

Neighborhood Meeting Tuesday, September 9, 2025 - 7:00pm **Riverview Elementary**

RNA's neighborhood summer PARTY

July 27 Ice Cream Social and More We hope to see you Sunday from 2-4:00 at Biddlewood Park for a neighborhood party.

- <u>Baskin-Robbins</u> hand-scooped ice cream
- A blow-up slide
- GAMES and Rock painting
- MVHS Jazz band and more music
- Raffle
- Local businesses and community leaders. Connecting with others is evidence of a thriving community. Join us!



Bike Racks

From a regional transportation grant, 90 new bike racks will be installed in Vancouver. Where would you like to see a Scan the code and make a bike rack? suggestion.



thank you? Laurie Bryson!

The May 16-18 Yard Sale was another booming success. Because of the great organization and promotion headed by Laurie, our neighborhood was flooded with people looking to buy. Hundreds of items were re-homed. It was a "feel good" kind of weekend even with the clouds and sprinkles. Thank you, Laurie, and let's start collecting for next year! Take note, Wildwood will be hosting a neighborhood garage sale Sept. 6.

Let's do this together!

Join us at the September 2 (7:00 at Riverview Elementary) to brainstorm and plan for the Riveridge Neighborhood Association 2026 calendar of events.

We need you and bring some neighbors!

July 2025

Clip and SAVE!

July 27

Ice Cream Social and More 2-4 Biddlewood Park

August 5

Neighbors Night Out Potluck - Riverview Elem

September 2

Neighborhood Meeting Riverview Elem 7-8:15 Come to our September meeting and help plan the 2026 calendar

September 13

Neighborhood Clean-up Recycling, Metals, etc.

October TBD Halloween Parade

December TBD

Holiday Connections Suggestions?



August 5 National Neighbors Night Out

Join Wildwood, Lewis and Clark, and the Riveridge Neighborhood to celebrate **National Night Out.** Bring a table, a chair or a blanket to the northeast corner of Riverview Elementary. We'll cook you a burger with all the fixings! Note: no electricity. Potluck suggestions:



Please RSVP to Riveridgechair@gmail.com by Monday, July 28. *Meet up with neighbors from the surrounding community.*

Economic Development Strategy - Your input is encouraged

The City is currently reviewing feedback on its draft **Five-Year Economic Development Strategy** which sets an economic vision or "north star" for Vancouver. This plan:

- Outlines actions that the City will take over the next five years to achieve its goals
- Identifies key measures of success for each goal
- Defines roles and responsibilities for the City and partner organizations

Learn more and sign up to provide input at https://www.beheardvancouver.org/ecdev

September 13 Neighborhood Clean-up 8-2 Riverview Elem

What's Accepted at a Neighborhood Cleanup?

- Bulky Items: Items too big for your garbage cart such as a rug, kiddie pool, small appliances
- Scrap Metal: Metal grills, lawn chairs, mowers, etc. MUST be drained of gas, oil, etc. **NO** refrigerators, freezers or AC units. (No freon.)
- Yard Debris: Branches, leaves, vines, bramble, etc.

What's NOT Accepted?

- NO Household trash or contractor waste
- NO Concrete, rocks, sod. dirt, home remodel debris, tiles, drywall, roofing materials etc.
- NO Hazardous chemicals, cleaners, paint, stains or fluids such as gasoline, oil or antifreeze
- NO TVs, computers or electronics, CFL or fluorescent tube lights
- NO LARGE items such as boats and hot tubs

You will need to be able to unload what you bring to the cleanup.

New! Evergreen Habitat for Humanity will be at our event from 9-noon. They accept new and gently used furniture, appliances, home goods, and building materials.

To find drop-off locations for hard to dispose of items, download the RecycleRight app or visit <u>www.cityofvancouver.us/RecycleRight</u>.

Biddlewood Park

This park is our neighborhood treasure for all: kids, dogs, strollers, bikes and walkers. We hope YOU enjoy the natural setting. It has come to our attention that **Poison Oak** has been spotted along some of the trails on the far southeast side of the park. **Be aware.**







Recycling Follow-up

Thanks to our guest speaker from Waste Management at the April meeting for reminding us how to recycle right. Thank you for doing your part to minimize landfill accumulations by recycling.

Blue Rolling Cart - Mixed Recycling - Mixed recycling includes paper, plastic and metal.

- only paper larger than a postcard
- boxes should be flattened and cut to fit safely in your cart
- NO fridge or freezer (wet strength) containers
- YES to yogurt and cottage cheese type tubs throw lids away
- NO to plastic bags.
- Put batteries in a clear bag on top of your curbside recycle cart. Tape the ends of the batteries.
- Motor oil and antifreeze must be in a clear one-gallon plastic jug with a screw top lid. Make sure the jug is clearly labeled. Never mix oil and antifreeze with any other liquids.

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The Tiered Water System

We are now being charged for our water usage on a tiered usage system. Check the minutes from the last RNA member meeting where Jennifer recorded the details as presented by Amy Sorenson from the City of Vancouver. Find rate details at:

https://www.cityofvancouver.us/government/department/public-works/tiered-water-rates/

If the tiered water system has led you to consider landscaping with less water usage in mind, walk Cascade Park Drive to see FOUR houses with yards that are beautifully landscaped using native and sustainable plantings.

Columbia Tech Center SUNDAY Sounds Concerts 6-8

Come early and stroll the path, bring the kids to the playground, and meet up with neighbors!

- July 20: <u>Johnny Limbo & the Lugnuts</u> (Rock n' Roll Golden Era)
- July 27: <u>Dancehall Days</u> (Current Hits & Classic Oldies)
- Aug. 3: Ants in the Kitchen (Rock/Soul/Blues/Funk)
- Aug. 10: <u>Brewer's Grade</u> (Northwest Country)
- Aug. 17: <u>Hit Machine</u> (Favorites from the 60s to Today)

Friday Movie in the Park - Col Tech Center Aug. 22 Barbie (PG13) 6:30







Vancouver Eastside Farmers Market - Buy Local - Eat Fresh



10-2 on Thurs., June through Sept. Columbia Tech Center 17701 SE Mill Plain VancouverFarmersMarket.org

Website Update

RNA is working to create a more effective and robust neighborhood website. The process of building this site has begun and we can't wait to roll it out to you all. A one stop shop for neighborhood news. Keep an eye out for Riveridge.org

Your dues matters!

Thank you for investing in the livability of the Riveridge neighborhood. Please help keep us going by paying your annual RNA dues. The ask is \$15. You can use the Venmo QR code here or deliver to Treasurer Laurie Bryson. Make contact via riveridgetreasurer@gmail.com.

A BIG THANK YOU!



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We are looking for some volunteers for some specific positions.

- Community liason: seek community partners to engage support
- Event helpers specifically the Ice Cream Social July 27 email riveridgechair@gmail.com
- Volunteer coordinator

JOIN OUR TEAM!

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