

# CITYWIDE NEWS

## THE FEDERAL WAY FARMERS MARKET CONCLUDES ITS SEASON FINALE!



***Thank you, Federal Way Farmers Market! We can't wait for the Farmers' Market to reopen in 2024. We appreciate Dave Ehl, Rose Ehl, and Karla Kolibab's (pictured above) dedication to our community. For the season finale, they made it fun with a Halloween theme. As part of Halloween festivities, many people performed Michael Jackson's famous "Thriller" dance.***

The Federal Way Farmers Market commemorated its 20th anniversary on October 28, one final time, thanks to the continued support of its vendors and community members! Mayor Jim Ferrell and our dedicated City Council were among the crowd who packed The Commons over the weekend.

Dave Ehl, Rose Ehl, and their daughter Karla Kolibab, co-founders of the Farmers Market, were present and interacted with everyone, making it an unforgettable experience!

"The Farmers Market is the welcoming gathering place of our community," said the Mayor. "Consider the work of Rose, Dave, and Karla over the past two decades — it's a huge accomplishment. Every Saturday from May to October, our community enjoys friendly vendors, fresh produce, flowers, and delicious food. The Federal Way Farmers Market has become integral to our community's fabric."

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Farmers Market at the same place in 2024!

## THE MAYOR OF OUR SISTER CITY IN RIVNE, UKRAINE VISITS!



**Mayor Oleksandr Tretyak of Rivne, Ukraine, presented Mayor Ferrell with a patch worn during the battle with Russia in Ukraine. The City of Federal Way stands in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Ukraine in their fight for independence and freedom.**

It was an honor to welcome Mayor Oleksandr Tretyak from our Sister City in Rivne, Ukraine, to City Hall on October 27! Mayor Ferrell had a great meeting with him, where they discussed common interests and exchanged views.

During his visit to the United States, Mayor Tretyak met with members of Congress in our nation's capital and representatives of The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP). We look forward to welcoming Mayor Tretyak back to Federal Way!

Here is the link to [Mayor Tretyak's interview with ABC News](#) on March 2, 2022.



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## HOTWORX FEDERAL WAY RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY!



*Welcome to Federal Way! Mayor Ferrell, Deputy Mayor Susan Honda, The Greater Federal Way Chamber of Commerce CEO Becca Martin, Councilmember Jack Walsh, and many business community members showed their support during the ribbon-cutting ceremony festivities on October 25!*

Mayor Ferrell and our dedicated City Councilmembers were among those who attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week to welcome HOTWORX franchise owner Michelle Sparks and her team to Federal Way! The ceremony also served as an excellent opportunity to celebrate the grand opening of HOTWORX, which has revolutionized working out and taken it to the next level!



## WE WELCOME EL RINCONSITO TO ITS NEW LOCATION ON 320TH!

And right around the corner from HOTWORX, you'll find El Rinconsito and its staff settling in at their new Federal Way location off 320th!

Tanja Carter, our Economic Development Director, shared photos of the grand opening ribbon-cutting earlier this month at the new restaurant across the street from The Commons.

We stopped by for lunch last week, and it was amazing! El Rinconsito's fantastic staff offers fresh, hand-made salsa, seafood, and other delicious options.

We are delighted to witness the ongoing influx of businesses into our Federal Way community!



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## FEDERAL WAY HIGH SCHOOL ALUM JADEN MCDANIELS SIGNS A MASSIVE NBA CONTRACT!



Minnesota Timberwolves forward Jaden McDaniels leaps over the competition during the NBA preseason tune-up against the Dallas Mavericks in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates on October 5, 2023.

Photo courtesy: Ryan Lim/AFP via Getty Images

It's not every day that someone from Federal Way gets to play in the National Basketball Association (NBA) and then signs a contract making headlines worldwide!

Jaden McDaniels, a former forward for the Washington Huskies and the pride of Federal Way High School, recently **signed a five-year, \$136 million contract extension** with the Minnesota Timberwolves just before the NBA deadline.

McDaniels is being rewarded for his breakout performance last year.

As the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* reports, "McDaniels earned the contract largely thanks to his growing reputation as one of the league's best perimeter defenders with an offensive game that has expanded over his first three seasons."

"Many in our community remember Jaden as the Federal Way Eagles varsity basketball team leader and a 2019 McDonald's All-American before choosing the University of Washington over his other top choices: San Diego State, Texas, Kentucky, and UCLA," **Mayor Ferrell said.**

"We wish Jaden the best this season, and the City of Federal Way is proud to see him doing so well!"



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## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: POLICE DEPARTMENT WELCOMES TIFFANY CLEMMINGS TO FEDERAL WAY!



*Civilian Operations Manager Diane Shines and Federal Way Police Department Chief Andy Hwang are thrilled to welcome Tiffany Clemmings (pictured in the middle) to the team!*

Dear Federal Way Community,

My name is Tiffany Clemmings, and I am the face behind the Community Engagement Coordinator position at the Federal Way Police Department (FWPD).

I started on August 1, 2023, and am happy to be part of the Federal Way Police Department family.

Here is a little about who I am:

I have a social work background and have been doing community work for almost 15 years. My compassion for people extends beyond my career and pours into almost everything I do. I've worked in family shelters, community health centers, and recently with high school students and, before that, in a district attorney's office with survivors of crime.

While the daily duties of these positions have varied, empathy, understanding, and

compassion have always been central to them. That also means I have a range of experience, including medical, educational, legal, and social-emotional learning.

I am excited about this role because compassion for people (a whole city!) is vital to success in this position.

So, what exactly do I do? Do you follow us on Facebook and Instagram (@FedwayPD)? I am responsible for curating content and maintaining a digital engagement platform for the police department. In our digital world, this is the quickest way to get information out to many people, including safety alerts, crime details, and other vital emergency updates.

It can also be fun to see our Federal Way Police Department as humans who work daily for your trust and respect.

Additionally, I handle crime prevention and safety education requests in the community, including schools, apartment complexes, and businesses, allowing me to address the safety concerns of community members and report them to our department.

On a more personal note, I am from New York and am the oldest of two siblings. I enjoy traveling, being at the beach, and savoring a delicious New York-style slice of pizza.

All in all, I am happy to be here!

Sincerely,

Tiffany Clemmings



## COUNCIL'S CORNER

*By Amy Glandon  
Executive Assistant to City Council*

Next week, the 2023 general election will be in full swing, and this is a friendly reminder that **ballots are due by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7**. This election is once again being hosted by King County Elections, an office responsible for accessible, secure, and accurate elections for all of King County.

The King County Elections mission is to conduct accurate, secure, and accessible elections. Their vision is to be a leader in providing inclusive elections. To make this possible, they hold to the following core values:

**Accuracy | Equity | Integrity | Service | Teamwork | Transparency**



There are many votes to cast this week, including:

- King County Assessor
- King County Director of Elections
- City Council Positions 1, 3, 5, & 7
- School District Director Positions 2, 3, & 5
- South King Fire & Rescue Commissioner Positions 4 & 5
- Lakehaven Water & Sewer District Commission 1

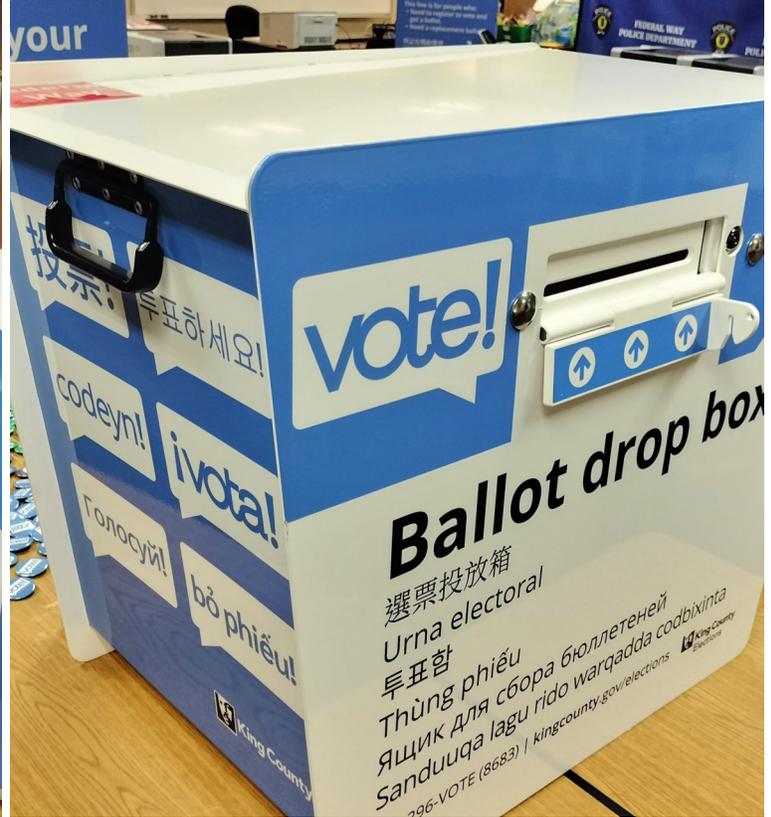
**This week's Council happenings:**

- **Arts Commission Regular Meeting**, November 2 at the FWCC, 9 a.m.
- **Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting**, November 2 at City Hall, 5 p.m.



**The regular City Council meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8!**

## KING COUNTY ELECTIONS VOTE CENTER INFORMATION



**Location:** Patrick Maher Room (City Hall lobby)

**Hours of operation:**

- November 4 from 10–4 p.m.
- November 6 from 8-6 p.m.
- November 7 (Election Day) from 8-8 p.m.

**Services offered:**

- Assistance for those who require help completing their ballots.
- Registration of new voters and issuance of voter cards.
- Updating voter records for existing voters.
- Trained staff and specialized equipment provided to help individuals with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.



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## EVENTS AT THE PAEC!



Brian Hoffman and our friends at the PAEC have been working around the clock to organize numerous events!

The PAEC recently hosted the Evergreen District of the Barbershop Harmony Society, which held its annual barbershop competition. The event was a huge success, with hundreds of people filling the building and singing resonating throughout the lobby, meeting rooms, and theater! The event was such a hit that it sold out some local hotels. Congrats to everyone involved!

Last week, the PAEC welcomed Sound Transit to a public hearing regarding its new Operations and Maintenance Facility. The hearing started with a presentation on the project's background, facility, and environmental test studies. Sound Transit also fielded questions from the public after its presentation.



The Greater Federal Way Chamber of Commerce hosted a *How To Navigate Small Business Lending* event on October 26. Small business owners attended, enjoying a presentation, breakfast, and networking opportunities!

Attention all comedy fans! Get ready for an exciting new show announced by the PAEC. The legendary stand-up comedian Jim Breuer is visiting Federal Way on March 6, 2024, to perform his *Survival with Laughter Tour*.

You may know him from his unforgettable performances on Saturday Night Live (SNL) in the 1990s, but he has also made his mark in various television shows, movies, and as a host of a popular podcast.

Take advantage of the chance to get your tickets for the upcoming event, which have been on sale since October 27. The VIP meet-and-greet tickets are selling quickly, so act fast! You don't want to miss this hilarious event. For more details, [click here!](#)



The PAEC is preparing to welcome Epic Queen, a Seattle-based Queen tribute band, on February 9, 2024. They will perform classic rock songs. This event will rock you!



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## HALLOWEEN CAME EARLY AS PARKS AND RECREATION HOSTED A TRICKS N' TREATS FUN FEST AND INCLUSION HALLOWEEN DANCE!



Our Parks and Recreation team created a family-friendly Halloween experience on October 28 at the Federal Way Community Center (FWCC)!

The Halloween extravaganza lived up to its billing by offering a ghoulishly great time for the kiddos. Over 2,000 attended, making it one of our most significant special events of the year!



In addition, the Parks and Recreation Department recently organized an Inclusion Halloween Dance.

More than 120 registered participants, volunteers, caregivers, and staff were present.

Everyone enjoyed the Halloween festivities and showcased their dance moves!



# UPCOMING EVENTS IN FEDERAL WAY!

## Swap Til' You Drop

Free Community Clothing Swap Event!

**Saturday, November 4, 2023 - 10am-2pm**



### WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SWAP?

Get rid of your adult seasonally appropriate (fall/winter) clothing, accessories, and shoes. Please pre-hang clothes. No children's items.



Learn more and register at [uqr.to/Swap1123](https://uqr.to/Swap1123) or scan the QR code. Registration appreciated, but not required.

### Drop Off Details:

October 2-30 at the following dates and times:  
Mon, Sat: 10am-2pm; Wed: 2-6pm  
South King Tool Library, 1700 S 340th St, Federal Way

### WANT TO SWAP?

Come grab amazing and new-to-you items while helping reduce textile waste.

**PLEASE** Bring your own bag(s).

### WANT TO REPAIR?

Try your hand at mending or transforming your clothing. One of our skilled fixers will advise and assist you with repairs and adjustments.

### Event Location:

South King Tool Library  
1700 S 340th St • Federal Way

All items not claimed will go to local non-profits for reuse or recycling.

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**Senior  
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Connection**

**Every 3rd Wednesday  
of the Month**

**DATES**  
October 18  
November 15: Arts Commission

**10AM - 1 PM**

Hosted by the Federal Way Senior Advisory Commission  
Located in the Senior Lounge at  
The Federal Way Community Center  
876 S. 333RD STREET, FEDERAL WAY

**FREE**

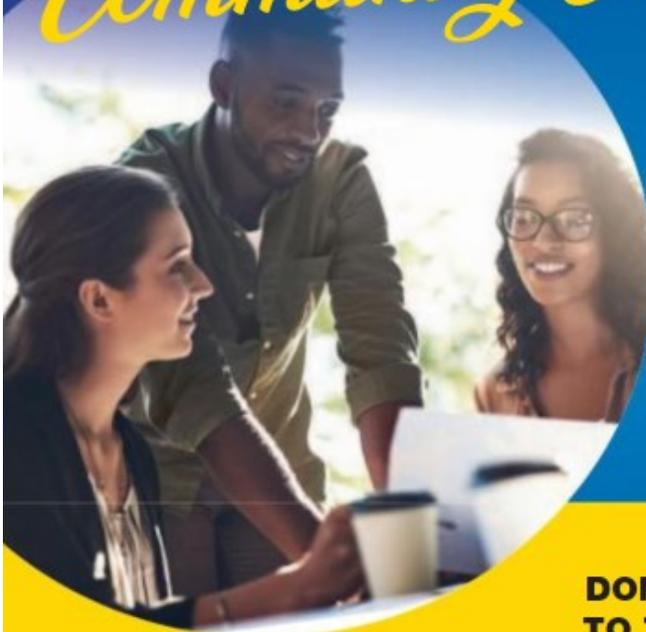


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*Community Conversations*



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NOVEMBER 21  
1:00 – 2:30 PM**

**POVERTY BAY CAFÉ,  
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– Arthur Brisbane

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**SOUTH KING FIRE  
PRESENTS**



**SANTA  
PARADES  
& CANNED  
FOOD DRIVE**

**DEC 4TH & 5TH IN DES MOINES  
DEC 11TH, 12TH, 18TH & 19TH  
IN FEDERAL WAY**

**5:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.**

**NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS**

**Since 2020, South King Fire has lit up the streets with Santa Parades to spread cheer and support our community.**

**We partner with our local cities to gather canned food for donation to food banks, offering a helping hand to families in need during a challenging time of the year.**

**Please scan the code to learn more about this year's parades.**

