



# CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE

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Hard to believe we are deep into the Summer Season!

Farmers Market is every Thursday from 4 to 7 PM at City Hall. Please #shoplocal and attend. Also, sign up to vend if you so desire. Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> is our annual Freedom Festival down at College Place High School. A new addition is a community wide yard sale the morning/afternoon prior to the event. If you want to participate, please fill out this form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQvEmAhYZnUyUlaig4tXe\\_MCs4dEzwAk1-J7otFGlYeaY9avw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQvEmAhYZnUyUlaig4tXe_MCs4dEzwAk1-J7otFGlYeaY9avw/viewform) or call City Clerk St. Clair at 509-394-8569. Your address will then be added to a citywide map of yard sales we will publish the weekend of. The Freedom Festival will once again have vendors, music by Shanks Pony, and a firework show after sunset. Please attend!

This year we are also having multiple Movies at the Park events. They will be held at Kiwanis Park in College Place. July 8<sup>th</sup> is DC League of Super-Pets and July 22<sup>nd</sup> is Clifford The Big Red Dog. Movies start at sunset.

The July 11<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting will have two public hearings. One on a six-year Transportation Improvement Plan. This plan identifies potential street and sidewalk segments for construction over the next six years, ten years, or long term. It makes it eligible for grant funding. Also, we will have a hearing for replacement of the Lions Park Community Center. Congressionally Directed Spending (grant) through Senator Cantwell via USDA-RD is substantially covering this project.

Also, what is happening with Lions Park? The City is waiting for the Federal Environmental Protection Agency to sign off on a Washington Fish and Wildlife Permit. Once this happens, we can then work to bid out this project and start to construct it. Contract Engineer Anderson Perry provided a more detailed explanation of project timeline at the June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 City Council meeting available here: <https://www.youtube.com/@cityofcollegeplace2684>

**Mike Rizzitiello, City Administrator**

## College Place Farmers Market!



**Every Thursday**  
**4:00-7:00PM**  
**625 S College Ave**

## 2023 CAMPS

Do you want a safe, educational and fun place for your middle-school youth (grades 5-8) to learn some new skills, develop abilities, and make new friends? Come to SonBridge's summer camps!



Register by scanning the QR code or going to [sonbridge.org/youth-activities](https://sonbridge.org/youth-activities)

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CENTER FOR BETTER LIVING

**ART  
CAMP**

**FROM  
1 - 5 PM**

**AUG  
14-17**

This camp will review the basics of art and allow youth to create their own masterpieces.  
Spots: 14  
Cost: \$125

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# Community Calendar

July 2<sup>nd</sup> • College Place High School  
*Freedom Festival*

July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 PM  
Economic Development, Tourism, & Events  
Commission Meeting

July 4<sup>th</sup> — Fourth of July  
City Facilities Closed

July 6<sup>th</sup> 4:00—7:00 PM  
**Farmers and Artisans Market!**

July 8<sup>th</sup> • Kiwanis Park  
*Movies at the Park*

July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM  
City Council Meeting

July 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM  
Civil Service Meeting

July 13<sup>th</sup> 4:00—7:00 PM  
**Farmers and Artisans Market!**

July 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
Planning Commission Meeting

July 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM  
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

July 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00—7:00 PM  
**Farmers and Artisans Market!**

July 22<sup>nd</sup> • Kiwanis Park  
*Movies at the Park*

July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
City Council Meeting

July 27<sup>th</sup> 4:00—7:00 PM  
**Farmers and Artisans Market!**

July 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM  
Parks, Arbor, and Recreation Meeting

"All meetings are being held virtually. You can watch a livestream on the City YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbx3grqzLDL05NusReSI-g>. If you have a comment you would like to make, please contact the City Clerk at [sstclair@cpwa.us](mailto:sstclair@cpwa.us). Comment requests received by the Clerk no later than 4:30 PM on the meeting date will be accepted. Check our website and Facebook Page for updates!"

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Loren Peterson  
Tito Espinoza Jr.  
Melodie Williams  
Heather Schermann  
Monica Boyle

## ENABLE ART

### SUMMER ART CAMP SCHEDULE

KIDS CAMPS  
Ages 5-10 | Monday-Thursday  
9:30AM—12PM

YOUTH CAMPS  
Ages 10-16 | Monday-Thursday  
2:00PM—4:30PM

WEBSITE: [WWW.ENABLE-ART.COM](http://WWW.ENABLE-ART.COM)  
EMAIL: [SUPPORT@ENABLE-ART.COM](mailto:SUPPORT@ENABLE-ART.COM)  
PHONE: 509.593.0555  
INSTA: @ENABLE\_ART  
FACEBOOK: /ENABLEART

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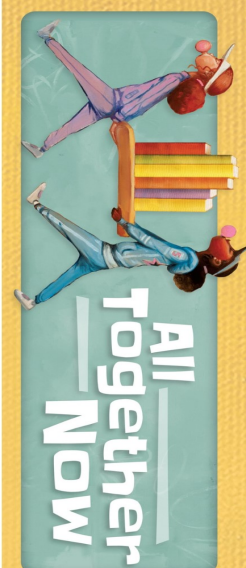
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at [holley.bryant@rogersschool.org](mailto:holley.bryant@rogersschool.org)



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VALLEY ACADEMY

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2023 EVENTS AND CRAFTS

FRIDAY JUNE 23	VOLCANO CRAFT-TAKE AND MAKE
SUN JUNE 25	AFTERNOON MOVIE-PUSS IN BOOTS 130P-4P
THUR JUNE 29	FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS CRAFT 11-5
MON JULY 3	MR. CHRIS'S STORYTIME @11:30
THUR JULY 6	SUCCULENT POTTING CRAFT 11-5
SUN JULY 9	AFTERNOON MOVIE-TO BE DETERMINED 130PM-4P
WED JULY 12	MEET THE REAL PAW PATROL! NOON-1PM
WED JULY 19	KIDS CAN HELP SAVE ENERGY! (SUSTAINABLE LIVING CENTER) NOON-1PM
SUN JULY 23	AFTERNOON MOVIE-TO BE DETERMINED 130PM-4P
FRIDAY JULY 21	CRAFT-TAKE AND MAKE
SUN JULY 23	AFTERNOON MOVIE-TO BE DETERMINED 130PM-4P
MON JULY 31	MR. CHRIS'S STORYTIME @11:30
THUR AUG 3	DIY BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING
SUN AUG 6	AFTERNOON MOVIE- LITTLE WOMEN 130PM-4P



## Residential Car Washing and Stormwater

### **Q: Is Ecology saying I can't wash my car at home?**

**A:** No. You can continue to wash your car at home. Just wash your car sensibly so the soapy water does not get into our storm drains that are connected with our downstream waters. Washington citizens can have it both ways—you can wash your car and you can help keep our waters clean. Ecology's stormwater permits<sup>1</sup> require cities and counties to adopt ordinances that prohibit putting anything down the storm drains with pollutants like soapy water. Because of this, the state is taking an educational approach with the public about residential car washing. Ecology recommends that local governments take the same course. See Ecology's web page Residential Car Washing and Stormwater Permits [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/CarWash.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/CarWash.html)

### **Q: What is the problem with soapy, dirty water going down the storm drain?**

**A:** Water that enters the storm drain in urban areas goes directly through the pipes to streams, lakes, bays, and Puget Sound. In most areas, the stormwater does NOT go to a sewer treatment plant like the water that goes down the drain inside your house. Stormwater carries all the pollutants with it directly to our surface waters—soapy water and all. Dirty car wash water often contains oil, grease, and toxic metals. Soapy water and the chemicals in many detergents are harmful to fish and other aquatic life. This pollution also can get in drinking water in streams where water treatment plants take in the water farther downstream. It's not uncommon for water quality inspectors to receive a complaint because the creek is full of soapsuds, especially when it rains after a dry period. In most cases the people washing their cars weren't aware that the storm drain went directly to the creek.

### **Q: How can my few gallons of soapy water cause damage?**

**A:** The biggest pollution challenge to Washington's streams, lakes, and marine water in urban areas is stormwater. The stormwater from one outfall may collect drainage from a large area with hundreds of homes, businesses, and parking lots. The accumulation of all the pollutants that run off those areas in the rain, especially after a dry period, adds up to a lot of pollution. We all need to be mindful of how we wash cars, pick up after our pets, and take care of our yards so we can prevent pollution.



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<sup>1</sup> To learn more about Ecology's municipal stormwater permits, go to our website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/municipal/index.html>

### **Q: How do I wash my car and prevent pollution?**

**A:** You can wash your car and prevent stormwater pollution if you:

- Park the car on grass or an area where the water can filter into the ground and not run off to the storm drain. If the driveway drains to an area where it can infiltrate, that works too.
- Divert the drainage away from the storm drain.
- Use a hose with a shut-off valve to reduce possible runoff from the grassy area.
- Dump your soapy water out in the sink or on an area where it will filter into the ground.
- If you don't have a good place at home to wash your car, we ask you to take it to a commercial car wash (either self-serve or machine wash) where the wash water drains to the sanitary sewer.

### **Q: Is the city or county going to fine me for washing my car in my driveway?**

**A:** Ecology recommends that the cities and counties take a public education approach to residential car washing. Over time, we expect to see people change, just as we did with littering and recycling, but it takes time and public education.

### **Q: What about all the fundraising car washes for schools, youth groups, and churches?**

**A:** Local governments will provide education to those groups as well, and many already have programs to promote fundraising car washes in ways that avoid pollution, for example:

- Many local governments lend out pump kits at no cost. The equipment can temporarily plug the storm drain and pump the wash water to the sanitary sewer inlet.
- Bay for the Day – Some local governments have a list of self-serve car washes with car wash bays available to rent at low cost for a charity car wash.
- Coupon sales for a local commercial car wash. Local governments have a list of commercial car washes that provide coupons to sell at a discount.
- Arrange to locate the car wash where the discharge will disperse across a grassy area and filter into the ground.



**For more information and links to city and county resources, see**

[www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/carwash.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/carwash.html)