

CITYWIDE NEWS

MAYOR'S MONTH OF CONCERN FOR THE HUNGRY FOOD DRIVE



Thanks to those residents who donated to the Mayor's Month of Concern Food Drive last week, as well as those who left food and other items at their homes for Waste Management to pick-up . Mayor Ferrell extends special thanks to Fred Meyer, Grocery Outlet Dash Point, and Safeway on 320th for hosting our collection efforts, also appreciation goes out to residents, volunteers and those from the Multi-Service Center, City employees, and Council President Kochmar, and Councilmembers Assefa-Dawson, Honda, and Walsh. The efforts of Waste Management's Han Kirkland and their team is also appreciated as well as Steve Curry from the MSC. Preliminary totals are 9,485 pounds donated at homes and 4,000lbs at the stores, that will benefit the MSC Food Bank.

ANNUAL SNOW AND ICE TRAINING

The City of Federal Way Public Works and Parks staff members came together at Celebration Park last week for our annual Snow and Ice Training. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated Public Works and Parks Departments serving our residents that will be working day and night in the event of inclement winter weather! At this event, staff go through safety trainings, perform vehicle inspections, practice with snow plows, and prepare other inclement weather equipment. This collaboration between Public Works and Parks en-

sure that when bad weather strikes the roads that can be promptly cleared, maintained and open for traffic. City crews perform ice prevention/ remediation and snow removal on all public road ways. Priority is given to major arterials (See link to Snow Removal Map below) with the highest traffic volumes, this allows for access for emergency services to the City. Remember, during inclement weather, the city is responsible for the roads and property owners are responsible for clearing the side walks! Please help us keep our roads and sidewalks free of snow and ice.



Learn more about our snow routes at:

[K-SnowPlow All 2023.pdf \(federalwaywa.gov\)](https://www.federalwaywa.gov/K-SnowPlow%20All%202023.pdf)

CAREER FAIR AT ADELAIDE



Adelaide Elementary School held its career fair last week, and Mayor Ferrell was one of the invited guests to talk about pursuing careers in local government. They were very curious and asked great questions about what it's like to work as the Mayor of our City. One student was very interested in the job. This is a fantastic learning opportunity for all the students.

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REPAIR CAFÉ AT THE SOUTH KING TOOL LIBRARY



South King Tool Library
SHARING - TRAINING - EMPOWERMENT



On Saturday, the South King Tool Library hosted another session of its free repair cafe for damaged furniture, broken small household items, dull knives, and torn clothing. Thanks to Amanda Miller and her volunteers for offering this service in our community! It was also great to see our Public Works team doing outreach at the event.

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL BUDGET MEETINGS



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL BUDGET MEETINGS:

Mon. 9/23, 5pm

Weds. 9/25, 5pm

Tues. 10/1, 4pm

Tues. 10/15, 4pm

**Council Chambers at
City Hall**

INCLEMENT WEATHER DRIVING SAFETY TIPS

Driving safely is important year-round, but with the wet months quickly approaching, the Federal Way Police Department is committed to helping you stay safe on the road. Wet weather often leads to accidents, but by following a few key precautions, you can reduce the risks. Even experienced drivers can find their skills challenged by slippery conditions.

- **Check Your Vehicle:**

Ensure all lights are functioning properly and keep your windshields and mirrors clean for clear visibility. Make sure your tires are properly inflated and have adequate tread.

- **Watch for Pedestrians:**

While we strongly encourage pedestrians and cyclists to wear reflective gear and stay alert, it's your responsibility to drive cautiously, as not everyone follows this advice.

- **Be Cautious During Dusk:**

Reduced visibility at dusk can be hazardous. Always turn on your headlights to improve visibility for yourself and others.

- **Prevent Fatigue:** Adjust to any time changes and make sure you're well-rested to avoid drowsy driving.

- **Plan Your Trips:** Whenever possible, drive during daylight hours and give yourself extra time to reach your destination safely.

- **Avoid Distractions:** Stay focused on the road, especially in low-light or wet conditions.

- **Prepare for Changing Weather:** Be ready for rain, fog, or other adverse weather that can impact visibility.

If your vehicle begins to slide, stay calm—don't slam on the brakes. Instead, steer in the direction you want to go and gently regain control.

Stay safe and informed by visiting the Washington State Department of Transportation's website (<https://wsdot.wa.gov>) for more information about traffic changes and road closures.



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MSC HELPS LUNCHEON



INSPIRE HOPE.

MSC helps
LUNCHEON

PERFORMING ARTS & EVENT CENTER

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
ERIN JONES

Oct 17, 2024
11:30am - 1:00pm
Federal Way
Performing Arts &
Events Center

2024 MSC Helps Luncheon

Thursday, October 17, 2024

31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S Federal Way, WA 98003



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FREE DRIVE-THRU SHREDDING EVENT

FREE DRIVE-THRU PAPER SHREDDING

Wednesday, October 16th • 10 am- 2 pm

Poverty Bay Café

1108 S 322nd Pl • Federal Way



Bring your confidential documents for shredding in a secure and environmentally-friendly manner.

- Limit 5 file boxes or paper bags per event.
- Documents are securely shredded on-site.
- No pre-shredded paper.
- Arrive with your documents in the trunk/back of your vehicle. Stay in your vehicle while they are unloaded.

253-835-2704 recycle@federalwaywa.gov
www.federalwaywa.gov/recycling
facebook.com/CityofFederalWay



Para obtener información en español, visite:
한국어로 된 정보를 보려면 다음으로 이동하십시오.
Информация на русском языке:
Đối với thông tin bằng Tiếng Việt, chuyển đến:



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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE PAEC

Upcoming EVENTS

FWPAEC

10.16 DON QUIXOTE

7:00 PM

10.19 JET CITIES CHORUS: ONCE UPON A TUNE

2:30 & 7PM

10.27 AN ACOUSTIC EVENING WITH JOHN HIATT

4:00 PM

**11.01 SEX 'N THE CITY: A SUPER UNAUTHORIZED
MUSICAL PARODY**

7:00 PM

**11.02 THE BLACK JACKET SYMPHONY PRESENTS:
ELTON JOHN'S "MADMAN ACROSS THE WATER"**

8:00 PM



EVENT CALENDAR

31510 PETE VON REICHBAUER WAY S
FEDERAL WAY, WA 98003

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE PAEC



NOVEMBER 19TH @ 7PM
FWPAEC.ORG
FEDERAL WAY, WA



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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 "A Celebration of the Season in Song"
	12/14/24	
	5/17/25	Sounds of Spring 2025 "The Beautiful Night"
	10/19/24	Once Upon a Tune
	2:30 & 7 PM	

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CENTER STAGE PRESENTS "HARVEY"

CENTERSTAGE
Theatre

OCTOBER 4 – 27, 2024

3200 SW Dash Point Rd, Federal Way WA 98023

HARVEY

By Mary Chase

*Directed by
Vince Brady*



**TICKETS ON
SALE NOW!**

**BUY ADULT TICKETS
ONLINE AND SAVE \$3**

For times and tickets check:
CENTERSTAGETHEATRE.COM
Or call: (253) 661-1444

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UPCOMING PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS FALL PROGRAM GUIDE AT

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

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COMMUNITY CENTER
It all happens here

CITY OF
Federal Way
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

FALL 2024

A QR code is located in the bottom left corner of the cover.

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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

Smartphone screen content:
8:44
Federal Way Parks & Recreation
Federal Way PARKS & RECREATION
COMMUNITY CENTER
MEMBER CARD SCAN IN
BROWSE ALL PROGRAMS
AQUATICS | FITNESS | RENTALS
UPDATES | PARKS | GUIDES
BOOK YOUR PICNIC RENTALS ONLINE!
CLICK HERE TO BOOK ONLINE

Check-out 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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HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN PLUNGE

Federal Way
**COMMUNITY
CENTER**
It all happens here

Pumpkin Plunge

**Saturday
October 19**

Join us for a unique pumpkin picking experience... **IN OUR POOLS!** Swim around with your pumpkins and take one home afterwards. Each participant will choose a floating pumpkin from the pool. Please note, children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult in the water. Swim times will vary.

LOCATED AT THE FEDERAL WAY
COMMUNITY CENTER POOLS
876 S. 333rd Street
Federal Way WA 98003

**\$10 / Youth
\$12 / Adult**



itallhappenshere.org/event/pumpkin-plunge

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HALLOWEEN AT THE FARMER'S MARKET



Oct. 26 is this Season's Last Market Day

**FEDERAL WAY
FARMER'S MARKET
HALLOWEEN FUN**

**OCTOBER 26, 2024
12:00 - 2:00 PM**

- Free Treat Bags for ages 12 and under (while supplies last)
- FW Thriller Performance
- Selfie Photo Booth
- Costume Contest with Prizes
- Music & Food Trucks!

Located at The Commons
Mall Back Parking Lot
(1701 So. 320th & Pacific Hwy.)

www.federalwayfarmersmarket.com

**JOIN US ON MAY 10 FOR THE
OPENING OF THE 2025 MARKET**

Accepting WIC, EBT, SFMNP, SNAP Market Match
federalwayfarmersmarket.com | 253-261-0207

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HALLOWEEN TRICKS AND TREATS

HALLOWEEN HAUNTS, PHOTO OPS, GAMES, CANDY & FUN!

**TRICKS
and
TREATS**

OCT 26

FREE CANDY

OCTOBER 26 3 - 5:30 PM

PRE-REGISTER
KIDS \$6
ADULTS FREE

DAY OF REGISTRATION
\$10

LOCATED AT
FEDERAL WAY COMMUNITY CENTER
876 SOUTH 333RD STREET
FEDERAL WAY, WA 98003


Walmart*

Sylvan Learning MultiCare

ITALLHAPPENSHERE.INFO/TREATS


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CENTERSTAGE PRESENTS “STUARY LITTLE”



Stuart Little

A Theatre for Young Audiences Show
ADAPTED BY JOSEPH ROBINETTE
BASED ON THE BOOK BY E.B. WHITE
DIRECTED BY NICLAS OLSON



**ALL
TICKETS
ONLY
\$15!**

OCTOBER 26, NOVEMBER 2 & 3
CENTERSTAGETHEATRE.COM | (253) 661-1444
3200 SW DASH POINT RD, FEDERAL WAY, WA 98023

SPONSORS



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BROOKLAKE MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING OCTOBER 29



BROOKLAKE MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

Master Plan Meeting #2

Join us for the second meeting and share your thoughts! Your feedback will help shape the final master plan, which will be presented at the third and final meeting. Your input is vital in creating a design that reflects our community's vision.

Tuesday
October 29, 2024
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Located at Brooklake Community Center
726 S 356th St, Federal Way, WA 98003



QUESTIONS?

Jason.Gerwen@FederalWayWA.gov

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



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DIVERSITY IN LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER WORKSHOP



Diversity in Law Enforcement CAREER WORKSHOP

Saturday, November 2, 2024
★ 9am – 2pm ★

Presented by the Valley Agencies: Auburn, Des Moines, Federal Way, Kent, Port of Seattle, Renton and Tukwila.

This FREE workshop is designed to address both real and perceived obstacles for those interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement. Our goal is to equip attendees with effective strategies to confidently navigate the hiring process.

We prioritize inclusivity and aim to welcome participants from diverse backgrounds, including, but not limited to, individuals identifying as Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC), LGBTQIA+, women, bilingual individuals, and those without prior experience in law enforcement.

**REGISTER
TODAY!**



To register, scan QR code or go to:
rentonwa.gov/valleypolicecareers

RSVP Required // Must be 18+ // Lunch Provided

Attendees completing the workshop will receive a FREE:

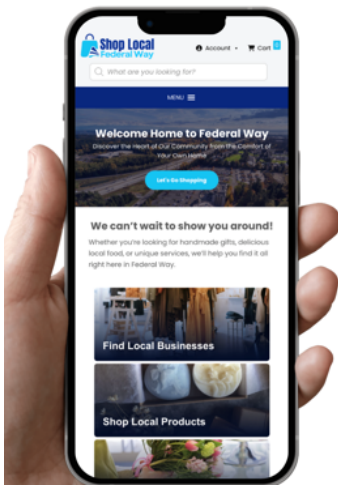
- PST practice test & study guide
- Test fee waiver for the seven valley agencies sponsoring this workshop!

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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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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.

 Julianna.LaBrake@FederalWayWA.gov

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FUNDRAISING FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS



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WHAT: LEARN ABOUT THE BASICS OF THE FUNDRAISING PROCESS

- OCTOBER 17, 6 TO 7:30 PM: THE ASK UNVEILED: FUNDRAISING BASICS AND STRATEGIES**
- OCTOBER 24, 6 TO 7:30 PM: THE ART OF THE ASK: CRAFTING POWERFUL APPEALS FOR EVERY OPPORTUNITY**
- NOVEMBER 7, 6 TO 7:30 PM: 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

REGISTRATION AND MORE INFO VIA QR CODE:



**QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
JULIANNA.LABRAKE@FEDERALWAYWA.GOV**

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GRANT FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS



GRANT FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS

WHAT: LEARN ALL ABOUT GRANTS AND THE GRANT PROCESS

- SEPTEMBER 26, 6 TO 7:30 PM: FROM IDEA TO IMPACT: CRAFTING GRANT READY PROJECTS**
- OCTOBER 3, 6 TO 7:30 PM: GRANT SLEUTH: UNCOVERING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**
- OCTOBER 10, 6 TO 7:30 PM: BEYOND THE PROPOSAL: NAVIGATING POST GRANT SUCCESS**

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SWAP TILL YOU DROP EVENT

Swap Till' You Drop

Free Community Clothing Swap Event!

Saturday, November 2, 2024 - 10am-2pm



WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SWAP?

Get rid of your adult seasonally appropriate (fall/winter) clothing, accessories, and shoes. Items on hangers appreciated. No children's items.



Learn more and register at uqr.to/FallSwap or scan the QR code. Registration appreciated, but not required.

Drop Off Details:

October 2–November 1 at the following days and times:
Mon & Sat: 10am–2pm; Wed: 4pm–6pm
South King Tool Library, 1700 S 340th St, Federal Way

WANT TO SWAP?

Come grab amazing and new-to-you items while helping reduce textile waste.

PLEASE Bring your own bag(s).

WANT TO REPAIR?

Try your hand at mending or transforming your clothing. One of our skilled fixers will advise and assist you with repairs and adjustments.

Event Location:

South King Tool Library
1700 S 340th St - Federal Way

All items not claimed will go to local non-profits for reuse or recycling.

Para obtener información en español, visite:
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Đối với thông tin bằng Tiếng Việt, chuyển đến:



uqr.to/11-25swap



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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT NOVEMBER 8
AT DUMAS BAY



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

NOW SHOWING **SING**



NOVEMBER 8
5:30 PM
DUMAS BAY CENTRE
3200 SW DASH POINT RD • FEDERAL WAY, WA 98023

GET TICKETS ONLINE:
ITALLHAPPENSHERE.INFO/MOVIE NIGHT



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.



FREE HOME COVID TESTS AVAILABLE INCLUDING TESTS FOR THOSE WITH ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES



COVID-19 Testing

Order Your 4 Free At-home COVID-19 Tests

Every U.S. household is eligible to order 4 free at-home tests.

Every U.S. household may now order four free at-home COVID-19 tests at the following link: <https://special.usps.com/testkits> One of the available options is the Orasure IntelliSwab test, which is more accessible for people who are blind or have low vision, as well as people who have low manual dexterity, at this link: <https://acl.gov/accessibletests>

These tests will detect the currently circulating COVID-19 variants and are intended for use through the end of 2024. The free tests are available through a partnership between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response and the United States Postal Service. For more information, including ordering instructions and information about the features that make the IntelliSwab test more accessible, please visit <https://special.usps.com/testkits>

Many COVID-19 tests have extended expiration dates, so you may be able to use your COVID-19 tests after the expiration date that is printed on the box. To find out if your test has an extended expiration date, check the FDA's list of extended expiration dates at <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/coronavirus-covid-19-and-medical-devices/home-otc-covid-19-diagnostic-tests>