



## Annual Earth Day Cleanup Event - April 22nd

West Richland's Annual Cleanup Day will be held on April 22nd. Residents may dispose of household garbage and yard debris free of charge, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Enterprise Middle School. Commercial garbage will not be accepted. The city is unable to dispose of refrigerators, air conditioner units, propane tanks or household hazardous materials such as motor oil, antifreeze or paint.

This event would not be possible without the more than 60 community volunteers. If you would like to lend a hand, please contact the Planning Department at 967-5902.

## Benton County Mosquito Control Tire Collection

Residents will also be able to dispose of old tires (must be removed from rim) FREE of charge at Benton County Mosquito Control, 4951 W. Van Giesen, on April 22nd, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Visit <http://www.mosquitocontrol.org/announcements> for details or contact Mosquito Control at 967-2414.

- This event is for automobile tires only.
- Rims or wheels will not be accepted; only the tire please.
- Tractor, semi, or over-sized tires will NOT be accepted.
- 20 tire limit per residence.
- Please do NOT bring in tires cut in half or pieces.
- Bring your ID or utility statement with home address on it for verification.

## Meetings

Apr 4	City Council meeting cancelled
Apr 5	West Richland Chamber meeting Sandberg Event Center - Noon
Apr 13	Planning Commission meeting Library - 6:00 p.m.
Apr 18	City Council meeting Library - 7:00 p.m.

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 Governance, then click on either City Council or Boards and Commissions.

## Annual Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. at Bombing Range Sports Complex. Bring the kids down for some fun!



## Irrigation Water

The city owns and operates three irrigation systems: LuAnne Estates; Brotherhood; and Flat Top Park. These systems pump irrigation water from Columbia Irrigation District's (CID) canal system.

CID will begin slowly filling their canals on March 20th to flush out debris. Assuming CID's canals are fully operational and the majority of the debris has been flushed through, the city's Public Works maintenance crew will begin turning on the city operated irrigation systems on Monday, April 3rd. During the first couple of weeks the systems may need to be turned off to make repairs to the system.

Please check the City's website at [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org) or the City's Facebook page, City of West Richland Government, for updated information on the City's irrigation system.

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## Public Works Projects

### West Richland Municipal Services Building

In 2016, the City of West Richland broke ground on a new Municipal Services Building at the corner of Belmont Blvd and Keene Road. The new facility will centrally locate the Community Development's planning and building departments and the Public Works engineering and maintenance departments all at one location. The facility also includes unfinished space for the Administration and Finance Departments to be located at the same location at a future date. Formal dedication of the facility and public tours are tentatively scheduled for June of 2017. Look for future notices in this newsletter.

### Yakima River Gateway Project

In January 2017, the city broke ground on the Yakima River Gateway Project. The completed project will enhance the shoreline and beautify the city's entrance into West Richland over the Yakima River bridge. The project includes constructing multi-use pathways, non-motorized boat access to the Yakima River, parking, bathroom facilities, picnic and overlook areas, landscaping improvements, new entrance signage, and bridge lighting. The project is scheduled to be completed in November of 2017.

The existing RV dump located on South 35th Avenue has been closed and will be relocated due to the construction of the Yakima River Gateway Project. The City is currently finishing up design and will begin construction of a new RV Dump Station behind Circle K on South 40th Avenue.

## Accepting Applications for Seasonal Maintenance Workers

The city is accepting applications for Seasonal Maintenance Workers in the Public Works Department. Job duties may include trimming and mowing lawns, replacing, repairing, and installing water and sewer mains, routine repair and maintenance of facilities, patching streets, painting crosswalks, cleaning and burning debris in rights-of-way, routine maintenance of storm drainage facilities, and litter patrol.

The position is 40 hours per week, Monday - Friday and can last up to 6 months. The starting wage is \$13.00 per hour.

Requirements: High School Diploma or GED Equivalent and 18 years of age. Must possess a valid Washington State driver's license and maintain an insurable driving record. Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds repetitively and perform manual activities for sustained periods of time under adverse weather conditions. A pre-employment drug test and criminal background check are required.

Applications are available on the city's website, [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org) or at 3801 W. Van Giesen Street.

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## Community Garden

Applications are being accepted for garden plots at the Community Garden at Yellowstone Trail Park.

The fee to reserve a garden plot is \$10 for the 2017 season.

Registration forms and garden policies are available at [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org).