

City Scoop



FREE MINOR HOME REPAIR STILL AVAILABLE

The City's Minor Home Repair Program has provided repairs for dozens of low-to-moderate income homeowners. There are current opportunities to apply for a Minor Home Repair grant with the City of Covington. This program is funded by a Community Development Block Grant and provides free home repair for eligible minor home repair projects like repairing or replacing hot water heaters, gutter damage, and other types of problems.



To be eligible, the home must be owner-occupied and located within city limits. There is a one-year residency requirement and homeowners must have no plans to sell their home within a year. Owners must also be income eligible according to HUD income guidelines.

Income eligibility is determined by total gross annual income of ALL household members:

- Family size of one with income up to \$46,100
- Family size of two with income up to \$52,650
- Family size of three with income up to \$59,250
- Family size of four with income up to \$65,800
- Family size of five with income up to \$71,100.

If you are a Covington homeowner in need of home repair don't hesitate to call today for a brief phone screening at 253-480-2411.

REC & ATHLETICS FALL LINE-UP

School is back in session which also means registration is now open for our Fall recreation classes and athletic teams.

RECREATION

This Fall we will be offering our popular gymnastics classes, Kidz Love Soccer, Bricks 4 Kidz, Super Sitters, Safe at Home and Bootcamp Outdoor Group Fitness classes. New to the Fall line-up are dance classes on Thursday evenings in the Covington City Hall Community Room which will include pre-ballet, jazz, and dance team, as well as a winter break dance camp. We will also be offering a basketball skills class through EBI at Sawyer Woods Elementary on Wednesdays.

For the music lover in your family we are offering Musikarten classes for kids ages 16 months to 5 years old on Wednesdays in the Community Room. If your kids love to cook, you will want to register them for Kids in the Kitchen on Wednesday evenings also in the Community Room; but if you have a picky eater in your home you should join our Healthy Kids, Happy Parents class taught by a registered dietician from MultiCare. Also taught by MultiCare, and back by popular demand, is our Power Cooking class taking place on Tuesday, Oct. 25.

Make sure not to miss the free Star Parties put on by the Seattle Astronomical Society at Covington Community Park! On one Friday each month through December, all ages of community members can stargaze and learn all about the stars in our skies, weather permitting. For more information and to register for these programs visit our website: www.covingtonwa.gov/parks.

ATHLETICS

In our athletic department, Co-Ed Volleyball registration is open for our for 2nd-8th grade divisions. Games are held on Saturday mornings and afternoons from Nov. 5-Dec. 17 at Cedar Heights Middle School.

Winter Basketball registration is also open! We offer divisions for 3 year olds to 8th graders. Games are held from Jan. 14-March 4 at Mattson and Cedar Heights Middle School; PreK teams play at Jenkins Creek Elementary.

The athletics department is also in need of enthusiastic volunteer coaches! If you can help out with volleyball or basketball, please email Athletics Specialist Sean Conway for a coaching application at sconway@covingtonwa.gov.

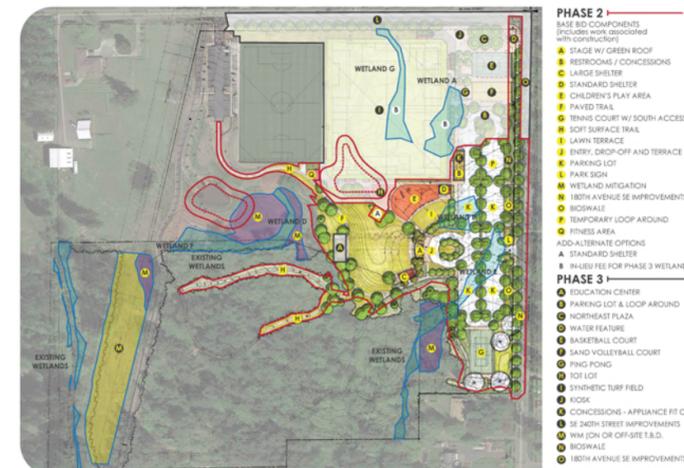


COVINGTON COMMUNITY PARK PHASE 2 OPEN HOUSE

The City of Covington Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a Covington Community Park Phase 2 Open House on Sept. 21, from 6-7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall, 16720 SE 271st St, #100 in Covington.

The open house is an opportunity for community members to view new designs for the second phase of development of Covington Community Park, including stage/lawn, restrooms/concessions, picnic shelters, playground, fitness area, tennis court, trails, parking, etc. The open house will also provide an opportunity for community members to meet the firm designing the park, MacLeod Reckord. The open house is free and open to the public. Attendees may drop-in at any time during the open house.

If you would like additional information, please contact Parks and Recreation Director Ethan Newton at enewton@covingtonwa.gov.



SAVE THESE EVENT DATES!

- SEPT. 17 - MAYOR'S DAY OF CONCERN FOR THE HUNGRY Food Drive, Safeway - 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Fred Meyer - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- SEPT. 17 - SUMMER'S END FUN RUN Kentwood High School - 8:30 a.m.
- SEPT. 24 - COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FAIR Rock Creek Elementary, Maple Valley - 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- OCT. 1 - PURPLE LIGHT NIGHTS KICK OFF 5k Run - 6 p.m., BBQ - 7 p.m., Tree Lighting - 7:30 p.m.
- OCT. 28 - HALLOW TEEN DANCE Cedar Heights Middle School - 6-8:30 p.m.
- OCT. 29 - SPOOKY SWIM Covington Aquatic Center - 5-6:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m.
- OCT. 31 - HALLOWEEN SWIM Covington Aquatic Center - 7-9 p.m.
- DEC. 2, 9, 16 - HOLLYDAZE FLOAT-IN MOVIES Covington Aquatic Center - 8-10 p.m.
- DEC. 3 - TREE LIGHTING EVENT Henning Roundabout (by Pier 1) - 4-6 p.m.

*More details about these events at www.covingtonwa.gov/events

JENKINS CREEK PARK BRIDGE DEDICATION EVENT - 9/21

The community is invited to help the city dedicate the new Jenkin's Creek Park bridges on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 6 p.m.

The City Council approved a resolution for the large pedestrian bridge in Jenkins Creek Park to be named the "George Pearson Bridge" and the small pedestrian bridge in Jenkins Creek Park to be named the "Susan Pearson Bridge" to honor them for the great service they have provided to the Covington community.



The Pearson's have been instrumental in breathing new life into Jenkins Creek Park through their volunteer service. George and Susan began their clean-up efforts during an Earth Day event in 2010 and have not stopped making improvements to the park since. They have spent countless hours cleaning up the park, including removing invasive species, mowing of the lower meadow, collecting litter, removing graffiti, making repairs, assisting with annual Arbor Day events in the park, planting numerous trees in the park and strategic removal of undergrowth to reduce fire hazards.

Their contributions to the community are not just limited to Jenkins Creek Park, but also include volunteering with community events such as Covington Days and Kidsfest, and they continue to be active members in the Timberlane Homeowners Association. George also participates in the Covington's Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) program and serves on the city's Park and Recreation Priorities Advisory Committee. The Pearson's were named Covington's Citizens of the Year in 2011.



"Take a Step Against DV" 5K Walk
Sponsored by the Covington Rotary
\$12/person or \$27/family
Walk Begins at 6 p.m. by Pier 1 Imports

Purple Light Nights® Tree Lighting
Sponsored by the Covington Domestic Violence Task Force
7 p.m. - BBQ | 7:30 p.m. - Tree Lighting

Register for the 5k at: crowdise.org/TakeaStepAgainstDV5k
FREE t-shirts with logo to FIRST 100 people to register.



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