

Events & Announcements



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Youth Appreciation Week

A group of boys jump for a ball during the Youth Appreciation Week Block Party April 13 at Rainier Community Center. During the Seattle Public Schools Spring Break, April 6 through April 14, Seattle Parks and Recreation held special events at community and teen centers across the city. Youth Appreciation Week events included a kickoff party at Meadowbrook Teen Life Center, pool and skating parties at several community centers, and a Caribbean Cook-Off Competition at Rainier Beach Community Center.

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when a person exhibits a 'red flag' or other indicator that they may cause harm to themselves, or others.

As part of honoring Crime Victims Week, the Attorney General met with student leaders at the University of Oregon campus to discuss gun safety. She also toured two state-of-the-art domestic violence programs—the Center for Hope and Safety in Salem, and the Gateway Center in Portland. In addition, she announced a name change of the Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victim Services Division to recognize the many victims of crime who consider themselves survivors. Going forward, it will be called the Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division.

Seattle News Briefs

Seattle LGBTQ Commission Seeks Candidates

The Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Commission seeks applications from interested candidates to fill several vacancies on the Commission. The Commission is a 21-member body that advises the Mayor, City Council, and City of Seattle departments on issues that affect LGBTQ communities throughout Seattle. Commissioners promote positive change by working with community groups and individuals to identify areas of concern, by making recommendations regarding policy and legislative changes, and by serving as liaisons between LGBTQ communities and city government.

Terms are for two-years and are subject to confirmation by City Council. Applicants must live or work in Seattle and be available for monthly meetings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at City Hall in downtown Seattle.

The Commission was recently involved in the process to ban conversation therapy in Seattle, has provided city agencies with input regarding homelessness prevention, and has encouraged the creation of safe consumption spaces in our city.

The Seattle LGBTQ Commission is committed to centering the voices, experiences and needs of historically disenfranchised individuals. We host a variety of community education and outreach events throughout the year, such as our annual Pride Flag Raising event to mark the beginning of Pride Month.

Applications should:

- Be passionate about working with local government officials to improve experiences of LGBTQ folks
- Live or work in Seattle
- Have meaningful connections within Seattle LGBTQ communities
- Demonstrate a commitment to social justice and civil rights

- Be collaborative leaders
- Be able to regularly attend Commission meetings on the third Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Demonstrate a desire and ability to spend 8-10 hours per month working on Commission-related projects

To apply, please submit a letter of interest and a resume to Erika Pablo, erika.pablo@seattle.gov or mail to Seattle Office for Civil Rights 810 Third Ave. Suite 750 Seattle, WA 98104, by Monday, April 23, 2018. Interviews with selected applicants will be conducted on May 2nd, May 3rd, and May 6, 2018. For more information on the Seattle LGBTQ Commission visit <http://www.seattle.gov/lgbtq>.

The City of Seattle is committed to promoting diversity in the City's Boards and Commissions. The City welcomes applications from persons with disabilities, persons of color, persons of different faiths, immigrants, youth, aging individuals, women, all sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions.

Please be advised: When you submit an application for a city commission or board, your application materials become part of public records. While unlikely, this does mean that it is possible for other individuals or agencies to request copies of your submissions.

Mayor Durkan to Attorney General Jeff Sessions: Seattle Respects the Rule of Law

Seattle Mayor and Former U.S. Attorney Jenny A. Durkan denounced the Department of Justice's subpoena threat claiming Seattle is "enact[ing] policies that thwart the federal government's ability to enforce federal immigration law" and intentional in their "effort to undermine public safety and the rule of law." This letter follows her recent directive to ensure a streamlined response regarding ICE information requests.

"Unlike some in the Trump administration, Seattle respects the rule of law. Our City is tasked with protecting public safety for all people who call Seattle home. We will also protect our res-

Community Calendar 2018

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ARBOR DAY - EARTH DAY FAMILY FESTIVAL: All ages welcome. Plant a tree with your family, kids can grab an Arbor Day-Earth Day activity passport from a park ranger. Completed passports will be entered into a prize drawing. 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd., Bellevue.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE: Come check-out books, magazines, films, CDs and occasional LPs and cassettes at reasonable prices. 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Poulsbo, 700 NE Lincoln St., Poulsbo.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE: With a growing Australian and New Zealand community in Seattle this free event ensures travelers and expats can come together to pay their respects and commemorate the 103rd anniversary of the First World War. The memorial service will start at dawn followed by light refreshments. 5:30 a.m. - 8 a.m., Lake Union Park, 860 Terry Ave. N.

SPRING RESTORATION DAY IN VOLUNTEER PARK: Celebrate Earth Day by joining your friends and neighbors at this fun event making Volunteer Park beautiful for everyone. Free coffee and donuts. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Volunteer Park, 1247 15th Ave. E.

Wednesday, April 25

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL: FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS: FINANCING COLLEGE: Explore your options to pay for college. Review available college loans, learn the basics of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and where to access additional support. 2 p.m. - 4 p.m., Stellacoom Library, 2950 Stellacoom Blvd., Stellacoom.

Saturday, April 28

DOZERS WAREHOUSE CLOSING PARTY: Live music, art tour, light show, gallery sales, cash bar. Proceeds from the sale will help Beacon Arts activate their next space in the neighborhood. \$5 suggested donation goes to entertainers. 6 p.m. - 10 p.m., 2507 Beacon Ave. S.

idents from unjust law enforcement actions," said Mayor Durkan. "Our City complies with federal immigration law and asks that the Department of Justice and ICE do the same. The federal government does not get to run our cities or convert our local law enforcement officials into immigration cops. I implore this administration to focus on real public safety threats, like the opioid crisis, instead of unnecessarily threatening our residents and mayors across the country."

"We will keep working together, including with law enforcement, to ensure that immigrants and refugees who believe in the promise of America are made to feel welcome here in our community," concluded Mayor Durkan.

On February 6, Mayor Durkan issued a Mayoral Directive to ensure the City is prepared for any and all requests by ICE authorities. All ICE requests are now directed to the Mayor's Office Legal Counsel, including requests for access to non-public areas in City buildings and venues as well as for data or information about City employees, residents, or workers.

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