

# LACEY Life

Shaping our Community Together

Family Fish-In: Always a favorite!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

To see the complete list of events visit [CityofLacey.org/Events](http://CityofLacey.org/Events) or scan:



Please check our website or Facebook page for updates.

### Apr 6 Arbor Day Tree Giveaway

Saturday, April 6, 9 – 11 a.m.  
Huntamer Park

### Apr 10 History Talks! The Fight for Gay and Lesbian Rights

Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.  
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers and Online

### Apr 20 Family Fish-In

Saturday, April 20, various time slots  
Longs Pond at Woodland Creek Community Park  
Cost: \$5; pre-registration required

### Apr 20 Earth Day Work Party

Saturday, April 20, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Wonderwood Park

### May 8 History Talks! Prince Hall Freemasons and Washington State

Wednesday, May 8, 6:30 p.m.  
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers and Online

### May 18/19 Lacey Spring Fun Fair

Saturday, May 18, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Sunday, May 19, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Saint Martin's University

## 2024 LACEY CITY COUNCIL

- Mayor Andy Ryder
- Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller
- Councilmember Lenny Greenstein
- Councilmember Michael Steadman
- Councilmember Carolyn Cox
- Councilmember Robin Vazquez
- Councilmember Nicolas Dunning

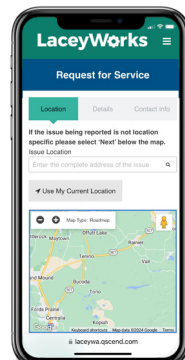
CONNECT:

## WANT MORE WAYS TO CONNECT WITH YOUR CITY? WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!

We continually work to improve access to City programs, information, public meetings, and more. Check out our most recent updates!

### Check Out Our New Community Request System

Do you have a question, comment, concern, or compliment you'd like to share with the City? We're excited to introduce **LaceyWorks** — our enhanced community request system designed for two-way communication between community members and the City. With our new system, you can easily submit requests and stay informed with timely updates. Visit [CityofLacey.org/LaceyWorks](http://CityofLacey.org/LaceyWorks) to connect today.



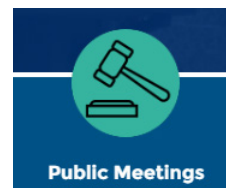
### Watch Public Meetings on Our New Apps!



**LaceyTV 77** — Your Government, On Demand, our new cable and streaming channel featuring live and on-demand coverage of Lacey public meetings and other City programming, is now available on **ROKU** and **Amazon Fire Stick**. Just search for "City of Lacey" on your device, or visit [CityofLacey.org/LaceyTV](http://CityofLacey.org/LaceyTV) to access links to the apps, and you'll be on your way! You can also watch on Xfinity Cable channel 77 and the City's website.

### Get Easy Access to Public Meeting Information

Did you know you can view all public meeting information, including agendas, materials, and files, and watch the meeting — live or on-demand — via the City's public meeting portal? And, to make it easy to access exactly what you're looking for, you can even skip to a specific agenda item on the recorded public meeting! Check it out at [CityofLacey.org/PublicMeetingPortal](http://CityofLacey.org/PublicMeetingPortal).



### Find Out More

To get more details on any of the information above, visit [CityofLacey.org/Connect](http://CityofLacey.org/Connect) or scan the QR code on the left. **Let's connect!**



## LACEY COMMISSION ON EQUITY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Watch for information on the Commission on Equity's next Community Forum: **All Abilities – Access and Functional Needs**. Date and location to be announced soon on our website and social media accounts.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR! LACEY SPRING FUN FAIR: SATURDAY, MAY 18 & SUNDAY, MAY 19



Since 1988, Lacey Spring Fun Fair has provided thousands of people a weekend of FREE activities and entertainment including rides, games, live music and performances, community booths, a car show (Sunday), and more! Attendees can also purchase food, arts and crafts, and other merchandise from vendors on site.

**NEW THIS YEAR!** We're adding a **S.T.E.M. Fair** on Saturday featuring demonstration booths, activities, vehicles, and tons of FUN!

### Interested in having a booth?

Get more information and register online at [LaceyParks.org/FunFair](http://LaceyParks.org/FunFair) or scan the QR code.

You can also get event details and more ways to participate on the webpage listed above.



See ya there!



LACEYLIFE NEWSLETTER



CITY OF LACEY



# MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD: JOIN THE LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL!

The Lacey Youth Council is an advisory body to the Lacey City Council. It's a great opportunity for students to learn about local government, provide feedback to the City on a variety of topics, and engage in community projects. You can even earn 30+ hours of community service or a \$50 stipend per meeting attended, up to \$500 a year.

The City is accepting applications from 2024-25 sophomores, juniors, and seniors from North Thurston Public Schools, private schools, and home school student bodies, now through June 30.

To get more information or apply, visit [CityofLacey.org/LYC](http://CityofLacey.org/LYC), scan the QR code, or email [LYC@CityofLacey.org](mailto:LYC@CityofLacey.org). **Share your voice. We want to hear it!**



LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL



## Arbor Day Tree Giveaway

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024  
9-11 AM

HUNTAMER PARK

In honor of Arbor Day, the City is giving away\* eight types of bare-root, native trees, including:

- Cascara
- Mock Orange
- Pacific Crabapple
- Pacific Ninebark
- Paper Birch
- Red Elderberry
- Red Flowering Currant
- Tall Oregon Grape

... while supplies last.

\*Free event, limited to one per person, so bring your family along!

## Lacey Youth Council in Action



## Stories of the South Sound as told by those who lived it

We invite you to take part in an oral history project told from the perspective and experiences of people of different cultural, racial and ethnic backgrounds, and LGBTQIA+ community members.

This project will help us:

- Better represent our local communities.
- Build community relationships.
- Be intentional and inclusive in our storytelling.
- Portray a wider history of the South Sound region.

To learn more, visit [LaceyParks.org/Oral-History-Project](http://LaceyParks.org/Oral-History-Project) or scan the QR code.



## TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN LACEY GOVERNMENT!

Residents help shape the future of the Lacey community by serving in advisory capacities to the City Council.

If you're interested in learning more about advisory boards, visit [CityofLacey.org/Boards-Commissions](http://CityofLacey.org/Boards-Commissions) or scan the QR code above.



**Make sure to license your pet!** The City requires licenses for all dogs and cats in city limits. Scan QR code:



ANIMAL SERVICES

## JOINT ANIMAL SERVICES: INCREASING POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Animal shelters across the U.S. face a difficult situation: The number of animals entering shelters has increased since 2021. Several factors contribute to the increase, including higher pet care costs and housing insecurity.

In addition to the increase in animals entering shelters, adoptions have decreased causing many shelters to be at, or over, capacity. In 2023, Joint Animal Services (JAS) saw an 8% increase in dog intakes, alone, over the previous year.

To address this problem, JAS has worked to increase positive outcomes. In 2023, they increased their foster program by 105%, fostering a total of 548 pets, including 435 cats. They also increased the number of animals transferred to other no-kill shelters and rescues across the state. Overall, they increased all of their positive outcomes by over 35%!

### How can you help?

- **Adopt your next furry friend from JAS!** The fee to adopt a dog is \$90, and \$70 for a cat. All animals are spayed or neutered, microchipped, and have received their first set of vaccines, Bordetella (kennel cough), and de-wormer.
- **Become a Foster!** Becoming a foster has never been easier. You can sign up and do the orientations online — at your convenience!

### Want to learn more?

JAS would love to connect with you! Call (360) 532-2510, visit [JointAnimalServices.org](http://JointAnimalServices.org), or scan:

