

# County Up Close

Thurston County, Washington

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### Have an 'Egg-citing' Time at the Thurston County Fair!

Fair Returns Aug. 1 - 5, 2018



Summer is here, and that means it's time for some fun at the Thurston County Fair! Fair Hours are:

- 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday thru Saturday
- 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday

The Carnival is open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday thru Saturday and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday.

Fair admission on Wednesday, Aug. 1 is only \$1 with a donation of one non-perishable food item per person. Food donations will benefit the Thurston County Food Bank.

**BUY FAIR TICKETS TODAY!** 

One Buck Wednesday specials also include all carnival rides for just \$2 per ride, one buck food specials, and other One Buck Wednesday deals at participating vendors. Other discount days include:

**Kids Day** - Thursday, Aug. 2: Fair admission is free for children 14 and younger **Buddy Day** - Thursday, Aug. 2: Buy one carnival armband and get the other free with a buddy

Military Appreciation Day - Friday, Aug. 3: \$2 fair admission with valid military ID

Regular fair admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for citizens 60 and older, and \$5 for youth ages 6-14. Admission for children five and younger is free! Carnival armbands are available for \$25 at the Fair office until Tuesday, July 31.

After July 31 carnival armbands are \$30 and must be purchased at the Carnival Booth during Fair Week. The armbands are valid Wednesday thru Saturday, 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

The 49th Annual Commissioners Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, Aug. 4 at the Fair Grounds' Heritage Hall on the Gazebo Green. This is a family friendly event that includes free pancakes made and served by the Board of Commissioners and other County leaders. You can find photos from last year's pancake breakfast <a href="here">here</a>.

For information about this years Fair, visit <a href="www.ThurstonCountyFair.org">www.ThurstonCountyFair.org</a> and select the "Daily Events Calendar".









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Thurstoncountywa.gov/bocc

Live Stream BoCC meetings at <a href="https://goo.gl/xzmXqe">https://goo.gl/xzmXqe</a>

#### **BoCC Highlights**

As Board of Health, declared the Opioid Epidemic and Homelessness Public Health Crises in Thurston County

Approved purchase of two culverts for the Fish Passage Enhancement Project

Awarded bid for the official County newspaper to The Olympian for legal publication services and announcements

Approved speed limit changes

Accepted a National Award of Excellence for the Thurston County Climate Adaption Plan

<u>Awarded \$331,560 in</u>
<u>Treatment Sales Tax funds</u> for five community organizations

Announced 2018 Gopher
Review Process, which now allows the use of consultants for gopher inspections

Approved 2018-2019 official Comprehensive Plan amendment docket

**County News Releases** 

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### **CAREER SPOTLIGHT**Community Planning



Are you interested in helping your community plan and prepare for the future? Then the Thurston County Community Planning and Economic Development Department has a job for you! They are looking for a highly motivated and reliable professional to join the team as an Associate Planner

For more information or to apply, please visit: <a href="http://bit.ly/associateplanner">http://bit.ly/associateplanner</a>

#### **COUNTY BULLETIN**

Want to live at Deschutes Falls?

Public Works is seeking a live-in caretaker for the Deschutes Falls Park located outside of Yelm. Contact Keryy Hibdon at <a href="https://hibdonkwo.co.thurston.wa.us">hibdonkwo.co.thurston.wa.us</a> for more details.

**Watch Agenda Settings Live!** 

You can live stream BoCC agenda setting meetings every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on <u>YouTube</u>.

Want to know more about Restorative Justice?

Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 10:00 a.m. Thurston County Courthouse, Building One, 2nd Floor, Room 280.

See the BoCC Master Calendar for additional meeting information



#### **August 7 Primary and Upcoming Election**

Thurston County residents, are you registered to vote at your current address? You can register to vote or update your voting address in less than five minutes.

Two easy ways to register or update your address:

- Online at MyVote.wa.gov
- In person at the Auditor's Office

YOUR VOICE YOUR VOTE

Update your voter registration by Oct. 8 or register for the first time in person by Oct. 29 for the Nov. 6 General Election. Already registered? Look for your local voters' pamphlet and ballot to arrive shortly after Oct. 19.

#### Fish Passage Barrier Removal Underway

In consultation with the Chehalis, Nisqually and Squaxin Island Tribes, the County is leading the way on fish passage barrier removal. On Monday, July 16, the County broke ground on a fish passage barrier removal project to replace a culvert with a pre-fabricated bridge on Hunter Point Road.

This is one of five fish passage barrier projects the County will complete in 2018. To learn more, visit <a href="mailto:thurstoncountywa.gov">thurstoncountywa.gov</a>.

#### **Countywide Burn Ban in Effect**

A <u>burn ban</u> on residential yard waste and land clearing is in effect in Thurston County. Current weather conditions within the county have created substantial fire danger and there is a need to enact restrictions on outdoor burning. At this time, recreational fires are allowed on private residential properties and in established fire rings within official county, state or federal campgrounds.



#### **Courthouse and Civic Center Project**

The County and Olympia have been working collaboratively on a project to either reconstruct the current Courthouse Complex or build a new Courthouse and Civic Center facility.



Success of this project will allow us to modernize our facilities, consolidate services in a customer first manner, invoke civic pride in our community, and provide opportunities for economic revitalization to the area. Learn more at <a href="https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov">www.thurstoncountywa.gov</a>