



CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, January 2, 2026

State of the City Address & Swearing In Ceremony

Please join Mayor Frederick, the City Council, DuPont staff, and fellow residents to the first Council meeting of the year for the State of the City address and the ceremonial swearing in of returning Councilmembers Mike Winkler (current Deputy Mayor), Beth Elliott, and Susan Walton and newly elected Jugal Thakor. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 1700 Civic Drive. If you are unable to attend and want to view the meeting online, Pierce County TV and YouTube will have a live feed at these links:

- [Pierce County TV](#).
- [City of DuPont YouTube Channel](#).



Low Cost Brine Maker Saves Money

A small investment pays off big! We now have the ability to make our own brine for the upcoming winter weather.

In the past, DuPont purchased brine from Pierce County. While it is important to continue these types of relationships, the severity of weather impacting brine availability has been problematic.



Our brine maker produces brine as needed at a low cost. This improvement saves money and helps to ensure roadway safety during freezing temperatures.



Residents Webpage - Tip of the Week

The Residents tab on our website connects the community to several city, local, and regional services. Click on Residents to see the links.



Animal Control
Classes & Activities
Emergency Preparedness
Event Permits
Fees & Charges
Fire Department
Health & Human Services
Library
Maps
Municipal Code
Parks & Facilities

Police Department
Public Transportation
Recreation Programs
Residential Owners Association
Steilacoom Historical School District
Tax Rates
Traffic Information
Utilities
Volunteer Opportunities
Voting Information
Weather

**City Hall will be closed on
Martin Luther King Day,
Monday, January 19th.**



Municipal Agency Opening

If you are interested in serving on the Planning Commission, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) or the Park & Recreation Commission, please click on the button to apply.

To learn more about all of the municipal agencies, click the links below:

- [Civil Service](#)
- [Lodging Tax Advisory Committee \(LTAC\)](#)
- [Park & Recreation Commission](#)
- [Planning Commission](#)
- [Salary Commission](#)
- [Tree Advisory Commission](#)
- [Vacancies](#)



Parks & Recreation

**NEW
DATES**

City of DuPont
DuPont Parks & Recreation



Stay Active & Independent for Life (SAIL)

A STRENGTH, BALANCE, AND FITNESS CLASS FOR ADULTS 65+

JAN. 12 - FEB. 4, 2026 4 WEEK CLASS!
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Join S.A.I.L.
Stay Active & Independent for Life!

SAIL has proven to help improve the quality
of life while focusing on fall prevention

•BALANCE •STRENGTH •FLEXIBILITY
4 WEEK CLASS

\$5 DROP-IN FEE OR \$40 PER 4 WEEK SESSION
(PAY WITH CASH, CHECK OR CARD)

LEAD BY LAUREN,
CERTIFIED SAIL INSTRUCTOR

BRING 3- OR 5-POUNDS
WEIGHTS AND WATER

SIGN UP TODAY!
DUPONTWA.GOV/545/ADULTS-SENIORS

DUPONT COMMUNITY CENTER -
303 BARKSDALE AVE. DUPONT WA.

CITY OF DUPONT
PARKS & RECREATION

SAVVY SENIORS

CALLING ALL SENIORS!

COME MEET NEW FRIENDS, PLAY CARDS, WORK ON
PUZZLES, GET CRAFTY, OR ENJOY A GUEST SPEAKER.

WEDNESDAYS 1:00 - 3:00 PM
THROUGH MARCH OF 2026

A WEEKLY GATHERING DESIGNED TO BRING PEOPLE
TOGETHER FOR FUN, FRIENDSHIP, & GOOD CONVERSATION.
ENJOY SNACKS, COFFEE, & TEA WHILE WE BRIGHTEN
UP THE DARK WINTER DAYS!

EXCEPT FOR HOLIDAY WEEKS,
THE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL BE OPEN EVERY
WEDNESDAY FROM 1-3 PM THROUGH MARCH.

NEED A RIDE?
LET US KNOW BY MONDAY AND WE CAN HELP!
CONTACT EMMA AT (253) 290-1096



DUPONT COMMUNITY CENTER
303 BARKSDALE AVE. DUPONT WA. 98327

City of DuPont Parks & Recreation

Senior 2026 LUNCH & MOVIE

SPEND THE AFTERNOON ENJOYING
A DELICIOUS LUNCH, A FANTASTIC
MOVIE, AND GREAT COMPANY!

January 13
February 10
March 3

\$15 + TAX
INCLUDES LUNCH
& MOVIE TICKET!

EVENT REGISTRATION AND MOVIE CHOICES
WILL BE POSTED WITHIN 5 DAYS OF EVENT DATE



2026 EVENTS
**COMING
SOON**

DuPont Police Department



Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*

Total Calls for Service 12/22/25- 12/28/25: 198
Average per day: 28.29

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

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

- 07 Agency Assist
- 04 Citizen Assist
- 03 Civil Issue
- 02 Community Oriented Policing
- 01 Disorderly – Neighbor Dispute
- 01 Death Investigation (natural cause)
- 02 Domestic Violence/Verbal
- 01 Juvenile Issue
- 01 Motor Vehicle Collision
- 48 Traffic Stops
- 01 Traffic Complaint
- 01 Unwanted Loiterer/Person
- 04 Welfare Check

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

- 01 Harassment – Domestic Violence
- 01 Violation of Court Order

ARRESTS/REFERRALS

- 01 Arrest - Misdemeanor Harassment - Domestic Violence – booked into jail
- 01 Arrest – Felony Harassment – Violation of Court Order – booked into jail
- 01 Arrest – Driving While Suspended 3rd Degree – DuPont Warrant for Reckless Driving – booked into jail

NEWS FROM PATROL

- Officers were dispatched to a residence for threats made by a family member. One person was arrested for Misdemeanor Harassment – Domestic Violence and booked into jail.
- A DuPont resident reported a court order violation by a former spouse, to include threats. After reviewing evidence, the former spouse was arrested and booked into jail.
- An officer stopped a vehicle for speeding on Steilacoom-DuPont Road. The driver was cited for driving 24 miles over the posted speed limit.
- During a routine traffic stop a driver was found to have a suspended license in the 3rd degree and a DuPont warrant for reckless driving. The driver was arrested and booked into jail.
- A speed emphasis was conducted on McNeil and Wilmington Drive.
- Officers assisted a Washington State Patrol Trooper on I-5 with an uncooperative individual.



DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Several Officers completed Taser recertification

DuPont Police Department continued...

Winter Driving: Preparedness & Tips



Every winter season, DuPont Police Department responds to multiple weather related collisions. Most involve speed too fast for conditions.

The #1 tip for winter driving safety: SLOW DOWN!

CHECK UP

Ensure your defroster, wiper blades, lights, battery and brakes are working properly.

TRACTION READY

Carry chains. Be sure tires are properly inflated and tread is good.

DRIVE SLOWLY

Reduce your speed to offset the traction lost due to wet and icy surfaces.

CHARGE UP

Be sure your mobile phone is fully charged and bring any additional chargers.

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Studded tires may only be used between November 1 and April 1.

FILL UP

Check your fuel, windshield wiper fluid and antifreeze. Top off anything that is running low.

AVOID DISTRACTIONS

When driving, give your full attention to the road. Avoid distractions like eating or using your cell phone.

BE INFORMED

Check the weather, road conditions and travel cameras.

INCREASE DISTANCE

Increase following distance, vehicles need more distance to stop on wet and icy roads. Stay 200 meters from snow plows.



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.

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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.



Sign Up for PCALERT

**For the City of DuPont Police
Department's webpage, click [here](#).**

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" columns are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1st of 2025. Please note, the weekly figures are based off raw data.

(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other			2
(11) Structure Fire			7
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire			6
(14) Natural vegetation fire			9
(15) Outside rubbish fire			2
(16) Special outside fire			1
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition			1
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other			16
(31) Medical assist			5
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		14	627
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		2	69
(33) Lock-In			1
(35) Extrication, rescue			2
(36) Water or ice-related rescue			1
(37) Electrical, Rescue			0
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other			3
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks			9
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition			2
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem			2
(46) Accident, potential accident			0
(50) Service call, other			31
(51) Person in distress			15
(52) Water Problem			5
(53) Smoke, odor problem			1
(54) Animal problem or rescue			2
(55) Public service assistance		1	51
(56) Unauthorized burning			2
(60) Good intent call, other			5
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route		1	60
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found			4
(63) Controlled Burning			1
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke			8
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency			0
(70) False alarm and false call, other			13
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm			0
(73) System or detector malfunction			43
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)			30
(80) Severe weather and natural disaster			2
(91) Citizen complaint			0
Unknown			0
TOTALS		18	1038

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore		1
Capital Med. Ctr.		1
Madigan	1	151
Mary Bridge		24
St. Clare	3	155
St. Joseph	1	26
St. Peters		14
Tacoma General		22
Wellfound B.H.H.		1
TOTAL	5	395

ALS	8	391
BLS	10	325

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	3	230
0800-1659	10	509
1700-2359	5	299
TOTAL	18	1038

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	2	133
Monday	5	174
Tuesday	1	151
Wednesday	4	160
Thursday	3	148
Friday	2	167
Saturday	1	105
TOTAL	18	1038

Mutual/Automatic Aid-Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	2	68
DPF Provided	2	95
Multiple Calls	2	123

Click [here](#) for the Fire Department's webpage on the City's website.

Follow these pages on Facebook:

- [DuPont Fire Department](#)
- [DuPont Professional Fire Fighters](#)





Safety Message: Start the year by checking the most important safety features in your home.

Home Fire Safety Checklist for the New Year

Smoke Alarms

- Check the manufacture date, most smoke alarms and sealed batteries expire after 10 years.
- Replace any outdated units.



Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Test all carbon monoxide alarms.
- Replace alarms that are past their expiration date or fail testing.



Fire Escape Plan

- Review and practice your family's escape plan.
- Ensure everyone knows two ways out of every room and a designated outdoor meeting place.

Kitchen Safety

- Cooking is the leading cause of U.S. home fires.
- Stay in the kitchen while cooking and keep flammable items away from the stove.



Fire Extinguishers

- Keep working extinguishers on every level of the home, especially in the kitchen and garage.
- Make sure they are accessible and the pressure gauge is in the green.

Electrical & Heating Safety

- Inspect cords for damage or fraying.
- Avoid overloading outlets.
- Keep space heaters at least 3 feet from anything that can burn.



Meeting Information, Links, and Calendar Events

City Council's 1/13/2026 Regular Meeting:

- The State of the City.
- Ceremonial swearing in of newly and re-elected Councilmembers.

Helpful meeting links and information:

- **Published agendas:** [here](#). Click the meeting date and "Download Agenda." Agendas are officially posted on the bulletin board outside of City Hall.
- **Regular Council Meetings:** City's YouTube channel [here](#) and at Pierce County TV [here](#).
- **Municipal Agency Meetings:** City's YouTube channel [here](#).
- **Council Meeting Minutes**, after passed: [here](#).
- **Municipal Agency Meeting Minutes**, after passed: [here](#).
- **Public Comments** are welcome at all Council and Municipal Agency meetings. Important information regarding public comments can be found [here](#).



Each calendar event below is a link to more information.



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
January 4 Teen Knit/Crochet Club	5 S.A.I.L. fitness class Park & Rec Com. Mtg.	6	7 S.A.I.L. fitness class Savvy Seniors	8 Teen D & D Club	9	10
January 11 Teen Knit/Crochet Club	12 S.A.I.L. fitness class Tree Com. Mtg. Planning Com. Mtg.	13 Senior Lunch & Movie Civil Service Mtg. Council Meeting (State of the City)	14 S.A.I.L. fitness class Savvy Seniors	15 Teen D & D Club	16	17
January 18 Teen Knit/Crochet Club	19 City Hall closed for MLK Day S.A.I.L. fitness class	20	21 S.A.I.L. fitness class	22 Teen D & D Club	23	24
January 25 Teen Knit/Crochet Club	26 S.A.I.L. fitness class	27 Council Meeting	28 S.A.I.L. fitness class Savvy Seniors	29 Teen D & D Club	30	31
February 1 Teen Knit/Crochet Club	2 S.A.I.L. fitness class	3	4 S.A.I.L. fitness class	5 Teen D & D Club	6	7

For the City's website, click [here](#).

For the DuPont Historical Museum website, click [here](#).