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## New Permitting Software

The City is nearing another milestone in the latest of a series of steps currently being implemented to improve the City's development services. The first step was the reorganization of all permitting functions under one entity, the Department of Community and Economic Development (CED). The City is completing its trial period of CRW's TRAKiT, a customized, streamlined software program for the electronic tracking of all permitting activity. TRAKiT will improve the City's permit and land use application review and issuance process and provide enhanced customer service capabilities.



As part of the recent reorganization of the Department of Community and Economic Development, a number of projects are currently underway with a focus on implementing new efficiencies. As part of the effort to provide superior customer service and to better meet the needs of the development community, efforts are being made to streamline and improve consistency of practices and procedures. Work is also being done on a major zoning code update, and code compliance program.

The City currently issues and reviews approximately 80 different permit and land use application types and subtypes. TRAKiT will allow for a more streamlined process for the routing, reviewing and issuing of notices, permits and approvals. It replaces the current permit software which is obsolete, is no longer supported by the manufacturer and requires substantial maintenance.

A new feature the City is excited to announce is electronic plan submission, routing and review. This feature allows for the distribution of electronic notices, concurrent plan review and comparison of resubmittals. It also reduces the applicant's printing costs and is environmentally friendly. TRAKiT is quicker, easier, and more interactive. It also integrates fully with the City's existing Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and increases permitting efficiencies and project tracking performance. The City will be launching the new permit software in May.





## Construction Update

### S. 154th Street Improvements Project

The City's road improvement project along S. 154th Street from 32nd Avenue S. to 24th Avenue S. is closer to completion. R.W. Scott Construction Company is completing installation of concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk and driveways, landscaping, and retaining walls. The project is on schedule to reach completion in summer 2012.

Once complete, these improvements will improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety and provide non-motorized options for commuting and recreation. These improvements will also improve the neighborhood's access to the Tukwila International Boulevard Light Rail Station and the future Metro RapidRide F-Line bus route along S. 154th Street.

The City appreciates the community's continued patience during construction of this project. Although the full road closure is complete, the City asks that drivers be aware that traffic delays are still expected throughout duration



S. 154th Street Improvements project

of construction. Considering an alternate route is recommended. Additional traffic 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).

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## City Council Meetings

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

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.

*At the Regular Council Meeting on January 10, 2012, Council passed a resolution amending the City Council Administrative Procedures and repealing Resolution 11-006 related to Council Committee meeting times. Specifically, the standing committees of Administration and Finance, Public Safety and Justice, Land Use and Parks and Transportation and Public Works have been eliminated. Instead the Council will hold Study Sessions in order to address City business in advance of the Regular Council meetings. The Study Sessions will occur on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month commencing at 4:00 PM in Council Chambers.*

For more information, please contact Eric Proctor, Project Engineer, at 973.4735.

### S. 164th Street Pedestrian Improvement Project

The design phase is nearly complete for the new sidewalks on both sides of S. 164th Street between Military Road S. and 34th Avenue S. A second Open House was held in February to share the final design with the community. Construction is scheduled to begin in June, 2012. These pedestrian improvements are designed to improve pedestrian access and safety to neighboring schools, businesses and transit. For more information please contact Toli Khlevnoy, Civil Engineer II, at 973.4736.

Valley View Sewer District will be constructing a new sewer main extension in advance of this project. For more information on the sewer main extension project please contact Dana Dick, General Manager, 242.3236

## CPPW Grant Update: Encouraging Active Living in SeaTac

The City of SeaTac is using funding received through a grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Public Health—Seattle & King County's Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) program to develop policies that promote walking and bicycling in SeaTac's neighborhoods. The City's CPPW grant activities include the following:

### Draft Safe & Complete Streets Plan

SeaTac City Council recently endorsed a Draft Safe & Complete Streets Plan. This long range plan seeks to encourage the development of a street network that provides safe and convenient accommodations for all appropriate users including: pedestrians, bicyclists, buses, freight, cars and others. The plan identifies potential policies that encourage walking and bicycling and makes recommendations for improving SeaTac's pedestrian and bicycle networks. It is anticipated to be integrated



### Military Road S. Improvements Project, S. 166th Street to S. 176th Street

This project is being designed to improve traffic mobility and safety for vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic along this corridor. Design is scheduled to be complete by end of 2012 with construction anticipated to begin in spring 2013. For more information please contact Florendo Cabudol, Assistant City Engineer, at 973.4740.



### APPOINTED SEATAC CITIZENS

The following individual has been appointed to a SeaTac Citizen Advisory Committee or Commission. We value their civic interest and willingness to be a part of the working team of our City.

#### Human Services Advisory Committee:

Valerie Allan appointed January 10, 2012

#### Planning Commission

Joe Adamack appointed February 28, 2012

within and possibly adopted as part of the upcoming Transportation Plan and Major Comprehensive Plan updates.

The Draft Safe & Complete Streets Plan is available online at: [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=590](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=590)

### SeaTac Walking Map

The City has also created a new walking map for anyone living, working or visiting the City to get them to connect to the community, live a healthy lifestyle and enjoy local businesses, parks and amenities. Copies of the map are available for free at City Hall, the Community Center and the Seattle Southside Visitors Center.

The Walking Map is available online at: [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=42](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=42)

For more information about the Draft Safe & Complete Streets Plan, the SeaTac Walking Map, or the City's CPPW Grant, please contact Kate Kaehny, Senior Planner, at 973.4750.







# Parks and Recreation – Spring 2012

## Upcoming Events at Angle Lake Park

### EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday, April 7, 9:00 AM SHARP!**

Kids will have fun “scrambling” for eggs and treats. The event is for children up to the age of 10 years. Please have kids bring a basket to collect their goodies.

This event is co-sponsored by the SeaTac Fire Fighters Local Union #2919, the SeaTac Fire Department and the SeaTac Parks and Recreation Department.



### INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

**Saturday, June 23, 10:00 AM-8:00 PM**

**Sunday, June 24, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM**

### MUSIC IN THE PARK CONCERT SERIES

*Please note the new day & time!!*

**Fridays, June 29 through July 27**

**Concerts begin at 7:00 PM**

*\*Please check the City’s website for more information after June 1.*

### THEATRE IN THE PARK

**Friday, July 20, 7:00 PM**

*“Twelfth Night” Comedy by William Shakespeare*

The Music in the Park Concert Series and Theatre in the Park are partially funded by 4Culture.

## Other Events and Programs

### SPRING AND SUMMER BREAK CAMPS

**(For kids entering K - 6 Grade)**

Camps are held at Bow Lake Elementary School. Registration is currently open to attend either camp, which will be full of fun activities and programs, like swimming at the YMCA and field trips. Spaces fill up fast, so don’t delay. For information, please call: 973.4680.

### RECREATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This program is designed to provide financial assistance to youth and teen residents for recreational services. Please call Parks and Recreation at 973.4680 for more information.

### ANNUAL BACKYARD WILDLIFE FESTIVAL

Join us as we partner with the City of Tukwila for this annual event that helps educate and inspire us to welcome wildlife into our backyards, gardens and communities. This event will host a variety of activities and educational opportunities, including local gardener Cisco Morris as our keynote speaker. For more information, call 768.2822 or visit the event website at [www.backyardwildlifefair.org](http://www.backyardwildlifefair.org) for an example of activities, speakers and exhibitors.



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

A public meeting was held Wednesday, December 7 at the SeaTac Community Center for the design team to gather comments and suggestions from citizens and skate board enthusiast. The project is at the end of the design phase and should begin construction this early spring with a completion date in late summer. This project is fully funded by the King County Community Development Block Grant program.

This free festival takes place at the Tukwila Community Center on Saturday, May 12 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

### ARBOR DAY EVENT

The City of SeaTac’s Tree Board, SeaTac Parks Department and Neighbors Without Borders Action Committee are sponsoring an “Ivy Out” event on Saturday, April 21 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON. The event will be held in the wooded area to the west of the lower parking lot at the SeaTac Community Center. Participants should bring work gloves, sturdy shoes and tools for the ivy removal. Literature on proper ivy removal techniques and light refreshments will be provided.

A proclamation will be read to kick off the event as it will serve as the City of SeaTac’s 2012 Arbor Day celebration. For more information, please contact Roger Chouinard, Parks Operation Supervisor, at 973.4781

### ● PARK IMPROVEMENTS – ROSE GARDEN WALLS

● The Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden has been undergoing  
● substantial improvements with the addition of a seating wall, a new  
● lawn and irrigation. The addition of these walls formalized the area  
● around the Seattle Rose Society display beds and added three additional  
● entry points to the lawn area in the middle of these beds. This area is a popular  
● wedding venue in the summer and the annual Ice Cream Social.

● For more information about the Highline SeaTac Botanical garden, please visit  
● [www.highlinegarden.org](http://www.highlinegarden.org).



## Curb Marker Program Volunteer Opportunities Start Again in May

Every time we have a heavy rain it washes all the pollutants left on our roads and in our yards down our local storm drains. As the rainwater flows along the streets it collects oil drippings from our cars, along with excess fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides and animal droppings from our lawns, and continues to flow into the storm drains traveling directly to the nearest stream or lake. These non-point source pollutants can severely degrade water quality and damage wildlife habitat in our local waterways. It is a very common misconception that stormwater is treated before it reaches streams and lakes.



The City's Public Works Department has developed a Storm Drain Curb Marker program designed to increase public awareness that all city storm drains flow into our wetlands, streams, lakes and/or the Puget Sound with little to no treatment. Through this program, youth groups and other special interest groups volunteer to glue colorful four inch plastic markers to curbs, sidewalks or roads adjacent to catch basins in residential neighborhoods. Installing these curb markers reminds people that storm drains are for rainwater only.

Curb markers are easy to install and are available to volunteer groups from May 1 - October 31. You can help protect our natural waterways by volunteering for this great community stewardship program! For more information contact Trudy Olson at 973.4763 or by email at [tolson@ci.seatac.wa.us](mailto:tolson@ci.seatac.wa.us).



## Remember to Wash Your Car Right and Keep Our Waters Clean

Getting ready to clean off all the dirt and grime on your vehicle from the winter season? Before you send all that oily, soapy water down the driveway and into a storm drain, we want 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.



**Planning 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. Or consider a professional car wash organization (i.e. PSCWA or Brown Bear) charity ticket program for your fund raising event. Call Resource Conservation/Neighborhood Programs Coordinator Trudy

Olson at 973.4763 for more information or to reserve a FREE 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!





# 2012 Waste Reduction & Recycling Programs

SeaTac is dedicated to reducing waste, encouraging recycling, and promoting reuse.

## RECYCLING COLLECTION EVENT



Saturday, April 7, 9:00 AM to 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.** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM ONLY.

Staples and paper clips do not need to be removed from documents. Limited to 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 <http://1800recycle.wa.gov> to find authorized E-Cycle Washington collection locations.

## RAIN BARREL SALE AT EVENT SITE

Saturday, April 7, 9:00 AM to Noon  
or until sold out

*SeaTac Residents Only*

\$25 each cash only, limit 2

## FOOD DRIVE FOR HIGHLINE AREA FOOD BANK

sponsored by the SeaTac Domestic Violence Task Force

Food drive will be held during the Recycle Collection Event on April 7.

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

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

## 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, over-seeding, 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

## MISSED A COLLECTION EVENT, OR HAVE ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED AT THE EVENT?

Free brochures with Reduce/Reuse/Recycle information for your group organization, church, neighborhood, or just for you and your friends are available at City Hall. For more information, please contact Resource Conservation/Neighborhood Programs Coordinator Trudy Olson at 973.4763, or visit King County's "What do I do with...?" website at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw/>, or the Earth911 website at <http://earth911.com> to find information on where to take your items.



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)

<http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/naturallyardcare/index.asp>

<http://www.lhwmp.org/home/ChemToxPesticides/yard-care.aspx>

[www.savingwater.org/outside\\_lawn.htm](http://www.savingwater.org/outside_lawn.htm)

If you do not have computer access, natural yard care informational handouts are also available at the third floor permit counter at City Hall.

## SeaTac Recycling Changes – Questions & Answers

Provided by King County Solid Waste's EcoConsumer Columnist Tom Watson

Got questions about recent changes in the City of SeaTac's curbside recycling and garbage collection service? We've got answers! Here are a few common questions:

### Q: What if I don't have a lot of yard debris, but still want to recycle my food scraps and food soiled paper?

**A:** Single-family residents now have three sizes of yard waste carts to choose from, so the best option would be to choose the smallest 32-gallon size. That should fit all your food scraps and food-soiled paper such as pizza boxes, along with



random yard-type waste such as deceased house plants and yard debris. Contact Republic Services (formerly Allied Waste Services) at 682.9735 to order your cart, or for more information visit [www.AlliedWasteSeaTac.com](http://www.AlliedWasteSeaTac.com).

### Q: Can't I just use my own container for food scraps and food soiled paper then set that out at the curb?

**A:** No. Sorry about that, but for safety and efficiency of collection, the City's waste-hauling contract specifies that only rolling yard waste carts provided by Republic Services can be used for the combined yard waste and food scraps collection.

### Q: I'm just getting started collecting food scraps in my kitchen to add to my yard waste cart. Any tips?

**A:** Many residents find that using approved compostable bags in a countertop container makes collecting food scraps super-easy. Any compostable bags used for curbside food scraps collecting in SeaTac must be acceptable by Cedar Grove Composting [www.cedar-grove.com/products/biobags.asp](http://www.cedar-grove.com/products/biobags.asp). Find out where to buy acceptable compostable bags, and request free samples, at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/garbage-recycling/biodegradable-bags.asp>.

### Q: OK, I feel all filled up with good info about food scraps. Now how about plastics recycling, which confuses the heck out of me?

**A:** The plastics industry has contributed to the confusion by putting the recycling symbol on nearly everything that's technically recyclable. Ignore the symbols and just go by the list of what is accepted by Republic Services in SeaTac: [www.alliedwasteseatac.com/Documents/Recycling\\_Poster\\_2011.pdf](http://www.alliedwasteseatac.com/Documents/Recycling_Poster_2011.pdf)

### Q: What new plastic items can I recycle?

**A:** Plenty of stuff, including plastic "clamshell" containers for produce and plastic plant pots! See more on that list above. And thanks for recycling!





## Library Corner



We want to remind students that Valley View library has a variety of services that provide homework help. Volunteers are available at our Study Zone at the library and On-line Study Zone.

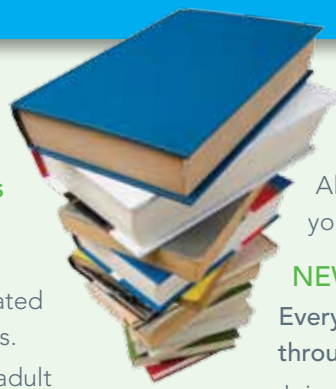
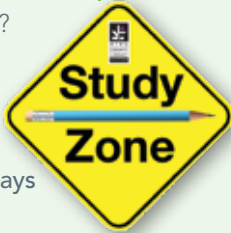
Tutoring is also available. For additional information on Homework Help databases, websites, volunteer opportunities, or any of the programs listed, please visit our website [www.kcls.org](http://www.kcls.org).

### Study Zone Homework Help

Need homework help?  
Come in, Get it done!

**Mondays & Tuesdays**  
4:00 - 6:00 PM

**Wednesdays & Thursdays**  
6:00 - 8:00 PM



All ages welcome, children 6 and younger with adult.

### Valley Re-Viewers Book Club

Enjoy a lively book discussion, plus related games and activities.

Ages 4 - 9, with an adult

**First Session starts Saturday, April 7, 11:00 AM**

### Family Story Times

**Every Thursday at 10:00 AM**

Join us for a fun-filled half hour of stories, finger plays, movement and music. All ages welcome!

### Pajama Story Times

**Every Monday at 7:00 PM**

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!

### NEW — Spanish Story Times

**Every Wednesday at 6:30 PM through May 2, 2012**

Join us for a fun-filled half hour of Spanish stories, finger plays, movement and music. All ages welcome!

### Citizenship classes

Prepare to become a U.S. citizen, learn about the naturalization process, and study for your interview.

**Tuesdays 1:00 - 2:30 PM**

### English Language Talk Times

Practice speaking English in a friendly and supportive environment, learn about American culture and meet people from around the world.

**Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 PM**

## Housing Repair Assistance Program

The City is excited to have once again, received a King County Community Development Block Grant to administer minor home repair services to City resident homeowners who have "extremely low" to "low" incomes, based on U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) income guidelines. This grant allows us to provide free repair services to improve the health and safety of our residents as they live in their homes. In turn, this helps keep housing safe and affordable and improves the comfort and livability of our neighborhoods.

### Services provided include:

- **Electrical** – faulty lights, switches, plugs, circuits or exhaust fans
- **Plumbing** – faulty toilets, clogged drains, leaking faucets, faulty water heaters

- **Disability Aids** – installation of grab bars, hand rails, hand held showerheads, bath seats, access ramps and application of non skid surfaces
- **Safety** – installation of smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms & locksets
- **Other** – faulty furnaces, faulty gutters and roof leaks, broken window glass panes

### How do I qualify for these free services?

1. Live within the SeaTac City limits and be an owner/occupant for at least one year with no intention to sell in the next 12 months
2. Complete the application process

### How do I apply?

To apply for this program please follow these directions:

1. Request an application by calling the Human Services Office at 973.4815

2. Complete the application forms and mail them with the supporting documentation to the City of SeaTac Human Services office at: 4800 S. 188th Street, SeaTac, WA 98188
3. Once your application is processed and evaluated you will receive a phone call informing you of your acceptance or non-eligibility for our program. Upon acceptance your job will be referred to one of our contractors who will call you to make an appointment to assess the repairs needed and perform those services should they meet our scope of work and safe practice requirements by HUD. Services that are required for your health and/or safety are the highest priority.



## Take Action Against Domestic Violence

### What is domestic violence?

Domestic violence can be defined as a pattern of behavior in any relationship that is used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner.

Abuse is physical, sexual, emotional, economic or

psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that frighten, intimidate, terrorize, manipulate, hurt, humiliate, blame, injure or wound someone. Domestic violence can happen to anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender. It can happen to couples who are married, living together or who are dating. Domestic violence affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels.

### You may be in an emotionally abusive relationship if your partner:

- Calls you names, insults you or continually criticizes you.
- Does not trust you and acts jealous or possessive.
- Tries to isolate you from family or friends.

- Monitors where you go, who you call and who you spend time with.
- Does not want you to work.
- Controls finances or refuses to share money.
- Punishes you by withholding affection.
- Expects you to ask permission.
- Threatens to hurt you, the children, your family or your pets.
- Humiliates you in any way.

### You may be in a physically abusive relationship if your partner has ever:

- Damaged property when angry (thrown objects, punched walls, kicked doors, etc.)
- Pushed, slapped, bitten, kicked or choked you.
- Abandoned you in a dangerous or unfamiliar place.
- Scared you by driving recklessly.
- Used a weapon to threaten you or hurt you.
- Forced you to leave your home.
- Trapped you in your home or kept you from leaving.
- Prevented you from calling police or seeking medical attention.
- Hurt your children.

- Used physical force in sexual situations.

### You may be in a sexually abusive relationship if your partner:

- Accuses you of cheating or is often jealous of your outside relationships.
- Wants you to dress in a sexual way.
- Insults you in sexual ways or calls you sexual names.
- Has ever forced or manipulated you into having sex or performing sexual acts.
- Held you down during sex.
- Demanded sex when you were sick, tired or after beating you.
- Hurt you with weapons or objects during sex.
- Involved other people in sexual activities with you without your consent.
- Ignored your feelings regarding sex.

If you answered "yes" to these questions, you may be in an abusive relationship and may want to talk to someone about it. City of SeaTac Domestic Violence Prevention Program, Chris Peterson 973.4933; Domestic Abuse Women's Network 425.656.7867; Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence 1.800.562.6025; National Domestic Violence Hotline 1.800.799.7233.

## Passport News

The City of SeaTac Passport office extended its service hours during the months of January - March 2012 on a trial basis to determine if offering extended hours would be a benefit to the citizens of SeaTac. The deadline for this publication was during that trial period. Please contact the City Clerk's office at 973.4660 to verify passport service hours.

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



## Let Emergency Responders Come to You *It's as easy as 9-1-1*

Imagine this: You're at home one evening and begin to experience chest pain and shortness of breath. What do you do? The correct answer is to call 9-1-1 and let the King County Medic One system come to you.

What happens too often, however, is that people try to shorten the process by driving to their local fire station for assistance. While this may seem like a smart move and one that gets you help sooner, in fact, it *delays* getting you the potentially life-saving treatment that is necessary.

In this area, when you call 9-1-1 during a medical emergency, you are quickly connected with Valley Communications. This is the call receiving and emergency dispatch center for police and fire departments in south King County. As soon as they have collected enough information to determine *what* the

problem is and *where* you are, the closest firefighters and paramedics are dispatched to your location. Additional information will also be collected by the 9-1-1 call receiver, but don't worry - help is already on the way. This system ensures that you get the correct type of assistance, where you are, as quickly as possible.

If someone with a medical emergency tries to drive to a fire station for assistance, several potentially life threatening problems can arise. First, the time spent traveling to the fire station delays getting help – a delay that can prove deadly. Second, trying to transport a person having a medical emergency can be stressful, increasing the risk of a crash or driving in an unsafe manner. Finally, what happens if there is no one at the fire station when you arrive? The firefighters may already be out on an emergency call; they may be training at

a different location, or conducting other department business. Now, your only choice is to call 9-1-1 from the parking lot of the fire station. Help will arrive quickly, but not as quickly as if you had called from your previous location.

If you are in a vehicle when a medical emergency occurs, pull over to the side of the road and call 9-1-1 as you would from your home.

When calling 9-1-1, take the time to answer all of their questions. Certain information is critical to getting you the appropriate help as quickly as possible, whether you are calling from your home phone, a cell phone, or are using Voice over Internet Protocol.

Your fire department is here to serve you. If you have questions about emergency services, please feel free to contact us at any time at 973.4500.

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## No Courts • No Justice • No Freedom

This year the SeaTac Municipal Court is celebrating Law Week during the first week in June.

*"We are very excited to celebrate Law Week with the citizens of SeaTac this year. We have a number of community events that we are planning, and we are especially looking forward to working with the teachers and students at Tyee to increase awareness regarding constitutional rights, the services offered by the courts of our state, and career opportunities related to the legal profession."*

— Judge Elizabeth Cordi-Bejarano

In 1958 President Dwight D. Eisenhower established the first Law Day. Congress, in 1961, issued a joint resolution designating May 1 as the official date for celebrating Law Day. While May 1 is the official date for Law Day, many organizations celebrate Law Day, Law Week, or even Law Month.

*"Open and accessible courts are the cornerstone of a free society. The framers of our Constitution recognized the*

*importance of the courts when they made the judiciary one of the three coequal branches of our government. The courts are where we go to have our rights protected, our injuries redressed and our disputes resolved. Whether you are a consumer or a corporation, a victim or an accused, a lender or a debtor, a parent or a child, the work of the courts affects your everyday life. This year's Law Day theme "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom", underscores the importance of the courts and their role in ensuring access to justice for all Americans."*

— Bill Robinson III, American Bar Association President

Anticipated events include, Judicial visits to students at Tyee to discuss legal topics and career options within the legal community, Tyee student visits to the court to view live court hearings, Mock trials conducted by Tyee students, and Presentations by SeaTac Police Officers from the traffic/DUI unit and the K-9 unit. More details will be provided as they are available. Check the court webpage for updates at: [www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=130](http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=130)

## Do You Know Who Has Direct Access to Your Checking Account?

No? Unfortunately, you may be putting yourself at risk by regularly using your debit card. Debit cards may look identical to credit cards, but there's one key difference. With credit cards, users who spot fraudulent charges on their bill can simply decline the charges and not pay the bill. On the other hand, debit cards draw money directly from your checking account, rather than from an intermediary such as a credit card company.

Because of that, even clear-cut cases of fraud where victims are protected from liability by consumer protection laws can cause significant hardship. While credit card users may get their accounts straightened out and new cards in the mail within a few days, the case is different for debit card holders who may wait an average of two to three months to get reimbursed.

While debit card fraud is always a possibility, being careful where you use it can help keep your checking account balance out of the hands of criminals.

Outdoor Automatic Teller Machines (ATM's) and gas station payment terminals are amongst the most dangerous places to use a debit card. Any transaction you do outdoors at an open ATM is going to be higher risk exposure. If the public has access to it, then someone has the ability to add skimming devices to it, position cameras on it and position themselves in a way where they can monitor usage. Skimming is the practice of capturing a bank customer's card information by running it through a machine that reads the card's magnetic strip. Those machines are often placed over the real card slots at ATM's and other card terminals. Even the card terminals that card users must swipe to get into ATM vestibules are being used as a skimming site by criminals. You can spot ATM skimmers by checking for ATM components that look beat-up, askew or, bulky and not an original part of the ATM machine.

Thieves often use small cameras to capture footage of debit card users entering their PIN so they can have free access to the account. Even if the thief doesn't manage to get your debit card personal identification number, or PIN, from such a device,

he still may be able to duplicate the card's magnetic strip and use it for "sign and swipe" Visa or MasterCard transactions.

With the high potential for fraud at outdoor ATM's and during pay-at-the-pump debit transactions, it might make sense to use an alternative such as using an ATM inside a retail outlet or other high-trafficked, well-lit place and using cash or credit cards the next time you fill up.

Debit cards are also a convenient way to purchase products online, unfortunately the internet is another dangerous place to use your debit card. The internet is susceptible at so

many points. The consumer could have malware on their computer, so it could be at their endpoint that the data gets compromised. It could be a man-in-the-middle attack where somebody is eavesdropping on their communications via the wireless network. And then at the other end, that data goes into the merchant's database that

data can be vulnerable, if not properly cared for. Aside from the potential for hacking at many different points in a transaction, a fundamental problem with using debit cards online is that it's impossible to know who is handling your information. When making online purchases you need to know who you're doing business with.

Any place your debit card is out of hand can increase the chances of fraud. At a restaurant the server often takes your card and disappears for a while, he or she has privacy, giving them the opportunity to copy your card information. Even restaurants without sit-down service can present a threat. Using debit cards to order

delivery can be risky because cashiers tend to keep customer payment information on file. That may make future orders more convenient, but small businesses rarely take the steps necessary to safeguard payment information. Overall, regardless of whether you use your debit card at a small restaurant or a big-box store, the possibility of fraud is always there.

For further information please contact the City of SeaTac Community Crime Prevention Unit at 973.4904.







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### SeaTac's Public Works Department

SeaTac Public Works, headed by Director Tom Gut, provides a variety of services that make this a desirable community in which to live, work and play. The department is responsible for: transportation and street maintenance improvements; surface water utility; as well as solid waste and recycling programs. It's our job to efficiently deliver quality customer service, conserve taxpayer dollars and contribute to SeaTac's sustainable future.

Engineering's primary responsibility is the implementation and management of the Public Works Department's Capital Program. This work involves planning for, designing, and constructing street and surface water improvements within the City. Engineering manages the City's Transportation Improvement Program; applies for transportation and storm water related grants; collects traffic volume and speed data; manages annual pavement overlays; and inspects all construction in the Right of Way.

Public Works Maintenance Division protects the City's investment in its infrastructure by repairing and restoring the road and storm water networks. Maintenance personnel are skilled in asphalt and concrete repair, painting, storm water facilities maintenance, and roadside landscape and vegetation control.

Stormwater Compliance works to protect water quality in our lakes, streams, and the Puget Sound, by coordinating citywide compliance with state and federal water quality regulations. Our volunteer and education and outreach programs strive to raise awareness of the impacts of stormwater pollution and promote environmentally friendly business and residential practices that minimize stormwater impacts. In addition, the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program works to investigate and remove pollutants being discharged to the City stormwater system.

Solid Waste/Recycling provides resource conservation assistance, public education, and community awareness programs for recycling, household hazardous waste and pollution prevention to the residential and commercial community. Public Works administers the City's solid waste franchise agreement and coordinates the residential recycling collection events.

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City Council 973.4800	Municipal Court 973.4610
City Manager 973.4820	Community & Economic Development 973-4750
Code Compliance 973.4750	Police Non-emergency 296.3311
Facilities, Parks and Public Works Maintenance Facility 973.4770	Police Administration 973.4900
Finance Department 973.4880	Public Works 973.4720
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Fire Department 973.4500	