

City of Sumas Newsletter



Here's what's happening in Sumas over the next couple of months!

Splash Park

The City Park Splash Pad will be closing for the season October 1st. We hope everyone had a great summer!

Tree Trimming

As the leaves start to change this fall, the City will begin trimming trees back from power lines and public sidewalks if they have not already been trimmed by property owners. Per Sumas Municipal Code, all property owners are responsible for trimming their own trees/shrubs. Please see code 8.32.030 for more information.

Yard Maintenance

Please maintain lawns and weeds per Sumas Municipal Code 8.32. Clean up and dispose of yard waste properly. Dumping lawn clippings and plant debris in drainage areas, alleys, etc. is prohibited. It is important that these areas remain clear, especially as we head into the rainy season.

Friendsgiving at the Sumas Museum

The Sumas Museum is hosting Friendsgiving this year on November 4th from 10-2.

Stop by for a piece of pie and a visit with friends!

Keep an eye out for a new historical sign going up with more to follow!

Follow the Sumas Historical Society and Museum on Facebook for regular updates and information!

Community Gardens

Both Community garden locations will be prepped by the City for the winter beginning November 1st. Please be sure to complete your Fall harvests and collect all gardening supplies by October 31st. Anything left behind will be disposed of properly, and the ground rototilled up.

Dates to Remember

City Council Meetings

September 28, 2026
October 12, 2026
October 26, 2026
November 9, 2026
November 23, 2026

City Hall Closures

Veterans Day, November 11, 2026

Free Chipper Service

September 25 @10am-12pm
September 26 @9am-11am
October 23 @10am-12pm
October 24 @ 9am-11am
(last one of the year!)

**Friends of the Sumas Library
(FOSL) Fall Bingo
(Sumas Community Center)
October 31, 2026**

**Friendsgiving
(Sumas Museum)
November 4, 2026**

Sumas City Hall
433 Cherry St/
PO Box 9
Sumas, WA 98295
360-988-5711



Notice: Regarding Past Due Utility Bills

We know life can get busy! So this is a reminder that utility bills are always due on the 25th of each month.

You can view your bills and total due at any time with your utility account number at www.cityofsumas.com.

A disconnection notice is sent out the next business day following the 25th due date, and a \$5 late fee is added on the last business day of the month for any past due bills.

Utilities may be disconnected for a past due bill on the second Tuesday of the month after the bill was due. Shutoffs begin at 11am on the second Tuesday of every month for any past due bills.

The City will be using Voyent Alert! to send out a final curtesy reminder before utilities are shut off. This alert will replace the curtesy phone calls that have been going out in recent months.

If you have questions about your bill, where to pay it, or would like to know how to set-up auto pay, please contact City Hall.



Ready-Set-Go! Flood Safety

Keep an eye out in your mail for the Ready-Set-Go flood preparedness information from the City of Sumas.

As a resident or property owner in the City of Sumas, it is important to understand that the City of Sumas is in a floodplain. Information is mailed out annually to help residents understand the causes of flooding and how to better prepare for future flooding events that may occur.



Voyent Alert!

The City of Sumas uses VoyentAlert! to keep you informed of critical events like floods, as well as day-to-day communications.

Call City Hall to register, or download and install the Voyent Alert! App from the Apple App or Google Play stores to make sure you stay informed!



Whatcom Long Term Recovery Group

Whatcom Long Term Recovery Group continues to provide coordination and recovery services to individuals, families and entities adversely impacted by disaster in Whatcom County.

By the end of 2026 they are projecting to have facilitated the lifting of 13 homes within the City of Sumas.

Resources, information, and volunteer opportunities are available on their website at www.whatcomstrong.com



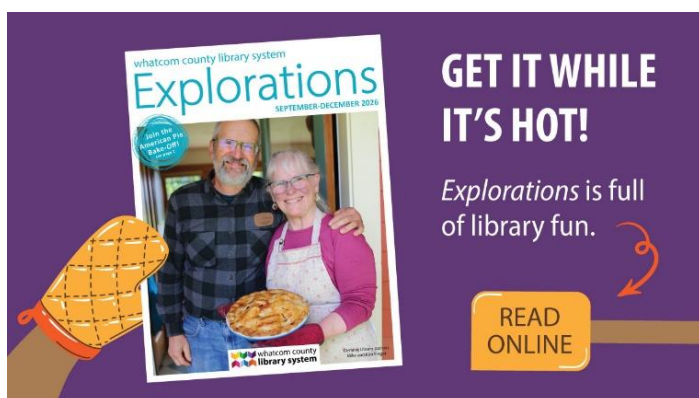
Sumas Library
461 2nd Street / 360-988-2501
wcls.org
Branch Hours

Did you know...

The library has a great selection of magazines – including some for kids and toddlers! Stop in to see what we have.

Monday 10 A.M. – 6 P.M.
Wednesday 10 A.M. – 6 P.M.
Saturday 10 A.M. – 5 P.M.

Library Express Hours
Daily 6 A.M. – 11 P.M.



Check Out Explorations

Find out what's happening at WCLS branches throughout the county by perusing Explorations, the WCLS guide to programs and events! If you didn't get one in the mail, stop by the Sumas Library or Sumas Library Express to pick up a copy. You can also view [Explorations online at wcls.org](http://wcls.org/explorations)

The Freedge is Coming!

WCLS and Sustainable Connections are partnering together on this project that will reduce food waste and provide food for people who need it in our community. We need volunteers and local food-related businesses to make this happen. If you're interested in helping, Sustainable Connections will be at the Sumas Library at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, September 16 to train library staff and Freedge volunteers. We're currently planning to celebrate the Freedge grand opening on Wednesday, September 30 (time TBD).

Check out <https://sustainableconnections.org/freedge/> for more info.



Friends of the Sumas Library (FOSL) Fall Bingo

Before you head out to trick-or-treat or other Halloween adventures, join FOSL for a couple hours of bingo fun! Drop in for a little bit or stay the entire time. All ages are welcome. Costumes are encouraged! Saturday, October 31st from 2pm to 5pm.

