

# neighborhood news



August 2020

news for and about  
Bellevue neighborhoods



## Be part of a Virtual Neighborhood Walk!

August 11, 13 and 18

7-8:30 p.m.

The City of Bellevue's Neighborhood Walks series has been an opportunity for residents and city leaders to visit informally, see unique neighborhoods together and to share emerging concerns. Due to COVID-19, Neighborhood Walks will continue this summer as Virtual Neighborhood Walks.

During three August events, City Manager Brad Miyake and directors from each department will listen and learn about neighborhood uniqueness, resilience, pride and emerging concerns.

Several neighborhood leaders will share issues in their neighborhood, followed by Questions & Answers with the city manager and department directors.

Please plan to join the virtual conversation in your unique area of Bellevue!

- ◆ **August 11, 7-8:30 p.m:**  
**East Bellevue:** Lake Hills, Crossroads, West Lake Sammamish, Northeast Bellevue, Bridle Trails, Bel-Red
- ◆ **August 13, 7-8:30 p.m:**  
**West Bellevue:** West Bellevue, Downtown, Woodridge, Wilburton, Northwest Bellevue
- ◆ **August 18, 7-8:30 p.m:**  
**South Bellevue:** Newport, Somerset, Cougar Mountain/Lakemont, Eastgate, Factoria

To receive the Zoom link, RSVP to  
neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov

Questions? Please email [jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov)

## Bellevue Essentials

Apply by August 3 to learn inner workings  
of city government

Bellevue Essentials is recruiting the Class of 2020 cohort of passionate individuals who live in Bellevue and want to understand how city government works. Class members will spend nine weeks learning from the staff who keep Bellevue running every day, and will learn how to have a voice and affect change in our local government and community.



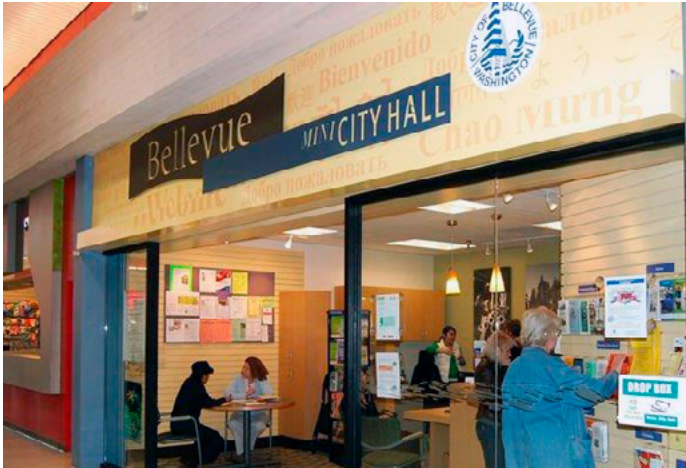
In 2020, Bellevue Essentials will provide an engaging curriculum through Zoom each week, supplemented by outside work and experiences on your own or in small groups, as COVID-19 restrictions permit. Participants will spend time connecting with each other, and simulating the day-to-day challenges and opportunities that Bellevue faces. Class meets Wednesday evenings, 6-8 p.m., Sept. 30 – Nov. 18.

Applications for the 2020 class are due by August 3. Tuition is \$125 and fee waivers are available if needed.

Brochure and applications are available now at [bellevuewa.gov/bellevue-essentials](http://bellevuewa.gov/bellevue-essentials). For more information or to request a hard copy of the class packet, contact Julie Ellenhorn at 425-452-5372 or [jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov)

## Updates from Mini City Hall

Mini City Hall at Crossroads Shopping Center is excited to launch a Community Resource Map. Our office is continuing to serve residents remotely, and we have received many calls and emails from residents in need of resource referrals. In order to ensure that we can meet the needs of the community, we have created an interactive resource map.



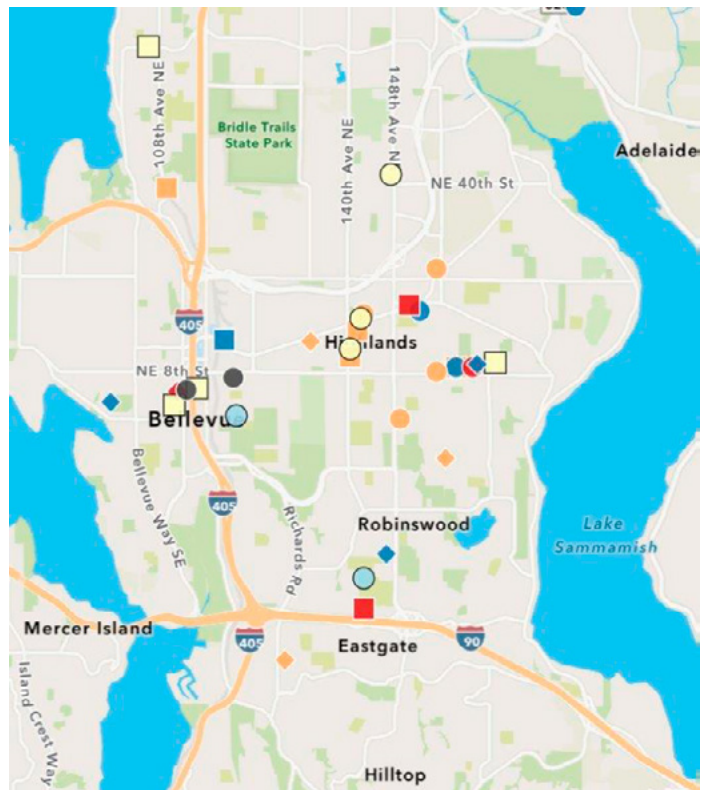
The Community Resource Map will help residents search, locate and view various resources locally and regionally including food, housing, transportation and many other necessities. The map is on the City of Bellevue website on the Maps & GIS page under Community Resources | Mini City Hall.

<https://cobgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=2c7e97a1826144a7adc6634f96df3ae0>

The Community Resource Map shows clickable icons pointing out locations and contact details for a variety of resources. It also features ways to filter information by location (Bellevue-only or regional resources) and by type of resource. Additionally, the map has options to bookmark resources, print directions and access organization websites.

Resource organizations are currently operating under modified procedures, so we have temporarily included a COVID-19 status update on the map. This update will inform users if resource centers are operating remotely and will provide contact information to ask additional questions.

Mini City Hall staff are committed to extending city services and community connections to residents. For questions about the Community Resource Map or questions about resource navigation, our staff are available via phone or email Monday through Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at 425-452-2800 or [minich@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:minich@bellevuewa.gov).



## Assuming good intent during conflict resolutions

One of the services the Bellevue Conflict Resolution Center (BCRC) offers is conflict coaching.



The first thing that our conciliators do when people call is to help the caller determine if they can resolve the issue themselves. The conciliator listens, hearing the caller's perspective fully. By listening, reflecting and asking open questions, we help them to see their own role in the conflict, what they might not know, what has caused the conflict, the issues at the heart of the matter, possible misunderstandings or difficulties in communication, and steps the caller might take before we contact the other person to resolve the issue, if needed.

The conciliator also listens for assumptions the caller may be making, which could be escalating the conflict. It's a natural human response when faced with another's undesired behavior to assume motivation and story underneath what has been done. In situations that are unclear, and particularly in situations that make us angry or fearful, we sometimes make assumptions that may not be based on fact. Sometimes we even come to believe that our assumptions are factual.

Many conflicts eventually become a case of battling assumptions, each person trying to dispel the other's



assumed beliefs about them, making it hard to get down to what the real issue is between them. These situations can become intractable.



When the BCRC is setting ground rules for a discussion on potentially heated issues such as recent meetings about budget or long-term planning, we make sure that one ground rule is added: **assume good intent**. In tense times, it can

be easy to get competitive and angry at one another. The idea of assuming good intent is that if another says something we disagree with, or that causes an angry reaction, we agree to see each other in a good light, as coming from a good place. This practice cuts off assumptions of ill-will that we might have about another person. Quite often we find ourselves in "heated agreement," realizing that underneath the surface we want the same thing.

Assuming good intent until we have the facts is one of the underpinnings of our justice system, that we are innocent until proven guilty. We agree to see each other as good people making decisions based on what we each know at the time, until we know otherwise. This is fair to the ones we are assuming something of, but it also keeps us peaceful in the meantime.

To check if we are making assumptions, we can ask ourselves: "Do I know this thing I am believing about another to be true?" Imagine someone saying this: "He painted his house that color because he knew it would irritate me." Does the speaker know this to be true? What if they assumed instead that he may have painted his house that color because he loves that color and it reminded him of the house he grew up in? How would belief in his goodness change the attitude toward him? Would the person be more inclined to talk to him about the color if the assumption is that he did it for benign reasons? How would that conversation be different if the assumption is that he is doing it to be irritating?

When we assume good intent, we see others as good people who may have done something we don't like, but we are better disposed toward them, more able to approach them to resolve the issue in a calm and conciliatory manner.

If you would like some conflict coaching around an issue, to have a confidential, friendly, and useful conversation with a conciliator who can ask you some questions to help you get clear about a conflict, please call our office. Together we'll work to see our neighbors as good people who may have just done something we don't understand.

Contact the Bellevue Conflict Resolution Center by calling 425-452-4091 or email: [bcrc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:bcrc@bellevuewa.gov).

## Resilience and Recovery in the Heart of Bellevue

Bellevue's downtown businesses have had to adapt as they navigate COVID-19 and follow Washington's phased reopening guidelines. Every business has



unique operating considerations, abilities to innovate, and stories of how they are adjusting the way they do business to ensure safe

and effective operations for customers, workers and business owners.

Now, there is a way you can learn about the people behind Bellevue's downtown businesses (some you may not even have known were there!) and find out how you can support them.

The Bellevue Downtown Association and the city have partnered on a new effort called Heart of Bellevue, a way to share the stories of the business and arts community in Bellevue's downtown core by showcasing them on its website at [bellevuedowntown.com](http://bellevuedowntown.com).

Heart of Bellevue is a way to connect the community with the people behind our local businesses and organizations in Downtown Bellevue. Their stories of activity, creativity and recovery show that the heart of Bellevue still beats strongly and is open for business.

Kids Quest Museum transitioned their in-person learning experiences to virtual exercises and boxed activity kits delivered to families. The Bellevue Arts Museum volunteered to serve as a much-needed pop-up blood donation center for Bloodworks Northwest. Local shops began offering unique creature comforts designed to help you get through the "Stay at Home"

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order. Several downtown restaurants started providing “at-home” meal and cocktail kits so customers could still patronize the business but cook in the comfort and safety of home. Certain shops were uniquely able to transition from products that they normally produced, such as pillows and mattresses, to making facemasks for community members. Some businesses have even joined together to support each other, such as a local café teaming up with farmer’s market vendors to offer their goods from the café before the official Bellevue Farmer’s Market could open. All these stories and more are currently featured at [bellevuedowntown.com/heart-of-bellevue/stories](https://bellevuedowntown.com/heart-of-bellevue/stories).



The recent pandemic has spurred innovation and creativity in many little-known ways. The Heart of Bellevue aims to reveal those interesting perspectives and show residents what is still available to explore in downtown.

“The heart of Bellevue is a very resilient place, growing and evolving in remarkable ways,” said Patrick Bannon, president of the Bellevue Downtown Association.

“Our business community is doing their part to innovate, collaborate and put safety first in order to continue serving the public,” said Jesse Canedo, Economic Development Officer for the city of Bellevue. “It will take all of us supporting each other – the city, businesses and community members – to keep Bellevue at the leading edge of economic recovery and ensure the long-term vitality of our downtown.”

Businesses will continue to be featured over the coming months as part of the Heart of Bellevue campaign. To keep up with the latest stories and offerings in downtown, you can sign up to receive email updates at [bellevuedowntown.com/heart-of-bellevue/subscribe](https://bellevuedowntown.com/heart-of-bellevue/subscribe).



## Bellevue Arts Program calls for portable artworks

**Deadline: Aug. 17**

The City of Bellevue is interested in purchasing portable artwork that exemplifies the mission of the city’s public collection called the Bellevue Art Collection. Any portable art purchased will become part of the city’s small but growing collection of portable artworks showcased throughout the city. The current collection is comprised of more than 70 permanently sited and integrated artworks and portable works. The goal of growing the collection of portable artworks is to diversify the collection by adding a range of visual art mediums and artistic voices. Portable art will also increase the number of artworks accessible in city-owned buildings. Available two-dimensional visual art, electronic art and small three-dimensional artwork priced under \$2,400 will be considered for purchase at this time.

This call is open to all active professional visual artists in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties in Washington State. The deadline to submit an application for consideration is August 17, 2020. Purchased artworks will be included in the Bellevue Art Collection and will eventually be located throughout city-owned and publicly accessible buildings and offices.

For more information on the mission of the Bellevue Art Collection, application requirements, and timelines, please find the full call here ([tinyurl.com/Call4PortableArt](https://tinyurl.com/Call4PortableArt)) or email Manette Stamm at [mstamm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mstamm@bellevuewa.gov).



*Yamamoto Junko Coral Reef*



## Bellevue Network on Aging Survey

The Bellevue Networking on Aging is working with the North Bellevue Community Center to develop and offer a collection of virtual experiences for the public.

We are asking for your help in deciding what would be most appealing to the residents of Bellevue regardless of age through a survey. Current virtual activity categories include games, exercise and arts and crafts. Please feel free to use the survey to add any other categories that would interest you.

To be part of creating this exciting new addition to our community, please take the survey by August 31, 2020 at: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQMNBDL](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WQMNBDL), or call North Bellevue Community Center at 425-452-7681.



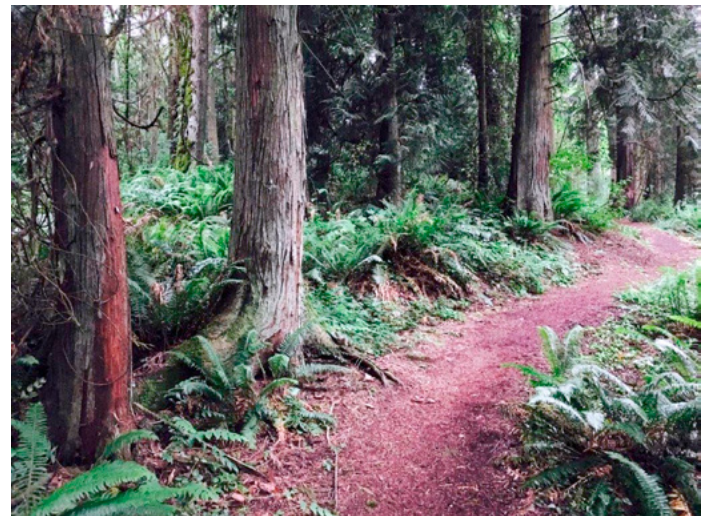
## Take a self-guided neighborhood tree tour


Volunteers have created a new way for Bellevue's community members to learn about the value and benefits of trees, while staying safe and enjoying the warm weather.

Since March, Bellevue's cohort of neighborhood tree ambassador volunteers have been working hard to create walking tours of the trees in their neighborhoods. These tours include information about the fascinating trees and other landmarks along their routes. Each tour has a unique theme and perspective, based on the interest and knowledge of the tree ambassador who created it.

Though they had originally hoped to lead their tours in person, the tree ambassadors have been flexible and have created self-guided tree tours for community members to download from the city's website. Each tour includes a map of the route, photos of each tree or other landmark, and written descriptions and narratives. Currently, tours in Wilburton, Downtown, and Crossroads are published at [BellevueWA.gov/trees](http://BellevueWA.gov/trees). Check back in the coming weeks to find additional tours in these and other neighborhoods.

Visit [BellevueWA.gov/trees](http://BellevueWA.gov/trees) to find a tree tour in your neighborhood. Please email [trees@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:trees@bellevuewa.gov) with any questions.



 For alternate formats, interpreters, or reasonable accommodation requests please phone at least 48 hours in advance 425-452-2735 (voice) or email [mheilman@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mheilman@bellevuewa.gov). For complaints regarding accommodations, contact City of Bellevue ADA/Title VI Administrator at 425-452-6168 (voice) or email [ADATitleVI@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:ADATitleVI@bellevuewa.gov). If you are deaf or hard of hearing dial 711. All meetings are wheelchair accessible.

## Voter registration



The next national election is Tuesday, Nov. 3. To register by mail or online, your application must be received no later than 8 days before Election Day. You can also register to vote in person during business hours and any time before 8 p.m. on Election Day.

To vote in the state of Washington, you must be:

- ◆ A citizen of the United States
- ◆ A legal resident of Washington state for at least 30 days prior to election day
- ◆ At least 18 years old by election day
- ◆ Not disqualified from voting due to a court order
- ◆ Not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington felony conviction

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## Summer water safety

By Heather Wong, Community Risk Reduction Specialist

Summer is finally here! The sun is shining, the mountains are out and after months of being cooped up, you may be yearning to launch into summertime activities. With seven beach parks, Bellevue is surrounded by an abundance of fresh (and refreshing) water. But before you dip your socially-distanced toes, or entire body, into lakes and pools, make sure you know the rules for keeping yourself and your loved ones safe.

Whether swimming in open water or a pool, it's always important to wear a properly fitted, Coast Guard-approved life jacket. Life jackets help keep you afloat, and they can aid in slowing the process of heat loss that leads to hypothermia. Choose beaches that have lifeguards on duty and stay in the designated swimming areas. Know your limits! Stay close to shore, stay sober and always assign at least one person in your party to be a water watcher - someone dedicated to putting their phone down and paying close attention to those swimming. Learn CPR, and in the event that you witness a drowning, performing CPR for the few minutes before first responders arrive can be the difference between life and death.

While drowning is a leading cause of death for children and teens, adults can also be victims. On average, 3,500 people drown in the United States each year. That's about 10 deaths per day, and it can happen in the blink of an eye. One moment there's splashing, laughter and play. The next is silence. The good news is that through diligence and safe practices, together we can prevent drowning.

To learn more about the water watcher program and download a useful app: [nomoreunder.org/badge](https://nomoreunder.org/badge)



## Greener Living virtual classes



Bellevue Utilities is offering live classes on Zoom as part of King County Library System's virtual class calendar. These short workshops will focus on safer cleaning, reducing wasted food and properly sorting recycling and composting. **Registration is required to attend.** To register, visit KCLS's virtual calendar at [KCLS.org/events](https://KCLS.org/events), or check [BellevueWA.gov/greener-living-classes](https://BellevueWA.gov/greener-living-classes) for more information. August classes are listed below. Contact [recycle@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:recycle@bellevuewa.gov) to be notified by email when new dates are added.

### **Non-Toxic Cleaning: Tuesday Aug. 4, 5-5:45 p.m.**

Learn tips for safely using, storing and disposing of cleaning products at home and how to make your own non-toxic cleaners using common household items. This workshop will also cover how to make smart choices when purchasing products and how to disinfect when needed.

### **Reduce Wasted Food: Tuesday Aug. 11, 5-5:45 p.m.**

Get tips for your top food waste questions, including how to store foods for maximum freshness, what labels on food containers mean, and how to turn leftovers into lunch. All participants will receive resources, including recipes that use unusual parts of food (like carrot tops!) and information on what can go into your compost bin in Bellevue.

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### Become a Super Sorter: Tuesday Aug. 18, 5-5:45 p.m.

This class covers all your waste sorting questions! Learn Bellevue's three-stream sorting system, which items can't go in the garbage and how to handle them, and what happens to all your waste materials when they leave your house. Get up to speed on the best ways to get rid of unwanted items, including tips for reuse and donation, and how to safely dispose of hazardous items.

## Upcoming trailhead closure in the Coal Creek Natural Area for a temporary project

King County Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) will close the Upper West (Red Cedar) trailhead on weekdays for up to three weeks in August. The county's contractor will carry out a temporary project near a maintenance hole along Coal Creek. The trailhead closure will protect the public and essential workers during construction.



This project is important to protect Coal Creek. A flood event in December 2019 eroded the bank around the maintenance hole. The structure is exposed to creek flows and could be damaged in future flood events, and this maintenance hole connects to the active sewer pipe. After construction, King County's contractor will replant any disturbed vegetation. County staff will continue monitoring the system and the restored area.

King County's Coal Creek Sewer Upgrade Project will help to limit flood impacts to the system. The project will provide Newcastle and part of Bellevue with needed wastewater capacity. Also, King County can move much of the active pipe away from flood-prone Coal Creek. Once the new pipe is in service, the County's contractor will remove the old maintenance hole.

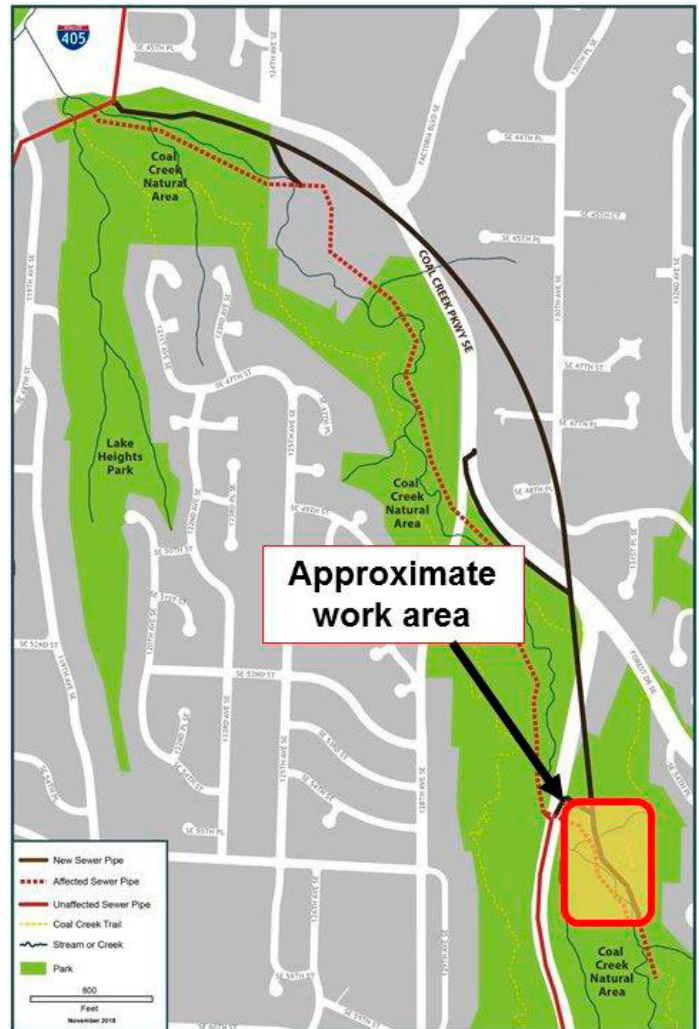
The County appreciates residents' patience during construction. Summer is the best time to get outdoors – and the best time to work along and in waterways. Construction must take place during “fish windows” to protect fish and fish habitat. In addition, creek flows

are lower in the summer, which reduces risk of flooding during construction work.

People will still be able to enjoy the natural area during construction. During the week, visitors can enter from alternate trailheads. Trail users will need to turn around at the closed work area. On weekends, the trailhead will be open, with fencing in place to protect equipment and the work site.

This is also a great time to learn about King County's upcoming clean water project. An online open house will take place in late summer, and there will be comment periods for permitting and environmental review this fall. Learn more:

- ◆ Visit [kingcounty.gov/CoalCreekSewer](https://kingcounty.gov/CoalCreekSewer)
- ◆ Contact Monica Van der Vieren at [monica.vandervieren@kingcounty.gov](mailto:monica.vandervieren@kingcounty.gov) or 206-477-5502.



## Bellevue Resource Conservation Specialists are available for HOA, apartment or condo presentations

Invite a City of Bellevue Resource Conservation Specialist to your next virtual HOA meeting or set up an “on demand” Zoom presentation for your residents! We tailor free interactive mini presentations to fit your timeframe and offer a variety of topics such as:

- ◆ Become a Super Sorter: Properly Sorting Recycling/Composting/Garbage
- ◆ Composting Start-Up Kit: How to Set Up Free Composting at Your Building and In Your Kitchen
- ◆ How to Reduce Wasted Food Through Smart Storage
- ◆ Making Your Own Safe Cleaners and Proper Disposal of Toxic Cleaners
- ◆ How to Handle Unusual Items Such as Batteries, Cooking Oil and Medicine
- ◆ Which Plastics Are Recyclable

We can also customize your presentation to cover issues or topics that most interest residents. For more information or to schedule a virtual presentation, contact Erin Hislop at [ehislop@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:ehislop@bellevuewa.gov) or call 425-452-6197. Please note we are only offering presentations virtually at this time.

## Using roads to adapt to COVID-19

The pandemic has changed our personal interactions, the way we dine out and how we travel. Bellevue's Transportation Department, in collaboration with partners both inside and outside City Hall, is doing its part to adapt to the new realities of COVID-19.

The efforts make use of the city's transportation right of way space – streets and sidewalks – to help residents and business owners better navigate the pandemic. The pilot projects include:

- ◆ **Main Street Activation:** The city's Cultural and Economic Development group and several departments have been working with merchants in Old Bellevue to explore opportunities to provide more room for restaurants and retailers to serve customers under the state's Safe Start plan. Businesses can apply for a temporary permit that would allow business owners to use parking spots in front of their establishments for extended

outdoor dining or displays. Businesses on Main Street can apply at [BellevueWA.gov/mainstreet](https://bellevuewa.gov/mainstreet).

- ◆ **New transit service in Crossroads/Lake Hills:** Another pilot project, expected to launch in the fall, seeks to fill a void left by COVID-19-related transit reductions. The new app-based, on-demand service will provide rides to and from bus stops near Crossroads Shopping Center. It will be managed by Bellevue in partnership with King County Metro and Hopelink, which will operate the service. A company called Spare Labs Inc. will provide the app. The state Department of Transportation awarded Bellevue a grant for the pilot to operate through June 2021.
- ◆ **Healthy Streets:** This pilot gives people more room to safely walk and bicycle while physically distancing, by temporarily closing residential streets to non-local vehicle traffic. Starting in early May, Healthy Streets were implemented in the East Bellevue, Northeast Bellevue and Newport Hills neighborhoods.
- ◆ **Curbside Food Pickup Zones:** In mid-March, the Transportation Department established temporary, short-term parking spots downtown and on Main Street, to help restaurants and their customers when take-out became an essential option.

More information is available at [BellevueWA.gov/transportation](https://bellevuewa.gov/transportation).

## COVID-19 causes steep drop in driving

COVID-19 really has had a big impact on vehicle traffic in Bellevue.

As the accompanying graph shows, traffic volumes averaged about 27,000 vehicles per day in early 2020, then dropped steadily before bottoming out at an average of 9,000 vehicles in late March – 33% of the typical volume. Gov. Inslee issued the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order on March 23.

Volumes stayed low for most of April but steadily increased after that. The daily average the week of June 21 was 61% of pre-COVID-19 traffic volumes.

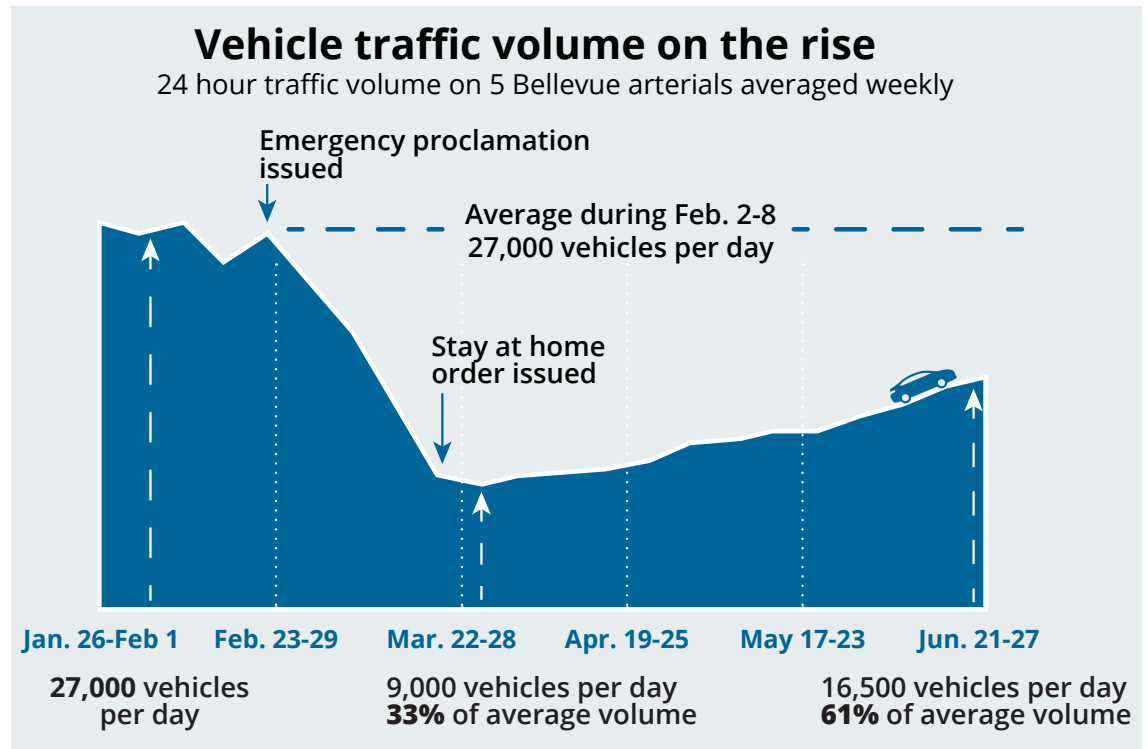
The average daily traffic volumes are calculated from data taken at five locations in Bellevue:

- ◆ 148th Avenue Southeast, near Main Street;
- ◆ Bellevue Way, north of downtown;
- ◆ Bellevue Way, south of downtown;



- ◆ Bel-Red Road near 134th Avenue Northeast; and
- ◆ Coal Creek Parkway near Forest Drive.

Detectors embedded in the pavement – part of the city's adaptive traffic signal system – provide the counts, which include vehicles traveling in both directions.



## Online open house: Input wanted on proposed I-405 interchange concepts

Community input is sought on preliminary interchange alternatives, including a “no build” option, to lessen traffic congestion on Interstate 405 (I-405) and improve access to south downtown. Information about the purpose of the study and seven preliminary concepts are available at [EngagingBellevue.com](https://engagingbellevue.com) for community feedback through Aug. 21.

Input will be shared with the technical team conducting the analysis. Based on community input and technical analysis, the study team will identify a preliminary preferred alternative. A second online open house is planned for November to present and seek feedback on the preliminary preferred alternative.

Study findings and community feedback will be presented to city council in late fall for its selection of a final preferred alternative.

Selecting a preferred alternative will enable the city to communicate with property owners and developers regarding right-of-way needs and site access options. Results of the study also will position the city for potential project funding by the state legislature.



For more information about the study, contact Shuming Yan, project manager, at 425-452-7858 or [syan@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:syan@bellevuewa.gov) or go to [BellevueWA.gov/transportation](https://BellevueWA.gov/transportation).

## It's not too late to complete your 2020 Census!

Census takers will follow up with those who haven't yet completed their census questionnaire beginning July 30. People are encouraged to self-respond to the 2020 census ahead of that date.

Households can respond securely online at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov), by phone at 844-330-2020, or by mailing back the paper questionnaire they received. Households can also respond online or by phone in one of 13 [languages](#) and find assistance in many more. Those who respond before July 30 will not need to be visited by a census taker.

Español [2020Census.gov/es.html](https://2020Census.gov/es.html) 844-468-2020

中文 [2020Census.gov/zh-hans.html](https://2020Census.gov/zh-hans.html) 844-391-2020

Tiếng Việt [2020Census.gov/vi.html](https://2020Census.gov/vi.html) 844-461-2020

한국어 [2020Census.gov/ko.html](https://2020Census.gov/ko.html) 844-392-2020

Русский [2020Census.gov/ru.html](https://2020Census.gov/ru.html) 844-417-2020

## What Households Can Expect if a Census Taker Visits

Census takers are hired from local communities. All census takers speak English, and many are bilingual. If a census taker does not speak the householder's language, the household may request a return visit from a census taker who does. Census takers will also have materials on hand to help identify the household's language.

All census takers will wear a mask while conducting their work. They have completed virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing protocols and will follow CDC and local public health guidelines when they visit.

If no one is home when the census taker visits, the census taker will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone or by mail. Please cooperate with census takers to ensure that everyone who was living in the household as of April 1, 2020, is counted.

## How to Identify Census Takers

Census takers can be easily identified by a valid government ID badge with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date on the badge. To confirm a census taker's identity, you may contact the Los Angeles Regional Census Center, which serves Washington state at 213-314-6500 to speak with a Census Bureau representative

## Your Information is Kept Confidential

Federal laws require the Census Bureau to keep your personally identifiable census information confidential until 72 years after it's been collected and prohibit census information from being used against any individual.

## About the 2020 Census

The U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years. Census statistics are used to determine the number of seats each state holds in the United States House of Representatives and informs how billions of dollars in federal funds will be allocated by state, local and federal lawmakers annually for the next ten years.

For more information, visit

[BellevueWA.gov/2020census](https://BellevueWA.gov/2020census) or [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov).



**\$76.2 million**

for transportation planning and construction



**\$112.2 million**

for Bellevue School District



**\$5.8 million**

for Community Development Block Grants



**\$40.9 million**

in Washington state tax distributions



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[BellevueWA.gov/covid-19](https://BellevueWA.gov/covid-19)

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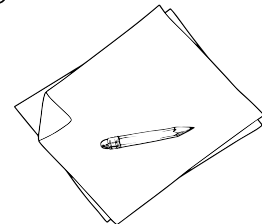
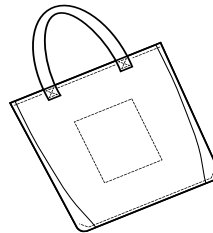
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Sort your stuff in the right bin,  
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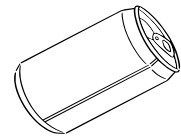
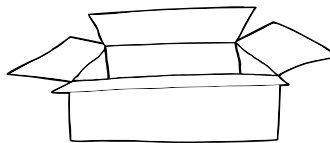
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## Boards and Commissions Meetings

As of April 1, no meetings are taking place at City Hall. Stay updated on meetings and cancellations: [BellevueWA.gov](http://BellevueWA.gov)

All meetings are conducted at City Hall unless otherwise noted. Agendas are subject to change. If a holiday occurs on a Monday, please check the updated calendar. Agendas can be downloaded from the city's web pages listed below. Meeting alerts are available through subscribing to the City's Special Meeting Notices page. [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/special-meeting-notice](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/special-meeting-notice)

### Bellevue Diversity Advisory Network

(6 p.m., Bellevue City Hall) Last Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-managers-office/diversity/bellevue-diversity-advisory-network](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-managers-office/diversity/bellevue-diversity-advisory-network)

**East Bellevue Community Council** (6:30 p.m., Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd) First Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/east-bellevue-community-council](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/east-bellevue-community-council)

### Arts Commission

(4:30 p.m., 1E-109) First Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/arts-and-culture/arts-commission](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/arts-and-culture/arts-commission)

### Environmental Services Commission

(6:30 p.m., 1E-113) First Thursday of each month [Utilities.BellevueWA.gov/conservation-and-the-environment/environmental-services-commission](http://Utilities.BellevueWA.gov/conservation-and-the-environment/environmental-services-commission)

**Planning Commission** (6:30 p.m., 1E-113) Second and fourth Wednesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/planning-commission](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/planning-commission)

**Transportation Commission** (6:30 p.m., 1E-113) Second Thursday of each month with fourth Thursday as needed. [BellevueWA.gov/planning/transportation-commission](http://BellevueWA.gov/planning/transportation-commission)

### Human Services Commission

(6 p.m., 1E-113) First and third Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/human-services-commission](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/human-services-commission)

### LEOFF 1 Disability Board

(6 p.m., Room 1E-118) First Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/human-resources/retirees-former-employees/leoff-1-disability-board](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/human-resources/retirees-former-employees/leoff-1-disability-board)

### Library Board

(5p.m., Lake Hills, Bellevue or Newport Way Library) Third Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/library-board](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/library-board)

### Parks & Community Services Board

(6 p.m., 1E-113) Second Tuesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/parks-and-community-services-board](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/parks-and-community-services-board)

### The Bellevue Network on Aging (BNOA)

8:30 a.m., North Bellevue Community Center 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue) First Thursday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/bnoa](http://BellevueWA.gov/bnoa)

### Special Events Committee

(8:30 a.m., 1E-112) Second Thursday of each month [Parks.BellevueWA.gov/special-events/special-events-committee](http://Parks.BellevueWA.gov/special-events/special-events-committee)

### Youth Link Board

(6 p.m., 1E-120) Second Wednesday of each month [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/youth-link-board](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-and-commissions/youth-link-board)

*Bellevue's Neighborhood Services Division offers a variety of programs and partnerships for neighborhood leaders and active residents. To learn more about citizen involvement opportunities and programs to enhance neighborhoods, please visit our website at: [BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/neighborhoods](http://BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/neighborhoods) or call 425-452-6836 or email: [neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov). To subscribe to this newsletter, visit: [BellevueWA.gov/neighborhood-news](http://BellevueWA.gov/neighborhood-news)*

## City Council [Bellevue.Legistar.com/Calendar.aspx](http://Bellevue.Legistar.com/Calendar.aspx)

Day	Scheduled Meeting(s)	Location	Public Comment Opportunity
First four Mondays of each Month, except August and December	6 p.m., Regular Meeting	Virtual Bellevue TV channel 21 and BTV YouTube channel <a href="http://youtube.com/user/BellevueWashington">youtube.com/user/BellevueWashington</a>	Written Communications Only
August – first Monday only			Email: <a href="mailto:council@bellevuewa.gov">council@bellevuewa.gov</a>
December – first and second Mondays only			Subject line - "Written Communications (insert date of meeting)" by 3 p.m. the day of the meeting.