



THIS WEEK IN RENTON

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Clear your calendars and plan to experience [Renton River Days from July 21-23](#). Renton's annual family festival and community celebration returns to its pre-COVID three-day run of familiar family-friendly events, plus exciting new ones.

Back this year are activities for all ages at Liberty Park, the parade, rubber ducky derby, pancake breakfast, food trucks, community booths, and musical stage entertainment.

New for 2023 are the summer bazaar, basketball (3-on-3) and volleyball tournaments, swim sessions, a poker walk/pub crawl, and a drone show on Saturday night at Piazza Park.

If you're a resident or business, there's still time to get involved with River Days activities and sponsorships.

Parade: [Applications are being accepted](#) for participation in the Renton River Days parade, sponsored by Brotherton Cadillac, on Saturday, July 22, at 10 a.m. The parade will begin on S 3rd Street and run through downtown. The theme is "Where Community Grows." All entries should represent the family, child, and senior-friendly nature of the Renton River Days Festival.

Sponsor: River Days is an excellent opportunity to promote your company and build community. Email rentonriverdays@rentonwa.gov to become a festival sponsor.

Summer Bazaar: [Vendor applications](#) are being accepted for the 2023 Summer Bazaar, formerly Renton River Days Art Market, at the Renton Community Center, Friday through Sunday.

Community Booths: Booths are available for non-profits. [All participants](#) must provide an activity that represents families, children, and senior populations.

Renton River Days Advisory Board: Applications are being accepted to serve on the [Renton River Days Advisory Board](#). Members serve without compensation and must attend meetings either in person at Renton City Hall or via Zoom on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. on May 15, 2023.



Metal & Styrofoam RECYCLE EVENT

Saturday, May 13, 10am-2pm
RTC, NE 6th Pl. & Monroe Ave. NE



rentonwa.gov/recycleevents

Metal and Styrofoam recycle event is Saturday

Our Solid Waste Utility's [Metal & Styrofoam Recycling](#) collection is Saturday, May 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in

the Renton Technical College Parking Lot (NE 6th Place & Monroe Ave. NE).

- We're accepting:
 - Scrap Metal and Large Appliances
 - Auto parts, lawn chairs, water heaters, lawn mowers, bikes, iron, and steel
 - Remove all wheels and nonmetal parts
 - Remove oil and fluids from auto parts and mowers
- Styrofoam
 - Styrofoam peanuts and bubble wrap
 - Bagged packing peanuts
 - Clean white block Styrofoam (look for #6 or EPS inside the recycle symbol)
- We are not accepting:
 - Television sets or computers
 - Vehicle chassis
 - Refrigerators, dishwashers, or microwaves

Non-perishable food items will be collected for distribution to Renton-area food banks.

We reserve the right to refuse oversized vehicles and/or unacceptable materials/items. No business waste will be accepted. Vehicles will only be allowed entry from southbound Monroe Avenue NE.

Our website has more [recycling resources](#).



Mayor Armondo Pavone presents the Affordable Housing Week (May 7-13) proclamation to Kathleen Hosfeld, Executive Director/CEO, Strategy and Change Leadership, Homestead Community Land Trust, and Cliff Cawthon, Advocacy & Policy Manager, Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King County.



Mayor Pavone presents the Building Safety Month (May) proclamation to members of the city's Development Services team: (Left to Right): David Hedwall, Eric Petzold, Keith Miner, Rob Shuey, Steven Triplett, Melissa Kamphaus, Rob Thompson, Paul Wong, Scott Mitchell, Donna Locher, Alan Findlay, and Rick Lee.

Proclamations: Affordable Housing Week and Building Safety Month

Two important proclamations were presented at Monday's Renton City Council meeting.

May 7-13 was [Affordable Housing Week](#) in Renton. Accepting the proclamation were Kathleen Hosfeld, Executive Director/CEO, Strategy and Change Leadership, Homestead Community Land Trust, and Cliff Cawthon, Advocacy & Policy Manager, Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King County.

Our [2023-2028 Business Plan](#) aims to provide a safe, healthy, and vibrant community. We need help to achieve this goal, so we work with affordable housing partners like Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King & Kittitas Counties and Homestead Community Land Trust.

[Affordable Housing Week](#) highlights the role affordable housing plays in stabilizing communities through education and advocacy.

May is [Building Safety Month](#) in the city. Accepting the proclamation were members of the city's Development Services Division, which oversees inspections and code compliance. The growth and strength of our city depend on the safety of our homes, buildings, and infrastructure. The division ensures construction projects meet city building codes and ordinances, zoning regulations, and contract specifications.



Bronson Way N to close at bridge on May 15

A reminder that Bronson Way N will be closed at the bridge over the Cedar River at 7 a.m. on Monday, May 15. The seismic retrofit project will have the bridge closed for up to two months. Vehicle and pedestrian detour routes are marked.

Our website has current information on projects conducted by our Public Works and Economic Development departments.

- [Bronson Way N Bridge seismic retrofit](#)
- [Rainier Avenue S Phase 4](#) (underway)
- [Park Avenue N extension](#) (surveying)
- [Traffic Projects](#) (Public Works and Community & Economic Development projects)



Spanish speaking CPR classes

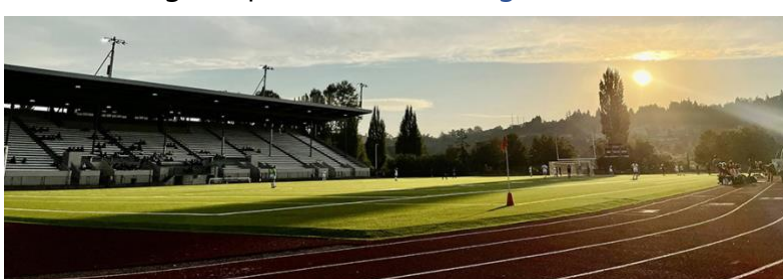
Renton Regional Fire Authority, in partnership with Centro Rendu, will hold two CPR courses in Spanish. The classes are Saturday, June 3 and Saturday, November 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Fire Station 13 (18002 108th Ave. 98055). Each class is \$15 per person.

- [Register for the June 3 class](#)
- [Register for the November 4 class](#)



Free Scout Night on May 23

Renton Regional Fire Authority and Renton Police Department host their annual free Scout Night on Tuesday, May 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Fire Station 14 (1900 Lind Ave. SW, 98057). All scouting, youth explorer, and adventure groups (through 5th grade) in the Renton community are welcome to attend. Scouts will rotate through learning stations designed to fulfill several badge requirements. [Pre-registration is](#)



[required.](#)

High school championships at Memorial Stadium

Renton Memorial Stadium is hosting three high school athletic events over the next three weeks:

- Friday, May 12 – KingCo 2A/3A/4A Conference Championship Track Meet

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- Wednesday, May 17 – Sea-King 2A/3A/4A District 2 Regional Track Championships
- Friday, May 19 – Sea-King 2A/3A/4A District 2 Regional Track Championships
- Saturday, May 20 – Sea-King 2A/3A/4A District 2 Regional Track Championships
- Friday, May 26 – WIAA Boys 1A/2A State Soccer Championship, 1 & 3 p.m.
- Saturday, May 27 – WIAA Boys 1A/2A State Soccer Championship, 11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

EVENTS & Activities



Mondays – [Free Community Grocery Store](#), St. Matthews Church (1700 Edmonds Ave. NE), 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Presented by [Sustainable Renton](#).

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

May 13 – [Metal & Styrofoam Recycling](#), Renton Technical College Parking Lot (NE 6th Place & Monroe Ave. NE), 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Non-perishable food items collected for distribution to Renton-area food banks.

May 17 – Pop-Up Lunch, 1150 Oakesdale Ave. SW, 12-2 p.m. Sponsored by SOS Pop-up at the Sidney Wilson House. Free.

May 19 – Pop-Up Lunch, 126 Logan Ave N, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., sponsored by SOS/Food Lifeline Pop-up. Free.

May 20 – [Neighborhood Picnic](#), Renton Community Center (1715 Maple Valley Hwy), 12 to 3 p.m. Theme: Grad Party & Job Fair.

May 24 – Pop-Up Lunch, 300 Rainier Ave. N, 12-1:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Emergency Feeding Program. Free.

May 26 – Pop-Up Lunch, 126 Logan Ave N, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., sponsored by SOS/Food Lifeline Pop-up. Free.

May 29 – Memorial Day Ceremony, Veterans Memorial Park (1000 S 3rd St.), 1 p.m.

June 6 – [Renton Farmers Market](#), Opening Day, Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave. S), 3-7 p.m. Market is every Tuesday through Sept. 26.

June 6 – [Downtown Renton Civic Core Vision and Action Plan](#) Open House, Renton Event Center (233 Burnett Ave. S), 3-7 p.m. Adjacent to Renton Farmers Market. On display will be active projects recommended by the Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action Plan. Your input can help design a new greenway trail and arts/culture space. Refreshments will be provided and there's a scavenger hunt for a great prize.

June 7 – [Renton Career Fair](#), Renton Technical College, Roberts Campus Center 3000 NE 4th St., 3-6 p.m.

June 10 – [Mattress, Box Spring, Cardboard, Styrofoam & Tire Recycling](#), Renton Technical College Parking Lot (NE 6th Place & Monroe Ave. NE), 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Non-perishable food items collected for distribution to Renton-area food banks.

June 11 – [Juneteenth Celebration Concert](#), Renton City Concert Band, Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center (400 S 2nd St), 2 p.m. Renton City Concert Band with conductor Michael Simpson. Tickets are \$10 (adults) and \$7 (students & 50+). Tickets can be purchased on the day of the performance or before at Renton Community Center, Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center.

June 23 – Neighborhood Picnic, Cascade Elementary School (16022 116th Ave SE), 4 to 7 p.m. Theme: U.N. Public Service Day.

June 25 – [Reclaiming Our Greatness](#), Juneteenth Celebration, Liberty Park (1101 Bronson Way), 12-5 p.m.

July 19 – Neighborhood Picnic, Renton High School (400 S 2nd St.), 5 to 8 p.m. Theme: Celebrate Renton!

July 21-23 – [Renton River Days](#).

August 12 – [Cruz the Loop](#), Renton Pavilion/Piazza Park, 6-9 p.m. Early bird registration is \$30 through 9 a.m. on July 12 and is \$40 through August 4 or until the event is full.

Sept. 9 – [Styrofoam & Document Shred Recycling](#), Renton Technical College Parking Lot (NE 6th Place & Monroe Ave. NE), 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Non-perishable food items collected 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. You can 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 S Phase 4](#) construction project

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

[Report issues via Renton Responds](#)

[RPD Youth Academy](#) (June 26-28. Free for middle school students)

[Summer Employment Opportunities](#)

[Traffic Projects](#) (impactful traffic projects)