



# MONROE THIS WEEK

October 27, 2023



*This Tuesday, at the Oct. 24 City Council Business Meeting, I issued a [Proclamation](#) recognizing Nov. 12 - 18, 2023 as Kindness Week. World Kindness Day, taking place Nov. 13, is an international holiday that was formed in 1998 to promote kindness throughout the world. This presents us with the*



*opportunity to reflect upon and model one of the most important and unifying human principles, where both large and small acts of kindness have the potential to promote and diffuse this crucial quality that brings people of every kind together. The City of Monroe seeks to highlight the good deeds in our community and focus on the positive influence and common thread of kindness that binds us all together and helps promote a feeling of belonging.*

*Thank you to Monroe School District Director Molly Barnes for inviting the City to participate and recognize Kindness Week. MSD began celebrating Kindness Week to help show unity and support for our community's students, and hope to carry on the tradition for many years to come.*

*I hope you all enjoy this week's edition of Monroe This Week which features details on:*

- *The Downtown Trick or Treat event*
- *Cold weather shelters opening early*

- The final days to complete the Trails Master Plan survey
- The Toys for Tots program
- A wellness and sick animal clinic next week
- The recognition of October as Domestic Violence Awareness month

Please reach out to me with what may be on your mind about and for Monroe. I can be contacted at [GThomas@MonroeWA.gov](mailto:GThomas@MonroeWA.gov).

Yours in Service,



Mayor Geoffrey Thomas

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## DOWNTOWN TRICK OR TREAT EVENT ON TUESDAY

Grab your goblins and ghouls, the time is almost upon us. Monroe's Historic Downtown Trick or Treat event returns on Halloween from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This is a free, family-friendly event that will have treats, music, and vendors. Local businesses will be passing out goodies as well, look for the pumpkins in the windows for participating businesses.



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## COLD WEATHER SHELTERS OPEN EARLY

Multiple overnight cold weather shelters are opening early this year in response to the weather conditions. The overnight cold weather shelters listed below will be open tonight and tomorrow. [Cold Weather Shelters | Snohomish County Public Safety Hub](#) is being updated daily to show open/closed status for cold weather shelters and daytime warming centers across Snohomish County. If you are interested in volunteering, you can sign-up for a shelter volunteer training [here](#).



Thank you to our providers for putting staff and resources in place to open early!

**Cold Weather Shelters open Oct. 27 and Oct. 28**

Monroe Cold Weather Shelter  
Address: 342 S. Lewis Street, Monroe

Intake: 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

#### Everett Gospel Mission

*\*This is a temporary cold weather shelter location. This will not be the primary cold weather shelter location for the 2023-2024 season.*

Address: 3711 Smith Ave, Everett

Intake: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Everett Family Cold Weather Shelter

Serves families with children.

Address: 5126 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Everett

Intake: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Marysville Cold Weather Shelter

Address: 7215 51 Ave. NE, Marysville

Intake: 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

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## TRAILS MASTER PLAN SURVEY CLOSING THIS WEEKEND

The Monroe Parks and Recreation Department is creating the City's first Trails Master Plan. The new plan will establish a framework for improving, growing, and maintaining Monroe's network of trails over the next twenty years. Let us know the reasons you walk or bike, what trails you use, what problems there are with current trails, and where you would like new trails. Please provide your input on the Trails Master Plan through this [online questionnaire](#). The questionnaire should take five to ten minutes to complete, and will be open until this Sunday, Oct. 29. We value your input and appreciate any, and all feedback.



CITY OF MONROE  
TRAILS MASTER PLAN

ONLINE SURVEY  
NOW AVAILABLE

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## MONROE PD PARTICIPATES IN TOYS FOR TOTS AGAIN

With the holiday season quickly approaching, Officer Shaun Van Eaton, MSgt (Ret) USMC, and the [Monroe Police Department](#) have decided to participate in Toys for Tots once again. They are collecting brand new, unwrapped toys that can be dropped off in the lobby of the Police Department between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., M-F.



Toys for Tots, an over 75-year national charitable program run by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, provides happiness and hope to disadvantaged children during each Christmas holiday season. The toys, books and other gifts collected and distributed by the Marines offer these children recognition, confidence and positive memories for a lifetime. The department is very excited to take part once again!

## WELLNESS & SICK ANIMAL CLINIC NEXT FRIDAY

Next Friday, Nov. 3, [Beck's Place](#) is partnering with [Seattle Veterinary Outreach](#) to provide a sliding scale, low cost veterinary wellness clinic for those in need. The clinic will be set up at Lake Tye Park from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sliding scale services provided include an exam, DHPP/FVRCP vaccines, rabies vaccines, Lepto/Bordetella vaccines, flea treatment, deworming, microchip, nail trim, and anal glands. This clinic is first come, first-serve and there will be limited spaces with a maximum of two pets per household. If you are interested in attending, proof of state subsidy will be required such as your SNAP, EBT, WIC, SSDI, or Provider Once cards. Or, you can alternatively bring a letter confirming residency in subsidized housing. Thank you to both organizations for bringing this amazing clinic to Monroe.



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## OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

During this month, it's important to recognize that the [Monroe Police Department](#) and [Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County](#) are collaborating to help domestic violence victims. Kennady Proctor, the department's legal advocate, is a key part of this partnership. She assists victims in need by working closely with the Police Department. Kennady is available at the Police Department on Tuesday's and Friday's. DVS offers a wide variety of support for survivors which includes, but is not limited to - legal services, support groups, confidential shelter, referrals to other agencies, safety planning, housing, resources, and more. If you need assistance or want more information, call the 24/7 Domestic Violence Support line at **425-252-2873**. Do not hesitate to reach out if you or someone you know needs assistance/support.



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## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

The Oct. 31 and Nov. 7 City Council meetings have been CANCELLED. The City Council will next meet in a Regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 14. The meeting will be held in a hybrid format; members of the public may participate in Monroe City Council meetings either in-person at our [temporary location](#) or remotely via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Participation information will be posted with the Nov. 14 agenda, which can be accessed by clicking the button below.

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