



THIS WEEK IN RENTON

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Save the Date: State of the City 2024

Another year is complete, and we welcome opportunities for the year to come. We invite residents to join Mayor Armondo Pavone as he presents his 2024 State of the City address on Thursday, March 21, at 6 p.m. The event will take place at the Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center, located at 400 South 2nd St. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. with light refreshments served.

The State of the City address is a valuable opportunity for the public to come together and gain insight into the past year's accomplishments and hear what's on deck for the future. It is a chance to hear firsthand about the progress made in Renton and to receive a glimpse of the exciting initiatives and plans for 2024.

Tickets are free, make a reservation at rentonwa.gov/sotc.



How should Renton look in 20 years? Participate in the city's Comprehensive Plan

The city is updating its [Comprehensive Plan](#), which will set the goals and policies for its growth and development over the next ten years. This plan guides decision-making on various important topics - housing, land use, parks, economic development, and transportation.

To ensure Renton remains an excellent place to live, work, and visit, the Comprehensive Plan will incorporate policy directions to address critical priorities:

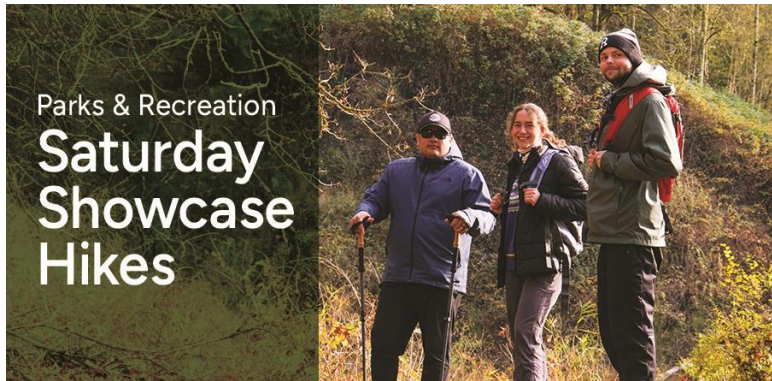
- Plan for and accommodate housing for residents and households of all income levels.
- Encourage various housing options, such as ADUs and middle housing, to increase housing availability and affordability.
- Identify strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase resilience to impacts related to climate change.
- Meet Renton's equity objectives and ensure that all residents have equitable access to opportunity.

The last update took place in 2015, an updated Comprehensive Plan must be adopted by Renton in 2024.

Input from the community regarding priorities, values, and the future vision of Renton is crucial in shaping the plan's policies and guiding the city's growth. There are several ways to get involved:

- Participate in the Comprehensive Plan Survey about community needs, priorities, and values.
- Send an email to PlanUpdate@rentonwa.gov and share thoughts and feedback and receive project updates.
- Visit the [project website](#) to review materials, drafts, and other announcements.

For questions about Renton's Comprehensive Plan update, please visit the project website or email PlanUpdate@rentonwa.gov.



Take a hike with Renton recreation

Get ready for an exciting adventure as Renton's Recreation Division gears up for its expanded guided hike program. This is a fantastic opportunity for nature enthusiasts of all ages and experience levels to discover more of Washington's natural beauty.

Starting in March, the program will feature weekly hikes at various locations in Renton and the greater Seattle area. Take a look at the upcoming schedule:

- **March 2:** Parks and Trails Showcase - Cedar River Trail Park at 10 a.m. Use the keyword "Parks and Trails" to register.
- **March 16:** Troll Trip at 9:30 a.m. Use the keyword "Tour" to register.
- **March 28:** Senior Walking Group at Green Lake at 9 a.m. Use the keyword "Green Lake" to register.
- **April 6:** Parks and Trails Showcase - May Creek Trail Hike at 10 a.m. Use the keyword "Parks and Trails" to register.
- **April 25:** Senior Walking Group at Seward Park at 9 a.m. Use the keyword "Seward Park" to register.

Whether a seasoned hiker or just starting, join staff on these exploration journeys to enjoy the outdoors and connect with nature.



Around Renton

Black History Month 2024 – A list of events, activities, and exhibits celebrating Black History Month in and around Renton can be found on [our website](#).

Free Museum Days – First Wednesday and third Saturday monthly, [Renton History Museum](#) (235 Mill Ave. S), 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

March 1 – Paint 'n Pour: Mocktails, Renton Community Center (1715 Maple Valley Hwy), 6:30-9:30 p.m. Registration required.

March 17 – New Voices, New Music: Renton City Concert Band Spring Concert, Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center (400 S 2nd St.), 2 p.m. Tickets: Adults \$13, Students/Seniors \$10.

March 21 – 2024 State of the City, Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center (400 S 2nd St.), 6 p.m. Free admission. RSVP online.

March 22 – Paint 'n Pour: Mocktails, Renton Community Center (1715 Maple Valley Hwy), 6:30-9:30 p.m. [Registration required.](#)

April 14 – [Dragon Dash 5k/10k Fun Run and Walk](#), Renton Community Center, 9 a.m. Registration required.

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In other news this week

Below is a recap of the news posted on the city's social media accounts. Find us (@cityofrenton) on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#). Renton residents can also find us on [Nextdoor](#).

[988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline](#)

[Arts in Renton](#)

[City Council](#) (agendas, documents, and meeting video)

[Neighborhood Program](#)

[Park Projects](#)

[Pet Microchipping](#) (free for Renton residents)

[Rainier Avenue South Phase 4](#) construction project

[Recreation Guide](#) (classes, activities, leagues, and events for January through April)

[Report issues via Renton Responds](#)

[Street Maintenance Winter Preparation](#)

[Traffic Construction Projects](#)