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## #1 - Thurston County Board of County Commissioners Proclaimed April as National Volunteer Month



On April 2, the Thurston County Board of County Commissioners proclaimed the month of April as National Volunteer Month. The proclamation recognizes the importance of volunteering and honoring the significant contributions volunteers make by donating their time and talents to worthy causes. Volunteering is one of the most effective ways to make a positive impact in your community and with your local government. Volunteers serving on various Thurston County advisory boards and commissions were in attendance to accept the proclamation.

Watch the proclamation on the [Thurston County YouTube Channel](#).

[Volunteer](#) with a Thurston County advisory board, commission, or committee!

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## #2 - Thurston County Commissioners Seek Community Input on Budget Amendment Process



### Thurston County Commissioners Seek Community Input on Budget Amendment Process

Visit: [www.thurston.abalancingact.com/fy-24-25-amendment-1-what-are-your-priorities](http://www.thurston.abalancingact.com/fy-24-25-amendment-1-what-are-your-priorities)  
Provide Feedback by April 24



The Thurston County Board of County Commissioners are seeking community input on the budget amendment process through Wednesday, April 24.

Powered by Balancing Act, the county created an interactive prioritization tool. The tool allows community members to make budget selections and rank them in order of priority. Community selections and rankings help to provide deeper insight to support decision-making and are vital to ensure Thurston County's budget is designed to meet the needs of the community.

Find the Balancing Act Prioritization Tool at: [Thurston County, WA: FY 24-25: Amendment 1 What Are Your Priorities - Balancing Act \(abalancingact.com\)](https://abalancingact.com)

The tool is open through Wednesday, April 24.

The commissioners reviewed office and department submitted budget changes to the 2024-2025 Biennial Budget on Wednesday April 17, 2024, and will be making final decisions Monday April 29, 2024.

Budget change requests are the forms offices and departments use to make a persuasive case for proposed budget changes. Budget amendments are limited to emergencies, technical corrections, updates to beginning fund balance, and new grant awards from outside sources.

Interested in learning more about the Thurston County budget and budget development process? Visit the Thurston County budget website

at: [www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/board-county-commissioners/budget-office](https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/board-county-commissioners/budget-office)

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## **#3 - Need a Passport? Attend the Passport Fair TOMORROW, April 20**



# PASSPORT FAIR

**When:** Saturday, April 20th, 2024  
10am – 1pm

**Where:** 3000 Pacific Avenue SE  
Olympia, WA 98501

**First Time Applicant? Passport Expired for 5+ Years?**

## STOP BY OUR PASSPORT FAIR FOR HELP!

### What to Bring



**Passport  
Photo**



**Passport  
Fee**



**Evidence of  
Citizenship**



**Completed  
Passport App**

*For questions, please contact the Congresswoman's District Office at 360-459-8514.*

The Thurston County Auditor's Office, in partnership with Congresswoman Marilyn Strickland's Office, will hold a **Passport Fair TOMORROW, Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Thurston County Atrium Building. As the only provider of full-time passport services in the county, the Auditor's Office is dedicated to ensuring accessible passport services for community members.

**What:**

Thurston County Passport Fair

**Where:**

The Atrium – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Licensing & Recording  
3000 Pacific Ave. SE  
Olympia, WA 98501

**When:**

Saturday, April 20  
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



The Congresswoman's Office will set up a Constituent Services table, providing valuable information and resources to attendees. Representatives from the Seattle Passport Agency will also be present to address application inquiries.

In addition to passport application services, the Auditors office also provides photo services for constituents in need of a new passport photo. Thurston County staff are trained to ensure that photos meet the strict requirements set by the State Department for passport submissions, whether for renewals or new applications.

For more information on Passport Services, visit the [Thurston County Auditor's website](#).

After May 7, 2025, passengers on domestic flights will be required to have a passport or enhanced driver's license to fly. Obtaining a passport now will ensure smooth travel transitions in the future.

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## #4 - National County Government Month - Why I Work for Thurston County





Thurston County is continuing our celebration of [National County Government Month \(NCGM\)](#) this April!

To celebrate NCGM, we interviewed several Thurston County employees, asking them "Why do you work for Thurston County?" Every week this April, we highlight several staff members where they share why they work for Thurston County.

This week, we interviewed Cameron, who works as a Licensing Specialist & Passport Agent for the Thurston County Auditor's Office, and Jeremy, who works as Operations Manager for the Community Planning and Development Department. Watch the interviews on the [Thurston County YouTube channel](#).

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## **#5 - First Half of 2024 Property Taxes are Due April 30**

# First Half of 2024 Property Taxes are Due April 30



The deadline for Thurston County residents to pay their 2024 first half property taxes is Tuesday, April 30. As required by Washington State law, late fees will be charged for those who do not make their payment on time. Treasurer's Office staff are available to answer your questions by phone or email during our business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. You can call 360-786-5550 or email [tsr@co.thurston.wa.us](mailto:tsr@co.thurston.wa.us). Taxpayers have four options for paying property taxes:

- Mail a check or money order to the Thurston County Treasurer, 3000 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501.
- Drop off payments in the secure parking lot drop box – located at 3000 Pacific Ave SE, in Olympia.
- Online at <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/treasurer>
- In-person at the Treasurer's Office.

You can also sign up for paperless property tax bills to receive future property tax bills electronically, with the option to schedule your tax payment in advance of the due date. You can [learn more on the Treasurer's Office website](#).



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