

LACEY Life

Shaping our Community Together

April showers bring May flowers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE! HISTORY TALKS! with the Lacey Museum

To register for History Talks! events, visit LaceyMuseum.org and click on "Events" in the left column to find the list of dates and topics.

May 11 History Talks! A Snapshot in Time

Tuesday, May 11, 6 p.m.
Online: Zoom



LACEY PARKS CULTURE & RECREATION

PUT US ON YOUR PLAYLIST!

We're super excited to offer our community a variety of programs! To view the options, visit: ci.lacey.wa.us/RecGuide or scan QR code.



2021 SPRING EVENT CANCELLATIONS

Due to the pandemic, we have cancelled the following 2021 events:

- S.T.E.M. Fair
- Lacey Spring Fun Fair
- National Trails Day

We look forward to gathering with our community soon.

2021 LACEY CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Andy Ryder
 Deputy Mayor Cynthia Pratt
 Councilmember Lenny Greenstein
 Councilmember Michael Steadman
 Councilmember Carolyn Cox
 Councilmember Ed Kunkel
 Councilmember Malcolm Miller

CONNECT:

SHARE YOUR IDEAS. HELP SHAPE LACEY'S FUTURE: TAKE OUR SURVEY AND ENTER TO WIN \$250



Last month we launched **Lacey Cares**, a community-engagement initiative aimed at learning more about what matters most to people who live, work, learn, and play in Lacey. Over the next year, we invite you to take an active role in shaping Lacey's future by participating in the 3-phase process. Community input is vital to the success of this initiative.

Take our Survey

Haga la encuesta | 请完成调查
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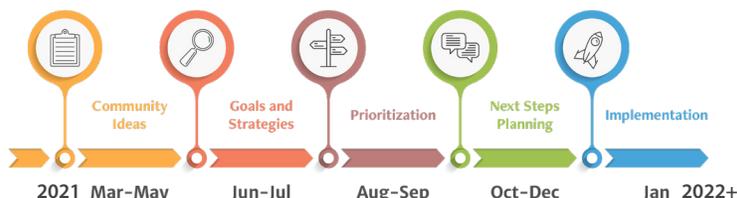
After a challenging year, we want to learn about what matters most to you.

During **Phase 1**, we invite you to take an online survey to share your thoughts on a wide range of topics that impact our community. Now through the end of May, you can access the survey—available in

English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Korean—by visiting LaceyCares.org. Survey participants can enter to win one of five \$250 gift cards. Winners will be selected by random drawing after the survey closes.

What's Next?

In **Phase 2**, we will ask the community to help shape specific goals and opportunities related to the main areas of interest that emerged from the survey. We hope to have the option of holding these conversations in person at community events, neighborhood meetings, and other venues—depending on current public health guidelines.



During **Phase 3**, the community will help prioritize potential actions using a variety of engagement methods.

Get More Information

To learn more about the Lacey Cares community-engagement initiative, including how to get involved, schedule a presentation, and sign up for updates, visit LaceyCares.org or scan QR code.



FOOD TRUCKS COMING SOON TO LACEY!

Watch for more information about the Food Truck Depot, located at the intersection of Lacey Boulevard SE and Lebanon Street SE (near the new Depot Building and train-themed play structure). Visit LocationLocationLacey.com for details.



ANIMAL SERVICES ADDS COMMUNITY BENEFITS



Animal Services recently upgraded their shelter-management software and added services that allows them to provide additional benefits to our community, as well as the animals in their care. Now, upon adoption, all animals come with a free, 30-day trial of PetHealth pet insurance, and are microchipped and automatically registered for 24Petwatch.

In addition, the new software, PetPoint, provides many improvements, including:

- 24/7 Online Lost & Found Pet Reporting
- 24/7 Online Animal Complaint & Violation Reporting
- Stray Animal (at the shelter) Postings on the Website and Twitter
- Up-to-date Adoptable Animal Listings on the Website and Postings to Twitter

Watch for information about online pet registration and license renewal, coming soon.



ANIMAL SERVICES

To learn more about Animal Services and see the list of available pets, visit JointAnimalServices.org or scan QR code.



LACEYLIFE NEWSLETTER

CITY OF LACEY

PROVIDE INPUT ON GREG CUOIO PARK & GREENWAYS MASTER PLAN: VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 6–8 PM



The Lacey Parks, Culture & Recreation Department invites you to a **virtual open house** on the **Greg Cuoio Park & Greenways Master Plan** (Master Plan) on **Wednesday, May 12 at 6 p.m.** This event, the first of many opportunities for the public to participate

in the process, will help determine what improvements and park amenities the Master Plan should include.

Master Plan Project Area

The Master Plan project area is located between Crossroads and Hawk's Prairie neighborhoods in NE Lacey, just north of I-5 (see map on right). It encompasses 537 acres of public open space, including Greg Cuoio Park, Pleasant Glade Park, and Palm Creek Headwaters. These parks and surrounding greenways' pristine wilderness, wetlands, and creeks throughout the site, represent a truly unique asset to the City and our community. The site's natural amenities will enhance Lacey's overall park system with a focus on passive recreation and minimizing our footprint on the land.



Project Goals

Important goals for the Master Plan include:

- Open-space Preservation
- Water-rights Mitigation
- Natural Storm Water Filtration
- Water-quality Protection in the Woodland Creek Watershed
- Wildlife Habitat Corridor Protection
- Potential Fisheries Enhancement

Accomplishing these goals, while creating a place for visitors and residents to experience the park and learn about this incredibly unique area, is one of the biggest challenges of the master planning process.

Get More Information and Register for Open House

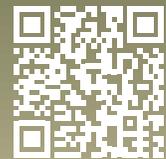
To get more information, including additional details about the project area, frequently asked questions, and a link to register for the open house, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/GCPGMP or scan QR code.



SIGN UP FOR EMAIL UPDATES ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



Construction season is here! Stay informed about what's happening during a road construction project by signing up for email updates on specific projects by visiting ci.lacey.wa.us/ProjectUpdates or scan QR code.



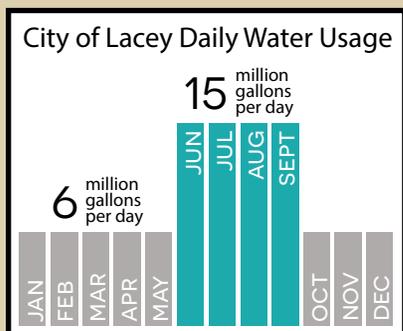
STAY ALERT IN WORK ZONES!



When driving in a work zone, please slow down and pay attention

to keep construction crews and drivers safe. **Thank you!**

ODD-EVEN WATERING SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 1



From June – September, Lacey water customers' daily water usage more than doubles - from about 6 million (in the winter) to 15 million gallons (in the summer) per day. Rather than add costly infrastructure to meet the big increase in demand for only 4 months a year, in 2006, the City adopted the odd-even watering practice to reduce peak water demand during the summer. This helps manage demand and keeps costs down.

Prior to starting the odd-even watering practice, Lacey's summer peak water demand was 17 million gallons a day. In 2020, this was reduced to 15 million gallons a day—a considerable decrease even though the number of Lacey water customers increased over 20%!

You can apply for a temporary exemption or variance if you planted a new lawn (sod or seed) or landscape area, or have an irrigation system that waters areas on both sides of the street at

the same time. To apply, contact Water Resources at **(360) 486-8707** or WaterResources@ci.lacey.wa.us.

For more information about the mandatory summer watering schedule, effective June 1 to Sept. 30, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/Odd-Even, call Public Works at **(360) 491-5600**, or scan QR code.



MANDATORY OUTDOOR WATERING SCHEDULE Effective June 1 - September 30

If your address ends in an:	ODD NUMBER (1-3-5-7-9)	EVEN NUMBER (0-2-4-6-8)
Water on:	Monday Wednesday Saturday	Tuesday Thursday Sunday

The City does not limit the amount of water you can use. However, if we all take turns, we can deliver enough water with our existing system and our community can avoid building additional water infrastructure needed for only 1/3 of the year.

A new well would cost about \$2 million, which would mean a rate increase.



LACEY FOOD PANTRY NOW OPEN AS POP-UP LOCATION

The Thurston County Food Bank recently opened the new **Lacey Food Pantry** as a pop-up location for food distribution on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.** This site, located at 7027 Martin Way E., will replace the previous pop-ups held at Saint Martin's University during the pandemic. For more information, visit ThurstonCountyFoodBank.org.

