



THIS WEEK IN RENTON

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New Delivery Day

This Week in Renton is now delivered on Wednesdays. This change will provide information from our city council meetings in a timely manner and give TWIR readers more time to plan for weekend events and activities.

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BE PART OF THE PARADE!

A favorite tradition of Renton River Days is the parade. This year's parade, "Where Community Grows," is sponsored by Brotherton Cadillac.

Parade participants represent the Renton River Days Festival's family, child, and senior-friendly nature and provide entertainment for parade spectators.

Individuals, businesses or organizations interested in participating can [apply online by July 10](#). There is a \$25 registration fee.

Renton River Days runs from Friday, July 21, through Sunday, July 23. This celebration of Renton will include family-friendly activities at Liberty Park, Henry Moses Aquatic Center, Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center, and Renton Community Center.

Check out the official [Renton River Days webpage](#) to get the daily schedule of events.



New garbage cans improve public cleanliness

There is a new type of garbage can on S Third Street from Rainier Avenue S to Shattuck Avenue S.

The new cans feature a vending machine-style locking mechanism, so garbage cans no longer be removed and left on the sidewalk where it can be spread across the city.



The new cans are easier for Republic Services drivers to empty it, and return the liner to the container.

The design evolved from the Bear Saver, originally designed to prevent bears in park settings from similarly sorting and distributing the contents. King County Metro adapted the design, tested it, and has seen a significant reduction in spilled trash. Less spilled trash also allows city public works staff, Metro, and Republic Services crews to spend more time cleaning other areas of the other city.

The artwork is uniquely Renton and a collaboration between solid waste program manager Meara Heubach and graphic designer Sheila Cowley. The theme is simple: Feeding the can keeps the spread of litter from our city and protects our fish and wildlife.



Free lunches for children—all summer long

In collaboration with Renton School District, the city is offering a valuable resource ensuring Renton children ages 1-18 receive free lunches throughout the summer. From June 26 to August 18, Monday through Friday, children can enjoy nutritious meals. These meals are crucial to an effective learning environment, not just during the school year but also during summer break.

Last year, the summer meals program provided 12,662 meals to Renton students.

In addition, enjoy our Family Fun Extravaganza summer events in partnership with King County Library System at these meal sites:

- **July 10** - Mikey the Rad Scientist, 11 a.m., Sunset Neighborhood Park, 2680 Sunset Lane NE
- **July 26** - Miho & Diego, 12:30 p.m., Heritage Park, 233 Union Avenue NE
- **August 1** - Magician Jeff Evans, 1 p.m., Tiffany Park, 1902 Lake Youngs Way SE
- **August 4** - Magician Louie Foxx, 11:30 a.m., Liberty Park, 1101 Bronson Way N

For the full summer meals schedule, visit [our website](#).

2023 RESIDENT SURVEY

**YOUR
VOICE
MATTERS!**



Your chance to give the city feedback

The city surveys our community every two to four years. Survey results provide important feedback to help understand resident and business experience with city services. It also helps advise city leaders on which future projects and services will best serve the community. These results help:

- Evaluate our performance
- Inform our performance-based budgeting process
- Understand the priorities of our residents and businesses to establish city priorities
- Help shape the future of Renton

Renton residents with questions, or those interested in taking the survey, can email rentonsurvey@rentonwa.gov.

Participation makes a difference—thank you to all for completing the survey!



Traffic closures to know: Return to Renton Car Show, Sunday, July 9

The 32nd annual Return to Renton Car Show returns on Sunday, July 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave. S). If attending the event or visiting downtown, please be aware of the following street closures from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. on July 9. Detour signage will be posted three days before the event.

- South 3rd Street will be closed from Morris Avenue South to Main Avenue South.
- Logan Avenue South and Burnett Avenue South will be closed from the Transit Center to South 3rd Street.
- Wells Avenue South and Williams Avenue South will be closed from Houser Way to South 2nd Street.

Mondays – Free Community Grocery Store, St. Matthews



Church (1700 Edmonds Ave. NE), 5:30–7:30 p.m. Presented by Sustainable Renton.

Tuesdays – [Renton Farmers Market](#), [Piazza Park](#), 3-7 p.m. through Sept. 26.

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

July 5 – Pop Up Lunch, Liberty Park (1101 Bronson Way N), 12-1:30 p.m., sponsored by the Emergency Feeding Program/SOS.

July 6 – [Summer Concerts: Stacey Jones Band](#), Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park (1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N), 7-8:30 p.m. Free.

July 7 – SOS/Food Lifeline Free Lunch Pop Up, Downtown Renton (126 Logan Ave. S), 10 a.m.-2 p.m., sponsored by Food Lifeline and the Emergency Feeding Program/SOS.

July 9 – [Return to Renton Car Show](#), Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave. S), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free.

July 10 – [Family Fun Entertainment Series: Together at Last!](#), Sunset Neighborhood Park (2680 Sunset Lane NE), 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Free.

July 14 – [Summer Outdoor Movie Series: Jurassic World Dominion](#), Liberty Park (1101 Bronson Way N). The movie starts at dusk. Free.

July 19 – [Neighborhood BBQ](#), Renton High School (400 S 2nd St.), 5-8 p.m. Theme: Celebrate Renton! Free.

July 21-23 – [Renton River Days](#).

July 26 – [Family Fun Entertainment Series: Musical Trip Around the World](#), Heritage Park (233 Union Ave. NE), 12:30 -2:30 p.m. Free.

July 28 – [Summer Outdoor Movie Series: Luca](#), Henry Moses Aquatic Center (1719 Maple Valley Hwy). The movie starts at dusk. A \$10 fee and [registration required](#). Use the keywords 'Summer Movie.'

August 12 – [Cruz the Loop](#), Renton Pavilion Event Center/Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave. S), 6-9 p.m. Early bird registration is \$30 through 9 a.m. on July 12 and \$40 through August 4 or until sold out. Free to attend.

September 9 – [Styrofoam & Document Shred Recycling](#), Renton Technical College Parking Lot (NE 6th Place & Monroe Avenue NE), 10 a.m.–2 p.m. City staff will collect non-perishable food items for distribution to Renton-area food banks.

In other news, this week



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

[988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline](#)

[Arts in Renton](#)

[Bronson Way Bridge](#) project

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

[Parks Projects](#) (Arnold, Coulon, Kiwanis)

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

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

[Recreation Guide](#) (current classes, activities, leagues & events for May to August)

[Report issues via Renton Responds](#)

[Summer Employment Opportunities](#)

[Traffic Construction Projects](#)