The Washington CURRENT

A NOTE FROM OUR MAYOR...

Spring has sprung!

Thank goodness this crazy, mixed-up winter is over! Springtime brings forth the promise of warm weather, beautiful flora and fauna, and outdoor activities. The BBQ and Blues Fest on April 26-28 will kick off the Festival Season that lasts into October. There is something going on in our downtown nearly every week where visitors, guests, and our citizens can have a great time sampling great food and drinks, shopping, dancing, or listening to music, or simply exploring our Riverfront Trail. We have so many great things to experience in our town!

So please, take the time to get out with neighbors, friends, and families and take advantage of all WashMo has to offer.



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Spring 2024

Grab your lawn chair and join us at the Farmers' Market to enjoy an outdoor concert!

All concerts are free of charge. Food and beverage will be available for purchase. Rain or Shine, we've got you covered! No pets or coolers allowed.

> June 13 • Rockin' Lazy R Roadhouse Band July 11 • Dixie Union September 12 • Geenawind October 10 • Big Daddy Rooster

ARBOR DAY & EARTH DAY Saturday, April 20 • 9am to 11am

Free tree seedlings, seed packets and bulbs · Educational booths · Stormwater pollution demonstration · Free tree care information and other giveaways!

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Welcome Spring! The new water tower, located at the southeast corner of South Point Road and North Goodes Mill Road, will soon be in service. With the warmer temperatures we have been experiencing, the contractor was able to get the tower painted earlier than anticipated.

Our 2nd Street reconstruction project is on schedule. We want to thank the businesses downtown for their patience. We hope everyone will appreciate the finished product by April with the improved sidewalks, ADA accessibility and intersections.

Design has begun for the new Fire Station to be located at the northeast corner of North Crest Drive and Fox Crest Drive. Construction should begin later this year.

The City will be wrapping up the yearlong effort to adopt a new Comprehensive Plan, Grow WashMO 2034. Planning & Zoning is expected to approve the plan in May.

Finally, we are pleased to announce the launch of our new mobile app for increased communication with our residents. In addition to our social media platforms, CodeRed alerts and The Current, you can utilize the app to stay up to date regarding important City information and updates. Scan the QR code below to download the app.

We have an app for that... It's everything City of Washington, in your pocket.





Download the **City of Washington** app from the iOS App Store or Android Play Store and enable Notifications.





Acceptable Items for Recycling



Only items mentioned above are accepted in your Recycle toter. No bags, please — items should be loose in the container. Recyclables should be clean, dry and free of food waste. Please place toter on curb with metal arm facing out and lid fully closed and try to make it easily accessible for collection.

Please note: Plastic bags, plastic film, styrofoam and yard waste are not acceptable items for recycling.



- On your LAST regularly scheduled trash pickup of the month, you may place two bulk items out for collection.
- Items that qualify include washing machines, stoves, refrigerators, chairs, mattresses, box springs, toys, bicycles, sofas (sectional sofas

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should be disassembled and my qualify as multiple items).

- Carpets should be rolled up and cut into length of 48" or less.
- Cardboard will not be collected as a bulk item.

UNACCEPTABLE BULK TRASH ITEMS

Auto parts • Tires • Hazardous Materials Construction & Demolition Waste





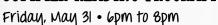
WashMO **LIBRARY**



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

All ages Tuesday, May 28 - Sunday, July 28 Let the adventure begin! Summer Reading Challenge signups begin on May 28!

SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICK OFF Family



Adventure awaits! The library's main parking lot will be blocked off to accommodate adventurous fun for the entire family, including games and crafts. This event is in partnership with Neighborhood Reads, Friends of the WPL, and Bank of Franklin County.

POETRY SLAM / BOOK LAUNCH

Tuesday, April 16 · 6:30pm

Adults

Leah Schulte, long time member of the library's Washington Wordsmiths, has published her first book of poetry, Laundromat Detour: Poems about Liberated Bra Underwires, Quirky Customers, Mopping and More. We are inviting poetry lovers to join us for an evening celebrating Leah's book launch with a poetry slam. Read a favorite poem or two, share one of your own, or just listen.

SALT & LIGHT CHEESEBOARDS PRESENTS: THE ART OF CHARCUTERIE Adults



Tuesday, April 23 · 6pm

Rachel Wray from Washington's Salt & Light Cheeseboards will discuss the art of charcuterie. Samples will be provided for attendees. Registration for this free program is required. Registration begins Monday, April 15. Call 636-390-1070 to register.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: AUTHOR SERIES

Author presentations and book signings. Amanda Doyle & Dan Zettwoch "Missouri: Weird and Wonderful" Tuesday, April 30 • 6:30pm

Patrick Murphy "1904 World's Fair" Tuesday, May 7 • 6:30pm

PARKS & RECREATION

CONCERT IN THE PARK

Friday, June 14 • 7pm – 9pm Main Park Pavilion • Free Event



Join us at Main Park Pavilion (by the swimming pool) to enjoy a FREE concert by the Washington Brass Band. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs!



MOVIE IN THE PARK

Thursday, June 20 • At dark (8:30pm) Amphitheatre in Fairgrounds • Free Event

Relax in the grass or in your car to watch the animated movie "Migration" on the big screen. Bring your lawn chair or blankets and join us under the stars. Be sure to bring your own snacks and drinks.

FLICK-N-FLOAT

Thursday, July 18 • Open at 8:15pm Agnes Nolting Aquatic Complex \$6 per person (advance purchase required)



Come out to the pool for movie night. On a portable screen, we will show a family movie under the stars. Bring your inner-tubes and/or rafts along with family and friends. Kids 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult 18 & older.



WASHINGTON OPTIMIST CLUB, MERCY & WASHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 48th annual **BICYCLE SAFETY RODEO** saturday ¥ may 18 Washington Fairgrounds

Swine Pavilion

REGISTRATION 9AM to 10:30AM

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!

Obstacle Course (ages 5-13, no training wheels, please) • Safety Town • Car Seat Checks • Bicycle Inspection & Repairs • Helmet Fitting & Giveaway • Missouri Child ID Program • **Attendance Prizes!**







Who to call in WashMO







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CITY HALL

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UTILITIES 636.390.1045

CITY COUNCIL MEET

City Council Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of the month at City Hall. Citizens can attend in person or watch on our YouTube Channel.

www.youtube.com/CityOfWashington

Meetings are held 1st & 3rd Monday of the Month

May 6	June 3	July 1	August 5
May 20	June 17	July 15	August 19

Access our YouTube channel from your smart phone!





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