

National Community Survey 2025: Open Ended Question

Are there any projects, initiatives or programs you think the City of Lynnwood should initiate?

7 1/2 foot wide well maintained sidewalks
a 4th of July celebration!
A crosswalk somewhere between the QFC on 196th and 68th Ave West. Many children and pedestrians walk in that area and it is a long stretch to not have a marked crosswalk especially with vehicles speeding through that stretch between traffic lights.
A farmers market. One was attempted at Wilcox park. It had so many things contributing to its failure. Poor location poor parking and access and poorly executed and advertised. The Edmonds college would be an excellent location and great opportunity for community building.
A public makerspace and project area, where people can do arts/crafts/DIY in a public space, get support and help, and use public tools. Also a tool library/toolshare, where people can check out tools for yardwork, or other house projects without needing to buy them individually.
A shift from our current property tax to a land value tax like Spokane is trying to do, and a focus on mixed use transit oriented walkable development.
An annual parade
An initiative to suspend any council members who do not live in Lynnwood or who have violated ethics rules. A cap on how much taxes can be raised in a year. Enforce sidewalk clearing after snow and ice storms. It's pathetic what kids have to walk through along 168th to get to school. It's the same all over Lynnwood. Make code enforcement get out of the office and do their jobs because a simple drive around my neighborhood would show a lot of long term violations. Ensure new commercial and residential developments have appropriate landscaping and green areas. Overall, the city is looking sad and run down.
Art Murals along blank concrete walls to bring vibrant colors to the city. Also supporting local artists.
Better help addressing neighbors loud music after 10:00 pm
Better lighting and patrols around the library area, especially at night
Better mental health facilities
Better mental healthcare for people who can't advocate for themselves. We had a neighbor wielding a sledgehammer and machete and claiming he was a prophet, and it took weeks of phone calls and proof to a local judge to get his mental health evaluated. He was released after a week and instead of getting the care he needed, gained a dozen felonies including assault.
Better more accessible playgrounds, more of them
Bring back Lynn-O-Rama & 4th of July parade & Music & fun @ Wilcox park. Like MLT & Edmonds, Food & Art fairs
City Fiber Internet Initiative. Comcast is the worst. I want my taxes to fund at cost infrastructure that's forward thinking and would help make us a tech forward hub as Seattle and the surrounding region matures.
City staff should get out to the neighborhood's and walk the sidewalks to see the condition they are in. Traffic control, speed zones don't work cross walk lights near parks (208th Street).
Clean the graffiti and not allow gangs to live happily and operate in Lynnwood
Combat gangs and youth violence/ graffiti
Community art projects to cover graffiti
Community labor agreement

Continue Lynnwood University
Crime prevention measures. Housing for the homeless.
Curb cuts for entry points to mesika trail
Cut spending, taxes
develop trail system in Lund's Gulch
Dire need for a 2nd pool; larger or 2nd library; return of the Police this week video so we KNOW/are reminded of issues in shopping areas, etc. ;Clean up week or free dump passes; SHRED EVENTS; MORE activities in parks for kids - hopscotch or trails with animal footprint stepping stones; X crosswalks; Sr or SNAP discounts on license tabs; more neighborhood buses (try short buses); 2nd POOL FOR SURE;
Ditch the red light cameras and stop treating your citizens like cattle
Diversity cultural events, such as concerts, dances, festivals, and art exhibitions from other cultures.
diversity education
Dump the entire leadership. Start with mayor and the lying CouncilJosh binda who has made lynnwood a laughing stock.
Encourage community theater. Have to go to Edmonds or elsewhere for that now.
Events that include support for people who are renters, events for young adults 13-18, events that aren't just targeted to seniors, people with kids, or property owners.
Farmers market
Farmer's Market at the Lynnwood Park & Ride
Fourth of July parade or fair with fireworks. Pea-patch for apartment dwellers. Partial subsidized Uber or Lyft rides to the Light-Rail station for local residents. Promote local groups' use of the public spaces to hold events & local fund-raisers (ex: plant-exchanges). A juried outdoor art-fair at with preference for resident Lynnwood vendors. A seasonal farmers market. Partial subsidized movie night for Lynnwood residents at the local movie theaters.
Free Tutoring services for K-12 would be beneficial to help close the gap
Get rid of cm Binda and cm Derrica
Help the homeless so they are not on our street corners. That's what makes our city look unappealing and feel unsafe.
Homeless help and assistance
Homelessness and panhandling
I live on 189th Pl SW. I have asked the city to do something about speed enforcement on my street that leads to Lynndale Park and Lynndale Elementary. I can't see that anything has been done. Parents are part of the problem as they take or pick up children from school. There is one section at the top of the street where there is no place to walk except in the street.
I think Lynnwood does a good job of this, its making it a priority for community citizens to get involved. A last minute plug on Social media, if volunteers are needed. for those of us who forget! and have 3 calendars
I think the city needs to get back to basics. Maintain infrastrure (fix potholes, etc), enforce laws, do not tolerate unsafe activities in our public streets, sidewalks, and parks.
I think the city of Lynnwood should take over the Northline village project and turn it into a big green space for public gatherings, fireworks, concerts, etc. It could be our version of a Central Park!

Improve walkability (please watch not just bike on youtube for walkability). Reduce rentals and ensure ownable units are built for first time buyers.
Improved biking and walking, improved interurban trail usage and accessibility, bring sidewalks to the older neighborhoods, better centralized downtown center with emphasis on shopping and where a farmers market could be located weekly, more sit down dining options/quality eating options-too many chains, more breweries/distilleries/wineries, more concerts/festivals.
improving pedestrian safety and walkability around light rail station
Improving walkability, installing sidewalks where missing, more public restrooms, expanding parks
Installing sidewalks and updating outdated crosswalks.
Integrated shelter, food, and medical services for the unhoused
It would be great if you could build more sidewalks, especially those leading to grade schools. We live on a street (190th St SW, near Lynndale elementary school) where the little kids have to walk in the street to get to school. Very unsafe. Could you also PLEASE try attracting more performers/entertainers/ cultural conferences to Lynnwood? Edmonds has the Edmonds Center for the Arts (ECA). I wish Lynnwood would attract more creative, health/spiritual, environmental, community speakers and/or seminars/conferences to our area. Maybe utilize the Lynnwood Convention Center more for these sorts of venues?
Keeping homeless folks to a minimum. Already getting way worse
Kids events
live music performances, art walk, local vendor/farmer markets, community garden
Lowering taxes especially property tax stop spending so much
Lynnwood needs more fun things to attract young teens & children for wholesome activity besides the mall. Maybe a St. Pius type fair.
Make a more pedestrian friendly area more often - like fair on 44th, where people can enjoy their city without fear of automobiles and community members take center stage. Like a weekly farmers market on 44th that closes the road, etc. I feel like the city is extremely car-centric and there is no where to be and mingle around community members outside that doesn't involve navigating cars as the first priority. Make people the first priority again.
make walking safer. less money on police and more on sidewalks and slowing traffic. more on mental health resources
More art programs, the city is lacking opportunities for artists and for the public to engage with art
More community events
More concerts or theater in the park
More information session on zoning code reforms
More lawn-reduction programs and emphasis on keeping Lynnwood green instead of covered in concrete and car dealerships. Habitat restoration projects, community p-patches, and walkable small business areas.
More rec programs for kids, space to hang out for teens.
More side walk for walking. More parking spaces for Lynnwood park and ride. Community transit zip shuttle expand to 212th st sw & poplar way

More street trees that aren't pruned like balls. Educate public on how to prune trees. Hire city urban forester? Require new development to preserve existing trees. Eliminate solid walls next to streets, e.g., new car dealership ? at 188th & Hwy 99. Sidewalks in residential areas to facilitate safe walking. Some kind of public transportation within 1/4 mile of everywhere, e.g., residential neighborhoods. Reservation system for Lynnwood Link parking garage. Give a tax break to commercial property owners who plant trees in their parking lots. There is too much cement in Lynnwood -- consider the problem of heat islands. Inform the public about permitting required before cutting down large trees. Fine tree companies who cut such trees without seeing a permit. Support in gutter cleaning for home owners surrounded by evergreens. Vetted services or something. Make it advantageous to maintain large trees. Clean/paint residential street signs so they're visible at night. Improve street lighting on 176th St SW south of intersection with Hwy 99. Hard to see entrance to 54th Avenue from 176th. Use large vacant lots for dense housing construction, e.g, large cyclone fenced lot near 185th on Hwy 99. Or place tiny houses there - some are being built in SODO that no one will take. Retain mobile home parks as inexpensive housing.

Need to find a way to stop graffiti. It's horrible

None. Find ways to reduce spending please not increase it.

Outdoor summer music, Celebrate our cultural diversity. Special events

Paid parking for Lynnwood Station

Please address gang activity and drug use in the parks. We have seen our direct neighborhood (blocks from our home) become overrun by gang activity and drug use encampments in the public parks that make them unusable and dangerous places and bring criminals to our street. We have poured our hearts into our home but we will be forced to move.

Pride parade

Property tax levy to support Lynnwood's Parks Love plan

Pump track and pickleball at empty space at the golf course. More crosswalks over 196th to gold course trail.

Recreational activities, like art classes, theater for kids and teens. Teens need to be busy so they do not get into trouble. You want safe community? Start from kids.

Recruiting more volunteers for the Community Patrol and Volunteers in Public Service and better training for those volunteers. And continuing Community Academy

Repeal the utility tax, strictly enforce neuscence laws , utilize technology to better manage traffic signals, more police presence and traffic enforcement.

Safety for pedestrians. As someone who does not have a car I find that the crosswalks/traffic signals do not ensure safety for pedestrians even when the traffic signal is in favor of the pedestrian. The City of Lynnwood should have a month dedicated to 'Pedestrian Awareness'. Drivers seem to find pedestrians invisible.

Safety programs and reduce crimes

Second Amendment Sanctuary

Side walks and bike lanes for those of us who don't own a car

Smaller neighborhood gatherings by invitation. Food, music, dancing, chatting. Have medics and police there that serve our area, a city council member, a librarian. Maybe local restaurants could help with food? Just away for neighbors to get to know each other.

Smaller neighborhood get togethers in the street, music, potluck, dancing, visiting,. There are about 30 households in our little cul-de-sac area. I don't know anyone and I have been here about 2.5 years. I am disabled so I don't get out much but for events I would make an effort, especially if a medic was there from the Fire department and maybe a friendly policeman or two we could get to know and maybe a city council member to enlighten us on upcoming projects or special dilemmas they are struggling with and want our input. Maybe some of the local restaurants could help with the food? Just once a year? We could send out invites with RSVPs so we could approximate the size of the crowd. This is going to be a tough year. People should not isolate. I might not be the only one stuck at home. This might help people make some friends.

Some type of Farmer's-Crafters Market, and SHORTER SURVEYS!

Speeders, lowering property taxes, lowering water bills, make it more economical to live in Lynnwood.

Start homeless shelters

Stay with the basics of safety and infrastructure. Quit the "effluvia" programs that we can't afford.

Stop building apartments and multi family in the city / very poor planning of road improvements and traffic flow/wasteful spending

Stop having police cars painted all black. More visible police cars, please. And sell the electric Mustang.

Stop small crimes, watch troubled teenagers, keep an eye on troubled families which neighbors know really well who they are

Stronger enforcement of our laws to keep my family and friends safe (including protecting property)

There aren't as many soccer fields for kids in Lynnwood. Investing in this area would be amazing!

Traffic near Costco. Sidewalks. More trees

Transit frequency and bus shelter improvements. Streetcars. Better bike infrastructure (increased bike parking minimums, dedicated bikeways with more than painted lines).

Universal pre-k

We need to find a solution for the transient population that is coming off of the Light Rail and loitering in our city.

Would love to see a community art gallery open house for artists to show their work. I've been a part of "Art Walks" in other cities and they've been very enriching to the community.

yes

Yoga, pilates, community trÃ-ps, meals for cheap, movie night, dancing nights,, volleyball, tennis and basketball, pÃdel closed courts for everyone.