

RICHLAND ROUNDUP

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE CITY OF RICHLAND



RICHLAND'S WINTER WONDERLAND

Join us for the 9th Annual Winter Wonderland, presented by HAPO Community Credit Union. This magical celebration promises to light up your holiday season with joy, laughter, and dazzling displays.



Visit John Dam Plaza any evening from 5-9 p.m. for the music and light show through the new year. The stage, trees and park will be lit with thousands of dancing lights set to a soundtrack of your favorite holiday tunes.

Other attractions in John Dam Plaza include the Richland Alphabet House Village, featuring replicas of several alphabet home floorplans.

For more information, visit richlandparksandrec.com/winterwonderland.

SHOP LOCAL, SHOP SMALL



The City of Richland has a broad range of locally owned restaurants, retail, and entertainment options to make the holiday season merry and bright. Use Richland's Small Business Passport to find special deals at restaurants, retail, and services.

The Business Passport program is a virtual passport accessible by visiting richlandbusiness.com/passport. Businesses are added and offers updated weekly. Passport cards are also available at participating businesses, Richland City Hall, Richland Public Library, and the Richland Community Center.

HELPING HANDS



Helping Hands

Richland residents can help those in need with their utility bills by donating to the City's Helping Hands Fund. There are three options to help. You can make a one-time donation, round-up your utility bill to the nearest dollar, or choose to donate a specific amount each billing cycle.

For more information, visit ci.richland.wa.us/helpinghands and fill in the easy, online form, call (509) 942-1104, and choose Option 4, or email CustomerService@ci.richland.wa.us. You may opt-in to participate, modify, or cancel at any time.

CHRISTMAS CURBSIDE COLLECTION

Christmas Collection Schedule

December 25 No Collection (Delayed by one day)

Christmas Tree Pickup

Undecorated trees will be collected from the curb during the first two weeks of January. Trees more than six feet tall need to be cut in half.

JANUARY					
M	T	W	T	F	
6	7	1	2	3	
13	14	8	9	10	
20	21	15	16	17	
27	28	22	23	24	
		29	30	31	

GREEN WASTE PICKUP REMINDER

Yard waste collection in the green cans will continue every week through the winter months, except when we are experiencing temperatures below freezing. Please check the City of Richland Government Facebook page and/or the Solid Waste website at www.ci.richland.wa.us/solidwaste for information regarding delays or cancellations. Prohibited wastes in the green can still apply. No garbage, bagged green waste, pet waste, dirt, rock, concrete, metal, or treated wood.

LANDFILL HOURS

(CLOSED CITY-RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS)

NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY:

MON - SAT 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

CLOSED SUNDAYS.

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WINTER WEATHER INFORMATION

When weather forecasts indicate that snow or ice conditions are in the forecast, Richland street maintenance crews are mobilized to apply anti-icing chemicals to the arterials, collector streets (including school zones), and steep inclined streets. Depending on the type, accumulation, and recurrence of winter storm events, the streets supervisor will determine if and when other resources are deployed based on the priority system listed below:



Priority 1 - Main arterial streets

Priority 2 - Collector streets / school zones

Priority 3 - High priority steep streets

Followed by remaining residential streets

Snow & ice control efforts are for vehicular traffic. Bike lanes and shoulders are used for snow storage and are not included in the priorities listed.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED ON SNOW & ICE CONTROL

You can stay informed of City winter weather event updates, including status of snow plowing progress:

- **Follow the City on Facebook @RichlandWA**
- **Visit our website at www.ci.richland.wa.us/snow**
- **Sign up for flash alerts (www.flashalert.net/signup) and subscribe to receive email notifications of facility closures or delays.**

WE ARE RICHLAND

Are you interested in a career with the City of Richland?

WE ARE RICHLAND

Visit www.wearerichland.org to learn more about our hiring process, including current job opportunities, salary and benefits information, minimum requirements, and training opportunities.

2025 CITY BUDGET

The 2023 City of Richland budget has been officially approved by City Council. The budget can be viewed at www.ci.richland.wa.us/budget.

TREES SAVE ENERGY

As you plan for 2025, consider planting trees as an option to cut down on your energy costs. Strategically placed trees can be as effective as other energy saving home improvements, such as insulation and the installation of weather-tight windows and doors. Trees help reduce your heating and cooling costs.

Trees save energy through cooling in the hotter months. They provide a wind break during winter. This result is burning less fossil fuels to generate electricity for cooling and heating.

Use evergreens, which retain their leaves/needles yearlong, in a planned pattern. They will serve as windbreaks to save from 10 to 50 percent in energy used for heating. Evergreens offer the best benefits when you:

- Place them to intercept and slow winter winds, usually on the north side of your home.
- Do not plant them on the south or west side of your home, because they will block warming sunlight during the winter. These trees also provide some shading benefits during summer.

For further information about our Tree Program please visit www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyservices, or call 509-942-7429 to speak with our Certified Arborist. Learn more about other ways you can save energy in your home by visiting www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyefficiency.

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

CITY OF RICHLAND FACILITIES WILL BE CLOSED ON:

December 24 & 25

(Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Observed)

&

January 1, 2024

(New Year's Day)