



WEEKLY REPORT FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Friday, October 14, 2022

PARKS & RECREATION

"A Few of My Favorite Things" Coming Soon -

DuPont Parks & Recreation is pleased to announce the dates for their Annual Auction, "A Few Of My Favorite Things". The auction will start **Thursday, December 1, 2022, and will run through Sunday, December 4, 2022.**



The auction will be held virtually again this year, giving participants the convenience of bidding on a few of their favorite things from the comfort of their own homes. This year, all proceeds will be evenly distributed between youth, adult, and senior programming. More information on the DuPont Parks & Recreation Auction and bidding can be found at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/558/Parks-Recreation-Annual-Auction>.

Tacoma Holiday & Gift Show - All seniors are invited and encouraged to attend the Parks & Recreation trip to the Annual Holiday Food & Gift Show at the Tacoma Dome on Thursday, **October 20th**. The \$20 per person includes transportation, Starbucks drink and pastry, a shopping tote, and admission to the festival. Registration information can be found here: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>.



2022/2023 Youth Basketball Season - Registration is open for the 2022/2023 Youth Basketball season for grades K-9. The season runs from November 28th through mid-February. The deadline to register to play is **October 21st**. Register here: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/549/Youth-Sports>.



DuPont Historical Society - It was a dark and stormy night in DuPont...Mark your calendars to join the DuPont Historical Society for an evening of Haunted History on Friday, **October 21st** at Robinson Park. Seating starts at 6:30 PM and the tales will begin at 7:00 PM. This is a free event, but donations will be accepted. Additional information can be found here: <https://www.dupontmuseum.com/events>.



Downtown Trick or Treating - Parks & Recreation invites all ages to Downtown Trick or Treating! This event is proudly sponsored by the City of DuPont and local businesses. Look for more information the closer we get to **October 31st**! Find more information at the following link: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events>.



The Great Pumpkin Search - A pumpkin a day keeps the goblins away! Mini pumpkins will be hidden throughout DuPont trails starting **October 24 – October 31, 2022**. Find a pumpkin, win a prize! Attached to each pumpkin will be instructions on how to receive your prize. Prizes must be picked up at the Downtown Trick or Treating event on October 31st from 3-5pm at the yellow Parks & Recreation tent at Ross Plaza.



More information can be found at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events>

OCTOBER – BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



During the October 11th Regular Council Meeting, Mayor Frederick proclaimed October as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month” in the City of DuPont. This proclamation honors those who have lost their lives to breast cancer, recognizes the courageous women and men who are living with this disease, and celebrates breast cancer survivors.

In 2022, an estimated 290,560 people will be diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States and 43,780 will die from it. There are ways to lower risks, which include staying at a healthy weight, engaging in physical activity several times per week, and limiting or avoiding alcohol. Talk to your doctor about screening.

MUNICIPAL AGENCIES – SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

As a reminder, the City of DuPont is looking for citizens to fill vacant positions and soon-to-be expired terms on the Planning Commission, Tree Advisory Commission, and Park & Recreation Commission.



The deadline to apply for vacant and upcoming expired position is October 21, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.

More information about each agency’s responsibilities and meeting times can be found on the City’s website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/83/Commissions>.

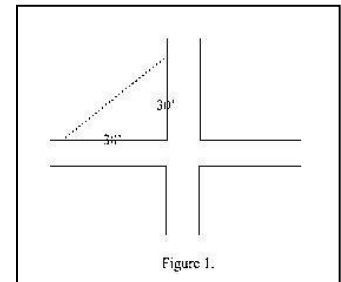
The current application can be found at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies>.

PLEASE NOTE: If you currently hold a position and your term expires in 2022, you will need to fill out a new application to be considered to fill another term.

PUBLIC SERVICES – POLITICAL SIGNS

As election time gets closer, temporary political signs are being placed throughout the City. Following these types of sign requirements are essential for pedestrian and driver safety. Specifically, signs in locations that interfere with the sight distance of pedestrians or motorists proceeding on or approaching public streets, intersections, alleys, driveways, parking areas, or sidewalks are not allowed.

Site distance can be determined by drawing an imaginary line that is 30' from the intersecting point of two sides of the right of way as shown in the graphic. All signs must be outside of this "site distance triangle". Signs that are placed within the site distance triangle will be removed and held at the City of DuPont Public Works and Maintenance Facility (301 Louviers Ave.) for pick up Monday-Friday between 8am-3pm.



Signs must be removed within five working days following an election.

DuPont Municipal Code (DMC) DMC 25.110.010 and 25.116.110 can be found at these links:

- <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/DuPont/#!/DuPont25/DuPont25110.html#25.110>
- <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/DuPont/#!/DuPont25/DuPont25116.html#25.116.110>

DUPONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Private Medic Information: Over the last week, DuPont Fire responded to 21 calls and had two occurrences of multiple calls within 1 hour. DuPont Fire provided mutual aid once. Over the last week, a Paramedic was on duty 5 of the 7 shifts. A Private Medic unit was not available.



Responses	
Medical/Vehicle Accident ALS	10
Medical/Vehicle Accident BLS	3
Electrical Wiring Problem	1
Service Response	2
Animal Rescue	1
Dispatched and Canceled	1
Unintentional Alarm	2
False Alarm	1
TOTAL	21

Medical / Vehicle Accidents	
ALS	10
BLS	3
TOTAL	13

Calls by time of day in 8-hour blocks:	
0000-0759	3
0800-1649	14
1700-2359	4
TOTAL	21

Calls by day of the week:	
Sunday	3
Monday	4
Tuesday	1
Wednesday	1
Thursday	6
Friday	4
Saturday	2
TOTAL	21

Safety Message – Please see the “Close Before You Doze” information at the end of this week’s report.

**As a reminder, on October 29th from 10AM to 1PM,
DuPont Fire will host its annual Pumpkin Patch!**



DuPont Police Department Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*



Total Calls for Service 10/03/22 – 10/09/22: 191

Average: 27.28

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS:

- 05 Agency Assist
- 01 Community Oriented Policing
- 01 Suicidal Threat
- 01 Juvenile Problem
- 02 Animal Complaint
- 02 Motor Vehicle Collisions
- 01 Suspicious / Vehicle Prowler
- 05 Welfare Checks
- 01 Overdose
- 02 Verbal Domestic

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

- 01 Residential Burglary
- 01 Theft from vehicle
- 01 Theft from yard / Bikes
- 02 Motor Vehicle Thefts
- 01 Vandalism/Vehicle
- 01 Eluding
- 01 Hit and Run
- 02 Attempted Motor Vehicle Theft

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

- 02 Threats
- 01 Extortion
- 01 Armed Robbery

DEPARTMENT NEWS

- DPD worked with WA State Patrol to conduct a commercial vehicle enforcement emphasis on Center Drive.
- Officers provided extra patrols at a local middle school.
- Speed emphasis patrols were conducted in the school zone on Center Drive.
- Officers completed six hours of online training.

STORIES FROM PATROL: TEAMWORK

Effective public safety is a team effort. It is not uncommon that partner law enforcement agencies request assistance from DuPont Police, and vice versa. In this case, on Sunday night DuPont Police patrol units received an emergency request from a partnership jurisdiction for a mutual aid response. Two DuPont Police units arrived on scene within minutes. Officers found a male subject who had suffered a gunshot wound to the chest as a result of a suicide attempt. The wounds were very serious, through and through: in the chest area, exiting the back. Calling upon their trauma and tactical first aid training, officers calmly but quickly rendered immediate aid by applying a chest/back seals to the entrance and exit wounds, controlling the breathing, and preparing the patient for incoming medical aid. Officers were able to keep the subject alive until Fire/Rescue arrived and transported the subject to an awaiting emergency room.

REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060

If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at Police@dupontwa.gov or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

DOWNLOAD THE DUPONT POLICE APP TODAY!



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

October 11th Regular Council Meeting:

- Proclamation: October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- Resolution approving the 2023 Lodging Tax Part A grants.
- Study session related to budget.



Helpful Meeting Links:

- **City of DuPont Meetings** can be watched live or later at the following link:
 - City's YouTube channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpg3_CeNJw40A).
- **Regular Council Meetings** can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at:
 - Pierce County TV (<https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings>).
- **Agendas**, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/>.
- **Minutes** are presented for approval at a future Council meeting and available afterwards at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/>.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "Download Agenda".



Date	Time	Meeting
10/20/2022	6:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
10/25/2022	6:00 PM	Regular City Council Meeting
11/7/2022	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
11/8/2022	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission Meeting
11/8/2022	6:00 PM	Regular City Council Meeting

ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATES

Date	Activity	Location / Information
10/20/2022	Senior Trip – Tacoma Holiday Food & Festival	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors
10/21/2022	Historical Society's "Haunted History"	https://www.dupontmuseum.com/events
10/31/2022	Downtown Trick or Treating	Wilmington Drive from 3:00-5:00 PM
11/15/2022	Senior Lunch & Movie Day	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors
12/1-4/2022	Parks & Recreation Auction	https://www.dupontwa.gov/558/Parks-Recreation-Annual-Auction
12/6/2022	Senior Lunch & Movie Day	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors



JOINT BASE LEWIS-McCHORD
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

Message from JBLM Public Affairs Office: JBLM will conduct day and nighttime aviation gunnery and demolitions training from Oct. 17 at 5 a.m. to Oct. 22 at 11:59 p.m.

2022 FALL CLEANUP



The City of DuPont in coordination with LeMay Pierce County Refuse is offering a "FREE" community wide collection of your unwanted materials on

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022
8:00AM

Curbside pickup only ~ No Bulky waste

Fire moves fast. Plan ahead to save lives.

You may only have three minutes or less to escape once a fire starts in your home. Take these steps to increase your chances of survival.



Install Working Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms give you and your loved ones the earliest warning possible that there is a fire, so you can get out of your home quickly and safely. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home. Check your smoke alarms twice a year and replace them once they stop working according to the manufacturer's recommendations. When replacing or buying new smoke alarms, look for products that are third-party listed or certified.



Close Before You Doze®

A closed door can be an effective barrier against deadly levels of carbon monoxide, smoke, and flames, and may give you more time to respond to the smoke alarm. In fact, there can be a 900-degree temperature difference between a room with an open door and one with a closed door. While a room with an open door may reach 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit a room with a closed door may only reach 100 degrees Fahrenheit. Make closing doors at night part of your bedtime routine.



Create and Practice a Fire Escape Plan

If there is a fire in your home, there won't be time to plan a way out in the moment. Create an escape plan for your home and practice it with your family so you're ready for a fire emergency. Don't wait, plan ahead. Make sure your Fire Escape Plan includes a Plan **A**, **B**, and **C**!

Know at least two ways out.

Plan A

Exit your home through the closest door, close the door behind you and go to your meeting place. Call 9-1-1. Make sure the fire department knows when everyone is out.

Plan B

When you can't safely escape through the closest door, you may need to use a back exit or a window. If you can, close the window/door behind you as you leave. Then go to your meeting place and call 9-1-1. Make sure the fire department knows when everyone is out.

Plan C

If you can't get out, get behind a closed door and call 9-1-1, telling the dispatcher where you are inside the home.

If you can't get out, use **PLAN C**.

- Get into a room as far away from the fire as possible and close the door.
- Once inside, call 9-1-1, telling the dispatcher where you are and that you cannot get out.
- Stay low to the floor.
- Turn on the light in the room if you can.
- Cover the cracks in the doors with clothes, towels, drapes, or anything else available.
- Cover the air vents if needed.
- If smoke is entering the room and air is needed, open the window to keep the smoke above your head. Start by opening the lower pane and remove both if it becomes necessary.
- Remain near the window for fresh air.
- Make yourself known to the firefighters when they arrive — wave, signal with a flashlight, call out for help.



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START PLANNING NOW!



Make Your Escape Plan

1. Talk it through.

Meet with everyone who lives in your home to discuss what to do in case of a fire emergency. Write down your escape plan.

2. Draw a map of your home.

Include each level of your home, every room, window, door and all other exit points.

3. Determine two ways out of every room and what to do if you can't get out.

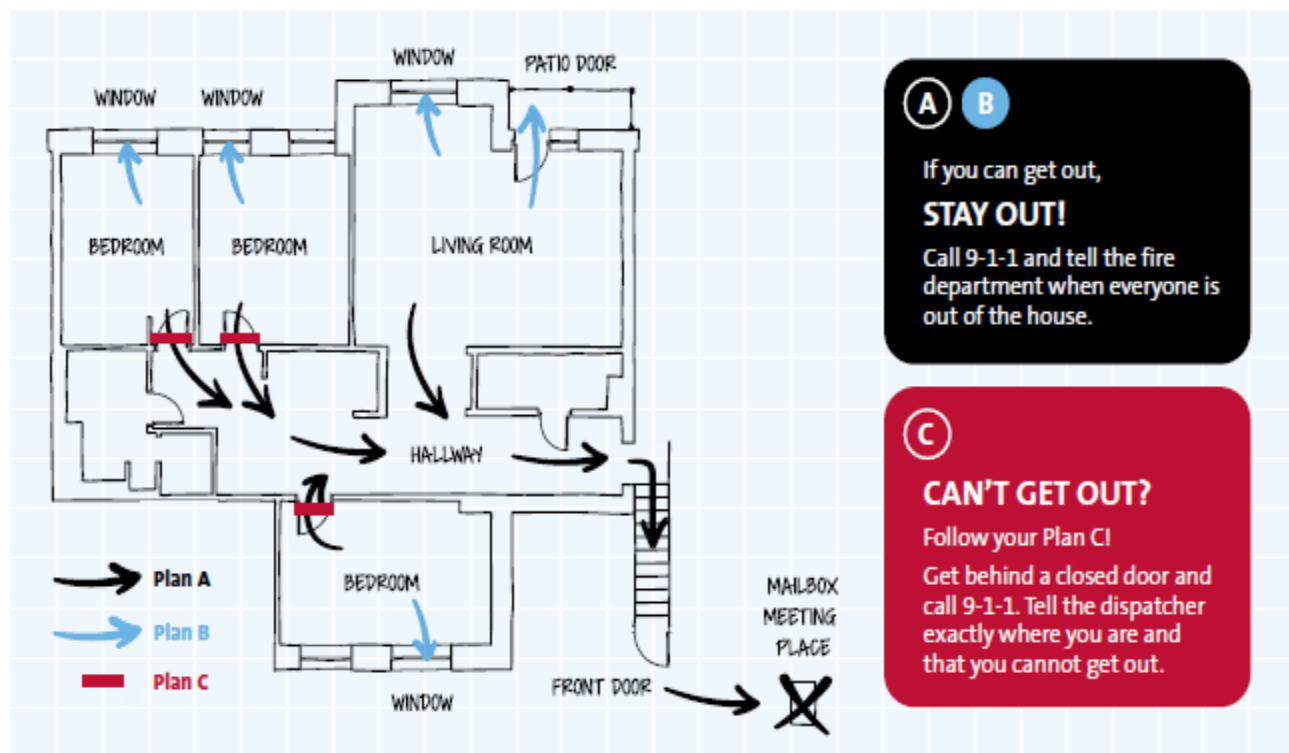
If one way is blocked or already filled with smoke and fire, having an alternate route will save time. If you can't exit safely, get behind a closed door and call 9-1-1.

4. Designate an outside meeting place.

It is important for everyone to have an agreed upon meeting place outside so that the fire department can confirm whether everyone is out or if someone may be inside.

5. Review and practice your escape plan.

Discuss and practice this plan with everyone living in the home including any overnight guests. Make sure everyone understands Plan A, B, and C.



Talk it through. Map it out. Practice your plan.

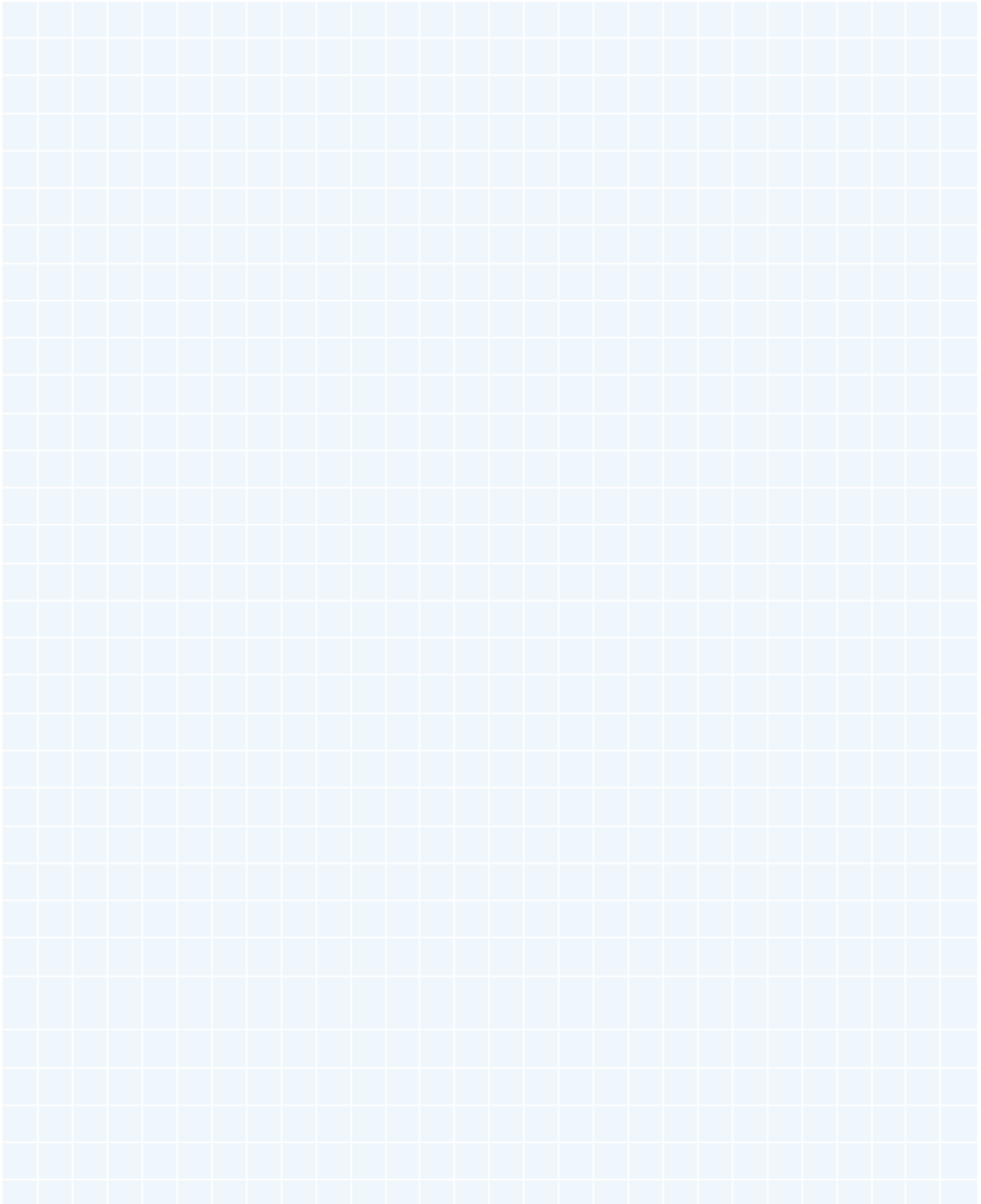
Use the graph paper provided on the next page or any blank sheet of paper to draw out your plan. The most important step is to make sure everyone in your home understands and is capable of following the plan.



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