

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR BILLS DUE TO COVID-19?

Have you been impacted by the pandemic and need help paying your water, power, garbage, or internet bills — or rent? Qualifying families can get assistance with Thurston County's Rent Assistance Program.

Who Can Get Help

A renter in a household that at least one or more individuals meets the following:

- Qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19.
- Demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability.
- Has household income at or below 80% of area median income.

How to Get Help

To get started, schedule an appointment with Community Action Council:

- Online at erap-help.com/CACLMT or scan the QR code.
- By calling (360) 438-1100, press 8 for Housing, then 2 for housed services. (Open Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.)



You can learn how to make an appointment by watching a 5-minute video at bit.ly/RentAssistVideo or scan here:

How Landlords Can Participate

If you're a landlord and have tenants who have past-due rent:

- Share this information and encourage them to apply.
- Provide them with their most recent W-9 form and lease or rental documents.
- Agree to accept payment from Community Action Council. Rent payments go directly to landlords.

Get More Information

To get more information, including a step-by-step chart of the process, list of service providers and contact details, and more, visit bit.ly/TCRentAssistance or scan the QR code.



DECEMBER 2021

See back for upcoming events.



Watch **Latest in Lacey** — our newest way to keep you informed! It's a short video of what's coming up in Lacey, in less than 2 minutes! Catch it on our Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube accounts.

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MAKE HOLIDAY MEMORIES: LIGHTED-VEHICLE PARADE & HUNTAMER PARK AND TREE LIGHTING

Kick off the holiday season in a very bright way! Join us **Monday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m.** for our Lighted-Vehicle Parade, *presented by Interstate Batteries*. You'll see a variety of vehicles, including the Lacey Fire Department's Santa Mobile — featuring Santa himself! Following the parade, we will gather for the annual lighting of Huntamer Park and Christmas trees — a beautiful sight you don't want to miss!



Huntamer Park Holiday Lights!
Photo courtesy of
Arun Rohila Photography.

How ever you celebrate, the City wishes you a joyful season!

If you are unable to join us for the event, don't worry! Throughout December, you can visit the park to enjoy the spectacular holiday lights. And, while you're there, tune in on your radio to listen to holiday music by local youth performers and even hear Santa tell a story!

For details, including parade map and best viewing areas, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/Events or scan the QR code.



We hope to you see you at this festive community event!



LACEYLIFE NEWSLETTER

CITY OF **LACEY**

REMINDER! COMMISSION ON EQUITY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended the Commission on Equity's Community Engagement Sessions in November. If you were unable to attend, you can still provide input, online, through the end of December. Your feedback will help shape and inform the Commission's focus moving forward to build a more welcoming and equitable community.

To learn more about the Commission on Equity and provide input, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/LaceyEquity or scan the QR code.



CHECK OUT LACEY MUSEUM'S NEW TEMPORARY EXHIBITS: NOW THROUGH APRIL 30

RIGHTING A WRONG

Japanese Americans and World War II

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, Executive Order 9066 made legal the incarceration of Japanese Americans. These American citizens, young and old, were crowded together in hastily built camps under military guard in poor living conditions for two and a half years. Some 40 years later, members of the Japanese American community led the nation to confront the wrong it had done — and urged Congress to make it right. This exhibit bought to you by the Smithsonian Institution.

From Parlor to Podium

Explore the journey of women in Washington as they fought to gain the right to vote. The suffrage movement took women out of their homes and into the public sphere. You will learn about women like Charlotte French who in 1870 was the first woman to cast a vote in Washington, right here in Thurston County. It would be another 40 years before women's suffrage became the law of the land.



Photo Courtesy of Washington State Archives



Visit the Lacey Museum

829 Lacey St SE

Thursday & Friday: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Admission: FREE! *Note: All guests must wear face coverings.*

To learn more about the Lacey Museum, visit LaceyMuseum.org or scan:



WINTER/SPRING PLAYBOOK COMING SOON!



LACEY PARKS
CULTURE & RECREATION
PUT US ON YOUR PLAYLIST!

Get ready for some great programs, classes, and events in the Parks, Culture and Recreation Winter/Spring PLAYbook! You can check it out online, starting Wednesday, December 1 by visiting ci.lacey.wa.us/RecGuide or scanning the QR code.



Mark your calendar: **Registration opens Wednesday, December 15 at 8 a.m.**

TOILET REBATE UPDATE

Due to plumbing code updates in July 2021, the LOTT Clean Water Alliance Toilet Rebate Program now only provides rebates for Ultra-High-Efficiency Toilets (UHETs) with a Maximum Performance (MaP) PREMIUM rating. MaP is a testing program that rates toilet flush performance. Purchase an eligible UHET and receive up to a \$100 rebate from the LOTT Clean Water Alliance. Residential customers are eligible for up to three toilet rebates per installation address.

The Lacey Free High-Efficiency Toilet Program for water customers with an on-site septic system has not changed its standards. Water customers with an on-site septic system could potentially receive up to two free toilets to replace outdated high-flow toilets.

To find out more and see if you qualify, contact Linsey Fields at (360) 486-8707 or LFields@ci.lacey.wa.us.



UPCOMING EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE:

Event status may change due to COVID-19 guidance at the time of event. Please check our website or Facebook page for updates.

To see the complete list of events and get registration details, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/Events or scan:



Dec 3 Signing Santa

Friday, December 3, 6:30 p.m.
Chambers Prairie Elementary

Dec 6 Lighted-Vehicle Parade/Huntamer Park & Tree Lighting

Monday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.
Huntamer Park

Dec 8 History Talks! Guarding the South Sound

Wednesday, December 8, 6:30 p.m.
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers & Online via Zoom

Dec 11 Brunch with Santa

Saturday, December 11, 9 a.m./11 a.m.
Pre-registration required
Lacey Community Center

Jan 11 History Talks! History of Blacks in Thurston County: 1950-75

Presented by Dr. Thelma Jackson
Tuesday, January 11, 6:30 p.m.
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers & Online via Zoom

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
CHRISTMAS TREE ROUND-UP:
SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

The annual Christmas Tree Round-up will take place on **Saturday, January 8**, for residents who live in the Lacey city limits.

Watch for details in the January newsletter.

