

Friday Five

Your weekly Thurston County update



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#1 - Thurston/Mason County Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair

What You Can Expect...

Sessions presented by experts on:

- Guardianship 4:15pm
- Transportation 5:15pm

Who Should Attend?

- Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and their families
- Transition, life skills, and high school resource teachers
- Special education directors
- Transition coordinators
- Case managers

Thurston/Mason County

Developmental Disabilities

Resource Fair

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

ESD113 / Capital Event Center

6005 Tyee Dr SW

Tumwater, WA 98512

Come visit over 30 service providers and learn about:

- Government Agencies
- Employment Providers
- Transportation
- Behavioral Health
- Family Support & Advocacy
- And more!



Join the High School Transition Team at the upcoming Thurston/Mason County Developmental Disabilities Resource and Transition Fair next Tuesday! This FREE event is open for all middle school, high school, and transition-aged students with intellectual or developmental disabilities, along with families and teachers. Come explore 30+ vendors offering a wealth of resources - from advocacy and family support groups to employment providers, government agencies, transportation services, and more. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect and empower our community!

Presentations:

4:15 p.m. Guardianship

5:15 p.m. Transportation

When: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Time: 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Where: ESD 113 Capital Event Center (behind COSTCO) 6005 Tyee Dr. SW, Tumwater, WA, 98512

#2 - Thurston Youth WIN Program



EARN up to \$600 for your YOUTH GROUP!

STEP 1: Go to www.thurstoncountywa.gov/thurston-youth-win to apply.

STEP 2: Complete your approved service project that benefits local communities and water.

STEP 3: Have fun earning money!



Questions?

Email: StormwaterUtility@co.thurston.wa.us

Phone: 360-754-4013

Thurston County Community Planning's 2024 [Thurston Youth WIN! program](#) connects youth groups with community service projects. The projects will be in neighborhoods needing help maintaining a stormwater pond.

The benefits to communities are many:

- Improved water quality
- Less risk of neighborhood flooding
- Less chance of wildfire spread
- Better habitat for wildlife
- Beautification of natural spaces

Thurston County Stormwater Utility will fund five projects in 2024. **Each youth group that completes a 40-hour project will earn a \$600.00 stipend.** Youth groups based in unincorporated Thurston County are eligible to apply. Neighborhoods may also apply to host a project at an existing stormwater pond. [Learn more and apply online.](#)

#3 - Public Hearing on the Continuation of Telecommunications Franchise Agreement with Mashell Telecom, Inc. dba Lightcurve on Tuesday, March 19

**Thurston County
Board of County Commissioners
Accepting Public Comment**



**Public Hearing on Continuation of
Telecommunications Franchise Agreement
with Mashell Telecom, Inc. dba Lightcurve**
Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.
Room 110, 3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia 98501

The Thurston County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 3:30 p.m., or soon thereafter, to accept public comment on the continuation of telecommunications franchise agreement with Mashell Telecom, Inc. dba Lightcurve.

For more information on meetings and public hearings, along with information on how to submit public comment, visit:

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/board-county-commissioners/meetings-public-hearings-and-work-session-agendas>

#4 - Thurston County Board of County Commissioners Proclaim March as Women's History Month



On March 5, the Board of County Commissioners proclaimed the month of March as Women's History Month in Thurston County. The proclamation encourages all citizens to honor women for their countless contributions to our community and nation. The [National Women's History Month](#) theme for 2024 celebrates "Women who advocate for equity, diversity, and inclusion." Members from the League of Women Voters of Thurston County attended and accepted the proclamation.

You can watch the proclamation on the [Thurston County YouTube Channel](#).

#5 - Stream Team Spring Edition is Now Available

Stream Team

SPRING 2024 March-May

Oyster Seed Planting Partnership is Back!

Exploring Nature's
Tiny Guardians:
Stream Bug
Sampling in
Spring

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[Stream Team](#) is a program run by the stormwater utilities of Olympia, Tumwater, Lacey, and Thurston County. Stream Team has published the Stream Team News for over thirty years, sharing the message “**working together for clean water.**”

The [Stream Team News spring edition](#) is now available. It's an excellent resource to stay informed and engaged about water quality. It includes exciting content with beautiful photos and engaging articles. Read it and discover events and activities you and your family can enjoy. Stream bug monitoring, oyster seed planting, and nature sleuthing are all coming soon! You will also learn about the critical role of Pacific Salmon in the Pacific Northwest. Gain valuable tips for pollution-free home and garden care. Enjoy a spring-themed scavenger hunt with your favorite youth. With so much to offer, pick up a copy of the Stream Team News at your local Timberland Regional Library. Or [subscribe](#) to the electronic version today. Work together with Stream Team for clean water!



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