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City of Renton celebrates Earth Day and Arbor Day on April 28

RENTON, WA – The City of Renton will celebrate <u>Arbor Day and Earth Day</u> on Saturday, April 28, at Tiffany Park. The annual celebration showcases the city's commitment to the environment and community. Volunteers will care for existing trees, plant additional trees, shrubs, and flowers, weed and spread mulch. Registration for the event is full.

The city has also been honored by the Tree City USA Arbor Day Foundation for achieving <u>Tree City</u> <u>USA</u> status for 10 consecutive years. Since the city's first Arbor Day and Earth Day celebration in 2005, over 600 trees and thousands of shrubs have been planted with the help of over 2,000 volunteers.

Renton named one of Washington's greenest cities

Renton has been named one of the five greenest cities in Washington state by insurance comparison shopping website Insurify. Redmond, Bellevue, Bothell, and Seattle were also honored.

Insurify analyzed over 1.5 million vehicles, factoring in fuel efficiency, engine type, annual mileage, commuting patterns, and number of cars per household. Insurify then identified the communities in each state with the lowest average environmental impact score.

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 102,700 (2017), 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 <u>website</u>, or <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Nextdoor</u> pages.

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