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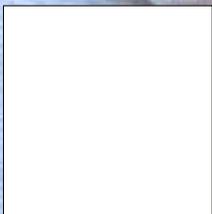


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Coming September  
28th and 29th, 2019

10-5 & 11-5



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## Did you know?

All cats and dogs residing in the city limits of Auburn require a pet license.

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Licensing your pet provides yet another layer of protection in the event that they go missing.

License your pet today!  
[auburnvalleyhs.org](http://auburnvalleyhs.org)

### AVOID THE FINE!

Failure to license your pet per Auburn City Code 6.04.010 will result in a fine of \$50



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ON THE COVER: Little ghosts and goblins hit the streets on Halloween night.

Fall is upon us! It's almost time to visit one of Auburn's pumpkin patches for some family fun!



The Auburn Parks, Arts & Recreation Halloween Harvest festival is almost here! See back cover for full details.

## Auburn Mayor & City Council



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### CITY OFFICES

#### City Attorney

253-931-3030

#### City Clerk

253-931-3039

#### Community Development

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3090

#### Emergency Management

1 E Main St, 3rd floor  
253-876-1925

#### Engineering Services

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3010

#### Finance

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3033

#### Human Resources/ Risk Management

253-931-3040

#### Innovation & Technology

1 E Main St, 3rd floor  
253-804-5078

#### Maintenance & Operations

1305 C St SW  
253-931-3048

### Mayor's Office

(Mayor, City Council and Administration)  
253-931-3041

### Parks, Arts & Recreation

910 9th St SE  
253-931-3043

### Police

340 E Main St, Suite 201  
253-931-3080

Call 911 in case of emergency

Non-emergency:  
253-288-2121

### Public Works

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3090

### Records Clerk

253-931-3007

### Solid Waste/Recycling Customer Service

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3047

### Utilities (Billing)

1 E Main St, 2nd floor  
253-931-3038

### OTHER NUMBERS

#### Auburn Golf Course

29630 Green River Rd SE  
253-833-2350  
[auburngolf.org](http://auburngolf.org)

#### Auburn Municipal Airport

(Dick Scobee Field)  
400 23rd St NE  
253-333-6821

### King County District Court—South Division

340 E Main St  
800-325-6165 ext. 59200

### Mountain View Cemetery

2020 Mountain View Drive  
253-931-3028  
[mtviewcemeteryauburn.com](http://mtviewcemeteryauburn.com)

### Senior Activity Center

808 9th St SE  
253-931-3016

### Valley Regional Fire Authority

1101 D St NE (Headquarters)  
253-288-5800  
Call 911 in case of emergency

[vrfa.org](http://vrfa.org)

### White River Valley Museum

918 H St SE  
253-288-7433  
[wrvmuseum.org](http://wrvmuseum.org)

### HOTLINES

#### Code Compliance

253-931-3020 opt. 4

#### Graffiti Hotline

253-931-3048 opt. 7

#### Pothole Patrol

253-931-3048 opt. 1

#### Spills and Water Pollution

253-931-3048 opt. 8

## Official City Council MEETING SCHEDULE

**City Council Meetings** are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm

**Council Study Sessions** are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday each month at 5:30pm.

Meetings are held at Auburn City Hall located at 25 W Main Street and open to the public or can be viewed live at [auburnwa.gov/gatv](http://auburnwa.gov/gatv).

# FROM THE MAYOR

*Happy fall, Auburn!*

Once again we find ourselves at the end of summer, greeted by the return of school buses and the changing leaves.

As we move into these colder months, I am always struck by the sense of togetherness that follows the season. Friday night football games, pumpkin picking, cups of hot cider enjoyed with family and friends—and of course, the holiday gatherings that follow through the end of the year—are all symbolic of the strong sense of connection that autumn brings.

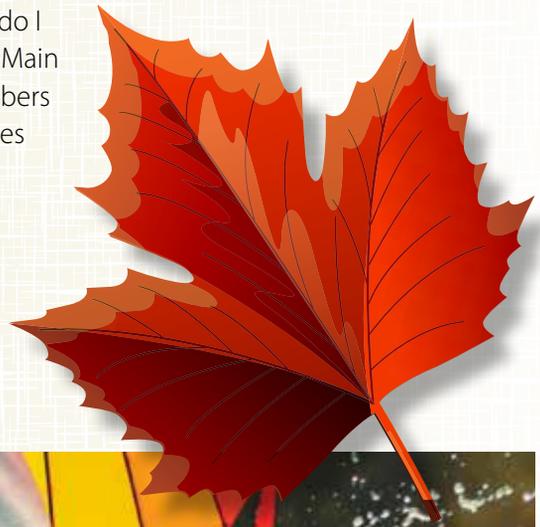
Auburn has long been known as a place of celebration, from our parades and festivals to our year-round park events. No place do I feel more connected to our community than when watching Main Street fill with thousands of people to honor our service members during the Veterans Parade, or when singing carols with families on the steps of City Hall.

This sense of true community is often fleeting in today's day and age, yet it grows stronger each year here in Auburn. I am reminded each season what a special place our city is and how honored I am to have the opportunity to serve it.



**Nancy Backus**  
**Mayor of Auburn**

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# Fun for families all fall long at the White River Valley Museum!

## SPECIAL POP-UP EXHIBIT: HISTORY KIDS CLUBHOUSE

See-Play-Do at the White River  
Valley Museum this fall!  
**October 9–November 10**

For one month only we're inviting kids of all ages to discover local history with us! History Kids Clubhouse is a hands-on exhibit for kids and families to explore and share their own stories while learning about people and objects that tell the history of the White River Valley. Hang out in the Clubhouse and have fun as you play historic games, become a museum curator, create make-and-takes, dress up for a photo op, and more!



AND... VISIT OUR PERMANENT GALLERY TO SEE

## STRANGER THINGS OF THE WHITE RIVER VALLEY MUSEUM

THROUGH OCTOBER 25

We've brought out some rarely seen super strange artifacts from the Museum's collection including: a chain letter from Jesus, glow-in the dark Uranium glass, and a special display that asks "medical device or kitchen utensil?"

## Festival of Trees: A Celebration of Community and Culture

November 20–January 5

Your new holiday tradition! Catch the spirit of the season with a festive display of trees at the Museum. Each tree is decorated by regional ethnic heritage groups with ornaments and décor that represent their cultural traditions. You will see trees as diverse as our community with traditions from China, Poland, Norway, Italy, Iran, the Marshall Islands and beyond!

This exhibit is made possible with funding from 4Culture

Exhibits are included with regular admission to the Museum, \$2 for children and seniors and \$5 for adults. First Thursdays and Third Sundays are free!

# Even more to do at the Museum!

Stop by the Museum for free on the first Thursday of every month from 12-4 p.m. then join us for our Late Play Dates from 6-8 p.m. During evening hours, we'll have themed activities perfect for families with kids ages 3-12.

## Late Play Dates

### Check out these fun nights we have planned:

October 3: **Life on the Oregon Trail** with Early Music Seattle

November 7: **Snack & Paint** with artist Crystal Lowy

December 5: **Holiday Super Duper**: Meet Santa for a photo op at the Museum while enjoying seasonal treats, crafts and activities to accompany our *Festival of Trees* exhibit!

Late Play Date made possible by the Auburn Arts Commission, 4Culture, and the City of Auburn.

## Story Club with KCLS

### First Wednesdays from 4-5 PM at the White River Valley Museum, October-December only.

Hear a great story! Discuss big ideas! Discover real history about people like you! For ages 7 and older. Snacks will be provided.

## Meet the Museum with Curator of Collections Hilary Pittenger

### Thursday, November 7, 1 PM

Dive deeper into our permanent exhibits with a lecture and discussion hosted by our curator of collections, Hilary Pittenger.

Our November feature will be about Gladding McBean Terra Cotta. This historic Auburn factory created many of the terra cotta works you can still see in cities like Seattle and Vancouver, BC! Learn about the history and impact of this industry in the White River Valley.

Send your 7 to 12-year-old on an overnight adventure with scavenger hunts, crafts, games and more! \$35 per child, pre-registration required.

**History Kids VIP Clubhouse:** October 4, 7 p.m.-8 a.m. Play a life-size version of Oregon Trail throughout the Museum and get a first look at the activities and crafts in our History Kids Clubhouse exhibit!

**Girls Only! Groovy '70s:** November 15-16, 7 p.m.-8 a.m. A funky night of '70s themed crafts, dancing, fashion, and activities for girls only!

Interested in a private overnight for your scout group? Contact Ashley Rust at [arust@auburnwa.gov](mailto:arust@auburnwa.gov) or 253-288-7439 for details!

## Overnights at the Museum

### Saturday, October 26, 1-5 PM

Stop by the Museum during Trunk or Treat in the Park and take a tour with the lights out, when lots of friendly ghosts are roaming about! Free, no registration required.

## BOO-seum!

### Sunday, November 3, 2 PM

Writer and historian Mayumi Tsutakawa presents on one hundred years of Japanese American history in our region with an overlay of her family's heritage here during that time. Made possible by 4Culture.

## Cast Upon the Rails: Japanese Americans in King County

### Wednesday, December 11

#### 6 PM Open House | 7 PM Show Starts

From ball gowns to tea dresses to prom wear, see party dresses through the decades from Seattle Children's Vintage Fashion Collection. Before the show, enjoy our *Festival of Trees* temporary exhibit. \$20 per person, includes light refreshments. Registration required at [wrvmuseum.org](http://wrvmuseum.org).

## Some Enchanted Evening



WHITE RIVER VALLEY  
MUSEUM

White River Valley Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday 12-4 PM and the first Thursday of each month 6-8 PM

## ADMISSION

Admission is \$2 for children 18 and under and seniors 60 and over, \$5 for adults, kids 2 and under admitted for free.

Museum members are always admitted for free. First Thursdays and third Sundays are free for everyone!



White River Valley Museum

918 H St SE  
Auburn, WA 98002  
253-288-7433  
[wrvmuseum.org](http://wrvmuseum.org)

# United States Census 2020



## Stand Up and Be Counted!

Every 10 years, the federal government conducts a population count of everyone in the United States. Data from the census provides the basis for distributing more than \$675 billion in federal funds annually to communities across the country to support vital programs—impacting housing, education, transportation, employment, health care, and public policy. They also are used to redraw the boundaries of congressional and state legislative districts and accurately determine the number of congressional seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

### Why is it important to me?

Responding to the census is not only required by law; it also affects the amount of funding your community receives, how your community plans for the future, and your representation in government. Data from the 2020 Census is used to:

- Ensure public services and funding for schools, hospitals, and fire departments.
- Plan new homes and businesses and improve neighborhoods.
- Determine how many seats your state is allocated in the House of Representatives.

### When will I complete the Census?

Beginning in mid-March, people will receive a notice in the mail to complete the 2020 Census. Once you receive it, you can respond online. In May, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin following up in person with households that haven't responded to the census.

### How can I respond?

In 2020, for the first time ever, the U.S. Census Bureau will accept responses online, but you can still respond by phone or mail if you prefer. Responding should take less time than it takes to finish your morning coffee.

### Do I have to respond to the Census?

**Simple answer: Yes.**

If you are living in the United States, you are legally required to respond to the U.S. Census and could be subject to a fine or limited prison term for non-compliance or false answers. However, the U.S. Census Bureau is not a prosecuting agency and failure to provide information is unlikely to result in a fine. Instead, Census Bureau staff work to achieve cooperation and high response rates by helping the public understand that responding to the Census is a matter of civic responsibility and that data from the census has benefits

that span across government, industry, and profession.

Your quick response to the Census will ensure cost-efficiency in the use of taxpayer funds for the conduct of the Census. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) estimated that in 2010 it cost the Census Bureau approximately \$0.42 per housing unit if the household returned the survey that they received in the mail. On the other hand, if the initial survey was not answered, the Census Bureau had to spend another \$98 per housing unit (or \$57 per person) to collect the data.

Help the Census Bureau keep its costs down—and save the taxpayers' dollars—by responding to the first mail contact.

### What information will be requested?

The Census Bureau will never ask for:

- Social Security numbers
- Bank or credit card account numbers
- Money or donations
- Anything on behalf of a political party

### Will my information be kept confidential?

Strict federal law protects your census responses. It is against the law for any Census Bureau employee to disclose or publish any census information that identifies an individual. Census Bureau employees take a lifelong pledge

# Completing the census provides our community with \$18,000 per person counted.



## The law is clear—no personal information can be shared.

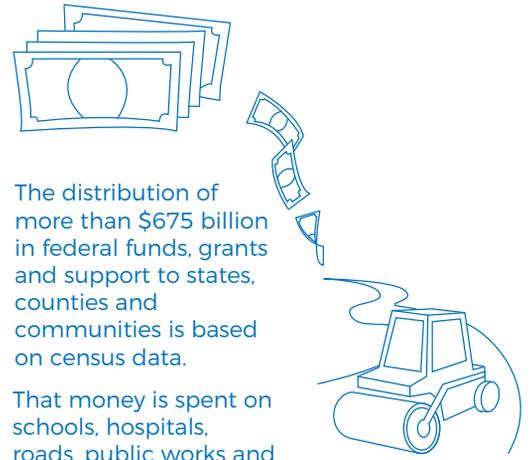
Under Title 13 of the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, households, or businesses, even to law enforcement agencies.

The law states that the information collected may only be used for statistical purposes and no other purpose.

To support historical research, Title 44 of the U.S. Code allows the National Archives and Records Administration to release census records only after 72 years.

All Census Bureau staff take a lifetime oath to protect your personal information, and any violation comes with a penalty of up to \$250,000 and/or up to 5 years in prison.

of confidentiality to handle data responsibly and keep respondents' information private. The penalty for wrongful disclosure is a fine of up to \$250,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both. No law enforcement agency (including DHS, ICE, FBI, or CIA) can access or use your personal information at any time. Data collected can only be used for statistical purposes that help inform important decisions, including how much federal funding your community receives. The Census Bureau has a robust cybersecurity program that incorporates industry best practices and federal security standards for encrypting data.



The distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities is based on census data.

That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other vital programs.

## How do I distinguish between an authentic U.S. Census Bureau contact and fraudulent activity and scams?

The U.S. Census Bureau will never ask for:

- Your Social Security number
- Your mother's maiden name
- Money or donations
- Credit card or bank account information
- Your personal information through email

## Examples of Federal Programs that Distribute Funds on the Basis of Census-derived Data

PROGRAM NAME	DEPT	TYPE	RECIPIENTS	OBLIGATIONS
Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid)	HHS	Grants	States	\$311,975,766,352
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	USDA	Direct Pay	Households	\$69,489,854,016
Medicare Part B (Supplemental Medical Insurance) - Physicians Fee Schedule Services	HHS	Direct Pay	Providers	\$64,176,725,988
Highway Planning & Construction	DOT	Grants	States	\$38,331,904,422
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	HUD	Direct Pay	Owner	\$19,087,549,000
Title I Grants to Local Education Agencies (LEAs)	ED	Grants	LEAs	\$13,859,180,910
National School Lunch Program	USDA	Grants	States	\$11,560,852,485
Special Education Grands (IDEA)	ED	Grants	States	\$11,233,112,681
State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP)	HHS	Grants	States	\$11,089,152,000
Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program (Project-based)	HUD	Direct Pay	Owners	\$9,238,092,008
Head Start/Early Head Start	HHS	Grants	Providers	\$8,259,130,975
Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	USDA	Grants	States	\$6,347,680,031
Foster Care (Title IV-E)	HHS	Grants	States	\$4,635,733,000
Health Center Program	HHS	Grants	Providers	\$4,181,407,055
Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)	HHS	Grants	States	\$3,370,228,288
Child Care and Development Fund - Entitlement	HHS	Grants	States	\$2,858,660,000
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$589,695,029,211</b>

Source: The George Washington Institute of Public Policy, George Washington University, Counting for Dollars 2020: The Role of the Decennial Census in the Geographic Distribution of Federal Funds, Andrew Reamer, Research Professor August 22, 2017.

2019-2020

CITY OF  
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PERFORMING  
ARTS SEASON

# BRAVO

## TRIBUTE

Saturday, September 14 | 7:30pm  
**WingsNThings - Music of Paul McCartney**  
AAT | \$21/\$18

Saturday, September 28 | 7:30pm  
**The Doors Experience - Alive She Cried**  
AAT | \$21/\$18

Saturday, November 23 | 7:30pm  
**Reckless - Celebrating the Music of Bryan Adams**  
AAT | \$22/\$19

Wednesday, December 18 | 7pm  
**An Inspirational Christmas with Elvis**  
AAT | \$25/\$22

Saturday, January 18, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Anthem - Rush Tribute**  
AAT | \$22/\$19

Saturday, February 1, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Buddy, Ritchie & The Bopper**  
AAT | \$24/\$21

Saturday, February 8, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Ted Vigil - Tribute to John Denver**  
PAC | \$25/\$22

Saturday, February 15, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Cherry Cherry - Neil Diamond Tribute**  
AAT | \$23/\$20

Saturday, April 25, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Borrowed Time & Third Stage**  
AAT | \$23/\$20

Saturday, May 2, 2020 | 7:30pm  
**Amanda Bacon - Patsy Cline Tribute**  
AAT | \$23/\$20

Friday, May 8, 2020 |  
7:30pm  
**Jethro Tull  
Experience**  
AAT | \$23/\$20



## THEATER

October 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 & 31 | 7pm  
October 13 | 2pm  
October 19 | 11pm  
**Auburn Community Players:  
Rocky Horror Show**  
AAT | \$17/\$14 (\$22/\$19 at the door)

December 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21 | 7pm  
December 14, 15, 21, & 22 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Players:  
The Five Ghosts of Ebenezer Scrooge**  
AAT | \$17/\$14 (\$22/\$19 at the door)

March 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 & 21, 2020 | 7pm  
March 8, 14, 15, 21 & 22, 2020 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Players:  
Matilda The Musical**  
AAT | \$17/\$14 (\$22/\$19 at the door)

Friday, April 17, 2020 | 7pm  
Saturday, April 18, 2020 | 2pm  
Sunday, April 19, 2020 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Jr. Players:  
Disney's Aladdin Jr.**  
AAT | \$10

June 5, 6, 12, 13 & 19, 2020 | 7pm  
June 6, 7, 13, 14 & 20, 2020 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Players:  
Big The Musical**  
AAT | \$17/\$14 (\$22/\$19 at the door)

July 10 & 11, 2020 | 7pm  
July 11 & 12, 2020 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Jr.  
Players: Disney's Frozen Jr.**  
AAT | \$10

July 24 & 25, 2020 | 7pm  
July 25 & 26, 2020 | 2pm  
**Auburn Community Teen Players:  
The Drowsy Chaperone**  
AAT | \$12



# City's BRAVO Performing Arts season creates magnificent moments on stage

An incredible line-up of music, comedy, theater and kids' programming will take the stage for the 2019-2020 BRAVO Performing Arts Season.

## COMEDY

Friday, September 20 | 7:30pm

**Jet City Improv**

AAT | \$18/\$15

Friday, September 27 | 7:30pm

Friday, January 17, 2020 | 7:30pm

Friday, February 14, 2020 | 7:30pm

Friday, March 27, 2020 | 7:30pm

Friday, April 24, 2020 | 7:30pm

Friday, May 15, 2020 | 7:30pm

**Comedy At the Ave**

AAT | \$18/\$15

Friday, November 8 | 7:30pm

Friday, November 15 | 7:30pm

**Seattle Int'l Comedy Competition**

AAT | \$21/\$18



## MUSIC & MORE

Friday, September 20 | 7:30pm

**Jet City Improv**

AAT | \$18/\$15

Saturday, September 21 | 7:30pm

**Piano Conversations**

AAT | \$21/\$18

Saturday, November 2 | 7:30pm

**Ron Stubbs - Rock and Roll Hypnotist**

AAT | \$22/\$19

Saturday, November 9 | 7:30pm

**The Memphis Belles**

AAT | \$22/\$19

Sunday, December 8 | 2pm

**Red, White & Blue Holiday Concert**

PAC | FREE

Saturday, March 28, 2020 | 7:30pm

**PaperDolls Band**

AAT | \$24/\$21

Saturday, April 4, 2020 | 7:30pm

**The Modern Gentlemen**

PAC | \$25/\$22

Friday, May 1, 2020 | 7:30pm

**Vocal Trash**

AAT | \$25/\$22

Saturday, May 9, 2020 | 7:30pm

**Jessica Lynne**

AAT | \$23/\$20



## AVEKIDS

Saturday, September 28 | 2pm

**AveKids: Eric Haines**

AAT | \$10

Saturday, November 16 | 2pm

**AveKids: Beauty & The Beast**

AAT | \$10

Saturday, January 25, 2020 | 2pm

**AveKids: Little Red**

AAT | \$10

Saturday, February 15, 2020 | 2pm

**AveKids: The Magic of Jeff Evans**

AAT | \$10

Friday, April 17, 2020 | 7pm

Saturday, April 18, 2020 | 2pm

Sunday, April 19, 2020 | 2pm

**Auburn Community Jr. Players:**

**Disney's Aladdin Jr.**

AAT | \$10

Saturday,

May 2, 2020

2pm

**AveKids:**

**Vocal Trash**

"Think"

AAT | \$10

July 10 & 11, 2020 | 7pm

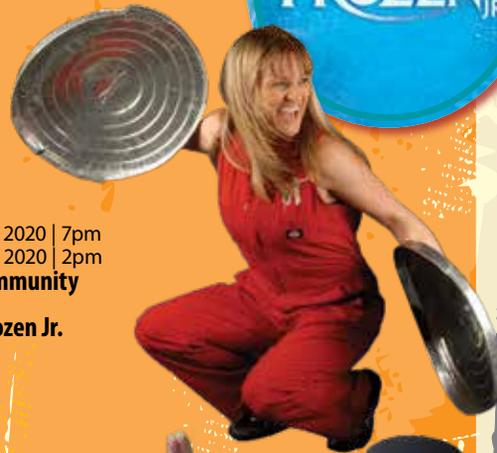
July 11 & 12, 2020 | 2pm

**Auburn Community**

**Jr. Players:**

**Disney's Frozen Jr.**

AAT | \$10



# TICKETS

*On sale now!*

[auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts)

253-931-3043

AAT | Auburn Ave Theater, 10 Auburn Ave  
 APAC | Auburn Performing Arts Center, 702 4th St NE  
 Group and bulk ticket discounts are available.

# Feature Capital Project

## F Street SE Non-Motorized Improvement Project (4th Street SE to Auburn Way S)

### Project Description

The purpose of this project is to improve the pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure between Auburn's downtown core and the Les Gove Community Campus, connecting residential neighborhoods located along the corridor with the wide variety of key services in this area. The improvements will include installing new bike lanes or shared-lane markings and way-finding signage on the streets shown in Figure A and reconstructing F Street SE between 4th Street SE and Auburn Way S.

### Project Benefits

- ✓ Will make walking and biking easier and safer between the downtown core and the Les Gove Community Campus.
- ✓ Completes pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure that is currently missing on F St. SE between 4th St. SE and Auburn Way S.
- ✓ Improves the overall look of F St. SE between 4th St. SE and Auburn Way S by adding landscaping and moving overhead power underground.
- ✓ Improves drainage on F St. SE between 4th St. SE and Auburn Way S.
- ✓ Replaces aging water and sewer lines.

### Project Costs & Funding

The total current project estimate is \$4.4M and is funded by a \$2.52M federal grant and \$1.8M in City funds.

### Project Schedule

The design work for this project is being finalized and work on the project will begin in spring 2020. The project is expected to be completed in the spring of 2021.

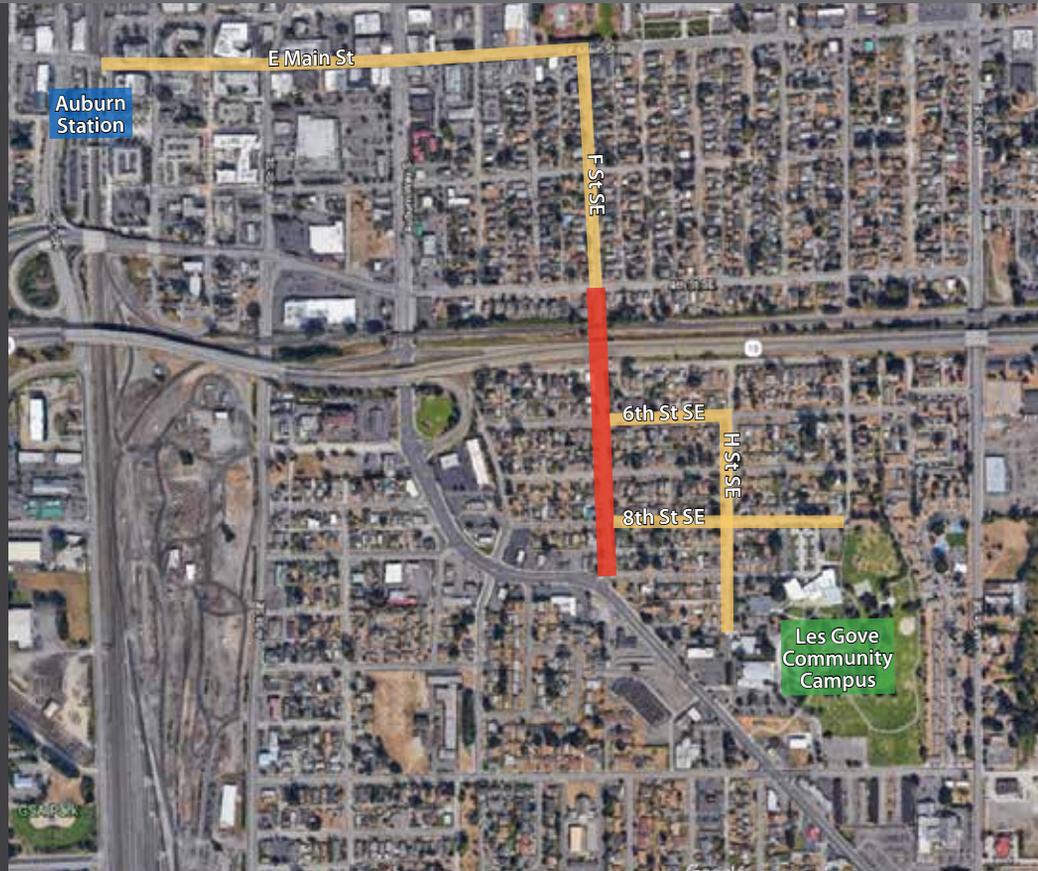


Figure A: Project Map

**F St. SE between 4th St. SE and Auburn Way S does not currently have bicycle facilities and has only intermittent sidewalks along both sides of the street. These project improvements would complete the existing gap in the pedestrian and bicycle network by adding:**

- ✓ A new mixed-use path on the east side of the street that can be used by both bicycles and pedestrians
- ✓ A new sidewalk on the west side of the street
- ✓ New curb and gutter
- ✓ New landscaping
- ✓ New pavement
- ✓ New street lighting
- ✓ Pedestrian crossing improvements (rapid flashing rectangular beacons and raised crosswalks)
- ✓ Move overhead utilities underground
- ✓ Water/sewer/storm drainage improvements

**Some of the services located along this corridor include:**

- Auburn Senior Activity Center
- Les Gove Community Campus
- Auburn King County Library
- Auburn Police Department
- Auburn Municipal Court
- Washington Elementary School
- Auburn High School
- City Hall
- Sounder Station



Figure B: Current condition of F Street SE near 6th Street SE



Figure C: Conceptual cross section of F Street SE after reconstruction.  
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**Who to contact for more information**

For more information on this project, please contact Seth Wickstrom, Project Engineer at 253-804-5034 or via email at [swickstrom@auburnwa.gov](mailto:swickstrom@auburnwa.gov).



## The newly formed **South King County Senior Centers and Resources Hub** to receive \$1,592,883 in grant funds as part of King County Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy 2019-2023

The Hub includes Auburn and Pacific Senior Centers and the nonprofit Federal Way Senior Center/Food Bank located in unincorporated King County. The Hub will serve as the recognized resource center on aging services and provides support, outreach, connection, and social engagement for the diversity of seniors who live in suburban and rural areas of South King County.

Executive Dow Constantine launched new investments that will enhance senior services in King County by offering more programs at existing senior centers and community organizations, expanding outreach to isolated seniors and connecting vulnerable seniors to community.

Twenty-eight senior centers successfully competed for a total of \$19,480,000 throughout the county. They will form 14 hubs for targeted senior services around the region. Funding for the expanded programming and services will be allocated over the next four-and-a-half years.

As the number of adults age 55 and over continues to grow and become increasingly diverse, King County is stepping up to serve the cultural and geographic diversity of seniors and their caregivers, including veterans, service members and their respective families.

Significant health risks accompany social isolation. Remaining socially engaged in the community has many benefits, including better physical health and resistance to illness and disease; mental and cognitive health; and a sense of purpose and control and longevity.

Key to the South King County Senior Centers and Resources Hub's model is the ability to reach out to seniors who are socially or geographically (transportation challenges, physical limitations) isolated. As part of our service model, resource navigators will be hired to engage seniors both inside and outside of the partnering centers. The resource navigators will serve south King County with time split between the hub partners. Their goal is to work with seniors to help them connect with resources and services to improve their quality of life.

## HUB PARTNERS

### Auburn Senior Activity Center

The Auburn Senior Activity Center has been providing services to older adults in King County since the early '70s. Owned and operated by the City of Auburn, the Auburn Senior Activity Center enhances the quality of life of senior adults in the Auburn community through social, recreational, health and wellness, educational, and nutritional services and programs. Located at 808 9th Street SE, the Center serves individuals 50 and over for a variety of activities and social needs. The Center is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with extended activity evenings offers Monday-Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The Center produces a quarterly activity brochure that lists upcoming classes, activities and events and also offers opportunities to get involved either as a volunteer or a participant.

Recreational opportunities include hiking and nature walks, dance and exercise classes, day and overnight travel opportunities, volleyball, Pickle ball and drop-in play in the pool room. There is also music and dancing three times a month.

The Senior Activity Center hosts a variety of special events and luncheon celebrations. There is a daily lunch program operated by Catholic Community Services, a monthly social dinner, and a monthly coffee hour with the mayor and Auburn city councilmembers. A food pantry is offered twice a month and provides access to a wide variety of items such as cereals, grains, cheeses, spices, raisins, juice and soup at bulk discount prices.

Educational and learning opportunities are offered through book club, driver's safety, Spanish classes, art classes, and lectures on Fridays. A variety of health and wellness programs are offered, including foot care, blood pressure clinics, massage and dental cleaning. On-going social time at the center includes games such as Mah Jongg, Scrabble, Bingo, Dominoes, Pinochle, Contract Bridge, and puzzles as well as a coffee bar and movie days.



### Pacific Senior Center

The Pacific Senior Center is housed within the Pacific Community Center and is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday, and 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, providing a comfortable space for seniors, age 50 and older, to congregate.

The center serves as a senior congregate nutrition site and collaborates with Catholic Community Services to provide lunch four days a week. One day per week, Pacific Senior Center staff prepare and serve a community meal that includes seniors, ensuring that seniors have a nutritious meal option five days per week.

The Pacific Senior Center is focused on serving Pacific residents, though it is open to all seniors. Many of the individuals served are in the very low-income bracket and face associated challenges. Some are facing housing instability, overwhelming financial burdens, and most struggle with loneliness. The goal is to provide the "third space"—a place where all are welcome and included; a place where everyone is known and celebrated.



### Federal Way Senior Center/Food Bank (Located in unincorporated King County)

The Federal Way Senior Center offers a warm and comfortable atmosphere in our log cabin clubhouse for seniors and veterans age 55 and older to gather in order to access services that promote healthy aging and to experience life enrichment, empowerment, a sense of belonging and enjoyment. The property includes the main building with a large dining room, commercial kitchen and activity room, as well as separate buildings housing a computer center, food bank and thrift shop. There is also a large outdoor community garden space.

Social activities are offered Monday through Friday where veterans and seniors enjoy good company, live music, singing, dancing, holiday celebrations parties and activities.





# AUTUMN in Auburn



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**SATURDAY**  
**SEPT 21**  
**10 AM-6 PM**

## **Downtown Auburn Main Street Festival**

Experience a day of musical entertainment, local flavors, tasty fare, and activities for the entire family, as we celebrate Downtown Auburn. Downtown Auburn is pet friendly, so bring your furry friends along for the fun!



Auburn  
Downtown  
Association  
Downtown Auburn,  
B Street Parking Lot

**SEPT 28-  
OCT 30**  
**10 AM-  
5:30 PM**

## **Pumpkin Patch & Corn Maze**

Mosby Farms hosts a family-friendly fall extravaganza complete with pumpkins, tractor-pulled hay rides, corn maze, & more!



www.mosbyfarms.com  
3104 Auburn Black Diamond Rd

**SATURDAY**  
**OCT 26**  
**1-5 PM**

## **Halloween Harvest Festival & Les Gove Park Trunk-or-Treat**

Join us for games, crafts, a photo booth and more! Be sure to check out Trunk-or-Treat around the trail in Les Gove Park! Lots of fun for little Trick-or-Treaters!



Auburn Community  
& Event Center  
910 9th St SE

**SATURDAY**  
**OCT 26**  
**1-5 PM**

## **BOO-seum!**

Stop by the Museum during Trunk-or-Treat in Les Gove Park and take a tour with the lights out, when lots of friendly ghosts are roaming about! FREE



918 H St SE

**SATURDAY**  
**OCT 26**  
**8-11 PM**

## **Emerald Downs Halloween Party**

Come enjoy KISS Tribute band Almost Human at this 21+ Halloween party of mass proportions! Dancing in the Downs offers FREE admission and parking with live bands on Saturday nights. Come early to get the best seats!



EMERALD DOWNS  
Racetrack & Casino  
2300 Ron Crockett Dr

**THURSDAY**  
**OCT 31**  
**3-5:30 PM**

## **Candy Crawl**

Calling all goblins, ghosts, and creatures of the night! Creep, float, or crawl over to The Outlet Collection Seattle! Check in at our KidX booth and pick up your "Trick or Treat" map. Trick or Treating at participating retailers from 3-5pm ONLY, while candy supplies last. Check-in begins at 2:45pm.



1101 Outlet Collection Way

**FRIDAY**  
**NOV 1**  
**4-8 PM**

## **Dia de los Muertos Festival**

Experience an authentic and colorful celebration to honor the departed through live music and dancing, cultural foods, community ofrendas (altars), arts & craft activities, calavera (skull) face painting and more!



1101 Outlet Collection Way

**SATURDAY**  
**NOV 9**  
**11 AM-2 PM**

## **54th Annual Veterans Parade**

One of the largest veterans parades west of the Mississippi! The mile-long Veterans Parade will include a military fly-over, marching bands, honor guards, military marching units and vehicles, veterans units, drill teams, community and scouting groups, as well as floats, antique cars and more.



Main St, Downtown Auburn

**FOR MORE DETAILS ON THESE GREAT EVENTS, VISIT [EXPLOREAUBURN.COM](http://EXPLOREAUBURN.COM).**

# Holiday Season is the best season to visit the Auburn Senior Activity Center

With friendly staff and a festive atmosphere, you won't want to leave!

Make sure to join us for these upcoming special lunches:

## Halloween Lunch & Dance

October 31 | 11:30 AM-1 PM

## Veteran's Lunch

November 5 | 11:30 AM-1 PM

## Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner

November 26

11 AM First Seating &  
1 PM Second Seating

## Holiday Lunch

December 17

11 AM First Seating &  
1 PM Second Seating

All lunches require advanced sign up and ticket. Late registration fees apply if you get your ticket less than 7 days in advance.

Cost: Suggested contribution of \$4 for those over 60 & \$6 under 60

SAVE THE DATE!

# Winterfest 2020

JANUARY 13-17

A full week of activities to celebrate the new year!

## Senior Wellness Fair

The Auburn Senior Wellness Team is holding their annual Wellness Fair on September 26.

Who said kids get to have all the fun? The Auburn Senior Wellness Fair gives seniors an opportunity join together for an afternoon of activities and learn about a variety of businesses that specialize in senior-focused services including senior housing, medical insurance, home safety, hearing assistance, pharmaceutical, and many more. You can even get your flu shot!



### VENDOR FAIR

Auburn Parks, Arts, &  
Recreation Gymnasium

910 9th St SE

9:30 a.m. to noon

### LUNCH AND ENTERTAINMENT

Lunch and entertainment by Danny Vernon Illusions of Elvis will take place after the vendor fair.

Following, there will be a drawing for door prizes from the vendors!

Auburn Senior Activity Center  
808 9th St SE

Lunch is free for those that sign up in advance and attend the vendor fair in the gymnasium. Lunch is \$6 for those who register after September 20.

Auburn Senior Activity Center  
808 9th St SE  
Auburn WA 98002

Please call 253-931-3016 to register for lunch and for more information.

# Fall is here!!!

Colorful leaves, crisp nights, pumpkin spice lattes, Friday night lights! Then with the first windstorm of the season, all those colorful leaves are on your lawn, sidewalk, and driveway!

Time to get out the rake or leaf blower to clear them away...  
But where to put the leaves?

**NOT  
in the  
street!**

Throughout the year, the City's street maintenance program sends a street sweeper to your neighborhood to keep debris from clogging the storm drains, minimize flooding and prevent pollutants from running off into our streams and rivers. Too many leaves means that the street sweeper can't do its job and low overhanging branches block it from getting close to the curb.

What can you do to help? After you've had a good jump in that leaf pile, put your yard waste bin or compost pile to work! Trim any low branches that stick out into the road and use a rake to clear leaves and debris from storm drains near your home or business so that rainwater can drain easily. But don't ever try to remove a storm drain grate. They are heavy and all that debris may clog the pipes, causing flooding.

For more information about the City's street sweeping schedule, visit [auburnwa.gov/sweepingschedule](http://auburnwa.gov/sweepingschedule). It will show you an interactive map of when the street sweeper will be in your neighborhood.



# CODE COMPLIANCE CORNER

## That's a WRAP!

### Fighting graffiti with art

Utility boxes – every city has them. Some are bigger and some are better maintained than others. They can be found on nearly every street corner. They are a large, looming presence typically army green or silver in color, or a rainbow of color from layers of graffiti. Some hold traffic light controls or streetlight equipment. Others provide power, cable, phone or wireless network connections. Some are owned by the City, while others may be the property of Comcast, CenturyLink, PSE, or even the railroads. Regardless of who owns them, once they have been tagged by graffiti, it is rarely covered or removed.

These metallic behemoths blend into the backdrop of every community and typically the only people that give them any attention are those tasked with conducting a repair. That is except for the hooligans who use them as a canvas and the gangs that mark their territory by tagging them. For whatever

reason, these boxes become a prime target for this senseless act of vandalism that degrades the look and feel of our community.

But what if? What if instead we used them as a blank canvas for showcasing high quality public art? And what if? What if an innovative code enforcement officer and our local artist community had what it takes to make that happen?

Enter Code Enforcement Supervisor Chris Barack. It was Chris who first saw an opportunity to not only take back ownership of these boxes, but also beautify our community with some out-of-the-box thinking.

In the summer edition of this magazine, we shared with you that your three-member team of code enforcement officers recently completed and became certified in the Advanced Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design training that is offered by the

National Institute of Crime Prevention.

It was during this training that Chris experienced an “aha” moment in the power of what is possible when we look at old problems with new eyes. He recalls, “During the training, the instructor shared several success stories where local area artists painted very large murals. Some were painted on old, derelict buildings while others were painted on overpasses. They were massive, and while the concept made sense, I couldn’t help but think ... at what cost? What would the cost be for a project of this size and scope?” A hard and fast cost analysis was never provided but it got the wheels turning and Chris knew he wanted to make this a reality for our city.

When he returned, Chris scheduled a meeting with the Director of Community Development Jeff Tate. During the meeting, Chris was able to share his observations around one particular utility box in our own community that is wrapped with a floral print and is rarely, if ever, tagged despite being located smack dab in the center of a highly targeted and notoriously graffitied part of town. Such a simple idea and yet obviously a highly effective deterrent. As they continued to discuss the costs and benefits, in the end they both agreed ... how can we afford NOT to do this?

So Chris set out conducting research to locate vendors who offered the type of vinyl wrap that would be needed. He met with members of the City’s Public Works Division, including the traffic engineers who were able to help him identify where many of the City’s utility boxes were located and could explain to Chris what could, and more importantly, what could not be done to the boxes due to the sensitive nature of the function they provide. He then met with Josh Arndt in the City’s Economic Development Division.





*There are currently 16 utility boxes throughout the city that have been transformed into public works of art. Let's start a wave and publicly claim these locations as "ours." Grab your friends, your family, even a City employee or first responder and share your selfies with us. Images can be posted with the hashtag #AuburnProud.*



Since many of these boxes were located within the Business Improvement Area (a geographic subset of the City's centralized business district), could a partnership with the committee of businesses that oversee funding for this area exist? What a great way to improve the look and feel of the core of downtown! As it turns out, the BIA funds could help to support a beautification project such as this and Chris's proposal was unanimously approved with funding provided to wrap several of the boxes.

Next was the most challenging component—the call to artists. Chris readily admits he's "not an art guy" and code enforcement officers by their very nature like to identify a problem and resolve it, swiftly. This would be a process, and while he waited for the project to come to life, City staff were continuing to respond to graffiti complaints at the boxes. Chris could not get this project up and running quick enough.

Enter our City of Auburn Parks, Arts & Recreation staff who oversaw a call-to-artists for the 16 boxes that received approval for vinyl wraps. We think you will agree that the quality and variety of the art we received was top notch and, though it was a year-long labor of love, we think the results were well worth the wait.

We reached out to share this success story with CPTED instructor Arthur Hushen who had this to share, "The City of Auburn has taken great steps in promoting the application of CPTED strategies city-wide. Not only has the City sent its personnel to training, they are one of the few cities to sponsor and host CPTED training specifically for several staff members. This is a major commitment to ensure a sustainable, long-term program. The signal box program is a great example of their commitment. To actively engage local artists and to bring their creative talents to the forefront of neighborhood revitalization speaks volumes of the City's commitment to facilitate positive change."

He goes on to state, "To take something as simple as a utility box, which in many cases is a visual eye sore due to its lack of maintenance and graffiti, and turn it into a display of artwork that highlights the neighborhood and helps create a sense of community and ownership is spectacular. Even though you may think these are small changes to the physical environment, you will actually start to realize a ripple effect of positive change in the community as a direct result. This creates a realization that together as a community we can do more, then positive change follows. Not only can we beautify the utility box, we can beautify the neighborhood, the park, the school, the downtown. Little changes are the first step in creating larger changes. The City of Auburn is setting a great example in applying these concepts."

In closing, we asked Chris what was his biggest take away or lesson learned from tackling a project such as this. With a big smile he shares, "Driving by these boxes now I just can't help but smile. Knowing that my efforts, and the efforts of the team of City staff, that it took to make this a reality is huge. Realizing that together we will have lessened the burden on our fellow staff members who are tasked with cleaning up after the vandals is priceless. I may not live here but I love the city I serve and to know I have made a positive difference, and one that will have a lasting impact for many years to come, is really rewarding." But is this the end, a one and done project if you will? Nope, not if Chris can help it. He now aspires to use this as a stepping stone to further the use of CPTED strategies through the entire community, and hopefully one day to take on even larger project, maybe even an overpass!

# That's a WRAP! Artist Recognition

In April, the City of Auburn Arts Division issued a call to artists for designs that could be reproduced as vinyl wraps and applied to 16 utility boxes throughout Auburn. The opportunity was open to visual artists, illustrators, designers and creative community members residing in Auburn or the surrounding King and Pierce Counties. Designs were welcomed from artists working in any medium, as long as the final artwork could be translated and digitally reproduced on a 2-dimensional vinyl wrap. Artists were allowed to submit multiple works for consideration and encouraged to submit artwork that was appropriate for display in public spaces and would stand out artistically to passersby.

Fifty-four artists applied to the call. A jury comprised of Arts Commissioners, downtown business owners, and code enforcement staff selected the final artwork to adorn the boxes, representing the work of 10 separate artists. The selected artists were paid a stipend for their work which provides the City of Auburn rights to reproduce the artwork on multiple traffic signal and/or utility boxes throughout the city. The wraps were installed in early August.

Images of the artwork that adorn the utility boxes can be found under the Public Art Programs at [auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts).

## 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW Corridor



**Artist** | Sam Trout  
**Title of Artwork** | Firebird and Flowers  
**Location** | West Valley Hwy. & 15th St. NW



**Artist** | Janette Stiles  
**Title of Artwork** | Horses of a Different Color  
**Location** | 15th St. NW & C St. NW



**Artist** | Dinah Rau  
**Title of Artwork** | Community  
**Location** | 15th St. NE & A St. NE



**Artist** | Yvonne Chan  
**Title of Artwork** | Sound of a Feeling  
**Location** | 15th St. NE & D St. NE



**Artist** | Vikram Madan  
**Title of Artwork** | The Bumble Bee Brigade  
**Location** | 15th St. NE/Harvey Rd & Auburn Way N

## Downtown Auburn



**Artist** | David Bloomfield  
**Title of Artwork** | Jetpack Hedgehog  
**Location** | Main St. & C St. SW



**Artist** | Angela Larsen  
**Title of Artwork** | Design for Amara  
**Location** | S Division St. between 1st St. NW & Main St



**Artist** | Angela Hinojos Yusuf  
**Title of Artwork** | Joy  
**Location** | 2nd St. SE & A St. SE



**Artist** | Debora Davis  
**Title of Artwork** | Dance, Dance  
**Location** | Main St. & A St. SE  
Corner by Key Bank

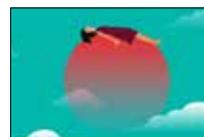


**Artist** | Gabrielle Abbott  
**Title of Artwork** | Firebird and Flowers  
**Location** | Auburn Way & 1st St. NE

## 15th Street SW Corridor



**Artist** | Angela Hinojos Yusuf  
**Title of Artwork** | Meadows  
**Location** | West Valley Hwy. & 15th St. SW



**Artist** | Yvonne Chan  
**Title of Artwork** | Afternoon  
**Location** | 15th St. SW & O St.



**Artist** | Dinah Rau  
**Title of Artwork** | DNA of the Heart  
**Location** | 15th St. SW near IHOP



**Artist** | Janette Stiles  
**Title of Artwork** | Two Foxes  
**Location** | 15th St. SW at Outlet Collection Way/Industry Dr. SW



**Artist** | Vikram Madan  
**Title of Artwork** | Forecast Says Rain  
**Location** | 15th St. SW at Perimeter Rd.



**Artist** | Ted Larson  
**Title of Artwork** | My Afternoon with George  
**Location** | 15th St. SW at C St. SW

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# DEA NATIONAL <sup>Rx</sup> TAKEBACK

Saturday, October 26, 2019



## Clear your cupboards: save a life

The rising opioid epidemic  
has prompted a lot of  
people to take a closer look  
at their old medications.

### Three-quarters of all opioid abuse starts with misusing a drug that has been prescribed to someone else.

Friends and family can often unwittingly be the original source of an addiction. Many homes have medicine cabinets akin to a mini pharmacy, with shelves chock full of expired prescription drugs — pain meds from that knee surgery last year, a few left-over pills from that root canal, medicated cough syrup from that cold you had last year.

Let's face it. Prescription medication is a part of all of our lives, and so are the hectic schedules that keep many of us from taking the time to dispose of them correctly.

But having old or unused medicines sitting around makes it easy for someone else to abuse them, so it's important to dispose of them promptly. Many addicts get their drugs from friends or family members. In fact, The National Neighborhood Watch found that incidents of prescription and OTC medication theft are committed by someone the victim knows well and who has unfettered access to the home. Even more alarming is that more than three in five teens say prescription pain relievers are easy to get from the family medicine cabinet. In fact, 90% of prescription drug addictions start during the teenage years and often lead to the use of street drugs.

Keeping old prescriptions around for "just in case" is one reason that access is so easy, but for many people medications begin to pile up because people just aren't sure what to do with them.

Who takes them? Do they need to go in a special container? What needs to be disposed of securely and what can just be tossed in the trash?

### Get rid of your information

Before bringing your medication to a collection location, you should remove the identifiable information on the label. Prescriptions can have your full name, address, and phone number, along with the information about what medication you are taking. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) suggests scratching the label out with a permanent marker or peeling off the sticker.

### Don't flush them!

We already have a ton of medications in our water system because of the remnants of prescriptions that are present in human waste. Flushing pills down there will only make things worse. Many of these medications are filtered out by treatment plants, but some are not and get washed out into the ocean. Not only is this bad for our fish and other sea creatures, it can mean that your next plate of sushi or clam chowder will arrive with a few unwanted extras.

### Find a drop spot near you

The Auburn Police Department has a kiosk designed to dispose of medications in the lobby (340 E. Main Street, Suite 201) that is accessible seven days a week, 24 hours a day. You can also find a list of secure drop-off locations throughout the city at [kingcountysecuremedicinereturn.org](http://kingcountysecuremedicinereturn.org). Fred Meyer, 801 Auburn Way N will also host a special drop-off event on October 26.

## Partnering to reduce our carbon footprint with cooking oil

**What do you do with your used cooking oil you ask?**

**Why, take it to the FREE collection container at Les Gove Park of course!**

General Biodiesel began its partnerships with local municipalities to set up residential used cooking oil collection sites in 2011. Since the program's start, tens of thousands of gallons of used cooking oil have been diverted from city sewer lines and waste water pipes throughout the region. The cost savings to the cities (and the taxpayers) by avoiding repairs to city systems is significant.

General Biodiesel collects used cooking oil from thousands of restaurants, hotels, bars and convention centers throughout the Pacific Northwest as well as over a dozen public recycling stations in local neighborhoods. What many see as a messy waste product can become a source for local jobs, cleaner air, and a renewable energy supply that fits seamlessly with the existing transportation infrastructure.

The City of Auburn joined the oil recycling program in 2012 and set up a recycling depot at Les Gove Park. Since then, the residents of Auburn have prevented an average of 1,400 gallons of used cooking oil per year from entering the City's systems (9,328 gallons over the last 6.5 years). In addition, by recycling this waste into biodiesel, Auburn is contributing to the production of advanced biofuel that is being used right here in our region.

### What is biodiesel?

Biodiesel is a direct replacement for petroleum diesel that can be used in any diesel engine without modification. Biodiesel made from used cooking oil produce 85% less carbon emissions when compared to traditional diesel on a gallon-for-gallon basis.

### Much more than fuel

The same process that produces biodiesel for fuel can also produce environmentally friendly, non-hazardous and non-toxic lubricants and solvents. It can also be made into a non-toxic alternative to treat telephone poles. The biodiesel manufacturing process also produces glycerin which can be used in soaps, pharmaceuticals, food, as a dust suppressant on unpaved roads, and a de-icer.

Please support Auburn's efforts to reduce our carbon footprint and keep our sewer and storm drains clean by taking your cooking oil to the FREE collection site at Les Gove Park. It's easy, convenient and the right thing to do.



## Recycle Your Used Cooking Oil in Auburn

**EASY!** Recycle leftover cooking oil for free!

**HOURS** Seven days a week, during daylight hours.

**LOCATION** Les Gove Park,  
910 9th St SE  
South of water spray park.  
Tank is marked "General Biodiesel".

- Used cooking oil only (no motor oil)
- Pour slowly over grated top
- Close lid
- Take home your containers
- Leave area clean

All cooking oil will be recycled into low carbon fuel by

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# Surviving collection during ice & snow

Ice and snow can wreak havoc for garbage, recycle and yard waste collection. Roads become too dangerous for the large trucks to operate safely, especially on residential streets. Auburn's solid waste haulers are committed to safely collecting garbage and recycling as conditions permit. We appreciate your cooperation when weather conditions interrupt your regular service schedule.

## Check the web for collection information

When severe weather conditions occur, collection information and updates are posted on the City of Auburn Garbage, Recycling & Compostables page as soon as possible at [auburnwa.gov/solidwaste](http://auburnwa.gov/solidwaste). Please visit the website to see if collection in your area will be delayed.

If collection is delayed for your area, please REMOVE carts from the collection area. If you are not sure, leave your carts out for collection until the end of the day. If they are not emptied, remove your carts and check the website for collection updates or call 253-931-3038.



## Recovery plan

To keep containers accessible, please remove snow and extra material from around or on top of the containers. Materials will be collected as follows unless otherwise noted on the website:

 Garbage	 Compostables	 Recycling
<p>Up to twice the regular amount of garbage will be collected on your next regularly scheduled collection day the following week for no additional charge.</p>	<p>Up to twice the regular amount of yard debris will be collected on your next regularly scheduled collection day for no additional charge (the following week for Waste Management customers and in two weeks for Republic Services customers).</p>	<p>The next collection for recycling is on your regular collection day in two weeks. There is no charge for extra recyclables that don't fit in your cart.</p>

## How to set out extra materials

Please use plastic bags for garbage only. Follow instructions for recycle and yard debris below.

 Extra Garbage	 Extra Yard Waste	 Extra Recycling
<p>Put your extra garbage next to your garbage cart.</p> <p>Maximum weight for extras is 60 pounds each.</p>  <p>32 Gallon Can      Extra Bag</p>	<p>Put your extra yard waste next to your compost cart.</p>  <p>Bundles tied with fiber twine up to 4' long x 2' diameter. Max Weight 60 lbs.</p>  <p>32 Gallon Can      Kraft Paper Bags</p>	<p>Put extra recycling next to your recycle cart in a box or paper bag.</p> <p>Put extra recycling out the morning of collection so it stays dry.</p>  <p>Cardboard Box      Paper Bag</p>



# Christmas Tree Collection Event

**JANUARY 6-10, 2020**



Residential and multifamily customers who live within the city limits of Auburn can compost their Christmas tree and wreath at no additional charge.

Business customers who have compostables services can place their cut up tree in their compostables cart for collection.

Visit [auburnwa.gov/solidwasteevents](http://auburnwa.gov/solidwasteevents) for more details and set-out guidelines. Decorated or flocked trees can not be composted.



## Waste collection during the holidays

Transfer stations will be closed and garbage/recycle/compostables will not be collected on **Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.**

Collection will be one day later for the remainder of the week. (i.e. Wednesday will be on Thursday).

All other holidays will be on a normal collection schedule.

## Be "green" during the holidays

Holiday gatherings, gifts, and parties can create more than normal garbage, recycle, and donation materials. It can be confusing deciding what goes where. Listed in the chart below are common items that may show up in abundance around the holidays. To find locations of where to donate or drop off items, please visit [auburnwa.gov/solidwaste](http://auburnwa.gov/solidwaste). Click on Reduce, Recycle, Disposal in the menu on the left.

### PUT IN RECYCLE CART



plain gift wrap



plain gift boxes



cards & envelopes

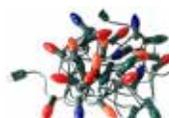


catalogs



flattened cardboard boxes (2'x3' maximum)

### DROP-OFF FOR RECYCLE



light strings



electronics



polystyrene packaging



plastic bags & wrap

### REUSE OR DONATE



gift bags & boxes



bows



artificial trees



decorations



toys

### PUT IN GARBAGE CART



fancy gift wrap and ribbon (foil, glitter, etc.)



tissue paper



plastic packaging



plastic trays & lids



paper plates, towels, & napkins



paper & plastic cups

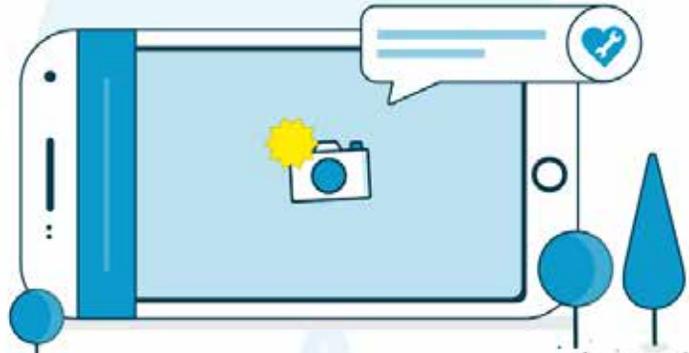


aluminum foil, pans & plates

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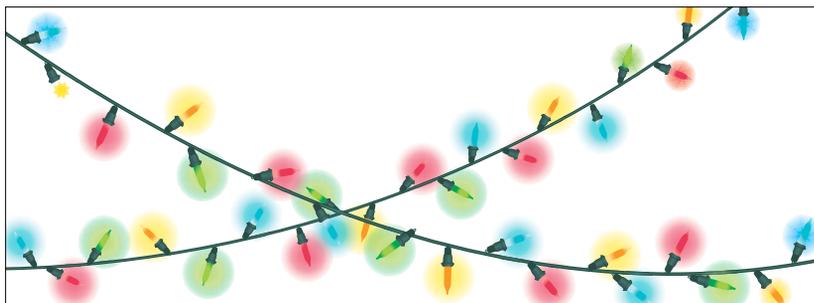
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## *Santa Parade & Tree Lighting*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**

A holiday favorite your family won't want to miss! Join us for the festive lighted parade, tree lighting, music, snow, and a visit from Santa!

**4pm** **Parade Line-up** | Main St. & E St. NE

**4:30pm** **Parade along Main Street**

Floats and vehicles allowed  
All entries must be lighted

**5pm** **Tree Lighting in City Hall Plaza**

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### *More Holiday Fun in Auburn*

#### **Gingerbread House Contest**

Entries on display from December 2-16

Limited space available for entries. Auburn Community & Event Center

#### **Cookies with Mrs. Claus**

December 7 | 2-4pm, Washington Elementary

Bring the whole family for stories read by Mrs. Claus, cookie decorating, hot cocoa and holiday crafts.

#### **Red, White & Blue Holiday Concert**

December 8 | 2pm, Auburn Performing Arts Center

#### **Auburn Community Players: The Five Ghosts of Ebenezer Scrooge**

December 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21 | 7pm

December 14, 15, 21 & 22 | 2pm

Auburn Ave Theater

#### **Breakfast with Santa**

December 14 | 8:30am & 11am,

Auburn Community & Event Center

#### **An Inspirational Christmas with Elvis**

December 18 | 7pm, Auburn Ave. Theater

#### **Parent's Night Out**

December 21 | 5-10pm, Les Gove Park Gymnasium

# Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!™

**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 6 – 12, 2019**

The Valley Regional Fire Authority (VRFA) teams up with the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA) every year for Fire Prevention Week. The NFPA has been the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years. The theme of this year's campaign is "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!" This campaign is meant to educate everyone about the small important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe.

NFPA statistics show that in 2017 U.S. fire departments responded to 357,000 home structure fires. These fires caused 2,630 fire deaths and 10,600 fire injuries. The numbers show that home fires continue to pose a threat. In a typical home fire you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarms sounds. Having a home escape plan and practicing can help make the most of the time if a fire occurs in your home.

Here are a few steps you can take to make sure your family has the best possible chance to safely escape a fire in your home:



## Smoke Alarms

- Smoke alarms are an integral part of fire escape plans. Smoke alarms provide an early warning of a fire, giving people additional escape time.
- Make sure you have working smoke alarms. At a minimum install an alarm inside every room where people sleep, outside each separate sleeping area, and on each level of your home.
- Place smoke alarms high on a wall or on the ceiling. To reduce false alarms keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen. Keep smoke alarms at least 10 feet away from the stove.
- Change the batteries in your smoke alarms twice a year, in the fall and in the spring coinciding with the start and end of Daylight Savings Time. Be sure to test all smoke alarms at least once a month. Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

## Home Fire Escape Plan

- Make an escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Discuss the plan with everyone in your home.
- Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.
- Have an outside meeting place, such as a tree or light pole, a safe distance from the home where everyone will meet.
- Make sure your house or building number can be seen from the street.
- Practice your home fire drill at night and during the day.
- Practice using different ways out.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- Close doors behind you as you leave.

## If the Alarm Sounds

- If the smoke alarm sounds, GET OUT AND STAY OUT. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- If you have to escape through smoke, GET LOW AND GO under the smoke to your way out.
- CALL 9-1-1 from outside your home.



For more information on smoke alarms and home escape planning visit the VRFA website at [vrfa.org](http://vrfa.org).

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## Piano Conversations

7:30 PM | September 21

Auburn Avenue Theater

Formerly known as Dueling Pianos x5. A feast for the ears: Boogie Woogie, Jazz, Classical, Cuban, Blues, Neo-20th Century and more! Join five touring pianists as they share the stage for an amazing night of music and laughs. *Tickets: \$21 general admission, student/senior \$18. Tickets at auburnwa.gov/arts or 253-931-3043.*

## Auburn Int'l Farmers Market



## Chili Cook-Off at the Auburn Int'l Farmers Market

10 AM | September 22

Les Gove Park

Join us for the last day of the 2019 Auburn Int'l Farmers Market season featuring the annual chili cook-off between the Auburn Police Department and the Valley Regional Fire Authority! Stop by between noon and 2 p.m. to vote for your favorite chili. All donations will go towards the Auburn Food Bank.

## AveKids Presents: Eric Haines

2 PM | September 28

Auburn Avenue Theater

Guitar-slinging comedian Eric Haines' act is part rock concert, part comedy show, and part twisted, bizarre circus. Whether it's stand-up comedy, unforgettable characters, original music, a six foot unicycle routine or amazing variety acts, Eric Haines puts on a spectacular show that truly has something for everyone. *\$10. Tickets at auburnwagov/arts or 253-931-3043.*



## Rocky Horror Show

2 PM | October 13

7 PM | October 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 & 31

11 PM | October 19

Auburn Avenue Theater

Don't miss this cult classic! Through elaborate dances and rock songs you'll meet sweethearts Brad and Janet who are stuck with a flat tire during a storm and discover the eerie mansion of Dr. Frank-N-Furter. As their innocence is lost, Brad and Janet meet a houseful of wild characters, including a rocking biker and a creepy butler.

*Pre-sale \$17, pre-sale student/senior \$14. Door sale \$22, door sale student/senior \$19. Tickets at auburnwa.gov/arts or 253-931-3043.*

## Ron Stubbs – Rock and Roll Hypnotist

7 PM | November 2

Auburn Avenue Theater

If you're looking for an old fashioned, outdated b-o-r-i-n-g show, THIS ISN'T IT! This is a modern, fast paced, laugh a minute, mind bending performance. Take all your preconceived notions of what a hypnosis show is supposed to be and toss them out the window. This is like nothing you have ever seen before, it's OUTRAGEOUS! *\$22, Student/Senior \$19. Tickets at auburn.gov/arts or 253-931-3043.*



## Gingerbread House Contest

Auburn Community & Event Center

There are two categories in this year's Gingerbread House Contest! Eight entries will be accepted in the child category, ages 12 and under. Ten entries will be accepted in the adult category, ages 13 and up. This fun event celebrates the holidays and brings the community out to see what Auburn can build! Any structures real or imaginary, houses, igloos, spaceships, etc. will be accepted. *Application Deadline: November 4. Gingerbread Houses on view December 2-16. For more details, call 253-931-3043.*

## Seattle Int'l Comedy Competition

7:30 PM | November 8

7:30 PM | November 15

Auburn Avenue Theater

This annual event welcomes comedians from around the world to the Pacific Northwest for an entire month of extraordinary comedy shows...and a winner is crowned at the end of it all. The Auburn Ave Theater will host preliminary events as a horde of comedians compete to become the newest champion!

*\$21 general admission, student/senior \$18. Tickets at auburnwa.gov/arts or by calling 253-931-3043*

## 54th annual Veterans Parade & Observance

11 AM | November 9

Main Street

Now in its 54th year, the Auburn Veterans Parade has grown into one of the largest in the United States of America. The parade boasts over 200 units and nearly 6,000 parade participants, including 25+ high school marching bands, military vehicles, veterans' units, honor guards and more.

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## The Memphis Belles

7:30 PM | November 9  
Auburn Avenue Theater

Join us on a swing through yesteryear! Featuring songs popular during WWII, this all-female vocal trio performs classic 1940's hits. Inspired by The Andrews Sisters and backed by a five piece band, "The Belles" are anything but ordinary as they charm you with their unique style and personalities.

\$22, Student/Senior \$19. Tickets at [auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts) or 253-931-3043.



**Government Offices Closed – Veteran's Day**  
November 11  
Government offices closed.

**Government Offices Closed – Thanksgiving**  
November 28 & 29  
Government offices closed.

## AveKids: Beauty & The Beast

2 PM | November 16  
Auburn Avenue Theater

Why do manners matter? For Beauty, having nice manners is a way to make friends and help others. But for the Beast, manners don't seem to matter at all since the way he looks scares everyone away. Loneliness has made the Beast unpleasant both inside and out! Can Beauty's patience and good manners melt the Beast's icy attitude, or will he be manner-less in his Manor forever?

\$10. Tickets at [auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts) or 253-931-3043.



## Reckless: Celebrating the Music of Bryan Adams

7:30 PM | November 23  
Auburn Avenue Theater

American Fool replicates the heart, soul, and excitement of John "Cougar" Mellencamp's greatest hits. Joining American Fool is Reckless, who will perform all the great hits from Bryan Adams. Two bands, One night and lots of great music.

\$22 general, \$29 students/seniors. Tickets at [auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts) or 253-931-3043.

## Red, White & Blue Holiday Concert

2 PM | December 8  
Auburn Performing Arts Center

Sing in the holidays with this annual free community concert performed by the 133rd Army Band of the Washington National Guard. Don't miss the opportunity to hear this festive and rousing concert of patriotic music honoring our troops, together with all of your favorite holiday music and carols.

Tickets are free, but required for admission and will be available for pick-up beginning November 1. Limit 6 per family.

## The Five Ghosts of Ebenezer Scrooge

7 PM | December 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21  
2 PM | December 14, 15, 21 & 22

Auburn Avenue Theater

Ebenezer Scrooge, is a miserly curmudgeon! In this twist on the traditional story, the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future along with the ghost of Jacob Marley, are joined by a FIFTH ghost! Can the Scrooge we know be transformed into a kinder, gentler man? Kick off the holiday season with the Auburn Community Players and The Five Ghosts of Ebenezer Scrooge.

Pre-sale regular \$17, pre-sale student/senior \$14, door sale regular \$22, door sale students/senior \$19. Tickets at [auburnwa.gov/arts](http://auburnwa.gov/arts) or 253-931-3043.

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10 Auburn Avenue

Auburn City Hall  
25 W Main Street

Auburn Community & Event Center  
910 9th Street SE

Les Gove Park  
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