## **CITY OF RENTON** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## City of Renton Accepting Tourism Promotion Grants for 2019

Deadline for applications is Friday, November 30, 2018

RENTON, WA - The City of Renton is now accepting applications for 2019 tourism promotion grants. Nonprofit and government agencies that provide tourism services or operate tourism facilities that support tourism marketing and operations in Renton are eligible to apply.

2019 Tourism Promotion Grant Application

Hotels, motels, private campgrounds and similar facilities collect an added sales tax from their customers, a portion of which is collected by the City of Renton. Renton City Council has appointed a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) and tasked it with distributing these funds. Members of this committee include representatives of the City of Renton, local non-profits and Renton hotels. The committee is chaired by City Councilmember Armando Pavone.

Applications from qualifying entities will be due by 5 p.m., on Friday, November 30, 2018. Applications will be reviewed and finalists will be invited to present their requests to the LTAC in early December. The committee will make its final recommendations for funding to Renton City Council by the end of the year.

An information session for prospective applicants will be offered on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 10 a.m. in room 620 on the 6th floor of Renton City Hall. Please RSVP to thrive@rentonwa.gov to reserve your seat.

For more information, please contact:

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## About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 104,100 (2018), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our website, new releases, or Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor pages.











