

# RICHLAND ROUNDUP

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE CITY OF RICHLAND



## RICHLAND'S WINTER WONDERLAND

Join us for the 8th Annual Winter Wonderland, presented by HAPO Community Credit Union. This magical celebration promises to light up your holiday season with joy, laughter, and dazzling displays.



Visit John Dam Plaza any evening from 5-9PM for the music and light show until January 2nd, 2024. The stage, trees and park will be lit with thousands of dancing lights set to a soundtrack of your favorite holiday tunes.

Other attractions in John Dam Plaza include the Richland Alphabet House Village, featuring replicas of the several alphabet homes, and new this year, a replica of the original Richland Players Theatre!

For more information, visit [richlandparksandrec.com/winterwonderland](http://richlandparksandrec.com/winterwonderland).

## SHOP LOCAL, SHOP SMALL



The City of Richland has a broad range of locally owned restaurants, retail, and entertainment options to make the holiday season merry and bright. Use Richland's Small Business Passport to find special deals at restaurants, retail, and services.

The Business Passport program is a virtual passport accessible via QR code or by visiting [richlandbusiness.com/passport](http://richlandbusiness.com/passport). Businesses are added and offers updated weekly. Passport cards are also available at participating businesses, Richland City Hall, Richland Public Library, and the Richland Community Center.

## HELPING HANDS



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Richland residents can help those in need with their utility bills by donating to the City's Helping Hands Fund. There are three options to help. You can make a one-time donation, round-up your utility bill to the nearest dollar, or choose to donate a specific amount each billing cycle.

For more information, visit [www.ci.richland.wa.us/helpinghands](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/helpinghands) and fill in the easy, online form, call (509) 942-1104, and choose Option 4, or email [CustomerService@ci.richland.wa.us](mailto:CustomerService@ci.richland.wa.us). You may opt-in to participate, modify, or cancel at any time.

## CHRISTMAS CURBSIDE COLLECTION

### Christmas Collection Schedule

December 25 .....No Collection (Delayed by one day)

### Christmas Tree Pickup

Undecorated trees will be collected from the curb during the first two weeks of January. Trees more than six feet tall need to be cut in half.

### JANUARY

M	T	W	T	F
1 🌲	2 🌲	3 🌲	4 🌲	5 🌲
8 🌲	9 🌲	10 🌲	11 🌲	12 🌲
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

## GREEN WASTE PICKUP REMINDER

Yard waste collection in the green cans will continue every week through the winter months, except when we are experiencing temperatures below freezing. Please check the City of Richland Government Facebook page and/or the Solid Waste website at [www.i.richland.wa.us/solidwaste](http://www.i.richland.wa.us/solidwaste) for information regarding delays or cancellations. Prohibited wastes in the green can still apply. No garbage, bagged green waste, pet waste, dirt, rock, concrete, metal, or treated wood.

### LANDFILL HOURS

(CLOSED CITY-RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS)

NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY:

MON - SAT 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

CLOSED SUNDAYS.

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## WINTER WEATHER INFORMATION

When weather forecasts indicate that snow or ice conditions are in the forecast, Richland street maintenance crews are mobilized to apply anti-icing chemicals to the arterials, collector streets (including school zones), and steep inclined streets. Depending on the type, accumulation, and recurrence of winter storm events, the streets supervisor will determine if and when other resources are deployed based on the priority system listed below:



**Priority 1 - Main arterial streets**

**Priority 2 - Collector streets / school zones**

**Priority 3 - High priority steep streets**

**Followed by remaining residential streets**

Snow & ice control efforts are for vehicular traffic. Bike lanes and shoulders are used for snow storage and are not included in the priorities listed.

### HOW TO STAY INFORMED ON SNOW & ICE CONTROL

You can stay informed of City winter weather event updates, including status of snow plowing progress:

- Follow the City on Facebook and Twitter @RichlandWA
- Visit our website at [www.ci.richland.wa.us/snow](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/snow)
- Sign up for flash alerts ([www.flashalert.net/signup](http://www.flashalert.net/signup)) and subscribe to receive email notifications of facility closures or delays.

## WE ARE RICHLAND

Are you interested in a career with the City of Richland? Visit [www.wearerichland.org](http://www.wearerichland.org) to learn more about our hiring process, including current job opportunities, salary and benefits information, minimum requirements, and training opportunities.

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### RICHLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT HOSTS HIRING CLINICS

RPD is hosting clinics to prepare potential candidates for hire. Prep for police applications, oral boards, and the background process, and learn what a day in the life of a patrol officer looks like. Upcoming dates are December 20, 2023 and January 17, 2024. For more information, contact Jory Parish [jparish@ci.richland.wa.us](mailto:jparish@ci.richland.wa.us) and follow Richland Police Department on Facebook @RichlandPolice.

## TREES SAVE ENERGY

As you plan for 2024, consider planting trees as an option to cut down on your energy costs. Strategically placed trees can be as effective as other energy saving home improvements, such as insulation and the installation of weather-tight windows and doors. Trees help reduce your heating and cooling costs.

Trees save energy through cooling in the hotter months. They provide a wind break during winter. This result is burning less fossil fuels to generate electricity for cooling and heating.

Use evergreens, which retain their leaves/needles yearlong, in a planned pattern. They will serve as windbreaks to save from 10 to 50 percent in energy used for heating. Evergreens offer the best benefits when you:

- Place them to intercept and slow winter winds, usually on the north side of your home.
- Do not plant them on the south or west side of your home, because they will block warming sunlight during the winter. These trees also provide some shading benefits during summer.

For further information about our Tree Program please visit [www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyservices](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyservices), or call 509-942-7429 to speak with our Certified Arborist. Learn more about other ways you can save energy in your home by visiting [www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyefficiency](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/energyefficiency).

### HOLIDAY CLOSURES

CITY OF RICHLAND FACILITIES WILL BE CLOSED ON:

**December 25 & 26**

(Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Observed)

&

**January 1, 2024**

(New Year's Day)