



## Accepting Sealed Bids for Gazebo

The City of West Richland will be accepting sealed bids for the purchase of this wooden gazebo until 11:00 a.m. on Friday March 27, 2015. The person submitting the highest bid will be responsible for removing the wooden gazebo and concrete block foundation from the site no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 24, 2015. For more information on the gazebo, including location and forms to submit a sealed bid, go to the

City's website: [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org) or contact Ilka Gilliam at [ilka@westrichland.org](mailto:ilka@westrichland.org).

## City of West Richland Blood Drive

The City is hosting a Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, March 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 3803 W. Van Giesen Street (Library Building). Please contact Selena Smathers at 967-3431, or [ssmathers@westrichland.org](mailto:ssmathers@westrichland.org) if you would like to sign up to donate.

## West Richland Police Department Citizens Academy

The Citizen's Academy is a program designed to provide participants with a working knowledge of the West Richland Police Department. This 10 week academy, which is free of charge, provides first-hand knowledge and front line experiences. Classes include, but are not limited to, police operations, domestic violence, special investigations, gang information, firearms and use of force.

The 10 week academy begins on April 4 and ends on June 10. Attendees must be at least 18 years of age, and live or work in the City of West Richland. Registration forms are available at [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org), under Department/Police/Citizens Academy. If you have questions, please call Sgt. Duane Olsen at 967-3425, or email [duane@westrichland.org](mailto:duane@westrichland.org) or Officer Cruz Garcia at [cgarcia@westrichland.org](mailto:cgarcia@westrichland.org).

## Meetings

- Mar 3 City Council meeting  
Library - 7:00 PM
- Mar 4 West Richland Chamber meeting  
Sandberg Event Center - Noon
- Mar 12 Planning Commission meeting  
Library - 6:00 PM
- Mar 17 City Council meeting  
Library - 7:00 PM
- Mar 30 Park Board meeting  
Library - 6:30 PM

A meeting and events calendar is available on the city website on the home page under Quick Links. Agendas are also posted on the web pages for City Council and Boards and Commissions. On the top menu of the home page click on Government, then Council or Boards and Commissions.

## Mark Your Calendar!

- Apr 4 Annual Easter Egg Hunt - 10 AM  
Bombing Range Sports Complex



## Be Part of Your Local Government

The City of West Richland is seeking volunteers to serve on City boards and commissions. Citizens who serve on boards and commissions help to enhance diversity and ensure quality services to meet the needs of our growing city. Appointments to boards and commissions are made by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

**Planning Commission:** The Planning Commission reviews and makes final recommendations to the City Council on amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and the land use (zoning) code. In 2015-2017, the Planning Commission will be involved with the revision of the City's Comprehensive Plan, which is required every 10 years.

**Economic Development Board:** The Economic Development Board makes recommendations to the City Council and Mayor regarding development of strategies for economic development and the ongoing monitoring, assessing, and strengthening of economic development strategies in the City of West Richland.

**Park Board:** The Park Board formulates and makes recommendations to the City Council and Mayor regarding the beautification, improvement, development, maintenance, management, and planning of all West Richland city parks and associated facilities. This includes parks, green belts, trails, parkways, boulevard landscaping, recreation areas, and all park and recreation buildings, equipment, and facilities.

**Civil Service Commission:** The Civil Service Commission is a citizen board mandated by state statute to oversee personnel procedures of civil service classified employees in the police department. The Civil Service Commission ensures the City's compliance with provisions of the law, assuring the continuance of the civil service system in promoting efficiency in the dispatch of public business, selection and promotion of employees on the basis of merit, and assuring all employees who are classified as civil service, fair and impartial treatment at all times.

For more information on boards and commissions, meeting schedules, eligibility, and application forms, go to: <http://www.westrichland.org/BoardsandCommissions.cfm>.

The City currently has vacancies on the Planning Commission, Park Board, Economic Development Board and Civil Service Commission. If you are interested in applying for a position on a board or commission, please complete an application form with a cover letter and resume and submit to the West Richland City Clerk at 3801 W. Van Giesen Street, West Richland, WA 99353 or [julie@westrichland.org](mailto:julie@westrichland.org).

## Community Garden Plots Available

The City of West Richland's Community Garden program is currently accepting applications. The Community Garden is located at Yellowstone Trail Park on Austin Drive near the intersection of Bombing Range Road and Van Giesen Street. The City is partnering with WSU Extension Master Gardeners, who are excited to provide community gardeners with free seeds, expert advice, and mentor assistance throughout the 2015 growing season.

The fee to reserve a garden plot is \$10 for the 2015 season. A Garden Committee will oversee and help manage the garden. The \$10 fee will be waived for those who serve on the Garden Committee. Contact Alison Greene at 509-967-5902 for more information.

Registration forms and garden policies are available online at [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org), by phone 509-967-5902, or in person at the Community Development Office, 3801 W. Van Giesen Street.

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### Volunteers Needed! Earth Day Cleanup

Mark your calendars for the Annual Earth Day Cleanup Event on April 25th, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Enterprise Middle School.

Without volunteers, this event is not possible. Shifts are 7:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., or 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Volunteers are provided with an Earth Day shirt, continental breakfast, and sandwich lunch.

Please call 967-5434 to sign-up to help with this fun and worthwhile event.