

DUVALL NEWS

Official Newsletter of the City of Duvall



Message from Mayor Amy McHenry

As we move into February, I'm reminded how much heart this community has and not just because Valentine's Day is this month. We have seen neighbors helping neighbors clean up after the devastating flood as well as fundraising to support their recovery and residents showing up to engage on local issues. Duvall continues to embody the spirit of connection and care that makes our city so special.

At City Hall, we're focused on keeping that momentum going and we have an incredible year of community building events planned, from cultural celebrations to outdoor gatherings and more. These moments of connection are what strengthen the fabric of our city. There is also a lot of behind-the-scenes work happening 24/7 that I learn more about each day in this new role. I want to acknowledge the dedication of our city staff, who have been working tirelessly to assist residents and keep Duvall running smoothly. Their commitment and care for this community deserve our deep appreciation.

We also have two newly elected Councilmembers as well as one newly appointed Councilmember joining our team this year. Each brings valuable experience, perspective, and passion for serving Duvall. Our Council plays a vital role in shaping city policy, setting priorities, and representing your voices in decisions that affect daily life. I'm looking forward to working collaboratively with all members of Council, both new and returning, as we continue to plan for Duvall's future.

Together, we'll focus on maintaining our small-town character while addressing growth, infrastructure, and sustainability challenges ahead.

In January, I had the honor of traveling to our state capital with City Administrator Cynthia McNabb, Mayor Pro Tem Mercer, Councilmember Olen, and Councilmember Kosloske to advocate for Duvall. We met with Representative Larry Springer and Representative Roger Goodman. During these meetings we delivered copies of Duvall's flood impact testimonials- heartfelt accounts shared by residents and business owners affected by the recent flood event. Both Representatives greatly appreciated receiving these firsthand stories, which bring to life the very real hardships and long-term impacts facing our community. We requested any possible state support for residents and farmers in the floodplain, recognizing that the full effects of this disaster are still unfolding and that recovery will take time. While our hearts remain with those directly impacted, we also emphasized how this event underscored Duvall's broader challenges with transportation, infrastructure, and growth. As a small city, we are working hard to keep pace with evolving state housing legislation and regional growth requirements, and we requested additional time to complete this work and to see the actual outcomes before new mandates are introduced. These were just some of the highlights of our visit to Olympia, but overall we had productive and encouraging conversations. Continued on page 2





Mayor's Message Continued

We plan to continue outreach with our other legislative partners in the weeks ahead to ensure Duvall's voice, and the voices of our residents, remain heard in the policymaking process.

Thank you for your continued engagement and care for this community. When we work together- residents, staff, and elected officials- Duvall thrives. Wishing you all a February filled with warmth, kindness, and community.

With gratitude,
Amy McHenry, Mayor



2026 Grant Opportunities Now Open

Make a Difference in Duvall!

The City of Duvall is now accepting applications for two grant programs supporting local organizations and community impact.

- **Economic Development & Tourism Grant-** Supports projects that strengthen Duvall's economy and enhance experiences for residents and visitors. Deadline: March 13, 2026
- **Human Services Program Grant -** Provides funding for nonprofits delivering essential services to Duvall residents, including support for children, seniors, and families. Deadline: March 9, 2026

Learn more and apply at duvallwa.gov/525/Grants

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City Offices Closed:

Presidents' Day
Monday, February 16

Upcoming Events:

Lantern Festival
Saturday, February 7

Star Gazing @ Big Rock
Friday, February 20

