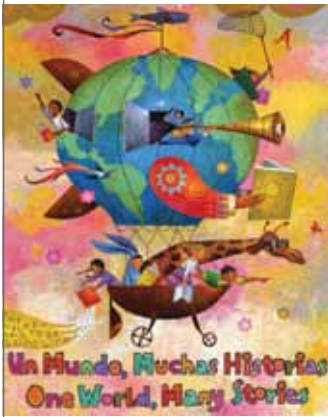


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## Reorganization at City of SeaTac

The City Council recently adopted an Implementation Plan to reorganize the City with an eye towards promoting efficiency and effectiveness. "The impetus behind the reorganization was to create a permit process that provides a customer friendly experience to those considering investing in the City of SeaTac," explained City Manager Todd Cutts. Most of the changes were made so that processes and decisions for permitting and land use approvals are more predictable and consistent and incorporate economic development principals.

Gone is the Department of Planning and Community Development. In its place is the newly created Department of Community and Economic Development (CED). This department houses the Divisions of Planning, Building Services, Engineering Review, and Economic Development. The new department is headed by Cindy Baker, who comes to the City with planning, engineering, natural resources, code compliance, and CED Director experience.

The first visible change the public will see is a "one-stop" permit counter. The public and customers can now come to the counter and have any one of the City Permit Coordinators/Technicians answer their questions or intake an application. Please have patience while our technicians are cross-training. In addition, if you are considering redevelopment and wondering what to do with your property, be sure to meet with our Economic Development Manager Jeff Robinson. To enhance the overall reorganization and program success, the City is also updating its zoning code and permitting software. These changes will be on-going, with major emphasis towards the end of 2011.

Similar to economic development being moved to the new CED Department, the Facilities Department was absorbed by the Parks and Recreation Department as part of the reorganization.

## Move Right for Sirens and Lights!

When the Fire Department is called to an emergency it is important that we respond quickly and safely.

If you are driving down the road and see the lights and sirens of an emergency vehicle in your rearview mirror, move to the right and stop to allow emergency vehicles to move easily down the road. Once the emergency vehicles have passed, merge back into traffic when it is safe to begin driving.



Every time fire engines or aid cars are called to an emergency, fire fighters are giving their all to help others. Do your part as a driver to help them do their job as quickly and safely as possible.





## Council Coffee Chats

In order to meet with our neighbors in a more relaxed, informal environment, Councilmembers will be holding Council Coffee Chats in the community. Please join us for a cup of coffee and to discuss issues that are important to you.

As additional Coffee Chats are scheduled, the information will be posted on the web at [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/) and on bulletin boards at City facilities. To sign up for notification, please visit the City website and click on the "I want to" on the banner, "sign up for", "e-notification".

Coffee Chats are sent out via e-notification under the category of "community events".



## Passport News

Passport applications are accepted at City Hall on **Thursdays** only from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. The current processing time for passports is 4 - 6 weeks. The City accepts **personal checks or money orders only** for passport fees. Passport fees are non-refundable.

Age*	US PASSPORT BOOK FEES		US PASSPORT CARD FEES		BOTH (Book & Card) 1st Time Applicants	
	Adults	Minors	Adults	Minors	Adults	Minors
Passport Services Fee	\$110.00	\$80.00	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$140.00	\$95.00
City of SeaTac Fee	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$135.00</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$165.00</b>	<b>\$120.00</b>

\* Adults 16+, Minors Under 16

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### City Council Meetings

City Hall Council Chambers  
Regular Meetings at 6:00 PM  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Please call City Hall to verify schedule.

City Council meeting agendas are posted at City Hall, City website, Valley View Library, and SeaTac Community Center.

City Council meeting minutes are available at City Hall, City website, and Valley View Library.

### City Council Committees

**Administration and Finance**  
2nd Tuesday, 3:00 PM

**Public Safety and Justice**  
2nd Tuesday, 4:00 PM

**Land Use and Parks**  
4th Tuesday, 2:30 PM

**Transportation and Public Works**  
4th Tuesday, 4:00 PM

All meetings will take place at City Hall.

To view Council agendas and minutes, or meeting times and dates, please visit the City's website at [www.ci.seatac.wa.us](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us).

Meeting times may change. Please call the City Clerk's Office at 973.4660 for the latest information.

## Construction Update

### S. 154th Street Improvements Project

This spring, the City started construction of street improvements along S. 154th Street from 32nd Avenue S. to 24th Avenue S. The improvements include new concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm drainage improvements, turn lanes, bike lanes, and relocating overhead utilities underground. This project will improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety and provide non-motorized options for transportation and recreation. These improvements will also increase the neighborhood's access to many transit services including existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities, the Tukwila International Boulevard Light Rail Station, and the future Metro RapidRide F-Line bus route.

The traveling public should expect delays related to construction activities. Considering alternate routes is recommended. A full road closure of S. 154th Street is scheduled during a portion of the project. During the closure, traffic through the project area will be restricted to local traffic and emergency vehicles only. Appropriate notification, signing, and traffic control will be used during construction. The project is expected to be complete by early summer 2012. Additional detour and project information can be found at [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=496](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=496).

Contact: Eric Proctor, 973.4735.

### S. 138th Street Neighborhood Pedestrian Improvements

The City started construction of pedestrian improvements along S. 138th Street this spring. New sidewalks, curbs and drainage improvements will be constructed on both sides of S. 138th Street between 24th Avenue S. and Military Road S. This project will improve pedestrian safety and mobility

for residents and SeaTac Community Center patrons. Construction is anticipated to be completed by the end of September this year. For more information, please contact Eric Proctor, Project Engineer, at 973.4735.

### S. 164th Street Pedestrian Improvement Project

This April, the City initiated design of new sidewalks along both sides of S. 164th Street between Military Road S. and 34th Avenue S. The project will improve pedestrian access to McMicken Heights Elementary and neighborhood businesses. A new sewer main extension by Valley View Sewer District will also be built in conjunction with this project. Construction is expected to begin in spring 2012. For more information, please contact Toli Khlevnoy, Project Engineer, at 973.4736.

### Military Road S. Improvements Project

The City recently started design of new road improvements along Military Road S. from S. 176th Street to S. 166th Street. The improvements will improve traffic operations and safety for vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic along this corridor. Design is anticipated to be completed by fall 2012 with construction expected to begin in early 2013. For more information, please contact Florendo Cabudol, Assistant City Engineer, at 973.4740.



S. 138th Street Neighborhood Pedestrian Improvements

## Interstate Building Safety Mutual Aid

Earlier this year, House Bill 1406 and Senate Bill 5221 passed unanimously in both the House and Senate establishing the interstate building safety mutual aid system. This legislation will help cities with inspection manpower duties following a disaster. The need for mutual aid has been a long time coming in Washington since most other states already have such a system in place. Similar in nature to police and fire mutual aid agreements, this bill will help building officials when they need it most.

During hurricane Katrina, Washington State sent two groups of building officials to Mississippi to help them perform damage assessment and reconstitute their building departments. Then in 2007, reality hit home with the floods in Lewis County. It was an eye-opener that our existing system prevented neighboring jurisdictions from being able to provide mutual aid. Damage assessment assistance within the state was not immediately available without a mutual aid agreement in place.

This bill employs an intrastate building safety and mutual aid system that sets up the participating jurisdiction to pay the cost when people come to help. Any building department can participate and there is also opt-out language in the bill for cities that choose not to participate. It will not affect the mobilization acts that are in place for fire and law enforcement, but will establish the ability for any political subdivision's building safety agency to provide assistance to another community in need of help.



## 2011 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Process

The Comprehensive Plan is the City's "blueprint for future growth and development." It contains a future land use map, and goals and policies to guide the City as we grow and change to meet the challenges of a growing region. Each year, the City invites the public to participate in the process to update its Comprehensive Plan.

### Proposed Changes

This year, there are three areas where the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Plan Map is proposed to be changed, shown as the colored areas on the maps to the right.

#### **MAP AMENDMENT A-1. Properties located at 18205, 18220, 18366, & 18420 8th Avenue S. (Proposed by Property Owner)**

This proposal affects the Park-N-Jet site, the service station at the north end of the Park-N-Jet site (intersection of 8th Avenue S. & Des Moines Memorial Drive S.), and a large vacant parcel immediately to the south of the Park-N-Jet site. The proposal is to change the designation of the subject parcels from Industrial or Business Park to Commercial High Density. The proposed change would allow a rezone to Community Business (CB) for all four properties. That would allow the Park-N-Jet operation to expand to the south, occupying the vacant parcel adjacent to the current operation.

#### **MAP AMENDMENT A-2. Properties located at 19453 & 19521 28th Avenue S. (Proposed by Property Owner)**

This proposal is to change the designation of two parcels from Aviation Business Center to Airport. This would allow a future rezone to Aviation Commercial (AVC). The properties are owned by the Port of Seattle.

#### **MAP AMENDMENT A-3. Properties located on the east side of 28th Avenue S., north of S. 200th Street (Proposed by City of SeaTac, on behalf of Sound Transit)**

This proposal is to change the designation of the subject properties from Airport to Aviation Business Center (ABC). The proposal would also rezone the subject properties from Aviation Operations (AVO), and AVC, to ABC to accommodate construction of the S. 200th Street light rail station and associated facilities.

In a related action, four adjacent properties would be rezoned from UH-900 to ABC under this proposal. The easternmost of these is owned by Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and contains an existing substation. These four properties are shown as the colored area on Map A-3.1.

This Comprehensive Plan amendment and associated rezones are contingent on the properties, except the PSE parcel, having been acquired by Sound Transit.

In addition to the Map Amendments noted above, the City is also considering amendments to the text of policies related to affordable housing, as well as other information in the Plan.

### Review Process

The Planning Commission and the City Council will review proposed amendments under a two-step process: step one is a preliminary screening of all proposals, called the Preliminary Docket; step two, the Final Docket, is a thorough review of all proposals not screened out during the first step.

### Schedule

The City Council is tentatively scheduled to establish the Final Docket at their July 26 meeting. The Planning Commission will review the proposed amendments at their regular meetings throughout the summer and fall, and will hold a Public Hearing on the Final Docket of proposed amendments, tentatively scheduled for October 18, 2011. The full schedule for the 2011 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Process is posted on the Comprehensive Plan page, under the "Government" tab on the City's website at [www.ci.seatac.wa.us](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us).

### City Council and Planning Commission Meetings

Please refer to the City Calendar on the website for the regular schedule of City Council and Planning Commission meetings. Meeting and Public Hearing dates are subject to change, so please call the Planning Division at 973.4830, or check the City calendar on the website to confirm final meeting dates.

### More Information

For more information, call Mike Scarey ([mscarey@ci.seatac.wa.us](mailto:m scarey@ci.seatac.wa.us)) at 973.4830, or come to City Hall and talk to Planning Division staff.



MAP AMENDMENT A-1



MAP AMENDMENT A-2



MAP AMENDMENT A-3



MAP AMENDMENT A-3.1

## CPPW Grant offers Opportunities for Walkers and Bicyclists in SeaTac

Over the years, the City of SeaTac has done much to make this a more walkable, liveable city for residents, workers, and visitors. Recently, SeaTac was awarded a Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Grant. This grant provides resources for the City to find new ways to make SeaTac more walkable and bikeable.

### Main Focus of SeaTac's CPPW Grant

Between now and the CPPW Grant period's end date of March 31, 2012, SeaTac will explore policies that could improve bicycle and pedestrian access to destinations like corner stores, grocery stores and restaurants.

The City Council will decide whether to implement any policies recommended through the Grant. With limited funding available, projects recommended through the CPPW Grant, like new sidewalks or bicycle lanes, would only be constructed when funding is found.

### Recent CPPW Grant Activities

Here are some CPPW activities City staff has participated in to date:

- **Participated in Madrona Elementary School Safe Routes to School Walking Audit**  
Staff participated in a tour of common routes used by children to walk to Madrona Elementary School where participants recorded obstacles they observed that might make it difficult for children to walk to school.



- **Attended Safe & Complete Streets Training**  
This training allowed staff and others to see how "Safe and Complete Streets" policies in other communities are making streets safer for all users including vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians.
- **Visited "Corner Stores"**  
Staff visited many of SeaTac's corner stores, including small stand-alone markets and "mini-marts", and found that there are around fifteen corner stores on Military Road and International Boulevard that sell items like fresh produce, milk, and meat. Staff will continue to identify grocery destinations in the City.

### Next Steps

In the coming months, staff will seek public input on how SeaTac residents and other stakeholders view walking and bicycling in their neighborhoods. Information about public input opportunities and other CPPW activities will be posted on the City's CPPW Grant web page at: [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=563](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=563).

### For More Information

Contact SeaTac's CPPW Grant Manager, Anne Antonini, at 973.4830, or email [aantonini@ci.seatac.wa.us](mailto:aantonini@ci.seatac.wa.us)





# Parks and Recreation – Summer 2011

## Upcoming Events at Angle Lake Park

### MUSIC IN THE PARK CONCERT SERIES

Angle Lake Park

Sundays, 5:00 - 6:30 PM – Free

July 10 - Kris Orlovski Band

July 17 - Kevin Jones Band

July 24 - Rod Cook

July 31 - Harmonious Funk Band

August 7 - Kleer Cut

### THEATER IN THE PARK

Angle Lake Park

"The Comedy of Errors"

Friday, July 22 – 7:00 PM – Free

### FIREWORKS AT ANGLE LAKE

The City, in partnership with the Angle Lake Shore Club, presents an Independence Day Fireworks Display at Angle Lake on Monday, July 4 at approximately 10:00 PM. Angle Lake Park will remain open until 11:00 PM or until the fireworks end. Overflow parking will be available at the Alaska Airlines Headquarters Building located immediately north of the park.

**Reminder:** The only fireworks allowed within the City are professional displays authorized by permit.



### SUMMER DAY CAMPS AND PROGRAMS

It's not too late to register for one of our Summer Day Camps. For information, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 973.4680.

### BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Need a great place for your child this upcoming school year, please explore one of our before and after school programs. We have a wonderful and fun Pre-school Program at Valley Ridge Community Center, Before and After School Program at Bow Lake Elementary, and a Teen after school drop-in center at Valley Ridge Community Center. Contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 973.4680 for more information.

### NEW SKATE PARK AT SEATAC COMMUNITY CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

Plans are under way to design and construct a new skate park located at the SeaTac Community Center Neighborhood Park. This skate park will be a wonderful addition to the existing basketball court, swing set, climbing boulder and big toys. Construction is anticipated to begin late this summer or early fall. The project is fully funded by the Community Development Block Grant program. If you have any questions, please contact Lawrence Ellis, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, at 973.4681.

## Take Action Against Domestic Violence

The City of SeaTac Domestic Violence Task Force is pleased to announce collaborative work on the Sixth Annual South King County Steppin' Out to Stop Domestic Violence Walkathon to take place on Saturday, September 10. The 5K (3.5 miles) walk will begin and end at the Tye Educational Complex with a route that takes walkers north on 42nd Avenue S., west on S. 176th Street, south on International Boulevard and east on S. 188th Street. This fundraising walkathon will benefit South King County survivors of domestic violence and their families. Local domestic violence agencies will receive \$50 gift cards which they can distribute for emergency family needs. We hope to raise awareness of this life-threatening issue, let people know about resources, and make a statement that "Domestic violence has no place in our community."

Registration will open at 10:00 AM and the walk will begin at 11:00 AM. There is a \$10 registration fee and participants are encouraged to get additional pledges. Individual and team registrations are accepted. Parking is free. Children and dogs are welcome.

Please see [www.sosdomesticviolence.com](http://www.sosdomesticviolence.com) for more information or call Chris at 973.4933 or email at: [chrisp@ci.seatac.wa.us](mailto:chrisp@ci.seatac.wa.us).

Many children enjoyed themselves at the annual Egg Hunt held at Angle Lake Park. This event is sponsored by the SeaTac Fire Department, SeaTac Fire Fighters Local Union #2919, and the Parks & Recreation Department.



## Child Care: Everything you need to know

*Do you want help finding care and the best program for your children for the summer?*

*Are you looking for a play group to give your child (or grandchild, niece, etc.) a group experience and to give you some contact with other caregivers?*

*Are you thinking about providing child care in your home and want some support?*

If the answer to any of the questions above is “yes”, then contact Child Care Resources (CCR). CCR’s mission is to ensure that all children receive the best start so they can succeed in school and life. Services include:

- Helping families find child care that meets their needs
- Training and technical assistance for child care providers

### Why does quality matter?

Babies are born learning. Children’s earliest experiences and relationships make a huge difference in the way their brains develop and, eventually, in their success in school and life. Caregivers, like parents, have an important impact on young children’s development. The choice of a caregiver, whether family member, friend or neighbor, or licensed child care provider is one of the most important decisions a parent can make for her/his child.

Finding the best child care means that you will need to visit potential providers and ask questions about the program. You will be the best judge, but generally quality care means a safe place, care by a “warm” provider, who helps children be happy, and a place where children will be active and learning. Ask what happens during the day and look at the number of teachers and the number of children in the care of each teacher, and the teachers’ training and experience. For help choosing child care, call our resource specialists at 329.5544 (or 1.877.512.3948). Visit CCR’s web site at [www.childcare.org/families/choosing-provider.asp](http://www.childcare.org/families/choosing-provider.asp) for more information.

### Play and Learn Groups for parents and family, friend and neighbor caregivers

The decision to have children cared for by

extended family, friends or neighbors is a choice often made because of established bonds of love and trust. Parents are confident that their children will be safe, and their values, language, and culture strengthened. It is important that all caregivers understand that time spent with young children can positively affect each child’s growth and development. There are dozens of “teachable moments” everyday that can help children develop skills for school readiness.

Caregivers are more likely to understand how children learn when they have access to information, resources, and support. Play and learn groups held in neighborhood locations can provide that support. To find the “Kaleidoscope Play and Learn” group nearest you, visit [www.childcare.org/ffn-care/play-and-learn-groups.asp](http://www.childcare.org/ffn-care/play-and-learn-groups.asp)

### Are you interested in opening child care in your home? Are you an experienced child care provider looking for free support?

We can help **New Providers** through every step of the process, from looking at your home before the state licensors visit, to completing paperwork, providing creative marketing tips, and ideas of what items you will need for children in your care!

We can help **Experienced Providers** update your child care space, provide some fresh activities for your children, and customize training for you!

We have resource rooms in Kent and Seattle with a laminator, books, videos, and free resources for all providers.

For help opening child care in your home, updating your program, or making an appointment to use the resource room, call: 329.5333 (or 1.877.512.3949) Monday - Thursday 10 AM - 3 PM.

## REMEMBER TO WASH YOUR CAR RIGHT AND KEEP OUR WATERS CLEAN

It is summer, and time to break out the buckets and sponges to wash your car. But before you send all that oily, soapy water down the driveway and into a storm drain, the City of SeaTac wants to remind you that, not only is this very harmful to wetlands, streams, and lakes, but it is also a violation of state, local, and federal pollution laws.

### So What Can You Do?

- Residential – wash your car on your lawn, gravel or other permeable surfaces. Coin and professional car washes recycle their waste water, or send it to a sanitary sewer where it is treated before released.
- Businesses – call us to explain your options.

**Interested in doing a car wash fund raiser?** By checking out a FREE Fish Friendly Car Wash Kit from the City, fund-raising groups can help keep harmful soaps and toxic metals from running into the Puget Sound. Consider a professional car wash organization (i.e. PSCWA or Brown Bear) charity ticket program for your fund raising event, or call Resource Conservation/Neighborhood Programs Coordinator Trudy Olson at 973.4763 to reserve a car wash kit. For more information regarding the problems facing the Puget Sound, along with workable solutions that we can adopt into our everyday actions, to reduce our pollution of the waters, visit [www.pugetsoundstartshere.org](http://www.pugetsoundstartshere.org). Help keep our waters clean!





# 2011 Waste Reduction & Recycling Programs

SeaTac is dedicated to reducing waste, encouraging recycling, and promoting reuse. Mark your calendars for our Fall Event and help make a difference in your environment!

## RECYCLING COLLECTION EVENT

Saturday, October 1,  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tyee Educational  
Complex Parking Lot,  
4424 S. 188th Street

\* Cash only when fees apply

Recycle appliances, scrap metal, tires, oil, transmission fluid, batteries, electronics, fluorescent tubes/bulbs, reusable household goods, EPS Styrofoam, and more!

Styrofoam must be clean, dry and free of any plastic film. NO foam sheeting, cardboard, hard plastics, screws or metals. Packing peanuts must be bagged or boxed. Dirty and wet EPS will not be accepted. No food containers will be accepted.

**FREE – Confidential material shredding. Staples and paper clips do not need to be removed from documents. Limited to (3) three boxes per vehicle.**

**Computer monitors and televisions will not be accepted.** You can recycle these items for free at other locations through E-Cycle Washington. Call 1.800.RECYCLE or visit [1800recycle.wa.gov](http://1800recycle.wa.gov) to find authorized E-Cycle Washington collection locations.

## RAIN BARREL SALE

\*\*\*NEW LOCATION\*\*\*

Sale will be held at the Tyee Educational Complex in conjunction with the Recycling Event.

Saturday, October 1,  
9:00 AM - Noon  
or until sold out.

There is a limited amount of rain barrels available for sale.

**SeaTac Residents Only.**  
**\$25 each cash only, limit TWO (2) per customer.**

*The Fall Recycling Event is produced in partnership with Washington State Department of Ecology, King County Solid Waste Division, and the Local Hazardous Waste Management Program (LHWMP) in King County.*

Missed a collection event, or have items not accepted at the event? Visit King County's "What Do I Do With...?" website at [your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw/](http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw/), or the Earth911 website at [earth911.com/](http://earth911.com/) to find information on where to take your items.



## Need to Dispose of Toxic Products from Around Your Home?

The following locations accept your household hazardous waste.

### • South Seattle Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

8105 Fifth Avenue S., Seattle

(South of the First Avenue South Bridge)

Open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday year-round, except public holidays. 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Directions using Route 509 northbound:

Take the Cloverdale exit from northbound State Route 509, turn right on S. Cloverdale Street

Turn left on Fifth Avenue S. (the first set of traffic lights)

Follow the signs to the household hazardous waste facility.

Turn left off of Fifth Avenue S. into the facility.

### • Auburn SuperMall Wastemobile

The Wastemobile will be open in the northwest corner of the mall off of SuperMall Way.

10:00 AM – 5:00 PM every 1st and 3rd full weekend (Fri., Sat., Sun.) of the month, such as October 7-9 and October 21-23.

### • Home Collection Service of Hazardous Waste Items for Eligible Seniors and Residents with Disabilities in King County

The Home Collection Service helps eligible King County seniors and residents with disabilities safely dispose of hazardous waste they may have in their homes. A product is hazardous if the label says: Caution, Warning, Danger or Poison. Contact the Household Hazards Line at 296.4692 or 1.888.869.4233, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, except holidays, to find out if you are eligible.

Visit the LHWMP website at [www.lhwmp.org/](http://www.lhwmp.org/) for more information.

## FOOD DRIVE FOR HIGHLINE AREA FOOD BANK SPONSORED BY SEATAC DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE

Food drive will be held during the Recycle Collection Event on October 1.

Bring canned and non-perishable food, diapers, toilet paper, soap, pet food and laundry detergent. Paper bags and donations are welcome too!





## What to do with Home Repair and Remodeling Waste

Sprucing up your home with some needed repairs, or finally remodeling the house to add those great features, can be very rewarding after all the work is done. But what to do with the waste from these projects can be confusing. Knowing some options beforehand can make it easier and possibly even save you some money.

**Get answers.** The most comprehensive source of local information on what to do with home remodeling waste is King County's "What Do I Do With...?" website [your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw](http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw). Click on Select a Category, then Construction/Demolition Debris. Choose the appropriate categories of materials, and lastly click on Residence (as opposed to Business). You will find options for recycling or properly disposing of everything from insulation to your old toilet (under porcelain).

**Keep it clean.** Keep your types of waste separated. For example: clean wood (unpainted and untreated); scrap metal; drywall; reusables (such as sinks or fixtures). This makes it much easier to get the items recycled, reused or properly disposed of. It will also save you money, since it will cost more to dump it than to recycle some or all of it (although fees may be charged for recycling).

**Reuse it.** Ask your neighbors if they want them, or check the Reusable Building Materials section in the "What Do I Do With...?" website. It lists stores, such as Second Use Building Materials in south Seattle, which may take your reusable items. You can also find great used materials there for your own project.

**Get on the same page.** If contractors are doing some of your work, make sure they understand your desire to get as much of the waste recycled or reused as possible. If they say recycling will cause them added work, try to help them figure out a way to do it – finding closer recycling locations or consolidating loads, for example – that will save them time and save you money.

Remodeling and home repair can be even more rewarding when you know the items that you removed or replaced have been reused or recycled. Not only will you have improved your own living space, but you will be part of the "going green" movement!



## THINKING NATURALLY: Natural Yard Care Tips

Did you know that each time you apply pesticides and fertilizers to your yard or garden some of it will end up in our lakes, streams and eventually the Puget Sound? In an effort to protect our natural waterways, the City of SeaTac encourages residents, businesses and property owners to adopt the following natural yard care techniques.

**Consider Shrinking Your Lawn.** By expanding your flower beds or gardens, and by using organic mulch to hold moisture, you can reduce watering and yard maintenance.

**Fertilize moderately with a "natural organic" or "slow-release" fertilizer.** These fertilizers reduce the amount of pollutants washed into our waterways during heavy rains.

**Think twice before using "weed and feed" or other pesticides.** Look into alternative less-toxic products and herbicides now available.

**Improve the soil.** Improve poor lawns with aeration, overseeding, and top-dressing with compost. Using compost/mulch in your garden provides a natural nutrient source for your plants, reducing the need for fertilizers. Compost also holds moisture longer, so you don't have to water as often.

**Water Deeply, Not Often.** Grasses do better when the whole root zone is wetted (one inch of water per week) and then partially dries out between watering.

**Mow higher (1-2 inches), mow often, and leave the clippings.** Leaving short clippings on the lawn provides free fertilizer and does not cause thatch buildup.

**Go Native.** Planting native drought tolerant plants will reduce the need for fertilizers and excess watering.

For more information visit the following websites:

[www.gardenhotline.org](http://www.gardenhotline.org)

[your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/naturalyardcare/index.asp](http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/naturalyardcare/index.asp)



## Library Corner

### FOR TEENS:

School is out, and teens are looking for activities to fill the long, warm days of summer. Don't forget to check out the Valley View Library for a variety of teen activities.

Summer is a good time to read all those great Teen Fiction books that you didn't get a chance to read during the school year, or you may want to get a jump on the Teen Classics that you will be assigned for the next school year. All are available at your local library. Don't forget that Read Three, Get One Free program offers additional incentives during the summer. In addition to a free book of your choice, the Summer Edition includes a monthly drawing for a \$50 gift card and an end-of-summer, system-wide drawing for a laptop computer! Start reading, write short reviews and challenge yourself to enter as many times you can.

We will continue to have Game On! once a week this summer. Teens are invited to come in and give our new games a try — Kinect, PlayStation 3 and Wii! For teens who want an unplugged gaming experience, visit the library for a quiet, thoughtful game of chess or checkers.

Movie afternoons are coming to Valley View! Check for date and time details at [www.kcls.org](http://www.kcls.org).

If you want to make your own short film, check out the Read.Flip.Win contest for teens who want to enter to win a flip camera. Details at [www.kcls.org/teens/](http://www.kcls.org/teens/).



### PROGRAMS/SHOWS

#### One World, Many Stories 2011 Summer Reading

June 13-August 31

Children may register for the Summer Reading Program at [www.kcls.org/srp](http://www.kcls.org/srp) or visit their local library starting June 13 to pick up a Summer Reading Log and start reading to earn prizes. At

500 minutes they earn a halfway prize and at 1,000 minutes they earn the finishers prize! School-age readers who finish by August 31, can enter a drawing for a free laptop. Preschool readers who finish by August 31, will be entered to win a family fun pass to the Woodland Park Zoo or a Family Membership to the KidsQuest Museum!

#### Lagni-Sussu: Music of Africa

Thursday, July 7, 1:00 PM  
Presented by Naby Camara.  
Ages 3 and older.

Learn about the great tradition of storytelling and discover music made from African instruments including the balafon and djembe.

#### The Wonderful Wacky World of Science

Thursday, July 14, 1:00 PM  
Presented by Mad Science.  
Ages 5 and older.

From penguins in the Southern Hemisphere to a Didgeridoo from Australia, take an imaginary Science Field Trip and learn how science is used in different countries. How is life different living in a high altitude? What is a bull-roarer? Find out the answers to these questions and more.

#### Sticks and Stones, Seeds and Bones Concert

Monday, July 18, 7:00 PM

Presented by Nancy Stewart.  
Ages 2 and older.

From a goat's toenail to gourds and stones, anything that makes a sound can make a rhythm. See, hear and sing along with unusual rhythm instruments from around the world and take home ideas for making instruments from things in your own world.

#### Magic Around the World

Thursday, July 21, 1:00 PM  
Presented by Jeff Evans.  
Ages 5 and older.

Take an imaginary journey with magic! Learn amazing facts about the people, landmarks and history of countries around the world with maps and artifacts from each area.

#### Family Story Time

Thursday, July 7, 14, 21, 28 and August 4, at 10:00 AM  
All ages welcome.

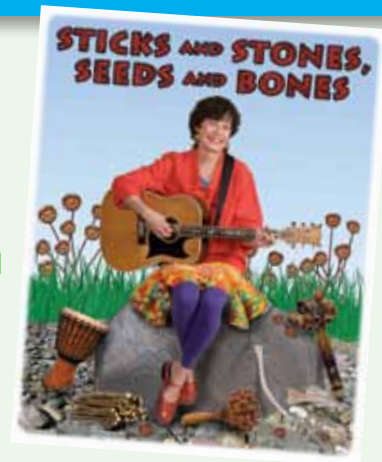
Join us for a half-hour of stories, finger plays, music and dancing! Lots of wiggling and giggling guaranteed.

#### Pajamarama Story Times

Monday, July 11, 25 and August 1, 7:00 PM  
All ages welcome, ages 6 and younger with adult.

Join us for a fun-filled, half-hour of stories, finger plays, movement and music. Lots of wiggling and giggling guaranteed. Kids, wear your pjs!

Registration not required.



## Keeping Your Home Safe from Burglary

Neighborhoods across the United States experience a 10 - 18% increase in the number of home burglaries during the summer months, making it all the more important to take precautions prior to taking your vacation.

An estimated 2,329,950 burglaries occur nationwide each year, and the FBI reports that burglars enter homes, apartments, or condominiums every 15 seconds, often through unlocked doors and windows.

Approximately 30% of all break-ins are by unlawful entry, which means no force. That statistic tells us homeowners continue to make a burglar's job too easy by leaving doors and windows unlocked. A significant number of break-ins could be prevented with simple precautions such as canceling a newspaper delivery, placing timers on lamps, and having a neighbor take in the mail or have it held by the Post Office.

Here are some additional tips to help you and your loved ones stay safe:

1. Keep all doors and windows closed and securely fastened. An open window or door is an open invitation for burglars. Thieves are also quick to spot weak locks that may be easily forced open. Doors should have deadbolt locks with a one-inch throw and reinforced strike plate with three-inch screws. All windows should have window locks.
2. Secure sliding glass doors. Place a metal rod or piece of plywood in the track and install vertical bolts. These will help prevent burglars from forcing the door open or lifting it off the track.
3. Always lock the door to an attached garage. Don't rely on your automatic garage door opener for security.
4. Create the illusion that you are home by using timers on lights, radios, and TVs. Making your residence appear occupied, will deter criminals.
5. Keep the perimeter of your home well-lighted. Installing low-voltage outdoor lighting is a cost-effective way to discourage intruders, as well as highlight a house.
6. Never leave clues that you are away on a trip. Have a trusted neighbor collect mail and newspapers while you are away so delivered items do not accumulate. You can also ask a neighbor to park in your driveway or parking place to make it appear that you are present.
7. Keep some shades and blinds up and curtains open to maintain a normal, everyday appearance in your residence.
8. Never leave a voicemail message or post on social media that you are away from home. A message that you will return at a certain time leaves your home vulnerable in the interim.



## Consolidation and Regionalization of SeaTac Fire Department to Sustain Services

In November 2010 the City of SeaTac Fire Department began an exploratory study with the Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority. The purpose and objective of this exploratory study was to determine options and the potential regionalization of services with the Kent Fire Department.

The exploratory process was the first step in determining if consolidation and regionalization of fire services makes sense financially, geographically, and logistically.

After exploring and reviewing the options available for the City of SeaTac Fire Department to consider joining the Kent Fire Department RFA it has been

determined because of financial considerations, it was in the best interest of the exploratory committee to suspend the process at this time.

In January 2011, the City of SeaTac signed an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the Kent Fire Department where some administrative staff functions are being shared. We have also merged other operational units such as Fire Prevention, Fire Investigations, Emergency Management, and Fire/Emergency Medical Training.

Even though we have suspended the RFA exploratory committee process, the consolidation of services identified

in the interlocal agreement is the first step in reducing costs and sustaining services to both jurisdictions.

At the end of the first quarter of the ILA, the consolidation has proven to be very effective and beneficial to both fire departments. In addition, the City of SeaTac has applied for grants that will enhance service delivery. One grant the City of SeaTac has received will place additional automatic defibrillators in our community.

Working together will not only create an economy of scale in service delivery but will also make the City of SeaTac a safer community for all.



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### City's Finance Director Retiring after 21 years



Michael J. McCarty

Michael J. McCarty was hired as the Budget/Finance Analyst by the City of SeaTac in 1990, the first year of cityhood. That proved to be a very wise decision. Over the years, Mike was promoted to Assistant Finance Director and stepped in as Acting Finance Director as needed, accepting the position of Finance and Systems Director in 2002. Mike has consistently provided reliable and sound financial advice to the City Council and City Manager, and has managed the City's assets extremely well during economic downturns, resulting in the City's ability to remain fiscally strong. SeaTac has consistently received national recognition for excellence in governmental budgeting, accounting, and financial reporting during his tenure.

Mike is not only a talented finance director he is also a valued friend and mentor to many of the staff. His retirement date is July 7, 2011 and he will be greatly missed.

### City of SeaTac earns 7th consecutive WellCity Award

The City recently earned a WellCity Award from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Employee Benefit Trust, one of 82 cities receiving the award. The award is based on meeting stringent best practice standards in employee health promotion. This is the City's 7th consecutive year earning the award.

Award recipients receive a 2% premium discount on their Regence BlueShield or Asuris Northwest Health medical coverage for employee & spouses in 2012. The City

will save an estimated \$30,000 in general fund budget expenditures in 2012 for medical insurance premiums.

"While the 2% premium discount is a considerable motivation in times of strained budgets, the rewards go beyond the monetary savings. A city that works on employee health sees increases in productivity, morale and employee retention, and decreases in absenteeism and injuries," said Mike McCarty, AWC CEO.

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TDD Phone 973.4808	Garbage and Recycling 973.4763
Fax 973.4809	Human Resources 973.4650
Building Division 973.4750	Human Services 973.4815
City Clerk 973.4660	Job Line 973.4655
City Council 973.4800	Municipal Court 973.4610
City Manager 973.4820	Planning and Community Development 973.4830
Code Enforcement 973.4750	Police Non-emergency 296.3311
Economic Development 973.4812	Police Administration 973.4900
Engineering 973.4730	Public Works 973.4720
Facilities, Parks and Public Works Maintenance Facility 973.4770	SeaTac Community Center 973.4680
Finance Department 973.4880	