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CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Contract documents for the Skyway Park North Sewer Replacement Phase 1 project are near completion. This project is located in the Skyway neighborhood north of Renton Ave between 72nd Place So and 76th Ave So. Rights-of-Entry (ROE) will be requested from residents within the project area in order to perform work on private property. Watch our newsletter for more information and check your mailbox for a letter if you live in the project area. The project includes replacing ~6,100 lineal feet of gravity sewer main, 35 sewer manholes, and redirects/reconnects side sewers for ~130 single-family homes and two apartment buildings. It also replaces ~4,000 lineal feet of watermain. Construction is planned for 2026/27.

COMING SOON: 2026 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT



Our annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) or “Water Quality Report” is available online! This report will provide you with detailed information on the quality of our drinking water in 2025. Take a few minutes to go online and read it at skywayws.org/ccr2026. There’s a lot to know and learn about this precious resource! Copies of the report are available from the District upon request.

STATEWIDE DROUGHT!



On April 8, the Washington Department of Ecology (DOE) declared a **statewide drought emergency**. This is the fourth year in a row that at least a portion of Washington State has been in a drought emergency, and it is the fourth statewide drought emergency since 2015.

DOE also reported that the areas served by Seattle, Tacoma, and Everett water utilities, which include the District, do not anticipate any impacts for their customers. However, water is a **precious, limited resource** and we ask you to continue to use water wisely. Tips to conserve water include:

INDOORS

- ◆ Turn off the water while shaving or brushing teeth.
- ◆ Take short showers instead of baths – showers use less water.
- ◆ If you take a bath, plug the drain right away and adjust the temperature as you fill the tub.
- ◆ When washing your hands, turn off the water while you lather.
- ◆ Wash only full loads of dishes.
- ◆ Scrape rather than rinse dishes before loading them into the dishwasher.
- ◆ Compost food waste instead of using the garbage disposal.
- ◆ Keep drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the faucet run until the water is cool.
- ◆ Wash only full loads of laundry or use the load size selection on the washing machine.
- ◆ Repair leaks in fixtures like faucets, showerheads, pipes, and toilets.

OUTDOORS

- ◆ Use a broom or electric blower to clean driveways and sidewalks instead of hosing them off.
- ◆ When washing your car, use an adjustable sprayer and turn off the water while soaping your vehicle.
- ◆ Purchase an inexpensive hose timer to avoid over-watering or use a soaker hose to avoid evaporation.
- ◆ Use native and drought-tolerant plants in your garden.
- ◆ Let your lawn “Go Golden” for the summer!

While conserving water can impact the district’s revenue and force an increase in rates to offset lost revenue, **water is a finite resource** that there is no substitute for. Please help us by using water responsibly. Thank you!

SAVE the DATE Saturday, May 16th

LAKERIDGE GARDEN CLUB
SPRING PLANT SALE



Lakeridge Garden Club invites you to join us to inspire beautiful and sustainable landscapes through education and community involvement.

We maintain the Lakeridge Community entrance at Lakeridge Drive and Rainier Avenue.

Learn about the history of the club and follow us on Facebook

Flower,
Veggie and Herb starts
Garden Treasures
House Plants
Gently used accessories
Baked Goods

Saturday, May 16th 2026

10 am—2 pm

Bryn Mawr United Methodist Church
8016 S 116th St., Seattle, WA 98178

lakeridgegardenclub@gmail.com

WHCA News and Updates

- **Skyway Outdoor Cinema is back:** August 7, 14, and 21 in a new location (King County Fire District #20 fire station training yard).
- **Fun new events:** Thanks for joining our first-ever Community Tēt Celebration at Skyway Library, and our first-ever Community Social with board games and pizza. Our next Community Social in June will be a trivia night - follow us for more details!
- **Support community events and advocacy:** Join us to make a impact! Volunteers & donors power this work: MyWestHill.org/join



Our website, socials, & newsletter are great ways to stay in the loop!

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NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Times can be tough. If you or your neighbors need help, there are resources available.

[The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program \(SNAP\)](#)

provides monthly benefits that can be used to buy most foods at grocery stores, farmers markets, and many online retailers. Benefits are loaded onto an [EBT card](#) each month.

Eligibility is based on income, household size, and expenses. Many people qualify even if they've never used assistance programs before.

You can [apply online](#), in person, or by calling: (877) 501-2233. If approved, benefits begin right away

[The Women, Infants, and Children Program \(WIC\)](#)

provides healthy foods, formula, nutrition support and breastfeeding resources for pregnant people, postpartum parents, infants, children under age 5, and offers one on one support from nutritionists and lactation specialists.

Food banks across King County offer fresh produce, pantry staples, culturally familiar foods, and household items. Many also provide:

- Home delivery
- No cook meal kits
- Community meals
- Diapers and personal care items

Most locations do not require ID or proof of income. Find a [Food Bank](#) or call: (206) 694-6756 .

Spring has Sprung!!

The Cascade Gardener virtual Spring series has kicked off. Enjoy these great opportunities to learn about sprucing up your garden and yard!

May 12: [Dirt Cheap Plants](#), Marianne Binetti

May 19: [Arboriculture 101](#), Jessi Bloom

May 22: [Irrigation 101 In-Person at Lake WA Institute of Technology](#)

May 26: [Everyone's favorite tender edibles](#), Lisa Taylor

June 2: [Irrigation 101](#), David McGrath

June 9: [Go for the Bold](#), Erica Brown Grivas

Go to [Cascade Gardener Classes - Cascade Water](#) to register for these FREE classes.

