



CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, November 1, 2024

City News

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF DUPONT



RONALD J. FREDERICK

MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining our freedoms and way of life; and

WHEREAS, tens of millions of Americans have served in the Armed Forces of the United States during the past century; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Americans have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces during the past century; and

WHEREAS, our state is home to more than 470,000 veterans, 57,000 Active-Duty military, 17,500 National Guard and Reserves, and their families; and

WHEREAS, our veterans are brave and selfless individuals who, when duty called, willingly put themselves in harm's way to defend the lives and liberty of others; and

WHEREAS, their abiding patriotism and enduring devotion to the ideals on which the United States is founded can never fail to inspire us; and

WHEREAS, our veterans understand the important task before the American service men and women now keeping watch; and

WHEREAS, all Washingtonians must strive to ensure that ours remains a land worthy of the great love our veterans have shown for it.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronald J. Frederick, Mayor of DuPont, WA, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2024, as

“Veterans Day”

in the City of DuPont, and I encourage all people in our city to acknowledge and honor the contributions of our veterans to the principles of democracy, individual freedom, and human rights.

Signed this 1st day of November 2024

Ronald J. Frederick, Mayor

Parks and Recreation (Holiday Cheer!)



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT THE ANNUAL Santa Breakfast

TABLE SPONSOR: \$35
10 AVAILABLE

HOT COCOA BAR: \$150 SANTA BUFFET: \$250

SPONSORSHIP INCLUDES SIGNAGE & THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISPLAY
INFO ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS AT OUR EVENT ON DEC. 7, 2024

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER AT awalker@dupontwa.gov

2024 Santa Breakfast Sponsors

Become a sponsor at the annual Santa Breakfast hosted by DuPont Parks & Recreation! This festive event offers local businesses the chance to support a beloved community tradition while promoting their brand. Each sponsorship includes signage and the chance to display your business information at the event on December 7, 2024. For more information, contact Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov.

2024 Tree Lighting

Kick off the holiday season with the City of DuPont's Tree Lighting! Celebrate an evening filled with community spirit and holiday cheer, featuring festive treats, warm cocoa, and a special performance by the Chloe Clark Choir! Don't miss the highlight of the night as we light up the tree and welcome a visit from Santa.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events>



2024 Santa Breakfast

Join us at the Home Course for a delicious breakfast, hot cocoa bar, holiday crafts and of course special time with Santa! Come in your holiday dress or your favorite winter PJ's! This is a longstanding DuPont tradition and tickets will sell-out fast.

Purchase your ticket early as they sell fast!

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events>



Parks and Recreation (Savvy Seniors!)



Savvy Seniors

All seniors are invited to attend Savvy Seniors at the DuPont Historical Community Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays throughout the winter. Seniors will gather together for great conversation, games and finish up those unfinished craft projects. Bring a friend and enjoy fresh cup of coffee. There is no cost to attend, as this event is funded through proceeds from the Parks & Recreation Annual Auction.

Pre-registration is not required, but we kindly ask that all seniors sign a participation waiver at the door.



Senior Lunch & Movie Join us for lunch and a movie!

Movie choices & departure time will be announced either the Wednesday or Thursday before the event.

Transportation is not provided.

[Sign up here today!](#)



Savvy Senior Open House

November 5, 2024 / 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

November 6, 2024 / 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Join us at the Community Center on November 5 or 6, 2024, for an engaging afternoon where you can help shape the activities you'd like to see. Whether you're interested in classes, games, crafts, or lectures, your ideas are welcome! Light snacks and beverages will be provided. Don't miss this chance to share your thoughts and enjoy some time with friends.

DuPont Community Center - 303 Barksdale Ave. DuPont WA. 98327

Parks and Recreation (Classes and Clubs!)

DuPont Parks & Recreation

GENTLE Yoga Classes

Saturdays 7:30 - 8:30 AM
October 26 - January 4, 2025

\$150
10 weeks

DuPont Community Center -
303 Barksdale Ave. DuPont WA 98327

About the Instructor
Masha Power has received the highest certification, E-RYT500, with the Yoga Alliance. She is also a Certified Clinical Yoga Therapist and Integrative Health Coach



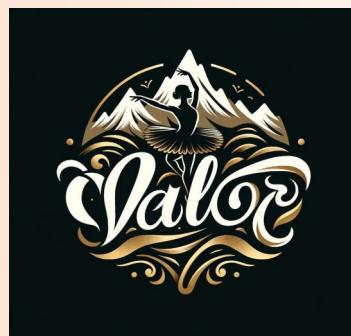
Gentle Yoga Class

October 26 - January 4, 2025

7:30 - 8:30 AM

Start your mornings with some gentle movement by signing up for this class! Gentle Yoga offers a serene 60-minute practice perfect for beginners, emphasizing alignment, strength, and flexibility through traditional poses and breath techniques, all while nurturing your joints and muscles with gentle movements and modifications. [Sign up here today!](#)

DuPont Community Center - 303 Barksdale Ave.
DuPont, WA



Valor Conservatory of Dance Classes

Join us at Valor Conservatory of Dance, where classes run all year round for dancers of all levels!

Whether you're new to dance or a seasoned performer, the skilled instructors are here to help you grow, shine, and have fun. With a wide range of styles from ballet to jazz, tap, acro, and more, there's something for everyone!

<https://valorconservatoryofdance.com/>

ARE YOU A MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT INTERESTED IN

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS



PARKS & RECREATION IS LOOKING TO FORM A CLUB TO MEET AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER ON A MUTUALLY AGREED UPON TIME.

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER.
JOIN US FOR GAMES, NEW FRIENDS, PIZZA AND FUN!

CONTACT AMY WALKER AT awalker@dupontwa.gov

Dungeons & Dragons

Are you looking to meet other local Dungeons & Dragons players for adventures and fun!? DuPont Parks & Recreation has been getting some requests to start a D&D group in DuPont and we are here for it! Explore fantastic worlds, clash with dark monsters, spin lore and commit heroic feats while playing the greatest RPG of all time!

[Catalog - City of DuPont WA Parks & Recreation \(rec1.com\)](#)

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN

Knitting & Crocheting

JOIN THE CLUB!

MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAYS
FROM 10:00AM - 11:00 AM AT THE
DUPONT COMMUNITY CENTER
303 BARKSDALE AVE. DUPONT, WA.



FOR AGES 13-17



Knitting & Crocheting

Are you interested in knitting and crocheting? Or maybe wanting to share your skills with some beginners? DuPont Parks & Recreation is looking to start a knitting and crocheting group! If you are interested in joining this cozy of knitters, please reach out to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov

Parks and Recreation (Sports!)

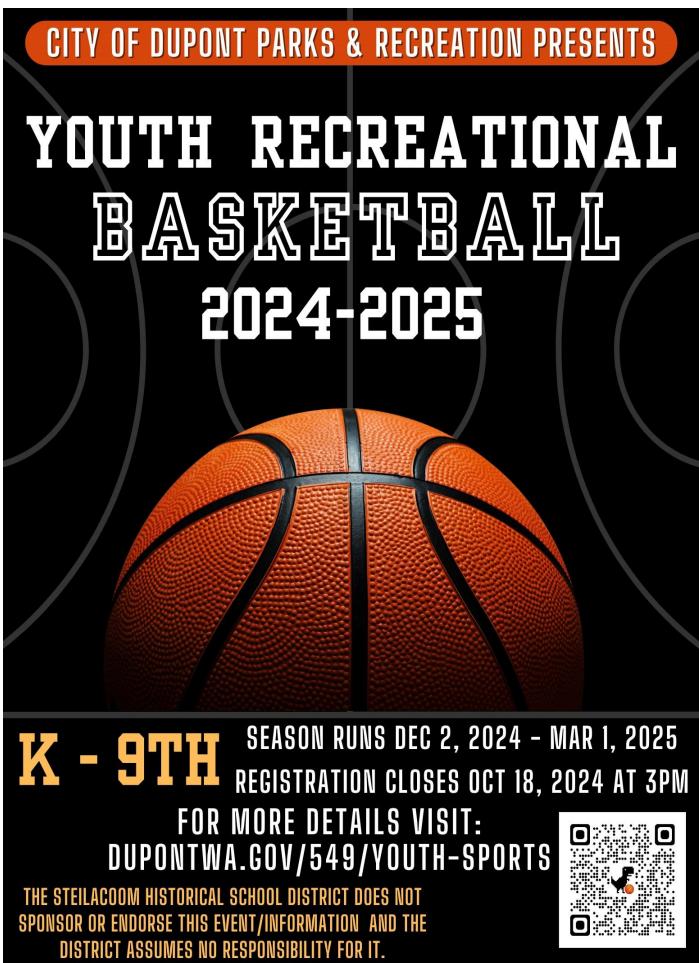
Youth Basketball 2024/2025

Registration is now open for Dupont's most popular youth sports program: Youth Basketball! Open to boys and girls from Kindergarten through 9th grade. This city-run league offers a fun and safe environment to learn and play basketball while promoting good sportsmanship. We're also looking for enthusiastic coaches to join the team!

The season runs from December 2024 to March 2025, and player registration is open until October 18 at 3 PM. Spots fill up fast!

Learn more and register here: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/549/Youth-Sports>

Coaches needed! If you are interested in being a volunteer coach please contact Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov



CITY OF DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

YOUTH RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL

2024-2025



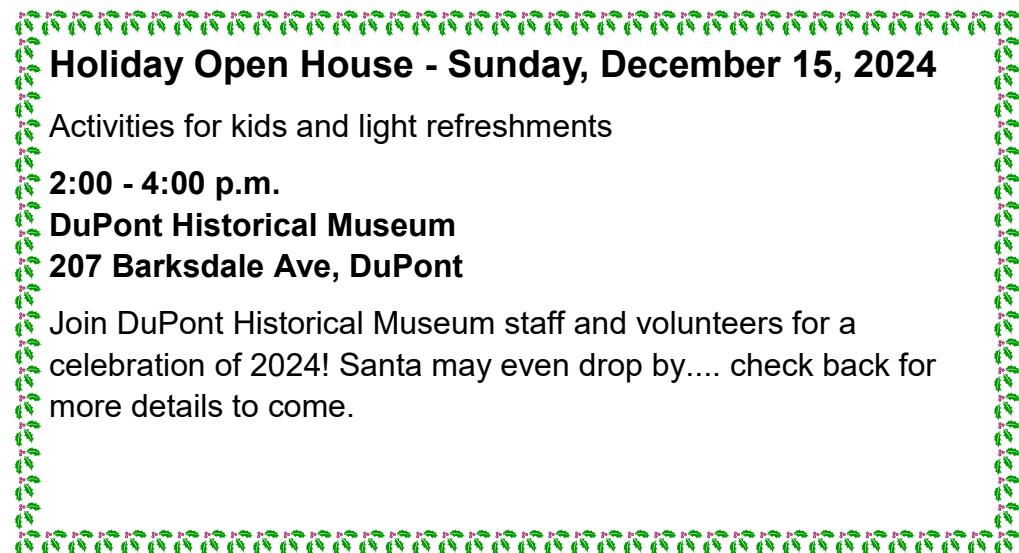
K - 9TH SEASON RUNS DEC 2, 2024 - MAR 1, 2025
REGISTRATION CLOSES OCT 18, 2024 AT 3PM

FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT:
DUPONTWA.GOV/549/YOUTH-SPORTS

THE STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT SPONSOR OR ENDORSE THIS EVENT/INFORMATION AND THE DISTRICT ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT.



DuPont Historical Museum



Holiday Open House - Sunday, December 15, 2024

Activities for kids and light refreshments

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
DuPont Historical Museum
207 Barksdale Ave, DuPont

Join DuPont Historical Museum staff and volunteers for a celebration of 2024! Santa may even drop by.... check back for more details to come.

2025 Part A Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Grant Applications Now Open!

City of DuPont LTAC grant applications (for activities in 2025) will be accepted from October 15, 2024, until November 8, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered for grant funding. To apply, click here: https://portal.laserfiche.com/t7629/forms/LTAC_Application

LTAC grant funding is available to non-profits and public agencies for projects that assist with tourism development and promotion in the City of DuPont. The grant program is made possible through taxes paid by consumers when they stay in paid lodging in the City of DuPont and overseen by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. To learn more about LTAC Grants please read the Grant Guidelines: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1631/Appendix-B-Guidelines-for-Use-of-Lodging-Tax-Revenue?bidId=>

More information can be found on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Page: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/87/Lodging-Tax-Advisory-Committee>

Please contact Finance Director Carma Oaksmith at COaksmith@dupontwa.gov if you have any questions.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Grant Applications



Public Services

The Planning Commission Public Hearing for the Old Fort Lake Subarea Plan has been canceled for Monday, October 28th and will be held at a Special Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, November 13th at 6:00pm.

Planning Commission





I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. Corridor Improvements

Beginning in late summer 2023, contractor crews working for the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin construction on Interstate 5 in DuPont near Joint Base Lewis-McChord. This is the third in a series of projects that widens I-5 to add HOV lanes between DuPont and Lakewood.

Improvements coming to DuPont and JBLM

In addition to extending the I-5 HOV lanes, construction crews will make improvements that enhance mobility and safety in DuPont and near the JBLM DuPont Gate at exit 119, including:

- A new bridge spanning I-5 and the railroad. The new bridge will feature a partial Diverging Diamond Interchange and a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists between JBLM and DuPont.
- Direct access between JBLM and both directions of I-5.
- A new roundabout connecting Steilacoom-DuPont Road and the new overpass.

The project will also add a new signal at the intersection of the southbound I-5 off-ramp at Mounts Road (exit 116) and improve the I-5 vertical clearance over Pendleton Avenue.

What you can expect

Construction will begin in summer 2023 and is expected to be complete in 2026. The project consists of multiple stages that involve overnight and weekend ramp closures, lane shifts onto temporary pavement, potential speed limit reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian detours. Crews will contain dust and debris to the construction site and will minimize noise as much as practical. Clear signage will indicate required detours throughout the project.



The project extends HOV lanes in both directions into DuPont.

Stay connected

Follow us on Twitter [@WSDOT_Tacoma](#)

Check out our Facebook page: [facebook.com/WSDOT](https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT)

Project hotline: [206-467-2171](tel:206-467-2171)

Scan the QR code or visit: wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/i-5-mounts-rd-steilacoom-dupont-rd-corridor-improvements



For updated weekly ramp and lane closure schedules, visit: wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/

WSDOT: I-5 Mounts Rd to Steilacoom-DuPont Road Corridor Improvements outreach links:

Online open house:

<https://engage.wsdot.wa.gov/i-5-mounts-to-steilacoom-dupont-rd/>

WSDOT Blog:

<https://wsdotblog.blogspot.com/2023/09/i-5-hov-dupont-jblm.html>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIDRY3j6DNI&t=1s>

The WSDOT Facebook page also has a post linking the blog and online open house:

<https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/>



DuPont Fire Department

Response Information: The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the "Current" column are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1st of this year. Please note the weekly figures are based off raw data.



(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other		1	
(11) Structure Fire		2	
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire		3	
(14) Natural vegetation fire		14	
(15) Outside rubbish fire		4	
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition		0	
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other		4	
(31) Medical assist		1	
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident	12	479	
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries	5	80	
(33) Lock-In		1	
(35) Extrication, rescue		1	
(36) Water or ice-related rescue		1	
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other		0	
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks		6	
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition	1	1	
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem		0	
(46) Accident, potential accident		1	
(50) Service call, other		45	
(51) Person in distress	1	6	
(52) Water Problem		21	
(53) Smoke, odor problem		1	
(54) Animal problem or rescue		3	
(55) Public service assistance		33	
(56) Unauthorized burning		2	
(60) Good intent call, other		2	
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route	2	35	
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found		0	
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		11	
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency		0	
(70) False alarm and false call, other		27	
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		0	
(73) System or detector malfunction	1	32	
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)	1	28	
(91) Citizen complaint		0	
Unknown		0	
TOTALS		23	845

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore	1	
Madigan	6	151
Mary Bridge	1	17
St. Clare	1	103
St. Joseph	3	27
St. Peters	1	10
Tacoma General	1	12
TOTAL	13	321

ALS	11	255
BLS	6	248

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	5	203
0800-1649	12	396
1700-2359	6	246
TOTAL	23	845

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	2	125
Monday	4	126
Tuesday	4	122
Wednesday	3	138
Thursday	2	122
Friday	3	110
Saturday	5	102
TOTAL	23	845

Mutual/Automatic Aid-Multiple Calls		
DPF Received	2	71
DPF Provided	4	70
Multiple Calls	1	100

Safety Message - Smoke Alarms

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024, at 2 a.m. marks the end of daylight-saving time



Because working smoke alarms are a critical element of home fire safety, NFPA supports any and all efforts to reinforce the importance of working batteries. However, today's smoke alarms are not all designed the same, making battery messaging more nuanced.

Following is information to help make sure all smoke alarms and CO detectors have working batteries, accounting for the multiple types of smoke alarms on the market and their varying battery requirements:

- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable 10-year batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.
- Smoke alarms with any other type of battery need a new battery at least once a year. If that alarm chirps, warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.
- When replacing a battery, follow manufacturer's list of batteries on the back of the alarm or manufacturer's instructions. Manufacturer's instructions are specific to the batteries (brand and model) that must be used. The smoke alarm may not work properly if a different kind of battery is used. It's helpful to mark the new battery with the date you changed it.

DuPont Fire Department (Kids Activity!)

Name _____

Check

...and recheck!

Spot the 10 differences between the two pictures!



Make sure your family has a **home fire escape plan** with **two ways out** of every room.



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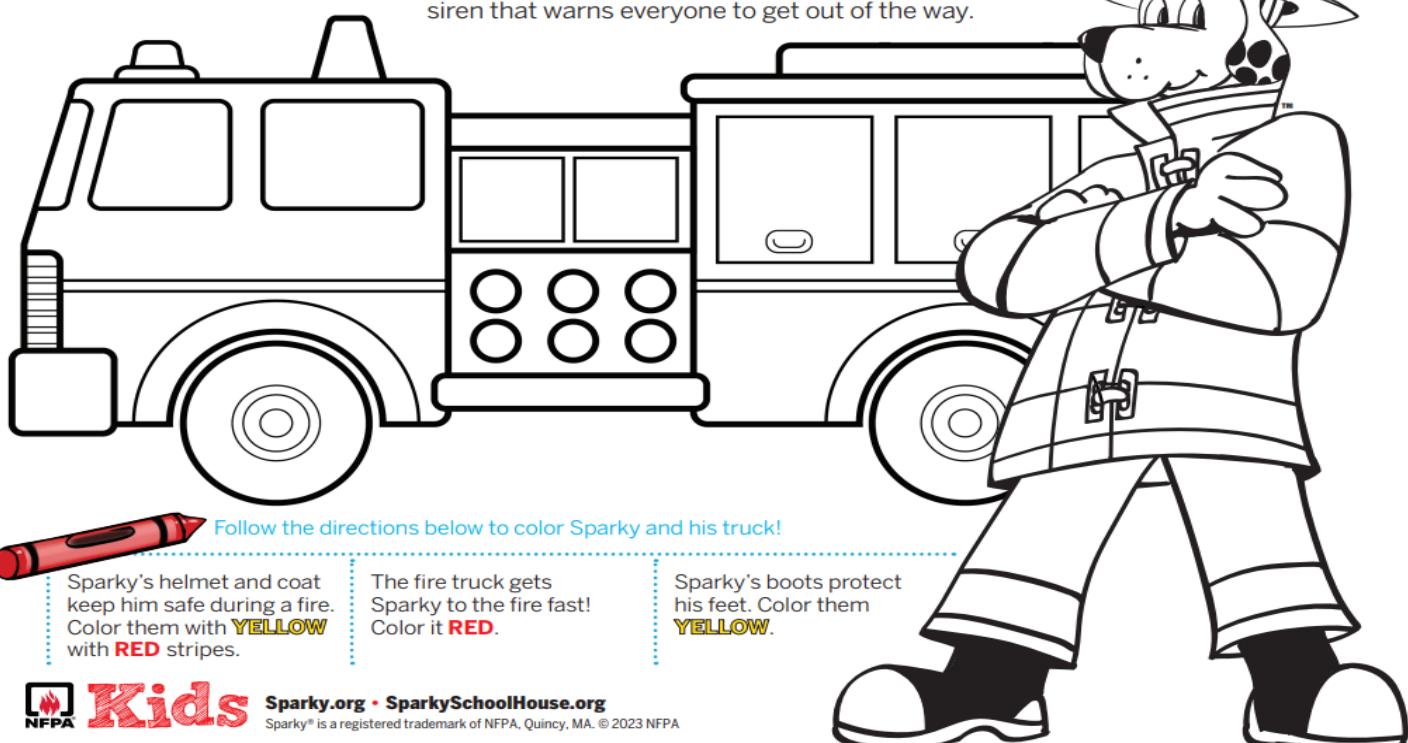


Name _____

Fire Truck Fun

Sparky the Fire Dog® loves to ride on fire trucks.

He likes the way the wind blows his ears and the loud siren that warns everyone to get out of the way.



Follow the directions below to color Sparky and his truck!



Sparky's helmet and coat keep him safe during a fire. Color them with **YELLOW** with **RED** stripes.

The fire truck gets Sparky to the fire fast! Color it **RED**.

Sparky's boots protect his feet. Color them **YELLOW**.



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Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*

Total Calls for Service 10/21/24 – 10/27/24: 211
Average per day: 30.14

The “Total Calls for Service” statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

<u>EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS</u>	<u>PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES</u>
06 Agency Assist 02 Citizen Assist 02 Civil Issue 07 Community Oriented Policing 02 Domestic Violence/Verbal 02 Juvenile Issue 04 Motor Vehicle Collision 01 Suicide Attempt 02 Suicide Threat 04 Suspicious Vehicle 41 Traffic Stops 01 Traffic Complaint 01 Unwanted Person/Loiterer 07 Agency Assist	01 Motor Vehicle Collision/Hit & Run 01 Attempted Motor Vehicle Prowl 01 Motor Vehicle Theft 01 Motor Vehicle Recovery 01 Driving While Suspended 2nd Degree

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

01 Domestic Violence/Assault 4th Degree

ARRESTS/REFERRALS

01 Arrest - Domestic Violence/Assault 4th Degree– booked into jail
01 Arrest - Driving While Suspended 2nd Degree - Cite and Release

NEWS FROM PATROL

- Officers were dispatched to a physical domestic violence incident between spouses. After arriving on scene and interviewing both individuals, the female half was arrested for Assault In the 4th Degree.
- A resident reported damage that had occurred to their vehicle. It appears that someone damaged the lock in an attempt to enter the vehicle.
- Officers were dispatched to an attempted suicide. An individual attempted to harm themselves by driving their vehicle head on into a tree. The individual was transported to the hospital.
- The Thurston County Sheriff's Office was pursuing possible burglary suspects on I-5. DuPont officers were requested to assist with locating the vehicle after it had entered DuPont.
- Officers received a report of a motor vehicle theft. The owner was able to track the vehicle using an air tag. The vehicle was located in the city and returned to the owner.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

- A local business invited an officer to attend a meeting to discuss safety protocols and procedures.
- An officer was present at the City Council meeting.
- Officers completed required online training.
- Students and staff at local schools were greeted by officers.

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.



COMING SOON!

The DuPont Police Department will again be serving as a drop-off location for the annual Toys for Tots toy drive. Information and dates will be available soon!



 MARINE CORPS RESERVE

TOYS FOR TOTS®



City Council and Calendars

The next City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

Helpful Meeting Links:

- ◊ **City of DuPont Meetings** can be watched live or later at: City's YouTube channel: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCInrLK1wNfpq3_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**, after they are passed, are available at: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/>.



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

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	UPCOMING MEETINGS
11/4/2024	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
11/11/2024		City Hall - CLOSED
11/11/2024	5:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting - CANCELED
11/11/2024	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting - CANCELED
11/12/2024	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission Meeting
11/12/2024	1:00 PM	Special Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Meeting
11/12/2024	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
11/13/2024	6:00 PM	Planning Commission Special Meeting
11/25/2024	6:00 PM	Planning Commission Special Meeting
11/26/2024	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
11/28-11/29/2024		City Hall - CLOSED



Date	ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATE!	Location/Information
Sundays 10:00-11:00 AM	Knitting Club	Teen Events and Programs DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
Thursdays 4:30-6:30 PM	Dungeons & Dragons Club	Teen Events and Programs DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
Saturdays 10/26-1/4/2025	Gentle Yoga Class	Adults & Seniors DuPont, WA - Official Website
11/5 & 11/6/2024	Savvy Senior Open House	Adults & Seniors DuPont, WA - Official Website
Nov. 2024 - Feb. 2025	Savvy Seniors (Tuesdays & Wednesdays)	Adults & Seniors DuPont, WA - Official Website
12/3/2024	Senior Lunch & Movie	Adults & Seniors DuPont, WA - Official Website
12/6/2024	Tree Lighting	https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events
12/7/2024	2024 Santa Breakfast	Events DuPont, WA - Official Website

UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURES - Reminder: City Hall will be closed Monday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day and Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th in celebration of

