

# Inside LYNNWOOD

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*Biggest & Best Ever!*

*Costume Parade @ 5:30 pm*

*Entertainment @ 6pm*

*Fireworks @ 10:15pm*

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*Brothers from Different Mothers*

*Food Vendors*

*Games & More!*

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## Neighborhood Matching Grants It's Not Too Late!

Have you ever had a great idea for your neighborhood but just didn't have the money to do it? Now is your chance! The Neighborhood Matching Grants program provides money to Lynnwood neighborhoods and community organizations for a wide variety of neighborhood-based projects. All you have to do is gather up some neighbors, come up with an idea, and fill out an easy application!

The city has already received applications for some great projects, but we want more! We are giving you another chance to submit a project. Application deadline is Monday, July 6.

Does planning and executing a project seem too overwhelming? The Office of Neighborhoods and Community Affairs wants to make it

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# DIRECTORY

## Lynnwood Elected Officials

### Mayor

Don Gough

### City Council

Ted Hikel	Jim Smith
Mark Smith	Lisa Utter
Stephanie Wright	Loren Simmonds
Ruth Ross	

### Lynnwood City Hall

Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

[www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us)

19100 44th Ave W

425-670-5000

### Animal Control

425-670-5660

### Code Enforcement

425-670-5420

### Community Development

425-670-5400

### Economic Development

425-670-5249

### Finance

425-670-5100

### Fire

Station 14: 18800 68th Ave W

Station 15: 18800 44th Ave W

425-670-5302 (non-emergency)

### Golf Course

20200 68th Ave W

425-672-4653

### Human Resources

Jobline 425-670-5627

### Mayor's Office

425-670-5001

### Municipal Court

19321 44th Ave W

425-670-6668

### Neighborhoods & Community Affairs

425-670-5023

### Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts

18900 44th Ave W

425-670-5732

### Police

19321 44th Ave W

425-670-5600 (non-emergency)

### Public Works

425-670-5200

### Senior Center

5800 198th St

425-670-5050

## LYNNWOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

A new Traffic Management Center, located in a new space at Lynnwood City Hall, is being constructed to tie all the components of the city's traffic management system together in a single space. When completed in late 2009, it will provide a state of the art center for one of the most sophisticated municipal traffic management systems in the state of Washington, and perhaps the nation. The Center will include an adjacent conference room and public viewing areas.

One of the biggest issues in Lynnwood, as recognized by most residents, is the volume of traffic that passes through the city on a daily basis. Since the late 1990's the city has worked hard to install a sophisticated traffic management system, connecting all the city's traffic signals to a central control point. The backbone of the system is a fiber optic network between City Hall and each of the city's 57 traffic signals. Benefits of this sophisticated system include increased efficiency of our traffic signals and decreased congestion.

At each of the city's traffic signals, video traffic detection cameras have been installed which direct a vehicle is present waiting for a green light. When the controller senses that traffic on the opposite street is clear, or a prescribed time has elapsed, the signal is switched to green for the waiting vehicle.

Data from each controller flows through the network to the traffic management center presently located in a single cubicle in City Hall. Here the Traffic Engineer can monitor the operation of each signal and make adjustments to signal timing when necessary.

## Spray park grand openings!

North Lynnwood Park  
Spray Park Dedication  
Thur. June 11 • 2 pm

Daleway Park  
Spray Park Dedication  
Sat. July 18 • 11 am



## "National Night Out" Against Crime in Lynnwood

Join your neighbors Tuesday, August 4 by turning on your porch light, locking your doors and going out and meeting your neighbors in the name of crime prevention.

In Lynnwood, neighborhoods can register their block watch party with the Lynnwood Police Department. Then, on National Night Out, police and fire personnel, along with the other city departments and the Family Center of South Snohomish County will tour each registered event.

The Annual National Night Out celebration is scheduled all across America for the same evening. In 2008, more than 35 million people in thousands of communities across the country participated in NNO all at the same time.

NNO is designed to

- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships.
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.
- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.
- Generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs.

Statistics prove over and over that neighbors knowing one another and watching out for each other reduces crime.

The Lynnwood Police Department in collaboration with the Family Center of South Snohomish County, the Lynnwood Fire Department and the Lynnwood Target store encourages residents to organize neighborhood events to bring



Lynnwood Police K-9 handler, Officer Curtis Zatylny and Commander Chuck Steichen visit with a neighborhood block watch at last year's National Night event.

neighbors closer together. By involving several households in each neighborhood, it becomes a real community building effort and everyone shares in the expense and fun of putting on a 'block party'. A 'party' could be as simple as banana splits in someone's garage, a pool party with hot dogs at a condo or apartment, a front yard potluck picnic, a dessert potluck, or a full-blown BBQ in a driveway.

If you think this is something you'd like to make happen in your neighborhood on National Night Out, Tuesday, Aug 4 or anytime, call Shannon Sessions with the Crime Prevention Section at 425-670-5635 to register your NNO event and receive a free booklet on crime prevention.



Help us celebrate Lynnwood's 50th birthday.  
Enter our Juried Art Exhibit titled "Celebrate 50."  
Free to enter, open to everyone!

For more information visit  
[www.LynnwoodArts.org](http://www.LynnwoodArts.org)



Call To Artists



Lynnwood University is back. For the 7th year in a row, Lynnwoodians are offered the opportunity to attend the award winning and free 9-week Lynnwood University. Students of Lynnwood University will learn about every phase of our city government and operations through demonstrations, tours and hands-on activities conducted by city staff, City Council Members, and the Mayor. This fun, exciting, and interactive program meets from 7:00 – 9:30pm each Thursday from September 10th to November 5th, 2009.

Class Highlights:

- ◆ Try on firefighting gear and see the jaws of life in action,
- ◆ Learn how to solve a criminal case and come face to face with a police K-9,
- ◆ Tour our beautiful city parks and the award winning waste water treatment plant,
- ◆ Find out why lumber and eggs sparked Lynnwood's development,
- ◆ And much, much more!

Space fills up quickly, delicious snacks and beverages are provided, and there is no charge for this program. Registration Deadline is Monday, August 29.

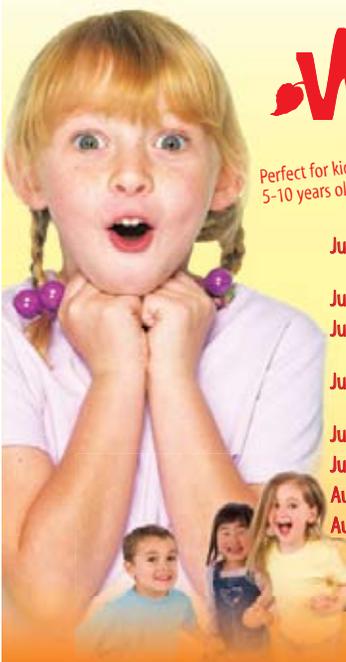
For registration or questions visit us at [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/LynnwoodUniversity](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/LynnwoodUniversity), call 425-670-5023 or email [jmoore@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:jmoore@ci.lynnwood.wa.us).

Don't miss this one-of-a-kind event!



2008 LU Students on the way to the Waste Water Treatment Plant

City of Lynnwood Arts Commission Presents Summer Performances at Lyndale Park Amphitheater



# WONDER Stage

Perfect for kids 5-10 years old!

### Wednesdays at Noon

- June 24** .....Brothers From Different Mothers, Juggling & Comedy
- July 1** .....Valentine's Performing Pigs
- July 8** .....School of Acrobatics & New Circus Arts
- July 15** .....Zambini Brothers Present Wonderland Tea Party
- July 22** .....Reptile Man, The World of Reptiles
- July 29** .....Bakra Bata, Drumming & Dance
- August 5** .....Tears of Joy Theatre, Puppet Show
- August 12** ... Steve The Pretty Good, Magic & Illusions

**FREE**

# Shakespeare in the Park

### Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00pm

- July 15 & 16 - Taming of The Shrew, *Wooden O*
- July 22 & 23 - Richard III, *Wooden O*
- July 30 - King John, *GreenStage*
- August 6 - Comedy of Errors, *GreenStage*

Perfect for the whole family!



## EDMONDS SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS Mark your calendars!



The blast of winter weather in mid-December 2008 resulted in three no-school days for Edmonds School District students. These days must be made up in June. The last day of school is now Friday, June 19.

Other important points to note:

- Tuesday, June 16 - the originally scheduled last day of school, will now be a full day of school, not an early release day;
- Wednesday, June 17 and Thursday, June 18 are full days. For high school students, please check with your school for the class schedule on those days. For all schools, please check for possible revised or changed dates for end-of-the-school-year events and activities;
- Friday, June 19 is the last day of school and an early release day. There will be no p.m. kindergarten.

School begins again on Tuesday, Sept 8. Have a safe and fun summer!

## Transportation & Traffic Task Force

Over the past few years, various citizen surveys and a city-wide visioning process have been conducted to determine what the biggest issues facing those in Lynnwood. Consistently, transportation and traffic are on top of the list.

To address these issues, in early 2009, Mayor Don Gough established a task force to provide recommendations of how best to accomplish Lynnwood's city wide long-term vision related to transportation and traffic. The Task Force is made up of a total of 18 residents and business owners who have committed to reviewing Lynnwood's transportation and traffic issues over the next 1-2 years.

The group has already met multiple times and discussed many issues including sidewalks, bike lanes, neighborhood traffic calming, pavement management, intelligent transportation systems (ITS), congestion, and funding. The Task Force plans to submit an interim report with their preliminary findings to the Public Works Department, the Mayor and City Council in June for consideration in the mid-biennium budget process. For more information on the Task Force, contact David Mach, Project Manager, at 425-670-5275.

# Summer Kids Klub

Give your preschooler or soon to be Kindergartener a summer of fun! Our Summer Kids Klub program focuses on developing physical and social skills. Your child will make friends & crafts, play games and act out short stories. Register today @ 425.670.5732

Age: 4-6 year olds  
Time: 9am-12pm, Mon-Thurs  
Cost: \$55/\$50 (Resident Rate)

City of Lynnwood  
www.lynnwoodtourism.com

## New Lynnwoodtourism.com Website Launched

The Office of Economic Development launched a newly revamped and expanded tourism website on April 30. In addition to promoting Lynnwood hotels and meeting spaces, the site features area activities and a calendar of events. Vacation Packages, in coordination with local hotels, restaurants, wineries, area attractions, and retail stores, will soon be available on the website with online booking. Make [www.lynnwoodtourism.com](http://www.lynnwoodtourism.com) your first stop when planning your next conference, business meeting or when looking for local things to do with out-of-town guests.

## Olympic View Drive Project Update

The City of Lynnwood has begun Phase II improvement project on Olympic View Drive. This project will have had two phases covering approximately 1.8 miles when completed.

The first phase of the Olympic View Drive Construction project covered 168th St SW to 178th Pl SW. The second phase will cover 178th Pl SW to 76th Ave W.

The project features:

- 5-foot wide sidewalks on both sides
- ADA compliant wheelchair ramps
- 14-foot wide lanes to accommodate bicycle traffic
- Enclosed drainage collection and conveyance system
- Stormwater detention / infiltration with water quality facilities (off-site facility at Lynndale Park)
- Walls to allow construction in existing right-of-way
- Illumination improvements

Detour routes have been set and will be marked during construction phases. To receive detour and travel information in advance, please e-mail us at [psimpson@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:psimpson@ci.lynnwood.wa.us) and we will put you on an electronic mailing list.

For more information about this project please contact Jesse Perrault, Project Manager at 425-670-5214.

## SUMMER CAMP

*Kamp Kookamunga & Camp We-Wanna-Go*

offer a quality summer experience for youth. Your child's enjoyment and safety are our top priorities. Our weekly camp sessions are theme-oriented and packed with creative and healthy outdoor activities.

Half-day or Full-day options available!



For more information please visit our website at [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/Camps](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/Camps)



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easy for you. We will be hosting an informational session to answer your questions, and help you with some ideas. Everyone is invited to attend, Tuesday June 23rd 6 pm at City Council Chambers (19100 44th Ave W).

For more information on grant guidelines and applications go to [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/grants](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/grants) or call the Office of Neighborhoods and Community Affairs at 425-670-5023.



# Dragons Live at Spruce Elementary School

What does it take to bring dragons to life? One very dedicated teacher, her cohorts, and her principal, one amazing artist, and hundreds of kids.

That's how the 20 foot clay dragon mural was created at Spruce Elementary School. Teacher Anna Walter and artist Kim Newall came up with the idea which won the support of principal Margaret Mesaros, and funding from the City of Lynnwood Arts Commission.



With a bit of magic, hard work, and an unbelievable amount of organization, hundreds of kids got their hands in designing, and making the two dragons. An added benefit to this project is that an area of the building is now a designated ceramics studio, allowing all the schools students to have the opportunity to do hands on clay projects.

The dragon mural, which is also the school's mascot, sits at the front of the school greeting visitors and students daily.

## Pedestrian Improvements 196th Street Bridge Over I-5

This pedestrian improvement project provides a safe and direct crossing for bicyclists and pedestrians to travel east west over I-5 at 196th Street SW. It connects the Interurban Trail and neighborhoods on the west side of I-5 to parks, neighborhoods and businesses on the east side.

This \$5 million project scored 100 out of 100 points to make it the #1 rated project in Snohomish County on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) stimulus program. The Puget Sound Regional Council made an allocation of \$1.25 million dollars to this project on Thursday, April 2, 2009.

This project has been put out to public bid and is awaiting final council approval of contract. The bridge is estimated to start construction in July 2009.

## City of Lynnwood HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

Looking for a way to get some exercise while the sun is out? Learn about the history of Lynnwood through the "Historical Walking Tour." The City of Lynnwood Historical Commission has produced a walking tour brochure which features a narrative about the history of a number of sites, businesses, residences, and parks in the City. Many of the structures on the 3.3 mile route date back to the early 1900's. For high-tech individuals, the brochure also contains coordinates to a geocache located in one of the City parks. Copies of the brochure are available at Heritage Park, in the City Library, and at City Hall. For more information, contact Gloria Rivera at 425-670-5409 or at [grivera@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:grivera@ci.lynnwood.wa.us).

# SURFACE WATER

## Something We Need to Know About

### So what's the problem with pet waste?

It's a health risk to pets and people, especially children, and it's a nuisance in our neighborhoods. Pet waste is full of bacteria that can make people sick. If it's washed into our surface water drain and ends up in a stream, river, or lake, the bacteria can end up in shellfish. People who eat shellfish can then get very sick. The waste produced by Snohomish County dogs and cats is about 20 tons per day. Unless people take care of it, the waste enters our water ways with no treatment.

### How can you get rid of pet waste and Help keep our waters clean?

Scoop it up and flush it down the toilet. That's the best way because then our sewage treatment plant or your septic system treats the pet waste. Or Scoop it up, seal it in a plastic bag and throw it in the garbage.

WHEN YOUR PET GOES ON THE LAWN,  
REMEMBER IT DOESN'T JUST  
GO ON THE LAWN.



This information is brought to you by the Lynnwood Surface Water Utility, working to keep our surface waters clean. Remember, indoor drains go to treatment plants, outdoor drains go to streams.

## Koonce is "Washington's Most Wanted" Officer

Lynnwood Police Special Operations Officer William Koonce was honored on the FOX Q13 show "Washington's Most Wanted" as it's February 2009 Officer of the Month.

Recently, Koonce was voted by his peers as the recipient of the 2008 Officer of the Year for the Lynnwood Police Department. Koonce acted as a solo officer for most of the year in the department's Special Operations Section (SOS). SOS is a plain-clothes, major crime unit in Lynnwood that focuses on significant criminal activity all over the Puget Sound area.) Koonce made 148 pro-active arrests in 2008.

These cases included the identification and closure of active drug houses, the service of several search warrants, the arrest of an active King and Snohomish County auto theft ring, a firearms/narcotics case involving a convicted felon that is now being prosecuted federally, the apprehension of several narcotics dealers and the arrest of numerous felony warrant subjects in cities all around the Puget Sound area.



In addition Koonce, along with his unit, conducted prostitution stings, assisted not only local narcotics task forces but also state and federal agencies including the Gambling Commission, DEA and ATF.

Koonce has been with the Lynnwood Police Department for seven years. Prior to this he was a reserve officer with Snohomish County Sherriff's Office and also honorable discharged after 20 years in the U.S. Navy.

## Multi-Choice Transportation System

Over the past year, the City of Lynnwood has been developing a City-wide multi-choice transportation system, known as the skeleton system. The skeleton system will provide a framework of sidewalks, walkways, trails, paths, promenades and bikeways to allow people the choice to travel between most homes, schools, businesses, entertainment and other services throughout the City of Lynnwood without using their cars. Residents of Lynnwood have consistently stated the importance of such multi-choice transportation systems in City-wide surveys and in the recent visioning process.

The preliminary pedestrian skeleton includes a total of 104 miles of sidewalks, paths, and trails, of which 85 miles or 82% is complete today. The preliminary bicycle skeleton system includes a total of 70 miles of bike lanes/routes, of which 12 miles or 17% is complete today. A ranking criteria was developed to prioritize the skeleton projects and missing links, and help the City determine where investments should be made to more efficiently use available funds.

Various pedestrian roadway cross sections and associated costs have been developed including concrete sidewalks (with and without planter strips), asphalt walkways and bike facility options (dedicated lanes vs. shared lanes) in order to determine how best to complete these skeleton projects.

Multiple public open houses will be held over the coming year to provide an opportunity for the public to learn more about the work completed so far. For more information, visit [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/nonmotorized](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/nonmotorized), or contact David Mach, at [dmach@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:dmach@ci.lynnwood.wa.us), 425-670-5275. Your comments are greatly appreciated!

## Volunteer Opportunities For Youth With Lynnwood Police

Lynnwood Police Explorer Post 911 is currently recruiting. Police Explorers are students from 14 to 21 years of age who have an interest in Law Enforcement.

The group's mission is to educate and involve high school age youth in police operations and to expose department personnel to the positive side of youth with the goal of promoting community service and a positive image of the police department to all youth in the community. Explorers support the department by performing specific duties and assisting at police events. Some of the Explorers training includes: crime scene investigation, hostage negotiation, traffic stops and report writing, along with police ride-a-longs.

Post 911 meets three times per month and provides training on a variety of law enforcement related topics. In 2007 post members participated in approximately 1,800 hours of law enforcement related training and volunteer service during activities that include: Lynnwood Easter Egg Hunt, Lynnwood July 4th Celebration, Civic Lights Celebration, Patrol Ride-Alongs, Washington State Explorer Advisor Summer and Winter Academies, D.A.R.E. Graduations, and S.W.A.T. Training.

To apply, come to the Lynnwood Police Department and ask for an application at the clerk's desk, open 24/7. For more information call Officer Reorda or Sergeant Brooks at 425-670-5600.



# PROJECT HIGHWAY 99 UPDATE

In early 2008, the Lynnwood City Council adopted economic revitalization strategies for the Highway 99 Corridor, between approximately 148th St. SW. to 216th St. SW. These strategies include, but are not limited to, the support of transit-oriented development, encouraging a wide variety of businesses, support of small businesses, and creation of an identity and image unique to Lynnwood.

Early this year, a consultant, MAKERS, was hired to work with City staff, the City Planning Commission, and the public (residents, property owners, and business owners) to draft a corridor plan, zoning regulations and design guidelines, to implement these strategies. To-date, MAKERS has moved forward with documenting existing conditions and exploring future development opportunities in the corridor. The public has “weighed -in” on both matters in two public meetings.

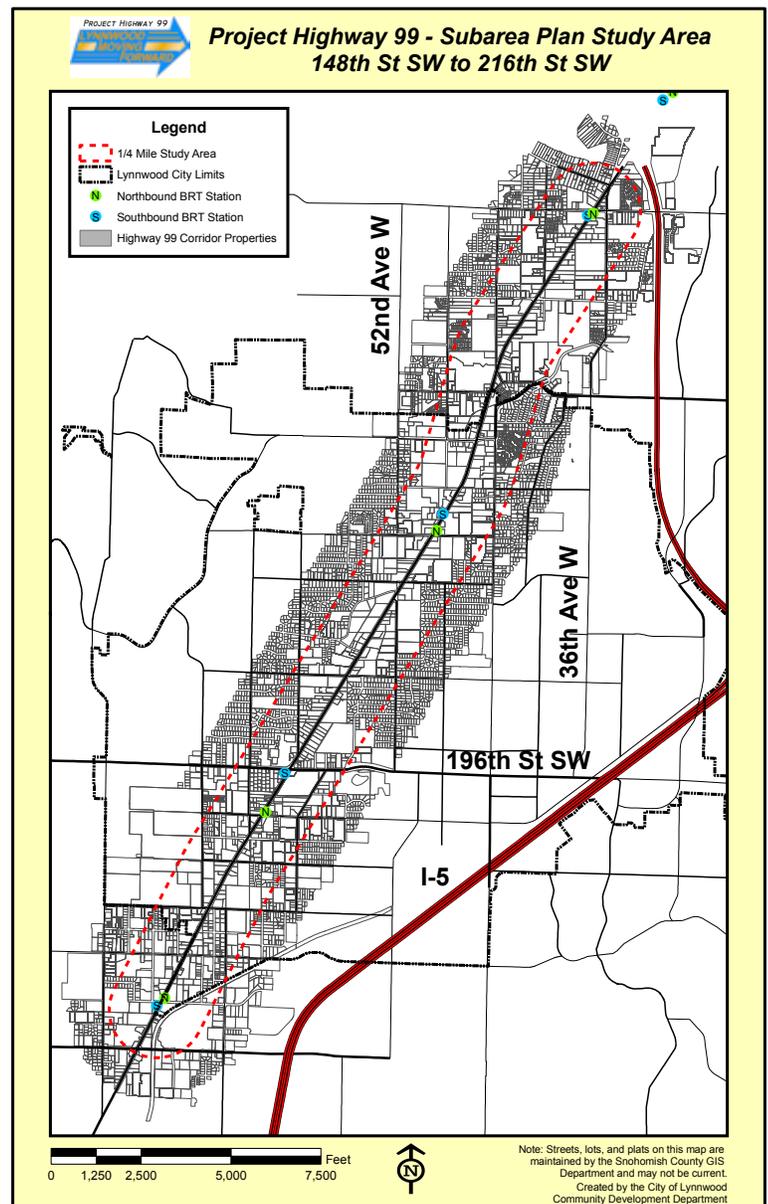
On March 3, 2009, more than forty-five people attended an initial public meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church. The public provided valuable input on perceptions of the Highway 99 Corridor and what could be the corridor’s “vision.” The public also offered input on the types of preferred development and density along the corridor, as well as concerns about pedestrian and public safety.

A second public meeting was held on April 21, 2009. At this meeting MAKERS confirmed the highlights of the first meeting and then asked for public input on alternative possibilities for a new development pattern for the corridor. Alternatives presented suggested various types of commercial/employment and residential/neighborhood scenarios in specific segments of the Corridor. Those in attendance provided comments on what they envisioned developing along these segments of the corridor.

Over the next month, MAKERS, will create a preferred alternative which will be presented to the Planning Commission on June 11th (7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers). The Planning Commission will review this alternative, and will provide guidance and recommendations to the Consultant

to further study the alternative throughout the summer. During the summer, MAKERS and their consultant team will complete an analysis of the traffic and infrastructure improvements along the corridor, as well as an evaluation of the environmental impacts associated with the alternative. The results of these studies and “draft” guidelines, development regulations, and plans will be presented to the public at a third work session this fall.

Members of the public have an opportunity to submit comments on Project Highway via an interactive format on the City website at [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/ProjectHwy99](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/ProjectHwy99). Materials presented at the previous public meetings and public comments can also be reviewed at this site. Emailed comments on the project can be sent to [ProjectHWY99@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:ProjectHWY99@ci.lynnwood.wa.us). Stay tuned as the future planning for Highway 99 keeps moving forward.



# Use Your Head! Wear A Helmet

Summer is here and kids are out on their bikes. To help keep them safe Lynnwood Recreation Center and Lynnwood Fire Department have joined together to make low-cost helmets available. The helmets are provided by the Snohomish County Safe Kids Coalition for a donation of \$10. Helmets can be obtained at the Lynnwood Recreation Center during regular business hours at the front desk. Two types of helmets are available. For kids that only ride bikes there are bike helmets. For kids that do any other wheeled activities there are multi-sport helmets. Both types are certified to meet consumer safety standards. Sizes will fit most kids from toddler to teens.

The most important part of wearing a helmet is fitting it correctly. Recreation Center staff members are trained to properly fit the helmet so that it stays comfortably on the child's head and protects the forehead. If the helmet is in the proper place on the forehead, it will cover the rest of the head correctly.

"The part of the brain behind the forehead holds the centers for emotion, judgment and creativity. If a child's helmet is more than two finger widths above the eyebrow, it will not be able to protect this important part of the brain." Said Marybeth O'Leary Public Education Officer for Lynnwood Fire Department.

Even moderate brain injury can result in problems with comprehension, memory, speed of think-



ing and behavior. Bike helmets can reduce the risk of brain injury or death by up to 85 percent. Yet, only about 15 percent of all children nationally wear a helmet when they ride a bike, ride or skate. Helmets work by absorbing some of the energy and dissipat-

ing the sharp energy peak of the blow over a larger area for a slightly longer time.

Tips to get your kids to wear helmets

- ◆ One of the most important things a parent can do to make sure their child is safe, is to practice the safe behavior. Adults should always wear their helmets when they ride. Make it a family rule!
- ◆ Your child can demonstrate responsible behavior by wearing a helmet every time he or she rides a bike. Learning to be responsible when biking can help your child learn other skills--like safely driving a car.
- ◆ Put a picture of a properly fitted helmet and a mirror near where your children put on their helmets. Teach them how to check their helmet.

Low-cost bike helmets enable all children in the community to be safer while enjoying any wheeled activities. The \$10 donation for these helmets is used by Snohomish County Safe Kids to purchase more helmets for distribution throughout the county. Know that you are keeping your children as safe as possible by getting them a helmet and encouraging them to wear it every time they ride.

## Lynnwood Library Events

Get Creative This Summer

With Reading

This summer, travel as far as your imagination and creativity will take you with books from Lynnwood Library. Participate in one of our Summer Reading Programs. Share your recommendations with fellow readers and register for prize drawings all summer long. Also come join us for free programs for children and teens throughout the season. For more information, please stop by the library or call at 425-778-2148.

## 2009 Annual Water Quality Reports

Lynnwood Water Consumers,

The City of Lynnwood is and has always been concerned with the health and safety of our citizens. By testing our water regularly, maintaining the system of pipes and reservoirs and meeting or exceeding all state and federal water quality requirements, the City's Public Works Department is committed to providing the highest quality drinking water possible.

We are pleased to bring you the attached Annual Water Quality Report. In this report you will find information on:

- Our drinking water source
- Regulations and programs that protect the high quality of our water
- 2008 Water Quality Analysis results
- Other helpful information and resources from the Public Works Utility Department

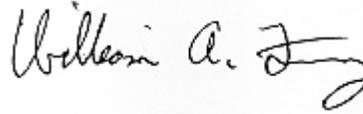
The Public Works Department's dedicated staff works hard to continually look for ways to improve our utility service and products. We encourage you to contact Paul McIntyre, Utility Supervisor, at 425-670-5241 with any questions, comments or suggestions.

Sincerely,  
CITY OF LYNNWOOD



Don Gough  
Mayor

Sincerely,  
CITY OF LYNNWOOD



William Franz  
Public Works Director

### Drinking Water Source

Your drinking water comes from the City of Everett's Spada Lake Reservoir, which is located at the headwaters of the Sultan River and the Sultan Basin Watershed. Created in 1965 by the construction of Culmback Dam, Spada Lake Reservoir holds about 50 billion gallons of water. A watershed is a geographic area where all the precipitation drains into one body of water. In the Sultan Basin Watershed, rain and snowmelt flows from the Cascade Mountains into creeks and streams that drain into Spada Lake Reservoir.

The Sultan Basin Watershed covers an area of 84 square miles of mountainous terrain and is one of the wettest watersheds on the west side of the Cascade Mountains. The annual rainfall is just a few inches less than the Hoh Rain Forest on the Olympic Peninsula.



From Spada Lake Reservoir, the water flows through a tunnel and pipeline to Chaplain Reservoir where it is held in preparation for treatment at the nearby City of Everett Treatment Plant. Chaplain Reservoir is a small lake located about 7 miles downstream from Spada Lake Reservoir and holds about 4.5 billion gallons of water.

After treatment, your drinking water is pumped to Alderwood Water District facilities in South Everett. The District transports the drinking water to reservoirs just north of Lynnwood. The Lynnwood distribution system is supplied from these reservoirs.

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## 2008 Water Quality Analysis Results

Parameter	Major Source	Units	EPA Regulations		Everett Water Results		
			Ideal Level/Goal (MCLG)	Maximum Allowable (MCL)	Range or Other	Average Value or Highest Result	Comply?
Nitrate	Erosion of natural deposits, animal waste	ppm	10	10	0.047-0.129	0.129	Yes
Total Coliform Bacteria	Naturally present in the environment	% Positive	0	5% Positive per Month	None	0%	Yes
Total coliform bacteria monitoring is used to track microbial quality in the water distribution system. Everett collects 120-125 samples per month. Not more than 5 percent of the monthly total can be positive for total coliforms.							
Fluoride	Dental health additive	ppm	2	4	0.86-1.1	0.97	Yes
Fluoride is added to your water in carefully controlled levels for dental health. In 2007, the average annual concentration of fluoride dropped from 1.0 to 0.7 mg/L. This was due to periodic shortages of the treatment chemical. During the last half of 2007, the treatment plant ran out of fluoride chemical several times.							
Residual Disinfectant Level (free chlorine)	Added as a drinking water disinfectant	ppm	4.0 (MRDLG)	4.0 (MRDL)	0.1-0.9	0.5	Yes
Haloacetic Acids (5)	By-product of drinking water chlorination	ppb	N/A	60	14.4-47.1	29.2	Yes
Total Trihalomethanes	By-product of drinking water chlorination	ppb	N/A	80	21.1-36.9	28.6	Yes
Haloacetic acids and trihalomethanes form as by-products of the chlorination process that is used to kill or inactivate disease-causing microbes. MRDLG is the "maximum residual disinfectant level goal," MRDL is the "maximum residual disinfectant level." The results reported here are for the four locations monitored to determine compliance with the current regulations. Additional results collected as part of a new study being conducted for a future regulation are reported in the detected unregulated contaminant table.							
Turbidity	Soil erosion	NTU	N/A	TT	96%	.4 1	yes
Turbidity is a measure of the amount of particulates in water measured in Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU). Particulates in water can include bacteria, viruses and protozoans that can cause disease. Turbidity measurements are used to determine the effectiveness of the treatment processes used to remove these particulates. Values reported are the lowest monthly percentage of samples that met the turbidity limit (0.3 NTU for EPA and 0.1 NTU for the state) and the highest filtered water turbidity measurement obtained in 2008.							

## The Following Information is Voluntary and Describes Additional Characteristics of Your Drinking Water

Parameter	Units	Ideal Level/Goal (MCLG)	Everett Water Results	
			Range Detected	Average Value
Bromodichloromethane <sup>1,2</sup>	ppb	0	09-2.1	1.4
Chloroform (trichloromethane) <sup>1,2</sup>	ppb	300	17.4-43.8	27.3
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) <sup>2</sup>	ppb	See Note 3	18.3-45.9	28.7
Dichloroacetic Acid <sup>1,2</sup>	ppb	0	3.4-15.6	11.1
Trichloroacetic Acid <sup>1,2</sup>	ppb	300	8.2-33.8	15.1
Haloacetic Acids 5 (HAA5) <sup>2</sup>	ppb	See Note 3	13.7-47.1	26.2

1These substances are disinfection by-products which must be monitored to determine compliance with the USEPA Stage 1 and Stage 2 Disinfectants/Disinfection By-products Rules (Stage 2 D/DBPR).

2 Includes results for 16 study sites and four additional sites that are monitored for compliance with current regulations. The study sites were monitored during October and December 2007 as part of a federally-required distribution study to identify new distribution system monitoring sites. This study known as the initial distribution system evaluation, or IDSE, and will continue through August 2008. The IDSE is required by the Stage 2 D/DBPR regulations.

3The MCL for TTHM is 80 ppb. The MCL for HAA5 is 60 ppb.

Parameter	Major Source	Units	EPA Regulations		Everett Water Results		
			Ideal Level/Goal (MCLG)	Action Level (AL)	90th % Level	Homes Exceeding the AL	Comply?
Copper	Plumbing, erosion of natural deposits	ppm	1.3	1.3	0.072	None	Yes
Lead	Plumbing, erosion of natural deposits	ppb	0	15	3	3 of 134 (2.2%)	Yes

USEPA and state regulations require Everett and the systems it supplies to monitor for the presence of lead and copper at household taps in their service area every three years. The above data was collected in 2006. The next round of required sampling will be conducted in late summer of 2009. The 90th% level is the highest result obtained in 90 percent of the samples collected when the results are ranked in order from lowest to highest. The results for water tested before it enters household plumbing were even lower. This indicates that there is virtually no lead or copper in the water, but household plumbing may contribute to the presence of lead and copper at the tap.

Parameter	Units	Everett Water Results	
		Range Detected	Average Value
Alkalinity <sup>1,4</sup>	ppm	13.8-27.3	17.1
Aluminum <sup>1</sup>	ppb	0...008-0.100	.016
Arsenic <sup>2</sup>	ppb	ND <sup>3</sup>	ND <sup>3</sup>
Calcium Hardness <sup>1</sup>	ppm <sup>4</sup>	5.9-12.3	8.9
pH <sup>1</sup>	s.u.	4.5-21.8	11.9
Sodium <sup>2</sup>	ppm	4.4-7.0	6.3
Total Hardness <sup>1</sup>	ppm <sup>4</sup>	7.4-12.3	11.3

<sup>1</sup> Results are from samples collected from 26 locations in Everett's distribution system.  
<sup>2</sup> Arsenic and sodium are monitored at the treatment plant effluent.  
<sup>3</sup> ND = Not detected.  
<sup>4</sup> Hardness and alkalinity units are in ppm as CaCO<sub>3</sub> (calcium carbonate equivalent units).

## Potential Health Effects

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants can be obtained by calling the EPA's Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

## Other Information

**Cryptosporidium** - Cryptosporidium is a microscopic organism that when ingested, may cause diarrhea, fever, and other gastrointestinal distress. It can be found in all of Washington's rivers and streams and comes from animal wastes in the watershed. Cryptosporidium is eliminated by effective treatment, including filtration, sedimentation and disinfection. Your drinking water is tested regularly for the presence of Cryptosporidium and Giardia lamblia and neither organism was detected in your water.

**Arsenic** - Considerable media attention has been focused on arsenic in drinking water. After extensive review of the health effects data, EPA has established an MCL for arsenic of 10 ppb. Over the past year, the City has tested your drinking water for the presence of arsenic on a regular basis and none was detected.

**Trihalomethanes** - Some studies have suggested that levels of Trihalomethanes above the EPA standard of 80 ppb may be a concern for pregnant women. THMs are a by-product of the drinking water chlorination process used to kill disease-causing organisms. In 2002, a report issued by Environmental Working Group and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group listed all water systems in the United States that have, or currently provide, water exceeding the 80 ppb standard. The City of Everett is not on that list. Over the fifteen years the City has been monitoring THM's, the levels have been significantly below the EPA threshold.

## Reading the Data Tables - Definitions

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available water treatment technology.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Treatment Polymers** - During water treatment, polymer coagulants are added to improve coagulation and filtration that remove particulates from water. The particulates that are removed can include viruses, bacteria and other disease causing organisms. The USEPA sets limits on the type and amount of polymer that a water system can add to the water. In addition to the EPA limits, the State of Washington also requires that all polymers used be certified safe for potable water use by an independent testing organization (NSF International). During treatment, Everett adds only NSF approved polymers and the levels used are far below the safe limits set by USEPA.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** - A required process and performance criteria intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Action Level (AL)** - The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers a treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Parts per Million (ppm)/ Parts per Billion (ppb)** - A part per million means that one part of a particular contaminant is present for every million parts of water. Similarly, parts per billion indicate the amount of a contaminant per billion parts of water.

**Not Applicable (N/A)** – Means EPA has not established MCLGs for these substances.

The EPA or State of Washington does not require the data in the voluntary monitoring table. This information describes additional characteristics of your water and may be useful for some people

## To Get Involved

There are several ways you can get involved in water quality issues. You can communicate with elected officials, participate in public hearings and attend City Council meetings. Check our website at [www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us) for information on public meetings regarding water quality, water policies and other issues, or call us at 425.670.5241.

### Mainline and Dead End Flushing

You may see Public Works crews in your neighborhood flushing water lines. This is necessary to maximize water quality by preventing stagnant water and naturally occurring sediments from accumulating in the system. Ideally a system of water mains is designed in a pattern of interconnecting loops. This allows water to flow freely throughout the system as demand occurs. Because of geography and how streets and neighborhoods lie, the water system also contains dead end mains. These locations are where water can become stagnant in times of low flow. It is necessary to periodically flush the water out of the dead end mains through a fire hydrant. Flushing helps keep your water quality high and minimizes the chance of taste or odor problems.

Your Public Works crews also periodically flush our system's main lines in order to prevent the buildup of sediment or solids in the pipes. When there is a large demand for water, such as during a main break or when a fire is being fought, the sediment in the pipe can be stirred up and your tap water can take on a reddish appearance. If you should experience this, we recommend that you refrain from water use until the sediment has settled or been flushed out. After your tap water returns to its normal appearance, we recommend that you flush out the water in your home's pipes by opening the hose faucet on the outside of your house.

### Free Water Conservation Kits

The City of Lynnwood Public Works Department is pleased to offer you a free water conservation kit. We have indoor and outdoor water conservation kits available. (Please see below for more details on water conservation and how to obtain your free conservation kits.)

## Water Conservation

### Metering Water Consumption

Metering tells us how much water we buy and sell to our customers. Your utilities department measures all the water it uses for maintenance as well as monitoring the meters to set a base line for water loss in the water distribution system. By using this information, we can fundamentally develop a data base for a useful Water Use Efficiency (WUE) program.

### Indoor & Outdoor Water Saver Kits

Water is a staple of our existence and using water efficiently needs to be a part of our daily lives, not just when there are government restrictions in place. We have a limited supply of water and we must always use it conservatively.

The City of Lynnwood water department offers all of our customers FREE indoor and outdoor water saver kits. We have been providing these popular kits for eight years and they are very popular. The outdoor kit includes an automatic hose bib shut-off, a multi-function nozzle, a hose repair kit, and a few reduced flow hose washers that can be used with your existing garden supplies. The indoor water saver kits help reduce the flow of water from your showers and faucets. They are easy to install and are very durable.

Using these easy-to-install items contained in the water conservation kit can save the average household of three up to 50,000 gallons of water a year! Install them now to help protect what is rare today and priceless tomorrow! Please stop in and pick up your conservation kit at City Hall, 19100 44th Ave. W.

### School Education

The City Council has provided funds for all levels of school, up through high school, so that students can participate in workshops and classroom presentations. They are also provided conservation materials that further educate them on the water cycle as well.

### Leak Detection

One way of saving water is to find and repair leaks in the distribution system. These leaks aren't always obvious and are hard to detect through normal methods. However, we employ a technology that operates on the same radio wave frequencies that the leaks produce. We have had great success with this technology which places our repair crews within a few inches of the leak.

### Input from our customers

"We want to hear from you!" This is the motto that is shared by all Public Works employees. We hold several public outreach meetings which are a great way to listen to the concerns of the citizens as well as talk to our council about any ideas you may have for conservation, making the WUE better, and more. We have also advertised and sent out watering calendars to encourage citizens to water their yards every three days to help conserve our precious resource. The Utilities department also has our water loss record available to the public. On average City reports have shown a 7.56% unaccounted water loss per year.

### Conservation Billing

We are using a conservation billing system as a way to encourage wise water use. After the base rate is charged, the City of Lynnwood charges more per unit at higher levels of use.

### In conclusion

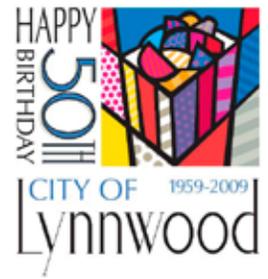
Conservation of our natural resource is a goal we have taken seriously as we developed our WUE to the stringent guidelines of the Lynnwood Water Comprehensive Plan, which forecasts our water needs over a six year period. We also take the opportunity to reevaluate these needs every six years to determine how we are doing in meeting our goals.

## Resources

### Water Quality Customer Service

City of Lynnwood Public Works  
NW Health Department  
EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline

425-670-5200 ([www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us](http://www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us))  
253-395-6750  
800-426-4791



The City of Lynnwood is looking for fun, community events to add to our year-long 50th Birthday Celebration.

Are you interested in getting your community event more exposure? Then apply for official 50th Birthday sanctioning and help us celebrate 50 years of Lynnwood.

To sanction your event as an official 50th Birthday event, please fill out an application at [www.Lynnwood50th.org](http://www.Lynnwood50th.org) or contact the 50th Birthday Coordinator at 425-670-5750.

See website for contest rules and information.

Lynnwood High School Athletic Complex  
3001 184th St. SW | (425) 670-5750 | [www.lynnwood50th.org](http://www.lynnwood50th.org)

### Recessions Are Not Sustainable

Remember: Let your tax dollars work for you in the form of public services such as Police, Fire/ EMS and Public Works. You can do this by shopping locally during these trying economic times. This will keep your dollars re-circulating in our local economy and will ensure that the recession will not last forever.

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