



Renton City News

City uses many ways to model inclusion

From regular community meetings, festivals, and updates to city policies, Renton is working hard to be an inclusive home to all residents and visitors.

By proactively communicating with the community, we can build trust and understanding to help prevent incidents like those we see on the news.

Here are a few of the ways the city is reaching out. We invite your participation.

HIRING PRACTICES

Applications for jobs with the city will no longer require identifiable information, such as name or address. This eliminates implicit bias and allows the focus to be on the skills, qualifications, and experience of the applicant. Cover letters and resumes are submitted only if selected for an interview.



The Renton Multicultural Festival celebrates Renton's diversity through performances and informational exhibits. The 2018 festival will be held September 14 and 15.

FESTIVALS

City-sponsored and community-led festivals are held throughout the year to celebrate our diverse cultures. New this year is Juneteenth, presented by the city, Renton Police Department, International Longshore and Warehouse Union, and Renton African American Pastoral Group. Juneteenth is June 16 and 19 with more information online at rentonwa.gov/juneteenth.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Mayor's Inclusion Task Force was formed by Mayor Denis Law in 2015 to maintain open and honest communication between city departments and the community. The task force meets regularly and sponsors several events during the year including the Renton Multicultural Festival, Unity March through downtown, and this month's Juneteenth celebration.



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INTERPRETATION SERVICES

City employees have access to LanguageLine Solutions a telephone interpretation service that provides translation service for residents whose primary language is not English.



The Mayor's Inclusion Task Force



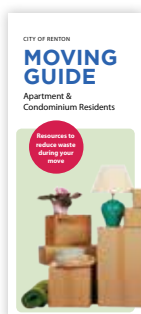
CHIEF FOR A DAY

Marcos Martinez, a third-grader at Kennydale Elementary, is Renton Police Department's Chief for a Day. Marcos got some great gifts and will be involved in various city events throughout the year. He'll also join his fellow "chiefs" from around the state at the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission's Police Academy in August for the main celebration. Congratulations, Marcos.

Deputy Chief Jon Schuldt and Commander Kevin Keyes present Marcos with a Lionel Messi jersey.

Moving Guide

IS THERE A MOVE IN YOUR FUTURE or are you still unpacking from one?



In either case, the city's informative moving guide is a must. Produced by the Solid Waste Utilities Section, it contains locations for recycling and/or disposing of items you no longer need. There's also a packing resources section with businesses

that will provide free packing materials or accept your packing recyclables.

The guide is online at rentonwa.gov/movingguide.

Junior golf camps

MAPLEWOOD GOLF COURSE is holding



four three-day junior golf camps. The camps are for ages 7–17 and will be held June 25–27, July 9–11, July 23–25, and August 6–8. Cost is \$125 and registration must be in

person. More information can be found at rentonwa.gov/maplewoodgc or by calling 425-430-6800.

Community Police Academy

RENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT'S free Community Police Academy gives insight into operations and services. The academy starts September 18, and runs for 12 weeks through November 27. Sessions are 6 to 8:30 p.m.

More information can be found at rentonwa.gov/cpa.

Celebrate July 4th at Coulon Park

CITY'S BEACHES OPEN JUNE 23, KICKING OFF A SUMMER OF ACTIVITIES

Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park will be hopping on Independence Day as the city presents Renton's Fabulous 4th of July. Register for the volleyball tournament (sand and grass) or stop by in the afternoon for family activities and concerts. The day ends with a spectacular fireworks display. An event list is at rentonwa.gov/july4.

In June, the beaches at Coulon and Kennydale Beach Park will open with lifeguards on duty from 12 to 8 p.m. This kicks off a summer of activities including concerts, outdoor movies, Renton River

Days (July 27–29), and Cruz the Loop (August 18) to name a few. A guide to

activities can be found at rentonwa.gov/events.

Please remember the sale and use of fireworks has been prohibited within Renton city limits since 2005 (R4-5-070(c)97).

The sale, possession, or use of explosive devices, such as M-80s, M-100s, and homemade or modified fireworks is a felony and violators will face criminal charges and fines of \$205 for the first offense, \$410 for the second, and \$615 for the third.



Renton Farmers Market is open

FIND THE BEST FROM WASHINGTON FARMERS, MERCHANTS, AND ENTERTAINERS

The Renton Farmers Market is open every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m. through September 25 at Piazza Park in downtown. The market features the best produce and products from Washington farmers, baked goods, wine and beer, arts and crafts, and food.

The market accepts SNAP benefits and features the match incentive program, Fresh Bucks; new for this season, an unlimited match for your SNAP benefits used at the market! Visit the Market Manager's booth for more information.

The Farmers Market also features live entertainment, food trucks, Kids Patch, and a Kid's Passport program designed to promote healthy eating habits.

Master Gardeners and Food \$ense



nutrition experts from Washington State University will conduct demonstrations and share smart shopping strategies.

The market will feature special events including National Call Your Doctor Day (June 12) and Garage Sale/Green Day (July 24).

A schedule of events can be found at rentonfarmersmarket.com



REPORT A PROBLEM ... PAY A BILL
ALL ONLINE: [RENTONWA.GOV](http://rentonwa.gov)

NEED A CITY SERVICE?

The city has you covered. Use the "Service Request" button on the homepage of the website to apply for a license or report a non-life threatening problem. The "Online Payments" button lets you renew a license or pay a business license fee, utility bill, parking ticket, or court judgment. Both buttons are on the city's homepage, rentonwa.gov.

Volunteer sign up easy as clicking your mouse

IT'S NOW EASIER THAN EVER to volunteer with the city.

Opportunities are now broken down by categories—one-time and seasonal. New software allows the creation of an account that can be reused. Create an account, select areas of interest, register, and get involved with your community!

Volunteer opportunities are online at rentonwa.gov/volunteer.



Neighborhood program grant applications due

THE NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM is accepting applications for their 2018 Mini-Grants.

The grants can be used by neighborhood organizations for small projects that have a positive effect and/or improve

a neighborhood or community area. Examples are welcome kits, beautification projects, and cleanup events.



The grant application is online at rentonwa.gov/neighborhoodprogram.

Chip and license ease return of lost pets

Almost 70 percent of lost pets in Renton do not have licenses. Owners of unlicensed pets can be charged up to \$250 when claiming their animals through the city, but pets found with both a license and microchip are returned with no charge to their owners.

All dogs and cats four months or older are required by city law to be licensed. Residents 61 or older, and meeting certain income qualifications, may qualify for a non-transferable permanent license. Call 425-430-6924 for information.

Microchipping inserts a chip about the size of a grain of rice into the animal's shoulder blade. An animal control officer or a veterinarian can scan the chip and retrieve owner information.

Renton residents can microchip their pets for free at Eastside Veterinary Associates (1700 NE 44th St.) on a first-come, first-served basis on weekdays. Check-in is 11:30 a.m. Proof of Renton



residency is required. This free service is made possible by the partnership with Eastside Veterinary Associates (RVA) and Renton Community Foundation and funding is limited.

Animals picked up by officers are held for a few days in hopes the owner can be found. They are then transferred to EVA and are given an exam, vaccines, and, if necessary, flea treatment. Spay/neuter, microchipping, and dental services will also be available.

On Facebook, Renton animal control can be found at [rentonanimalcontrol](https://www.facebook.com/rentonanimalcontrol).

FREE SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

THE CITY OF RENTON is again partnering with the Renton School District to present the free Summer Meals Program for the greater Renton area. A meal will be served for children ages 1 to 18 at various community sites, regardless of where the children live and family income. The program runs June 25 through August 17. Registration is not required.

The meal is served weekdays, with the exception of July 2, 3, and 4, and must be eaten on-site.

SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA ALSO RETURNS. This partnership with King County Library System has events at Liberty Park (July 9) and Heritage Park (July 19 and August 2).

Information can be obtained at rentonwa.gov/summermeals or by calling 425-430-6694.

JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth commemorates the elimination of slavery in Texas on June 19, 1865, and the general emancipation of slaves. Join us as we celebrate this day for the first time in Renton. Events will take place around the city on both June 16 and 19.

Event information can be found at rentonwa.gov/juneteenth.



Out in the Community

Renton Farmers Market

TUESDAYS, JUNE 5–SEPT. 25, 3–7 P.M.

Piazza Park, 233 Burnett Ave. S.

The best from local farmers and artisans! Kids' activities, live entertainment, chef demos, and food. rentonwa.gov/farmersmarket

"I'm Going Through"

THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S.

The history of Black coal miners in King County. They persevered, challenging the color line and shaping the history of Renton and King County.

Bookmarks and Landmarks

JUNE 13, 7–8:30 P.M.

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S.

Join Timothy Egan, author of *The Big Burn*, for a Q&A session about his book. Registration is required. www.kcls.org

Sunset Park Grand Opening

JUNE 16, 10:30 A.M.–2 P.M.

Sunset Neighborhood Park, 2801 NE 10th St.

The grand opening of the park as well as a celebration of the Renton Highlands Regional Library.

Digitize Your African History

JUNE 16, 1–3 P.M.

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S.

Bring your stories, songs, photos, and video tapes to digitize. Plus, consult with a genealogist! Register: diversity@kcls.org

Juneteenth

JUNE 16 & 19

Various Renton locations

A two-day celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States. Workshops, music, food trucks, and 3-on-3 basketball. Fun for the whole family! rentonwa.gov/juneteenth

Beaches Open for the Season

JUNE 23–SEPTEMBER 9, 12–8 P.M.

Lifeguards on duty from 12–8 p.m. at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park and Kennedydale Beach Park.

Henry Moses Aquatic Center

JUNE 23–SEPTEMBER 9, 12–9 P.M.

1719 SE Maple Valley Hwy.

Open swims, camps, lessons, programs, and special events that intertwine fitness and water play. rentonwa.gov/hmac

Summer Meals Program

JUNE 25–AUGUST 17

Various Renton Sites

Free meal for Renton kids ages 1–18, regardless of family income. rentonwa.gov/summermeals

Playing with Fire!

JUNE 26, 6–9 P.M.

Renton Fire Station 14, 1900 Lind Ave. SW

Learn the basics of fire science, extinguisher types, and home fire safety. Practice using an extinguisher on a real fire. rentonwa.gov/rep

Summer Concerts

JUNE 27–AUGUST 8, 7:30 P.M.

Coulon Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N.

Enjoy an evening of music and entertainment with family and friends. Dates: 6/27, 7/11, 7/18, 8/1, and 8/8. rentonwa.gov/events

Fabulous 4th of July Celebration

JULY 4, 9 A.M.–10 P.M.

Coulon Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N.

Renton's largest one-day event! Entertainment, kid activities, and a professional fireworks display. rentonwa.gov/july4

Summer Extravaganza

JULY 9, LIBERTY PARK, 10 A.M.–1 P.M.

JULY 19, HERITAGE PARK, 11 A.M.–2 P.M.

AUG. 2, HERITAGE PARK, 11 A.M.–2 P.M.

Free food, arts & crafts, and entertainment. rentonwa.gov/summermeals

Summer Fest

JULY 21, 4 P.M.

Piazza Park & Pavilion, 233 Burnett Ave. S.

Celebrate summer with local musicians, art vendors, food trucks, beer & wine garden, and outdoor activities. rentonwa.gov/events

Summer Movies

JULY 21–AUGUST 24, DUSK

Various Renton locations

Outdoor movies under the stars. Dates: 7/21, 8/3, 8/10, and 8/24. rentonwa.gov/events

Renton River Days

JULY 27–29

Liberty Park, 1101 Bronson Way N.

A multi-day family festival and celebration of community pride! rentonwa.gov/riverdays

City Contacts

General Information	425-430-6400
Mayor	425-430-6500
City Council	425-430-6501
Chief Admin. Officer	425-430-6500
Administrative Svcs	425-430-6868
City Attorney	425-430-6480
City Clerk	425-430-6510
Code Enforcement	425-430-7373
Community & Economic Development	425-430-6575
Community Services	425-430-6600
Emergency Mgmt	425-430-7041
Graffiti Reporting	425-430-7373
Human Resources & Risk Management	425-430-7650
Municipal Court Judge	425-430-6550
Police (non-emergency) or epolice.rentonwa.gov	425-430-7500
Public Works	425-430-7394
Reg. Fire Authority	425-271-7900
Street/Water/Sewer Maintenance	425-430-7400
Utility Billing	425-430-6852

EMERGENCY 911
Non-Emergency 425-235-2121



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