



This Week from the Mayor



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A memorial for Officer Diego Moreno is outside Kent Police Department headquarters.

Renton mourns loss of Officer Diego Moreno

RENTON JOINS WITH the rest of the state in mourning the loss of Diego Moreno, the Kent police officer who was killed in the line of duty early Sunday morning.

The loss of any officer is a blow to the community they serve and this one is especially difficult for the Renton Police Department as Officer Moreno was a close friend with many. Additionally, our detectives are operating as the lead investigators in the case.

Our hearts and prayers go out to the family of Officer Moreno, who leaves behind a wife and two young children, to a second Kent officer who was seriously injured in the accident, and to the City of Kent, their officers, employees, and residents.

A memorial service for Officer Moreno will be held on July 31, at 1 p.m. at the ShoWare Center (625 W. James Street, Kent). Donations for his family can be made at any [U.S. Bank](#) location under the "Diego Moreno Memorial Fund."



Renton River Days is Friday through Sunday

THIS FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY is our 33rd annual [Renton River Days](#). From Saturday's 10 a.m. parade to Sunday's 4:30 p.m. Rubber Ducky Derby, River Days showcases our city's passion for music, art, food, and each other.

This year's parade reflects the diversity in our community and my goals of inclusion. It is my pleasure to honor Deacon Ted Rodriguez as the Grand Marshal of the Renton River Days Parade. We also have participation from the Latino community, members of the Sikh community, and Miss India USA, now world famous, but who still owes her allegiance to Renton, where she got her first break.

My thanks to Boeing, the festival's presenting sponsor, and to all our sponsors and volunteers.

PD's Sandra Havlik honored by Nextdoor

CONGRATULATIONS TO SANDRA HAVLIK, Renton Police's Community Programs Coordinator, who was one of 30 police officers across the country recognized as a "Nextdoor Neighborhood Champion" for her work on the department's [Nextdoor](#) site.

The 30 were honored because their posts received the most thank yous and replies from members over the past year.

Sandra has successfully used the police department's Nextdoor account to engage our community with information about the department's good works, safety tips, crime alerts and events.



Sandra Havlik

The police department's use of social media, as well as community engagement events like *Coffee with a Cop*, have resulted in better communications between our officers and the community they serve.

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