING FUNDRAISING IMPACT**

AUDIENCE: NONPROFITS, COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND SMALL BUSINESSES LOCATED IN OR SERVING FEDERAL WAY ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 33325 8TH AVE S, FEDERAL WAY, 98003

LANGUAGE ACCESS: LIVE WORKSHOPS WILL BE OFFERED IN ENGLISH. ALL WORKSHOPS WILL BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY'S WEBSITE. THESE WORKSHOP RECORDINGS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN SPANISH, KOREAN, AND UKRAINIAN.

 [HTTPS://THE-CPIN.WEBFLOW.IO/FEDERAL-WAY-WORKSHOPS](https://the-cpin.webflow.io/federal-way-workshops)

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
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GRANT FUNDAMENTAL WORKSHOPS



GRANT FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS

WHAT: LEARN ALL ABOUT GRANTS AND THE GRANT PROCESS

- ✓ SEPTEMBER 26TH: FROM IDEA TO IMPACT: CRAFTING GRANT READY PROJECTS
- ✓ OCTOBER 3RD: GRANT SLEUTH: UNCOVERING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- ✓ OCTOBER 10TH: BEYOND THE PROPOSAL: NAVIGATING POST GRANT SUCCESS

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