



MONROE THIS WEEK

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Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.

This week's edition includes an update on the Lake Tye Park All-Weather Lighted Fields Project, a reminder that the City is accepting "Citizen-Initiated" requests for the Comprehensive Plan Update, and details on our local recognition of LGBTQ+ PRIDE Month, the return of the National Night Out Against Crime, the display of our Main

Street American Flags on Memorial Day, and the Sky Valley Food Bank distribution stats for May.

Please contact me with any and all feedback regarding the articles below. I can be reached at GThomas@MonroeWA.gov.

Yours in Service,



Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



LAKE TYE PARK ALL-WEATHER LIGHTED FIELDS PROJECT UPDATE

Construction work is ongoing on the [Lake Tye Park All-Weather Fields](#). Excavation, installation of storm drainage, and installation of programmable LED lights have been performed thus far by A-1 Landscaping, Inc., and they have now begun installing fence posts and synthetic turf fabric. The project is ahead of schedule, with anticipated completion by August.

When complete, this community high-priority parks capital project will have renovated two natural grass, single sport-use, unlighted fields, originally built in 1996. Upon completion, the park will boast two all-synthetic, LED-lighted multipurpose fields, permitting year-round, extended competitive play and practice for baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, football, and rugby. This project will improve the capacity, diversity of use, and accessibility of two fields at our signature community park. We look forward to planning a community grand opening celebration for this new, improved facility during the month of August.



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

As I shared in a recent edition of [Monroe This Week](#), the City is now accepting "Citizen-Initiated" requests to amend the City of



Monroe 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan. The amendments will be considered as part of the City's 2021-2022 Plan amendment cycle. The deadline for submitting Comprehensive Plan amendment requests for this amendment cycle is **5:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021.**

The Vision of the Comprehensive Plan is for its residents to commit in managing change in ways that maintain or improve Monroe's character. The vision strives to express the wishes of the community at-large. The plan aims to illustrate how Monroe, as a community in transition, is changing from a small rural town into a city of regional significance.

The plan evaluates growth and land use changes, and represents the primary framework for policy formulation and decision making over time. Goals, policies, and action statements in the Plan provide direction for current and future decision making to implement the Plan. Plan implementation includes the following tools:

- Housing
- Capital Facilities & Utilities
- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Parks, Recreation & Open Space
- Shoreline & Natural Environment

This will be the only opportunity for plan amendment requests to be considered during the 2021-2022 Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle. The 2021-2022 plan amendment cycle is anticipated to conclude with final City Council action before or during July 2022.

For more information about the process, please contact Amy Bright, Associate Planner, at (360) 863-4533 or ABright@MonroeWA.gov.

CITY RECOGNIZES LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

June is LGBTQ+ PRIDE Month. It's a time to celebrate people within our LGBTQ+ community, and to recognize how people within our LGBTQ+ community have enhanced our lives, our country, and our broader communities in so many ways. It's also a time for each of us to reflect upon the difficulties faced by people within our LGBTQ+ community. Out of sincere love for our neighbors, I ask that we



authentically listen to one another, learn from one another, and make changes to realize safety, liberty, equal opportunity, and justice for all people, including people within our LGBTQ+ community. On Tuesday, I issued a [Proclamation](#) recognizing LGBTQ+ PRIDE Month, which I invite you to read in full.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME RETURNS

The [Monroe Police Department](#) and the [Monroe Rotary Club](#) invite you to attend Monroe's annual National Night Out Against Crime, August 3 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Lake Tye Park. There will be numerous family activities including SWAT demonstrations, Police K9 demonstrations, Fire Rescue demonstrations, scavenger hunt, community resources and more. Vendor booth registration opens today, please email Sally Petty at SPETT2@amfam.com for more information or to register.



AMERICAN FLAGS LINE MAIN STREET

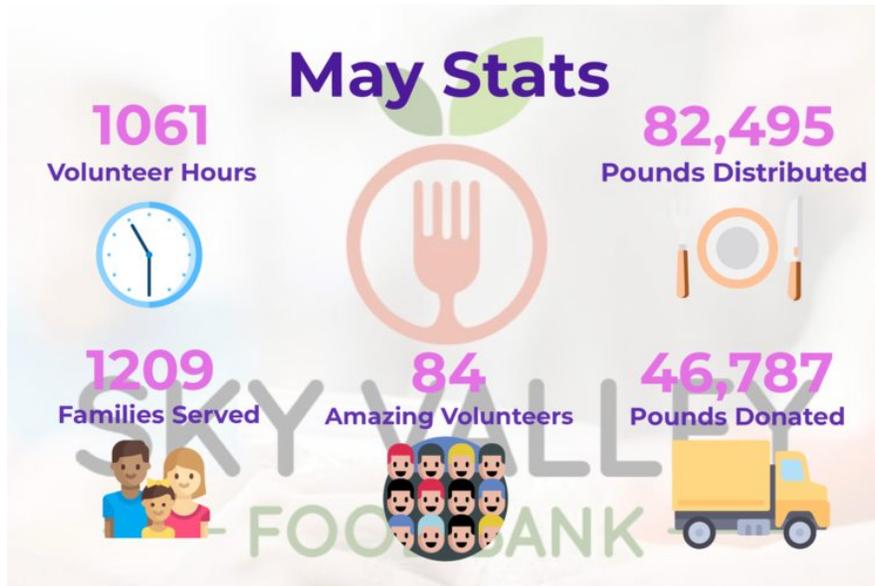
Monday could not have been a more beautiful day to drive through Historic Downtown Monroe and see all the American Flags lining the street. The City thanks the Tualco Grange No. 284 for undertaking this volunteer project for the past 20+ years. We'd also like to thank Scout Troop 148 with the [Pilchuck District, BSA](#) for stepping in to help support the Grange as well as a few community volunteers. It's truly a site to see.



SKY VALLEY FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTES OVER 80,000 POUNDS OF FOOD IN MAY

The Sky Valley Food Bank, which has served area residents since the late 1970s, distributed over 80,000 pounds of food during the month of May. Thanks to 84 volunteers contributing over 1,000 volunteer hours, the Food Bank served 1,209 families throughout the month.

The Food Bank looks forward to increasing distribution to two days a week starting Tuesday, July 13. Food Distributions are currently open on Wednesdays from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. by appointment only; appointments can be made a week in advance by visiting the Food Bank's [website](#) and clicking "Find Food."



UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will next meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. The meeting will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform and participation information will be posted with the June 8 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

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