

# CITYWIDE NEWS

## THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY HOSTS A HIGHLINE FORUM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS



***It's Our Turn To Host! At the event, Mayor Jim Ferrell presented our story to representatives from the Port of Seattle, the City of Burien, the City of SeaTac, the City of Tukwila, the City of Normandy Park, the City of Des Moines, Highline College, and the Highline School District. Our Economic Development Director, Tanja Carter, gave a high-level overview during the Highline Forum. While the primary purpose of the meeting was to share updates on mutually beneficial relationships between the airport and cities, the focus of their discussion on March 27 was tourism.***

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## UPDATE ON PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON SR 99

Great news for the community! The City of Federal Way proudly announces that we have successfully acquired \$120,800 for pedestrian improvements along Pacific Highway near Federal Way High School.

Mayor Ferrell received the confirmation letter in March from the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB). As mentioned in the letter from TIB's Executive Director, the project is supported by funding from Washington's Climate Commitment Act (CCA).



### DOWNLOAD THE FREE 'EYES ON FEDERAL WAY' APP!

Available Now!

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Eyes on Federal Way

Here's your chance to participate in our efforts to maintain Federal Way as a clean and secure living place! You can report non-emergency issues such as graffiti, potholes, littered streets, or abandoned shopping carts through the "Eyes on Federal Way" app. We value your contributions to keeping our community safe!

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## RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY CELEBRATES COMPLETION OF NEW FAMILY BIRTH CENTER AT ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL!



**The City of Federal Way is excited to announce the Grand Opening Celebration of St. Francis Hospital's new Family Birth Center! We thank St. Francis Hospital for inviting Mayor Ferrell and our dedicated City Councilmembers to the ribbon-cutting ceremony of this state-of-the-art modern medical facility, one of the finest in South King County. The opening of the new Family Birth Center on March 28 is a testament to how Federal Way has become a healthcare hub in South King County!**

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## FYPD'S ANDY HWANG MEETS WITH DEPARTMENT MEMBERS FOR HIS 2024 ANNUAL CHIEF'S ADDRESS



The Federal Way Police Department's Annual Chief's Address is a pivotal event within the organizational calendar.

It is strategically designed to allow Chief Hwang to visit with all department members through five different sessions in the Patrick Maher Room at City Hall.

The police department gathering serves multifaceted purposes, primarily to foster alignment and a unified sense of purpose among the entire staff.

The Chief's Address is a platform to communicate the department's overarching goals and objectives, including:

- Thoroughly reflecting on the past year's accomplishments.
- Acknowledging the entire staff's collective efforts.
- Reinforcing the organization's core values and priorities.

Transparency is another critical element of the Chief's Address.

His police department examines organizational changes and other necessary information that impact the staff and demonstrates the value of open communication and commitment while keeping employees informed, reinforcing the organizational culture, and aligning towards a shared vision!

The City of Federal Way appreciates their hard work and commitment to ensuring the safety of our hard-working residents.



## FWPD'S ANDY HWANG TAKES FAMOUS KOREAN MUSICIANS ON A TOUR OF CITY HALL!



Federal Way Police Department (FWPD) Chief Andy Hwang took pride in recently giving a tour of City Hall to Joon Ho Son and So Hyun Kim, two famous South Korean musicians!

You may recall the married couple performing at the PAEC last summer, marking their first appearance in the Northwestern United States.

Their memorable performance in Federal Way coincided with the 70th anniversary of the South Korean-United States alliance.

As you can imagine, their music connects with audiences worldwide, including Federal Way, which has one of the largest Korean American populations on the West Coast (Los Angeles is home to the largest Korean community in the United States)!



**Welcome to Federal Way! So Hyun Kim (pictured third to right), a South Korean actress, model, and host, and her husband Joon Ho Son (second to right), a famous South Korean actor and musician, were pictured with Andy Hwang and their family and friends on March 25. So Hyun Kim and Joon Ho Son reportedly met in 2011 while performing in the "Phantom of the Opera." Thank you, Chief Hwang, for giving our famous friends from South Korea a tour of City Hall!**

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# MAYOR FERRELL ATTENDS A GOOD EGGS BREAKFAST EVENT HOSTED BY KING COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER PETE VON REICHBAUER



King County



**Mayor Jim Ferrell and City Council President Linda Kochmar (pictured third to the left) attended the Good Eggs Breakfast at Emerald Downs, hosted by King County Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer, on March 27! During the breakfast, Major General Bret D. Daugherty, a resident of Federal Way, the Director of the Washington Military Department, and the Commander of the Washington National Guard, spoke about the importance of working together, navigating the challenges of natural disasters, and how preparation is a team sport. His presentation was insightful and informative, and we appreciate his dedicated service. It was also an excellent opportunity for Mayor Ferrell to catch up with other regional Mayors. The City of Federal Way salutes Major General Bret D. Daugherty, The Adjutant General, for his service.**

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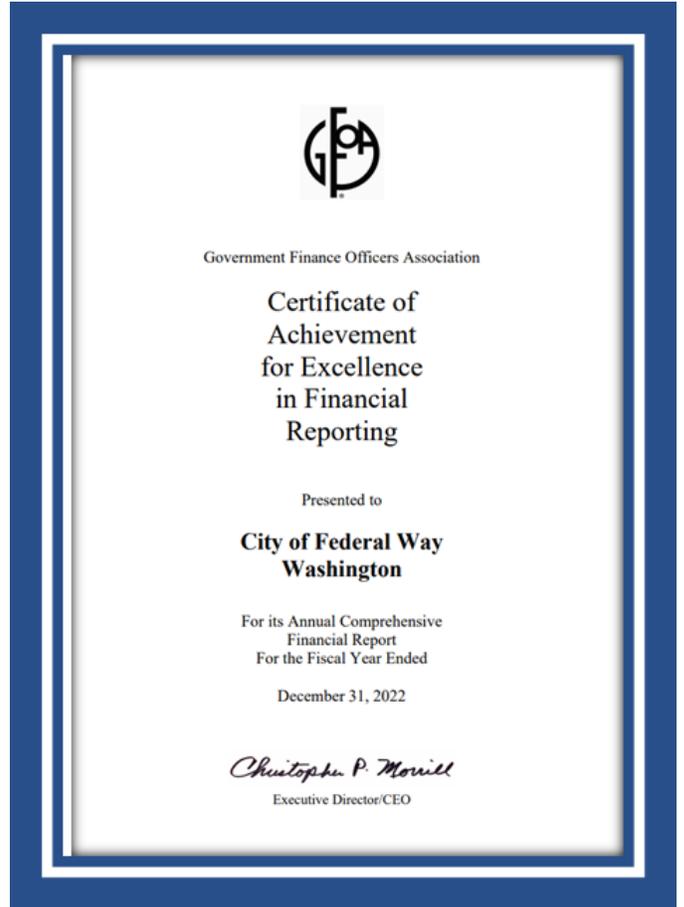
## THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY FINANCIAL TEAM WINS ANOTHER EXCELLENCE AWARD!



City of Federal Way Washington



**2022** Annual  
Comprehensive  
Financial Report  
For the year ended December 31, 2022



The City of Federal Way's decorated Finance Department recently received its 33rd consecutive Excellence in Financial Reporting certificate from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report! Deputy Director Chase Donnelly and Senior Financial Analyst David Liang do the heavy lifting every year, with assistance from every City of Federal Way Finance Department staff member. Congratulations to the team led by Finance Director Steve Groom. Their commitment to award-winning excellence is inspirational for us all!



## CITYWIDE NEWS



# SHOWING SUPPORT FOR THE MARINERS BY LIGHTING UP OUR PAEC BLUE BEFORE THEIR HOME OPENER!



***Last week, if you had driven past the PAEC, you would have seen the blue lights shining bright! The lights were a way for Federal Way to show its support for the Mariners' regular-season opener against the Boston Red Sox on March 28. Pitcher Luis Castillo got the nod for the M's on Opening Day! We thank Tanja Carter, our Economic Development Director, for her efforts in securing a seat for Federal Way on the Seattle Sports Commission and our membership. The City of Federal Way is committed to working alongside the Seahawks, Mariners, Sounders, and Storm (hopefully, they'll bring the SuperSonics back)!***

# Upcoming EVENTS

FWPAEC

**4.05** **AN EVENING WITH JIMMY FAILLA**  
8:00 PM

**4.13** **MATT MATHEWS**  
3:00 PM & 8:00 PM

**4.14** **FEDERAL WAY SYMPHONY**  
2:30 PM

**4.20** **FIVE FOR FIGHTING**  
7:30 PM

**4.21** **RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS**  
7:00 PM



**YOUR TYPE  
IS JUST WHAT  
WE NEED.**

**Schedule your blood donation today.**



## CITY OF FEDERAL WAY

Bloodmobile | 33325 8th Ave S Federal Way

Tuesday, April 2

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

visit [BloodworksNW.org/GiveBlood](https://BloodworksNW.org/GiveBlood) or scan the QR Code to book your one hour appointment today!

Photo ID & appointments required. No one under the age of 16 permitted onsite.

**ALL DONATIONS GO TO PATIENTS IN THE PNW**

800-398-7888 | [bloodworksnw.org/giveblood](https://bloodworksnw.org/giveblood)

@bloodworksnw   





# Basic Course

## Wednesday Evenings

April 10 – May 29, 2024



**What is CERT?** - The Greater Federal Way (GFW) Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program provides residents of the Federal Way Community with disaster preparedness skills to protect themselves, their families, and their neighbors. It also teaches the skills and organizational structure to respond to the immediate needs of the community, supporting First Responders in the event of an emergency or disaster.

**Training is Free** – Upon graduation, each student volunteer receives their own backpack with CERT gear and a certificate of completion.



**Sign Up Today!**

**Sharon Green,**

**Federal Way Emergency Management**

**Outreach Coordinator**

**Call: 206-930-6645**

**Email: [sharon.green@cityoffederalway.com](mailto:sharon.green@cityoffederalway.com)**

**April 10:**  
6-8:30pm

**Disaster Preparedness and  
CERT Organization**

Federal Way City Hall  
33325 8<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Federal Way  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Patrick Maher Room

**April 17:**  
6-8:30pm

**CERT and Terrorism and  
Disaster Psychology**

Patrick Maher Room

**April 24:**  
6-8:30pm

**Disaster Medical 1**

Patrick Maher Room

**May 1:**  
6-8:30pm

**Disaster Medical 2**

Patrick Maher Room

**May 8**  
6-8:30pm

**Fire Safety and Utility Control**

South King Fire Training St. 68  
1405 SW 312th St, Federal Way

**May 15:**  
6-8:30pm

**Light Search and Rescue**

Federal Way City Hall  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Council Chambers

**May 22:**  
6-8:30pm

**Make Up Classes and  
Practical Exercise Prep**

Patrick Maher Room and  
Council Chambers

**May 29:**  
6-8:30pm

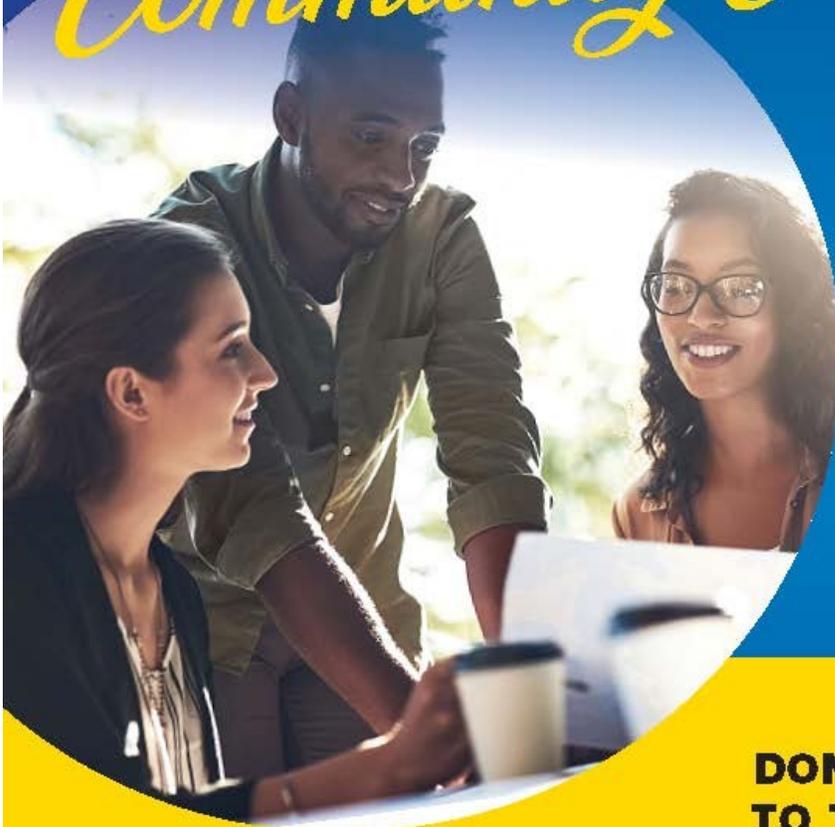
**Practical Exercise**

TBD

**FREE**  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The **MIRROR** FEDERAL WAY presents...

**HOT OFF THE PRESSES:**  
*Community Conversations*



**TUESDAY,  
APRIL 16, 2024  
1:00 – 2:30 PM**

**POVERTY BAY CAFÉ,  
1 108 S 322ND PL**

*"A newspaper is a mirror  
reflecting the public..."*

– Arthur Brisbane

**JOIN US!**

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY  
TO TALK WITH THE NEWSROOM!**

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# PARKS APPRECIATION DAY

**Saturday, April 20  
9 AM - NOON**

## **Rain or Shine!**

Bring gloves, wear sturdy shoes and clothes that you don't mind getting dirty!

## **PLEASE BRING EXTRA TOOLS!**

Tools are available, but extra shovels, gloves, clippers & wheelbarrows are needed!

### **Site 1:**

Brooklake Blueberry Farm  
726 S. 356th Street

### **Site 2:**

Saghalie Park  
33914 19th Ave SW

**Pre-Register With George Richen!**

(253) 835-6963

George.Richen@FederalWayWA.gov



**WWW.ITALLHAPPENSHERE.INFO/PARKSDAY**

# **CITYWIDE NEWS**

**Join us for a FREE event featuring  
guided Tai Chi, Qigong, mindfulness,  
and community connection!**

**Saturday, April 27  
10-12 p.m.**

**Pacific Bonsai Museum  
2515 S 336th Street  
Federal Way, WA 98001**



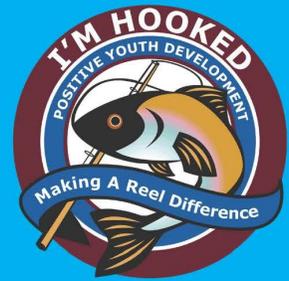
**WORLD TAI CHI DAY**



**Saturday, April 27, 2024  
10AM - 12PM**



# CITYWIDE NEWS



Washington Department of FISH & WILDLIFE



# I'M HOOKED KIDS FISHING EVENT

# FREE REGISTRY FOR KIDS

**MAY 4**  
**7AM - 2PM**

**STEEL LAKE PARK**  
**2410 S 312TH ST**  
**FEDERAL WAY**

Bring the whole family for a fun filled day of fishing! Community mentors will guide your child in the art of fishing, instilling a love of the sport for years to come!

## RAIN OR SHINE!



### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Angler Education
- Shoreline Fishing
- Water Safety
- Aquatic Ecology
- Health & Wellness
- Musical Art Experience
- Nature Art Experience
- Free Lunch For Kids

### WE WILL PROVIDE:

- Fishing Rods & Reels to use
- Bait & Tackle
- BAGs & Ice
- PFD (Life Jacket)

**LUNCH PROVIDED**  
KIDS: FREE  
ADULTS: \$5

REGISTER ONLINE [WWW.IMHOOKEDINC.ORG](http://WWW.IMHOOKEDINC.ORG)





PRESENTED BY  
**SOUNDTRANSIT**



**FREE!**

**10-YEAR CELEBRATION**

# MAY 11

## 11AM - 2PM



Touch-a-Truck is a fun family event to get up close and personal with all of the vehicles and equipment that build, serve and protect our community with pride. This event will put your child's imagination in gear as they honk, toot and climb aboard their favorite vehicles for hands on experience! RAIN or SHINE!



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**THANK-YOU SPONSORS!**

**LOCATED AT**



WILD WAVES THEME & WATER PARK  
PARKING LOT  
36201 Enchanted Pkwy S  
Federal Way, WA 98003

**HAVE A TRUCK OR WANT TO SPONSOR TOUCH-A-TRUCK?**  
**Abbie.Wenick@FederalWayWA.gov**  
**253-835-6924**



**SAVE THE DATE**

*The City of Federal Way  
Senior Advisory Commission Presents...*

# Senior Health & Resource Fair

**Thursday | May 16, 2024 | 10AM - 1PM**

Located at  
Federal Way Performing Arts  
& Event Center  
31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S  
Federal Way, WA 98003

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This will be an opportunity for families, ***and especially seniors***, to be introduced to vendors and resources available in the senior community!

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See our website for more details!  
[www.cityoffederalway.com/page/senior-advisory-commission](http://www.cityoffederalway.com/page/senior-advisory-commission)

**FREE**



# Arts Explosion

**Federal Way's 2nd  
Annual Arts Festival**

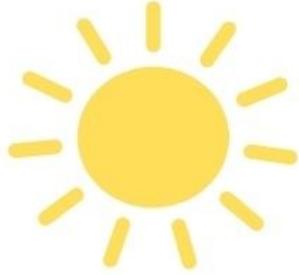
**May 31 - June 2, 2024**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT THE**  
Federal Way Performing Arts & Events Center  
31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S  
Federal Way, WA 98003

**Artist submissions deadline is April 20, 2024**

Cash awards. For more information go to  
[cityoffederalway.com/content/Arts-Commission](http://cityoffederalway.com/content/Arts-Commission)





**SAVE THE DATE  
FOR THE**

Federal Way  
**COMMUNITY**  
*Festival*

**AUGUST 10, 2024**

**11AM - 6PM**

**TOWN SQUARE PARK**

**31600 PETE VON REICHBAUER WAY S.  
FEDERAL WAY, WA 98023**

**We are looking for sponsorships, entertainers, food vendors, retail vendors and services, childrens ideas, non-profits & volunteers!**

**Applications due 4.15.24!**

**Email [Diversity@cityoffederalway.com](mailto:Diversity@cityoffederalway.com) for more info!!**