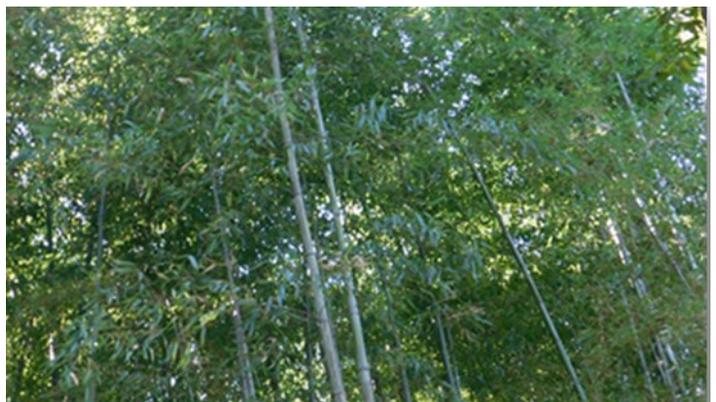


Sister City Program



Our Sister City

Mayor Nicola Smith and the City Council adopted the city of Damyang as a Sister City to Lynnwood on February 22, 2016 — as the people of Lynnwood desired to learn more about the people of other communities throughout the world, enhance international communications and understanding, and explore endless opportunities.

About Damyang

Damyang is located in Jeollanam-do County, Korea. The city is located approximately four hours south of South Korea's capital city of Seoul. Damyang has a population of 48,000, and is rich with cultural history, events and places. Damyang is most famous for bamboo and they hold an annual Bamboo Festival in early May.

About Lynnwood

Incorporated in 1959, Lynnwood is the economic hub of South Snohomish County. Situated at the convergence of interstates I-5 and I-405, Lynnwood's accessibility, variety of housing and employment options, colleges and outstanding park system attract a wide variety of businesses and residents. For its diverse population of more than 36,000, Lynnwood is a great place to live, work and play. Lynnwood Moving Forward: Our Community Vision – the City will be a regional model for a sustainable, vibrant community with engaged citizens and accountable government. Lynnwood is a great deal more.



Lynnwood is a regional center for business and commerce. The retail sector forms the second largest employment base in the city, which includes over 200 Korean-owned businesses located in the city. ←

Lynnwood's population is about 38,000 with quality schools and colleges that serve the needs of our children. Lynnwood is quite linguistically diverse. More than 33 percent of Lynnwood residents speak a language other than English at home. Korean is one of top five languages spoken in



With a population of about 48,000, Damyang's well-known bamboo garden is a beautiful place with many trails. It is one of the northern-most places where bamboo can be found on the Korean peninsula. ↓



Members of the Sister City Program Committee and Korean Sister Subcommittee include Sun Kyong Lee (pictured L-R), Wally Webster, Mayor Nicola Smith, Lynn Sordel, Gina Israel, Art Ceniza, Buwon Brown, Eunjeong Kong, Fred Wong, and Ki Seung Cho. Not pictured are Councilmember Ruth Ross, Julie Moore, Mary Monroe, Sarah Olson, Elizabeth Lunsford, Stephanie Yoon, Angela Kim, Charles Kim, and Binee Park.



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