



Residential and Commercial Garbage Route Changes

Due to the continued growth of our City, Ed's Disposal, the City's solid waste contractor has modified several garbage routes and pickup days to better serve the City of West Richland's residential and commercial customers. These changes are necessary to balance routes and to insure timely pickup and efficient service for our residential and commercial customers.

Affected areas are as follows:

- Residents and commercial customers in the Polo Club and South of Northlake Drive will now have Monday garbage collection.
- Residents South of Leilani Drive on Diamond Head Way, Ala Wai Court and Maui Court will join the Wednesday garbage collection route
- Residents and commercial customers east of Bombing Range Road, South of Van Giesen and the North side of Northlake Drive will now have Friday garbage collection

A map of the new garbage collection routes is on the city website at www.westrichland.org

Notification tags will be placed on your garbage twice before the change goes into effect. Changes will take place in mid-March.

If you have questions, please call the Utility Billing Department at 967-3431.

Important Utility Bill Late Notice Change

In an effort to reduce delinquent utility payments and increase efficiency, we will be phasing out the water shut-off door hanger notice for delinquent accounts. This change will go into effect with the March billing cycle (February 22nd-March 21st) billed March 31. After this date, the only notice of disconnection will be the pink late notice which is mailed shortly after the normal billing due date of the 25th. If you receive this late notice you will have until the 10th of the following month to pay your bill before water service is disconnected. No further notice will be sent. Late notice fees will increase from \$10.00 to \$20.00 and will be charged on all accounts when payment is not received by the 25th. To avoid late charges, payments must be received by the 25th. If mailing your payment, please allow 6-10 days for mail to be processed and received. We also offer direct debit auto pay so you do not have to worry about your payment ever being late.

Meetings

Mar. 4	City Council meeting Library - 7:00 PM
Mar. 5	West Richland Chamber meeting Sandberg Event Center - Noon
Mar. 10	Economic Development Board mtg Canceled
Mar. 13	Planning Commission meeting Library - 6:00 PM
Mar. 18	City Council meeting Library - 7:00 PM
Mar. 31	Park Board meeting Library - 6:30 PM
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Mar. 9	Daylight savings time begins Remember to "spring forward" one hour

Library News

The West Richland Library has monthly Preschool Hour on Tuesday, March 11th at 10:30.

They also have Family Story times on Saturday afternoons at 2:00

Town Hall Meeting on Animal Control Shelter

On March 25th the West Richland Police Department is hosting a town hall meeting to discuss plans for a possible future animal control shelter in the City of West Richland. The purpose of this forum is to gather public comments, opinions, and feedback on possible locations identified within the City, as well as the level of service and amenities citizens desire resources to be devoted towards. Attendees will be able to view several possible locations on currently vacant land, view some design considerations for the building of an animal shelter, and express their desires for co-located facilities such as parks. This event will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Enterprise Middle School Cafeteria. Please do not bring pets.

If you have questions please contact the West Richland Police Department at 509-967-3425 or visit our website at www.westrichland.org.

Police Citizens Academy

The West Richland Police Department will be holding a Citizen's Academy in April and May. Applications will be available during the first part of March. Please contact the Police Department at 509-967-3425 if you have questions or are interested in attending.



View Online Statements Instead of Paper

Even the small things can make a big difference by reducing mailbox clutter and helping the environment. Sign up to receive your statements online and eliminate the need for a paper bill to be mailed to you each month. It's convenient, secure and helps the environment, too!

Conserve paper by viewing online copies of your paper statement.

See your paper statement information online.

- Receive your statements sooner.
- Receive an email each month alerting you that your statement is available for viewing online.
- Have less mail to sort through and fewer papers to file.
- Help the environment.

To sign up for paperless billing, log into your account at City of West Richland's payment portal at <https://bill.paystation.com/cowr/> and navigate to account settings and choose paperless billing from the drop down menu. You can create one using the same payment portal site.

Effective November 1, 2013, customers must re-register to use our new on-line payment system. You do not need to make payments with this website to sign up for paperless billing. Customers who sign up for an account will automatically receive an email notice when their bill is available on-line.

Did You Know...

West Richland Municipal Code 19.04.020 states:

Garage/yard sale signs allowed without permit when all conditions are met:

1. Two movable garage/yard sale signs allowed per sale event;
2. Signs shall not exceed six square feet per sign face or two signs on sticks not exceeding four square feet per sign face;
3. Sale shall not be advertised for a period exceeding three days;
4. Signs may be placed on public street right-of-way or private property with owner's permission;
5. Signs shall not be placed on public utility poles.

West Richland Ranked 6th Safest City in Washington State

Safewise combined data from recent FBI crime reports, and their own research, to create their list of the 50 safest cities in Washington State.

SafeWise reported that West Richland is known for good schools, safe neighborhoods and being a nice place to raise a family.

The report states, "The West Richland Police take their job seriously and it shows with a 92% clearance rate on all violent crimes in 2012."

<http://www.safewise.com/blog/50-safest-cities-washington/>