

**CITY OF RENTON**  
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**City of Renton asks residents to help clear storm drains**

*Cleaning will prevent clogging and help prevent residential flooding*

**RENTON, WA** – Fall is here, and the city can use your help.

Because of our dry weather, leaves are beginning to drop, which means clogged storm drains.

The City of Renton's Street Maintenance Section has three street sweepers deployed daily to clear debris as quickly as possible. Additionally, one sweeper operates at night in the downtown core.

Even with our emphasis, keeping up with the leaves and debris from our fall and winter weather is difficult.

You can help us by following these simple tips:

1. Place leaves and debris from your yard into your yard waste bin. Please do not sweep or blow them onto the sidewalks or the street.
2. Check nearby storm drains periodically to keep them from being clogged by debris. Being proactive will help minimize flooding during heavy rains.
3. Trim trees and vegetation along the sidewalks and streets to allow access. Trees and hedges over sidewalks should be trimmed up to 8 feet and should be 6 inches away from the sidewalk edge. Trees along the street should be 14 feet above the curb for sweeper and truck clearance.

City crews will be out checking and cleaning storm drains as much as possible, and your help is very much appreciated by our Public Works Maintenance crews. Please report any questions or concerns at 425-430-7400 or the city's [Renton Responds app](#).

Thank you for your help. Here's to a safe fall and winter in the City of Renton.

***About the City of Renton***

*The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 107,500 (2022), 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 nationally recognized companies wishing to provide employees and their families with an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, Super Bowl Champion (2014) Seattle Seahawks, two-time (2016 & 2019) MLS champion and CONCACAF Champion (2022) Seattle Sounders FC (in 2024), and the eternal resting place of rock icon Jimi Hendrix. You can find more information on our [website](#), [news releases](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#) pages.*

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