



# This Week from the Mayor



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## 2018 State of the City

# The state of the city is very good!

YESTERDAY MORNING I gave my annual State of the City address before a packed audience at Renton Technical College. I'm very happy and proud to say things in Renton are going very well.



**Read the full State of the City address:**  
[rentonwa.gov/SOTC](http://rentonwa.gov/SOTC)

More than half a billion dollars was invested in Renton last year. That much and more will be invested here this year.



One project I am very excited about is the Family First Community Center to be located in the Cascade/Benson Hill community.

The project is possible thanks to a partnership between the city, Doug Baldwin, Renton School District, state legislators, and local businesses. The center will offer a host of vital after-school programs for kids and families and is a perfect example of our community working together to build a tremendous, public amenity.



Hyatt Regency



Kaiser Permanente

There are several other outstanding things going on in the city:



Southport



Sartori Elementary School

- Our school district continues to provide great opportunities for local kids to be successful.
- We have access to the best medical care in the region through Valley Medical Center.
- Renton Technical College continues to be a successful model that receives national attention.
- Our progress in promoting Renton as a home to new businesses is envied by many cities in the county.
- We have a close working relationship with Renton Technical College, Renton School District, Renton Chamber of Commerce and Valley Medical Center.
- The partnership between the City Council and our regional partners, including our legislators, is strong.
- We model a workplace culture where employees are committed to go the extra mile.
- We remain the home of the most successful aerospace company in the world and the best NFL franchise in the country!
- Other jurisdictions in this region envy our parks, trails and community events, which are enjoyed by millions of people.
- We're leading by example when it comes to being an inclusive city that genuinely values and supports all members of our diverse community.



Coulon Park



Multicultural Festival



**Our state legislators secured \$1.5 million for the Family First Community Center.**

Add it all up and there's no doubt we're achieving our goal of making Renton the "Best City in King County."

## Feedback

Comments, questions or suggestions, or just want to share all the great things that are happening in the city, please [email](#) me. Thanks for reading. [Archive](#)