



MONROE THIS WEEK

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Thank you for reading Monroe This Week.

This week's edition includes details on the opening of applications for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, a swearing-in ceremony for the Monroe Police Department, the City recruiting for Boards, Commissions, & Committees members, a spotlight on a Monroe Veteran Garden, the Sky Valley Food Bank looking for volunteers, and Community Transit's bus routes during the Evergreen State Fair.



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

CITY ACCEPTING ARPA FUNDS APPLICATIONS

The City of Monroe is accepting applications from local businesses, not-for-profit service providers, and other agencies for projects and improvements that will benefit the Monroe community. Funding is available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), which provides federal relief funds to states, counties, cities, and towns.



Projects and programs proposed in ARPA applications will be categorized into one of three priorities:

1. Supporting Recovery
2. Reconnecting Community
3. Building Resiliency

A description of each priority is included in the application packet.

Applications are due no later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21. Applications may be submitted online [here](#), or by downloading the fillable PDF form on the City's [ARPA Funds page](#). Please see the ARPA Funds page for additional details, eligibility criteria, and application process.

MONROE PD SWEARS IN SERGEANT & 3 NEW OFFICERS

This past week we recognized three new members of our [Police Department](#) with an oath of office ceremony, administered by Monroe Municipal Court Judge Jessica Ness. Joining our department are Officers Jesse Squires, Marc Schuermeyer and Luther Coleman. Each of these officers joins our department as lateral transfers from other municipal law enforcement agencies across the region and state. We welcome them and their families, and are excited to have them as part of our team.



Sergeant Springer

This ceremony also recognized the promotion of Officer Justin Springer to Sergeant. Sergeant Springer began his career with the City of Monroe in 2007 as a police officer. In his 14 years with the department, he has served in other capacities, including: SERT member, School Resource Officer, Defensive Tactics Instructor, and his most recent assignment as Community Outreach Officer. Congratulations Sergeant Springer!



CITY RECRUITING FOR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, & COMMITTEES VACANCIES

Want to serve your community? The City of Monroe is currently seeking applicants to fill the following City Board, Commission, and Committee open positions:



- 4: Salary Commission Members
- 4: Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Members
 - Two members who represent businesses required to collect lodging taxes and two members who represent activities authorized to be funded by lodging taxes

For more information on the duties of each member and how to apply, please visit our [Boards, Commissions, and Committees](#) page.

MONROE VETERAN GARDEN SPOTLIGHTED IN EVERETT HERALD

Local Army veteran Mike Dailey and the Hope Horses 'N Heroes (H3) farm was recently highlighted in the Everett Herald for their organic therapy program. H3 serves veterans and active military members struggling with PTSD, traumatic brain injury or sexual assault by supporting their healing process. Whether it's working with the horses through equine-assisted learning or living in one of the farm's two cabins, veterans can decompress and relax at the H3 farm. Gardening has now become one of Dailey's passions, giving him something to do and relieving his depression. You can learn more about to farm and read the rest of the story [here](#).



SKY VALLEY FOOD BANK LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Have you been looking for a "feel good" activity to do? Ever want to meet new people and have fun and laugh? The Sky Valley Food Bank is looking for some help in their warehouse, office, distribution line, and picking up food from the store on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings. Without grocery rescue volunteers, the food bank wouldn't have food to offer our community in need. If this is something that interests you, please email the food bank at endhunger@svfoodbank.org.



COMMUNITY TRANSIT TO INCREASE FAIR BUS SERVICE

Excited to get back to the Evergreen State Fair this Summer? Community Transit is ready to take you there with additional bus service between Monroe and the Evergreen State Fairgrounds. Along with the frequent and fast service that Community Transit buses regularly provide, Route 271 is offering extra evening trips to the fairgrounds. You can plan on spending the entire day at the fair because there will also be extra evening trips on Route 271 to help you get home!



Avoid the expense and stress of parking. During Fair hours, buses will take you straight to the West Gate entrance. Visit Community Transit's [website](#) to learn more and plan your trip!

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will next meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, August 24, 2021. The meeting will be held via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the August 24 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

Council Agendas/Minutes

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS



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