



# CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, January 16, 2026

## Newly and Re-elected Officials take Oath of Office

On January 13th, each of the newly and re-elected Councilmembers took their Oath of Office. The ceremonial swearing in took place in Council Chambers in front of fellow Councilmembers, City of DuPont Staff, families, and fellow citizens.

Newly elected Jugal Thakor, former commissioner of the Planning Commission, and re-elected Councilmembers Beth Elliott, Susan Walton, and Mike Winkler solemnly swore "to support the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Washington and Ordinances of the City of DuPont," and that they will to the best of their "judgment, skill, and ability, truly, faithfully, diligently and impartially perform the duties of Councilmember of the City of DuPont."



Newly elected CM Jugal Thakor

The official swearing in, required to be performed before the term begins, took place on December 30, 2025. The pictures below are from both the official and ceremonial swearing ins.



Jan. 13, 2026 ceremonial swearing in of CM Elliott, Walton, Winkler, and Thakor



Dec. 30, 2025, signing of oaths



Dec. 30, 2025, official swearing in of Councilmembers Elliott, Winkler (and family), Thakor (and family), and Walton

## 2026 State of the City Address

The 2026 State of the City address shown during the January 13th Regular Council meeting can be viewed at either of these links, [PCTV](#) or [YouTube](#).

## National Day of Service - MLK Day

Marthin Luther King Day, designated as a national day of service, encourages all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities. This federal holiday falls annually on the third Monday of January; for 2026, the holiday is today, January 19th.

***“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’”***

*~ MLK Jr. 1963, “Strength to Love”*

Many residents of all ages volunteer their time in our parks, at events, and in our community.

If you are inspired to volunteer in our community, the City of DuPont has a webpage to help you get started. Go to [www.dupontwa.gov](http://www.dupontwa.gov) and from the home page under the Parks & Recreation Department, click on [VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES](#) or contact [Amy Walker](#).

Reminder: City Hall will be closed on Martin Luther King Day, Monday, 1/19/26.



## City of DuPont and the Patriot Athletic League

Registration is now open for the 2026 Spring T-Ball, Baseball and Fast-Pitch season for ages 4–15. Register [here](#). (If class registration is closed, you will need to obtain approval from the Parks & Recreation Coordinator, [Amy Walker](#).)

The City of DuPont's Parks & Recreation Youth Sports program encourages children to have fun, be active, learn new skills, and feel good about participating in youth sports. We strive to provide enjoyable sports programs for children, regardless of their athletic ability. Our program is about developing self-esteem and good sportsmanship through meaningful and fair sports competitions.

**Click [here](#) for more information.  
Read the Code of Conduct [here](#).**



## Rental Housing Business License Renewal



At this time, the City has suspended issuing Rental Housing Licenses for 2026. New information will be posted to our website [here](#).

## Website - Tip of the Week

Find City of DuPont events, activities, camps, classes, and rental facilities on the website with a few clicks!

From the [homepage](#), click on [Departments](#) and then [Parks & Recreation](#). The folks in the Parks & Rec Department make it easy to navigate to exactly what you are looking for.

Looking for the major city-wide events like the 4th of July Hometown Celebration, Farmers Market, Annual Auction, or the Mayor's Cup, updates, when available? See [Events](#).

[Activities, classes, camps, and sports](#) flyers are divided into [Adults & Seniors](#), [Teens](#), [Kids](#), [Classes](#), and [Youth Sports](#), there is definitely something happening for everyone!

There's even more to the Parks & Recreation webpage. Additional tabs for the following information are available:

- [Parks & Facilities](#) - Learn about our 18 parks, over 12 miles of designated trails and bike lanes, shelter and picnic area rentals, and CivicRec account information.
- [Park & Recreation Commission](#) - Learn about meeting dates / times, the purpose of the agency, Commissioners, and links to agendas and minutes.
- [Volunteer Opportunities](#) - We are thankful for our volunteers. Join us!

- [Community Garden](#) - The garden, on Power Line road, provides a facility for novices and green thumbs to grow fresh vegetables for themselves and the community. The garden's website is [here](#).
- [CivicRec Website](#) - Here, find the catalog of activities, and create an account for registrations and payment.



## 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

CITY OF DUPONT IN PARTNERSHIP  
WITH THE TOWN OF STEILACOOM

## 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL PUZZLE COMPETITION

MARCH 21, 2026  
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

**\$20 PER PERSON / \$80 PER TEAM**  
\*TEAMS MUST BE 2 OR MORE  
INCLUDES: PUZZLE TO TAKE HOME, PRIZES, RAFFLE,  
APPETIZERS & NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

REGISTRATION REQUIRED,  
SPACE IS LIMITED

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE TEAM: \$400  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE TEAM: \$200  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE TEAM: \$100

LOCATION:  
STEILACOOM COMMUNITY CENTER  
2301 WORTHINGTON ST,  
STEILACOOM, WA 98388

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CITY OF DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION

## PARK APPRECIATION DAY

Join the City of DuPont Park Commission as  
we spruce up our parks as a community!

**APRIL 18, 2026**

All volunteers must check in at the DuPont Historical Museum or  
with their designated Park Captain between 9:00–10:00 AM.  
Light breakfast items will be provided at the Museum during this  
time for registered volunteers only - pre-registration is required

Volunteers are asked  
to please bring their  
own tools!

Questions?  
Email Amy Walker at  
[awalker@dupontwa.gov](mailto:awalker@dupontwa.gov)





CITY OF DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION

## BUNNY BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026  
DOORS OPEN AT 10:00 AM

JOIN US IN YOUR EASTER  
BEST OR HOP ON OVER IN  
YOUR BUNNY PJS!

COST: \$18 + TAX  
AGES 2 & UNDER FREE

THE HOME COURSE  
2300 GOLF HOUSE RD. DUPONT WA.



CITY OF DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION

## CALLING LOCAL BUSINESSES & NON PROFITS

INTERESTED IN SPONSORING  
A TABLE AT OUR ANNUAL

## BUNNY BREAKFAST

APRIL 4, 2026

SPONSOR A TABLE: \$50  
ARTS & CRAFTS: \$200  
BREAKFAST BUFFET: \$500

PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER  
AT (253)405-9698 OR  
[awalker@dupontwa.gov](mailto:awalker@dupontwa.gov)



# DuPont Police Department



## Weekly Activity Report

*Duty \* Professionalism \* Dedication*

**Total Calls for Service 1/05/26– 1/11/26: 174**

**Average per day: 24.86**

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

### EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

- 04 Agency Assist
- 05 Citizen Assist
- 10 Community Oriented Policing
- 01 Disorderly-Road Rage
- 01 Domestic Violence/Verbal
- 37 Traffic Stops
- 03 Welfare Check



### PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

- 01 Motor Vehicle Collision/Hit and Run

### CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

- 01 Assault
- 01 Fraud

### ARRESTS/REFERRALS

- 01 Arrest – Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree – booked into jail
- 01 Arrest – Domestic Violence Assault 4<sup>th</sup> Degree – booked into jail
- 01 Arrest – Violation of Court Order – booked into jail
- 01 Cite and Release – Driving While Suspended 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

### NEWS FROM PATROL

- Officers were dispatched for an assault that occurred at a local business. When officers arrived, the individual that reportedly committed the assault was arrested and booked into jail for Assault in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.
- A speed emphasis was conducted on Center Drive.
- During a routine traffic stop, a driver was found to be operating their vehicle without a valid license. The driver was cited for Driving While Suspended in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree.

### DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Officers completed required training.
- Students and staff at local schools were greeted by officers.

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING  
SAY SOMETHING**



**HAVE AN EMERGENCY? DIAL 911**

**NON-EMERGENCY (253) 287-4455**

South Sound 9-1-1 dispatches both emergency and non-emergency calls for the DuPont Police Department. Dispatchers are available to answer your call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

# DuPont Police Department continued...

Join us for the 12<sup>th</sup> DPD Citizens' Academy. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the job that your officers perform on a daily basis, department operations, and to gain some hands-on training experience.



## DUPONT POLICE DEPARTMENT 2026 CITIZENS' ACADEMY



Classes begin February 12th  
6:00PM – 8:00PM

Application Deadline  
February 3rd, 2026

Minimum Age Requirement 18

***THERE IS NO COST TO PARTICIPATE***

Apply Now!  
Space is limited!

Class topics include:

- Criminal Investigations
- SWAT
- Use of Force Simulator
- South Sound 911
- Body Worn Cameras
- Firearms Safety
- Department of Emergency Management
- Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC)
- Drug Enforcement Administration
- Department History & Tour

For more information about the 12th DPD Citizens' Academy, contact the DuPont Police Department at 253-964-7060 or visit the department website at [dupontwa.gov/209/Police](http://dupontwa.gov/209/Police). An application and waiver form can be obtained from the website or picked up in person at the DPD office located at 1780 Civic Drive, Suite #100.

*All applicants must agree to undergo a criminal history background check to gain access to DPD facilities.*

## 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](mailto: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 previous week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since **January 1st of 2026**. Please note, the weekly figures are based off raw data.

(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other		0	
(11) Structure Fire		0	
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire		0	
(14) Natural vegetation fire		0	
(15) Outside rubbish fire		0	
(16) Special outside fire		0	
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition		0	
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other		0	
(31) Medical assist		0	
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		11	24
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		1	2
(33) Lock-In		0	
(35) Extrication, rescue		0	
(36) Water or ice-related rescue		0	
(37) Electrical, Rescue		0	
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other		0	
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks		1	
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition		0	
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem		0	
(46) Accident, potential accident		0	
(50) Service call, other		0	
(51) Person in distress		0	
(52) Water Problem		1	
(53) Smoke, odor problem		0	
(54) Animal problem or rescue		0	
(55) Public service assistance		2	2
(56) Unauthorized burning		0	
(60) Good intent call, other		0	
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route		1	1
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found		0	
(63) Controlled Burning		0	
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		0	
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency		0	
(70) False alarm and false call, other		1	1
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		0	
(73) System or detector malfunction		0	
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)		0	
(80) Severe weather and natural disaster		0	
(91) Citizen complaint		0	
Unknown		0	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore		0
Capital Med. Ctr.		0
Madigan	2	5
Mary Bridge		0
St. Clare		2
St. Joseph	2	2
St. Peters		0
Tacoma General	2	2
Wellfound B.H.H.		0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>

ALS	8	17
BLS	3	8

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	2	7
0800-1659	8	16
1700-2359	6	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	4	9
Monday	2	2
Tuesday	4	4
Wednesday	1	1
Thursday	2	9
Friday	0	2
Saturday	3	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>

Mutual/Automatic Aid-Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	4	4
DPF Provided	0	1
Multiple Calls	5	9

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](#)



# Meeting Information, Links, and Calendar Events

## City Council's 1/27/2026 Regular Meeting agenda topics:

- Resolutions: Purchase of two Public Works trucks, design contracts for Center Dr. phase 4B and multiple water /stormwater projects, and 2026 LTAC grants.
- Appointments: Planning Commission and Engineer stamp.
- Presentation: Update of the WSDOT I-5 / Exit 119 improvements.
- Study Session: The orchard.



## 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
<a href="#">January 18 Teen Knit/ Crochet Club</a>	<a href="#">19 City Hall closed for MLK Day  S.A.I.L. fitness class</a>	<a href="#">20</a>	<a href="#">21 S.A.I.L. fitness class</a>	<a href="#">22 Teen D &amp; D Club</a>	<a href="#">23</a>	<a href="#">24</a>
<a href="#">January 25 Teen Knit/ Crochet Club</a>	<a href="#">26 S.A.I.L. fitness class</a>	<a href="#">27 Council Meeting</a>	<a href="#">28 S.A.I.L. fitness class Savvy Seniors</a>	<a href="#">29 Teen D &amp; D Club</a>	<a href="#">30</a>	<a href="#">31</a>
<a href="#">February 1 Teen Knit/ Crochet Club</a>	<a href="#">2 S.A.I.L. fitness class  Park &amp; Rec Com. Mtg.</a>	<a href="#">3</a>	<a href="#">4 S.A.I.L. fitness class Savvy Seniors</a>	<a href="#">5 Teen D &amp; D Club</a>	<a href="#">6</a>	<a href="#">7</a>
<a href="#">February 8 Teen Knit/ Crochet Club</a>	<a href="#">9 Tree Com. Mtg.  Planning Com. Mtg.</a>	<a href="#">10 SR Lunch/Movie  Civil Service Mtg.  Council Meeting</a>	<a href="#">11 Savvy Seniors</a>	<a href="#">12 Teen D &amp; D Club</a>	<a href="#">13</a>	<a href="#">14</a>
<a href="#">February 15 Teen Knit/ Crochet Club</a>	<a href="#">16 City Hall closed for Presidents' Day</a>	<a href="#">17</a>	<a href="#">18</a>	<a href="#">19 Teen D &amp; D Club</a>	<a href="#">20</a>	<a href="#">21</a>

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

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