

neighborhood news



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news for and about
Bellevue neighborhoods

Become A Zero Waste Hero

Friday, November 3, 2-3pm
Bellevue Downtown Library,
1111 110th Ave. NE



Tuesday, November 14, 1-2pm
Newport Way Library, 14250 SE Newport Way

Monday, November 27, 7-8pm
Bellevue Downtown Library, 1111 110th Ave. NE

Tuesday, November 28, 7:30-8:30pm
Lake Hills King County Library, 15590 Lake Hills Blvd.

Monday, December 4, 7-8pm
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE

November is America Recycles Month! The City of Bellevue is pleased to offer five free classes to sharpen your recycling and composting knowledge and help you reduce waste in the first place. You will learn how to store food to make it last, ways to reduce waste and how to handle items we can't reduce. All participants

will receive a handy food storage guide as well as a recycling bag and kit to help improve recycling at home. If you would like to attend, please email us at recycle@bellevuewa.gov or call 425-452-6932 to register. Registration is required.

Space is limited to 30 people per session. First come, first served. Adults and children over 7 are welcome to attend.



Save the Date for Cultural Conversations

Winter Season of Storytelling - "Using a Treasured Item to Bring Life to a Cultural Story"

Tuesday, December 5, 1-2:30pm
Crossroads Community Center,
16000 NE 10th St, Bellevue



As we move into the winter season, a quieter time within many cultures for reflection, precious time is spent with family and friends recalling stories that are foundational to our history, traditions and memories shared with loved ones. Cultural Conversations, a program in its seventh season, has transformed relationships and perspectives among diverse women

in our community through a range of topics and storytelling since 2010.

At December's Cultural Conversations we will ask participants to share a treasured item that invokes a deeper cultural story. This conversation was inspired by Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's book presentation and exhibit a few years ago at the Bellevue Arts Museum, "Read My Pins: Stories from a diplomat's jewel box". Please join us for tea and conversation and experience connection with others in your community. Women of all ages, faiths and cultures are welcome to attend. To fully participate in the sharing, attendees are encouraged to plan arrangements for childcare. Please RSVP to Carol Ross at cross@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7917.

Coming to Bellevue in 2018



Starting next year, Bellevue Utilities will update our city's outdated,

manually-read water meters to a new, wireless-read technology, called Smart Water Meters. Smart Water Meters will provide you with near real-time data about your water usage.

Using a new online portal, you'll be able to manage your account, learn about your water usage patterns, identify ways to save water and save money, and have the ability to spot potential leaks quickly before they become a big problem. Customers don't have to be present for their Smart Water Meter installation. The average installation will take around 15 minutes – limiting the time you will be without water.

Smart Water Meters are the first of many new Smart Cities initiatives, which will implement city-wide technologies that make use of near real-time data and integrate systems to make better use of existing data. Bellevue Utilities looks forward to sharing more exciting details about Smart Water Meters and installation in your neighborhood, coming in 2018! For more information visit www.bellevuewa.gov/SmartWaterMeter

Bellevue College Community



Wednesday, November 15, 7-8pm

Bellevue College Room A140,
3000 Landerholm Circle SE, Bellevue

Join Bellevue College Vice President Ray White to learn what's happening

on Bellevue college campus, share your comments, and ask questions about growth, events, programs and more. These informal conversations are designed to improve communication and create connections with the surrounding residential and business communities. There are no set agendas for the sessions, just open Q&A. We will begin in L Building lobby and may visit other sites or tour campus as appropriate. Parking is free in the evening.



King County Councilmember

Claudia Balducci to keynote

Bellevue Essentials Graduation

Wednesday, Nov. 29, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.,

City Hall, 450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue.



This month, the City of Bellevue will graduate its fifth cohort of 35 emerging leaders from its civic engagement program, Bellevue Essentials. The graduation ceremony and dessert reception will take place at city hall.

The graduation event will be keynoted by King County Councilmember and former Bellevue Mayor, Claudia Balducci. Claudia Balducci is a mom, a neighborhood advocate, transportation leader and former public safety official. Balducci first became active in politics when she joined her neighbors to advocate for the revitalization of the Lake Hills shopping center. She was later elected to a Bellevue city charter commission and then to the City Council where she served for 12 years, including two years as Deputy Mayor and two years as Mayor. She now serves on the King County Council.

In addition to Balducci, the community will hear perspectives on the Bellevue Essentials experience from 2015 alumnus, Miran Hothi, and from a current graduating class member. Certificates will be presented to graduates by Mayor John Stokes and City Manager Brad Miyake. The ceremony will be followed by a dessert reception.

The event is open to the community and provides an opportunity to learn more about Bellevue Essentials, the City's 9-week program for civic engagement. The next class will commence in September 2018, with applications available in May, 2018. To RSVP for the graduation or for information on future participation in the Bellevue Essentials program, contact Julie Ellenhorn at 425-452-5372 or jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov.



Who to Call, Where to Turn When Bad Weather Arrives

Storm season last year was the wettest on record and last summer was the driest on record. What does this fall and winter have in store?

It's impossible to know for certain, but it's good to be prepared. Here are some telephone numbers and web pages that can help:



- **Who to call:** For life-threatening emergencies, call 911. To report flooding, blocked or hazardous streets and sidewalks, fallen trees, damaged traffic signs or signals, and similar problems, call the city's 24-hour response line at 425-452-7840. Call Puget Sound Energy at 1-888-225-5773 to report a power outage;
- **Social media information during a weather emergency:** Check the city's general Twitter page (<https://twitter.com/bellevuewa>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/bellevuewashington>) for the latest developments;
- **Website information:** During significant weather events, get information about local impacts, including the city's response on our Emergencies and Extreme Weather page (under Communications on the city website). Under that page is a Winter Weather Tips page, with information on preparedness, reporting trouble, driving in difficult conditions, power outages, garbage collection schedules and warming centers. Flood protection information also is available (<https://bellevuewa.gov/BeFloodReady>);
- **Smart phone information:** Use the MyBellevue app and click on the Emergencies and Extreme Weather widget

In case of snow and ice, city crews have seven medium-sized, four-by-four trucks and eight dump trucks ready that can be configured with plows and sanders to clear roadways.

This Transportation Celebration is on us!

Friday, November 17,
8:30-10am

Brierwood Center parking lot,
12001 NE 12th Street, Bellevue

**WALK.
BIKE.
RIDE.**

Businesses and residents are invited to celebrate the completion of a couple of major roadway improvement projects: the NE 4th Street Extension and the 120th Avenue NE projects between the SE 300 Block and NE 16th Street. We will also be kicking off the design of several projects in the BelRed area. Come join City Council, project staff and other members of the community for cake, hot beverages and photo opportunities! Swag bag giveaways will be provided.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Tresa Berg, Public Involvement Manager, at 425-452-4638 or tberg@bellevuewa.gov.



Boards and Commissions Meetings

(All meetings are in City Hall unless otherwise noted. Agendas are subject to change. You may confirm with Neighborhood Outreach the day before or day of the meeting. Or consult the City web pages listed below to download agendas.)

Bellevue Diversity Advisory Network

(6pm, Bellevue City Hall) Last Tuesday of each month
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/bdan.htm>

East Bellevue Community Council (6:30pm, Lake Hills Clubhouse, 15230 Lake Hills Blvd) First Tuesday of each month
<http://bellevuewa.gov/ebcc.htm>

Arts Commission (4:30pm, 1E-109) First Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/arts_comm.htm

Environmental Services Commission (6:30pm, 1E-113) First Thursday of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/enviro_serv_comm.htm

Planning Commission (6:30pm, 1E-113) Second and fourth Wednesday of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/planning_commission.htm

Transportation Commission (6:30pm, 1E-113) Second Thursday of the month of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/trans_comm.htm

Human Services Commission (6pm, 1E-113) First and third Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/human_serv_comm.htm

LEOFF 1 Disability Board (6pm, Room 1E-118) First Tuesday of each month
<http://www.bellevuewa.gov/leoff-1-disability-board.htm>

Library Board (5pm, Lake Hills, Bellevue or Newport Way Library) The third Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/library_board.htm

Parks & Community Services Board (6pm, 1E-113) Second Tuesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/parks_board.htm

Network on Aging (8:30am, Bellevue Youth Theater, 16051 NE 10th St, Bellevue) First Thursday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm

Special Events Committee (8:30am, 1E-112) Second Thursday of each month
http://bellevuewa.gov/special_events_committee.htm

Youth Link Board (6pm, 1E-120) Second Wednesday of each month
http://www.bellevuewa.gov/youth_link_board.htm

Bellevue's Neighborhood Outreach Office 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 <http://www.bellevuewa.gov/neighborhood-outreach.htm> or call 425-452-6836 or email: neighborhoodoutreach@bellevuewa.gov

City Council <https://bellevue.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Day	Scheduled Meeting(s)	Location	Public Comment Opportunity
1 and 3 Mondays except in August and December	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications
2 and 4 Mondays except in August and December	6-10pm, Extended Study Session	Council Conference Room	6pm, Oral Communications
August - first Monday only	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications
December - first and second Mondays only	6pm, Study Session	Council Conference Room	None
	8pm, Regular Session	Council Chambers	8pm, Oral Communications