



Renton City News

Know how to communicate in an emergency

Last month's partial 9-1-1 outage and windstorm were two separate events connected by a common theme: the importance of communication.

From an early age we've been taught to call 9-1-1 when we see an emergency that threatens a life. But what do you do in a non-emergency situation or when the 9-1-1 system is unavailable? The City of Renton has residents covered in both situations via one phone number: 425-235-2121.

Calls to both 9-1-1 and 425-235-2121 are routed to Valley Communications Center. Their operators will take your information and dispatch the required staff and equipment. Please add 425-235-2121 to your contacts list.

REPORTING AN EMERGENCY

What are the best ways for you to receive information from the city—especially during an event like the recent windstorm? Following the city on multiple social media platforms is the best way to get the most accurate information fast.



FOLLOWING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

The city will post regularly on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Nextdoor](#) during an emergency, with posts shared on the homepage of the city's website. Residents can find the city on social media by searching platforms for @cityofrenton.

Another way to get emergency information is ALERTRenton, a free subscription service in partnership with King County. Subscribers receive information via their choice of phone or TDD, text or email. Subscribe at rentonwa.gov/alertrenton. The city's communications efforts are not just ramped up during emergency situations, they're visible throughout the year. Renton is very active on a daily basis on social media providing information regarding city news, activities, and events. The city's one-year-old

website is also a valuable information tool that is available 24/7.

City Council meetings are live on Channel 21 and also online at rentonwa.gov/21. The city also provides information in multiple languages.

WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS

Renton produces two weekly email publications:

- *This Week from the Mayor* provides Mayor Denis Law's insights on the news and events that affect the city.
- *A Byte of Renton* contains information on city events and activities, with news items sprinkled in.

If you're not already a subscriber to *This Week* and *Byte*, you can sign up at rentonwa.gov/subscribe. Translated editions are also on the website.

These are the many ways to provide to and receive information from the city. We hope you'll take advantage.

EMERGENCY

911

FOR NON-EMERGENCIES
or if 911 is not available:

425-235-2121

PARA NO EMERGENCIAS
o si el 911 no está disponible



STATE OF THE CITY

Mayor Denis Law presented his final State of the City address last month. Text and video of the mayor's speech is available at rentonwa.gov/sotc.

Police Department offers camera registration program

RENTON BUSINESS and home owners can register their security cameras with the Renton Police Department as part of a new crime prevention program. Registered cameras will populate a city map only Renton police can view and could prove helpful in a criminal investigation. Camera owners would only be contacted by the police if a criminal incident occurred in proximity to the camera's field of vision.

The registration is fast and simple and can be completed online at rentonwa.gov/crp. Questions regarding the program can be directed to cparks@rentonwa.gov in the police department's Community Programs Unit.

Celebrate Arbor Day on April 27

RENTON WILL RECEIVE its 11th Tree City USA Award from the National Arbor Day Foundation in 2019. The city will celebrate that achievement and hold the 14th annual Arbor Day/Earth Day event on Saturday, April 27, at 9 a.m. at Tiffany Park Elementary School.

Volunteers will work with city staff to plant 20 large trees along Lake Youngs Way SE, between the sidewalk and the curb and install storm drain markers in the neighborhood.

Sign up at rentonwa.gov/volunteer or call 425-430-6694.



Shape the future of Renton's parks, recreation and natural areas

The city's Parks, Recreation and Natural Areas Plan is the road map that helps set priorities for Renton's parks, recreation opportunities and natural areas.

The plan will be updated this year based on community input and changing trends. Residents are invited to help shape the priorities at a series of three open houses;

the first one is February 28, from 6–8 p.m. at the Renton Community Center. Visit rentonparksplan.com for open house details and other ways to participate.

The other two open houses are scheduled for June 4 from 3–7 p.m. at the Renton Pavilion Event Center and October 3 from 6–8 p.m. at the Renton Community Center.

Renton Fire celebrates Heart Month

Renton Regional Fire Authority, in conjunction with Renton School District and Valley Medical Center, celebrates Heart Month by providing healthy lifestyle education to students in participating schools. The curriculum focuses on healthy eating and exercise, stroke and cardiac arrest symptoms, and calling 9-1-1. A stroke physician from Valley Medical Center will be part of the presentation team to add medical insight.





FIRE STATION 15 OPENS FEBRUARY 23

The ribbon-cutting for Fire Station 15 will take place on February 23, just short of one year since ground was broken. The 7,500-square-foot station will serve the Kennydale area, drastically improving response times, and will also assist with calls to fire stations 11, 12 and 16. A public open house is being planned.

CLEAN SWEEP STARTS MARCH 4

DISPOSE OF UNWANTED ITEMS by scheduling a Clean Sweep collection with Republic Services. This service allows single family residential customers to schedule ONE collection of extra garbage between March 4 and December 28, 2019, on their regular garbage day at no additional charge. Visit rentonwa.gov/solidwaste and review the Clean Sweep brochure for acceptable items, scheduling instructions and resources for repair, reuse and recycle.

Clean Sweep is for garbage items that need to be landfilled as a last resort. To conserve resources and reduce your environmental impact, please repair, reuse and recycle.

GIVE THE GIFT OF PLAY

GIFT OF PLAY Recreation Scholarships provide individuals living within Renton School District boundaries an opportunity to participate in day camp, swim lessons, sports, dance and more! The entire donation is tax deductible and assists with fees for youths, adults 50 and older, and participants in adaptive recreation programs.

Donations can be made in person at Renton Community Center, Renton Senior Activity Center and Highlands Neighborhood Center; or online at rentonwa.gov/giftofplay; or by contacting Teresa Nishi, 425-430-6694 or tnishi@rentonwa.gov. Make a difference in your community by enriching another person's life.



February is Black History Month

City hosts several events to celebrate and inform

Black History Month is celebrated in February and the city has several events designed to inform and entertain. The R&B/Funk group Global Heat returns to the Renton History Museum on February 9. Their performance will celebrate and explore the Black Roots of hip hop through fusion, break dancing and educational pieces.

RAAP, the Renton African-American Pastoral Group, presents *Realizing their Dream: Justice for All* on February 28, from 6-7:30 p.m. at SKY Urban Empowerment and Transformation Center, 879 Rainier Ave. N, Suite A-100, Renton. The event will include a drama performance, spoken word, speakers and dialogue.

On March 2, the museum celebrates both Black History Month and Women's History Month (March) with a special showing of *Hidden Figures*, the true story of three female African-American mathematicians who worked for NASA during the Space Race. Museum programs are free with the price of admission. Events are always free for museum members.





REGISTER FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS

What's Happening, Golden Opportunities and The Buzz are full of city-sponsored classes, activities and sports. Find one (or more) that fits your lifestyle and schedule!

rentonwa.gov/recreation

Community Calendar

Pet Preparedness

FEBRUARY 12, 6–7 P.M.

Renton Technical College, 3000 NE 4th St.

Learn to tailor a pet household emergency kit and response plan. FREE. rentonwa.gov/rep

First AID/CPR/AED Certification

FEBRUARY 19 & 21, 5–8 P.M.

MARCH 19 & 21, 5–8 P.M.

Renton Comm. Ctr., 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.

Two-year certification. Written test required. Age 16 and up, minors must be accompanied by parent or guardian. rentonwa.gov/cert

Renton's African-American Sites

FEBRUARY 21, 7 P.M.

Renton Highlands Library, 2801 NE 10th St.

FEBRUARY 26, 7 P.M.

Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave. SE

Enjoy a virtual tour of the city's African-American historical sites.

Superhero Lunch

FEBRUARY 22, 11 A.M.–12:30 P.M.

Renton Comm. Ctr., 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.

For superheroes 3 & up. Includes lunch and photo opportunities. Wear your superhero costume. [#458](http://rentonwa.gov/recreation)

Coffee with the Chiefs

FEBRUARY 28, 5–7 P.M.

Boon Boona Coffee, 724 S 3rd St.

Meet Chief VanValey, Deputy Chiefs Schuldt and Keyes, commanders, and staff.

Parks, Recreation and Natural Areas Plan Open House

FEBRUARY 28, 6–8 P.M.

Renton Comm. Ctr., 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.

Help shape city priorities regarding parks, recreation opportunities and natural areas at the first of three open houses. rentonparksplan.com

PNW Earthquakes

FEBRUARY 28, 6–7:30 P.M.

Renton Technical College, 3000 NE 4th St.

We can't stop earthquakes, but we can be prepared. FREE. rentonwa.gov/rep

Hidden Figures

MARCH 2, 11 A.M.–1:30 P.M.

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S

Three female African-American mathematicians working for NASA during the Space Race. rentonwa.gov/museum

SubUrban Farm & Garden Expo

MARCH 9, 10 A.M.–2 P.M.

N Highlands Nbhd. Center, 3000 NE 16th St.

Bring plants and seeds to share at the Plant n' Seed Swap. Learn about gardening, beekeeping, backyard chickens and more. Info: 425-430-7214

Renton City Concert Band Concert

MARCH 10, 2 P.M.

Carco Theatre, 1717 Maple Valley Hwy.

Spring concert "Wonder Women" with soloist Meg Tolley. \$10 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors 50 & over. rentonwa.gov/rccb

Fighting Fires

MARCH 12, 6–7:30 P.M.

Fire Station 14, 1900 Lind Ave. SW

Fire science basics, extinguishers and fire safety. Age 16 and up, minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. rentonwa.gov/rep

Take a Stand Against Cyberbullying

MARCH 14, 6–7 P.M.

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S

Dr. Michelle Bennett, City of Sammamish Chief of Police, hosts a workshop for parents and educators. rentonwa.gov/museum

Downtown Ladies Night

MARCH 23, 3–9 P.M.

Downtown Renton

Urban Night Market, shopping specials, demonstrations and workshops at participating locations throughout downtown.

Surviving Mass Violence

APRIL 4, 6:30–8:30 P.M.

Renton Technical College, 3000 NE 4th St.

Renton Police Q&A on how to react. Age 16 and up, minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. rentonwa.gov/rep

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	425-430-7723
Graffiti Reporting	425-430-7362
Human Resources & Risk Management	425-430-7650
Municipal Court Judge	425-430-6550
Police (non-emergency)	425-430-7500
Public Works	425-430-7394
Regional 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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