



King County

RURAL SERVICES DIRECTORY



This Rural Services Directory is a reference guide to the wide range of services King County provides to rural residents.



Whether it's maintaining roads and bridges, providing flood protection, preserving working farms and forests or making it easier to operate a home business, King County is working to protect the rural way of life and to provide the services people want and need.

We have also created a Rural Resources Web site: www.kingcounty.gov/exec/rural.aspx. This Web site includes all of the information found in this directory, as well as links to the Web sites of rural cities and towns, a calendar of local events and other information of interest to rural residents.

I hope you find this directory useful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dow Constantine".

Dow Constantine
King County Executive

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This information is available in
alternative formats. Please call
206-296-6500 or TTY Relay: 711.

QUICK GUIDE

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

911 Emergency Assistance
211 Community Information Line

24-Hour Crisis Line provides immediate, confidential assistance for people in emotional distress and in need of help. Call: **206-461-3222**, or **1-866-4CRISIS (1-866-427-4747)**.

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Assessor: **206-296-7300**

Building and Land Use Permits: **206-296-6600**

Elections: **206-296-VOTE**

King County Council: **206-296-1000**

Metro Transit Customer Service: **206-553-3000**

Metro Transit Pass and Ticket Sales: **206-624-PASS**

Roads General Info: **206-296-6590**

Rural Ombudsman: **206-205-5061**

Sheriff: **206-296-4155**

HOTLINES

Animal Control: **206-296-PETS**

Abandoned Vehicle Hotline (for vehicles in the Right of Way): **206-205-0969**

Code Enforcement: **206-296-6680** or **1-888-437-4771** (environmental emergency only, 24x7)

Community Cleanup Program (for public lands): **206-296-8443** or **1-800-325-6165 x 6-8443**

Drainage Enforcement: **206-296-8025**

Drainage and Water Quality Complaint Investigation Hotline: **206-296-1900**

Flood Warning Center: **206-296-4535** or **1-800-768-7932**

Flood Warning Center Recorded Information Hotline: **206-296-8200** or **1-800-945-9263**

Hazardous Waste Complaint Investigations: **206-263-8899**

Illegal Clearing and Grading Hotline: **1-888-437-4771 (24x7)**

Illegal Dumping Hotline: **206-296-SITE** or **1-866-431-7483**

Junk Vehicle Hotline (for vehicles not in Right of Way): **206-296-4437** or **1-800-325-6165 x 6-4437**

Metro Transit Rider Information: **206-553-3000**

Restaurant Problem: **206-296-4708** South County, **206-296-9791** North/East King County

Road 24-Hour Maintenance Number: **206-296-8100** or **1-800-KC-ROADS**

Roads Traffic Safety Problems: **206-296-6596**

Solid Waste and Recycling Information: **206-296-4466** or **1-800-325-6165 x 6-4466**

Water Quality Code Enforcement: **206-296-1900**

Agriculture and Forestry

AGRICULTURE COMMISSION

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

A 15-member commission that helps promote agriculture in King County, and offers farmers an active role advising the county on how to protect farmland and developing policies and regulations that maintain agricultural viability.

Contact: Claire Dyckman at **206-296-1926** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/agriculture/commission.aspx.

AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Helps farmers maintain the drainage system on their farmlands with updated methods that avoid harmful effects to fish. Contact: Elizabeth Weldin at

206-296-1979 or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/agriculture/drainage-assistance.aspx.

FARM MANAGEMENT PLANS

King Conservation District

Helps agricultural landowners develop farm management plans, which offer flexibility in complying with critical areas protections in exchange for a long-term commitment to land management.

Contact: Joshua Monaghan at **425-282-1903**, joshua.monaghan@kingcd.org, or visit www.kingcd.org.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Purchases development rights on agricultural land within King County, so that it is permanently preserved for agriculture and/or as open space.

Contact: Judy Herring at **206-296-1470** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlr/agriculture-program/farmland-preservation-program.aspx.

FORESTRY PERMITS

King County Department of Development and Environmental Services

To inquire about permits for clearing or removing individual trees from your property contact the Department of Development and Environmental Services at **206-296-6600**.

FOREST STEWARDSHIP COURSES

WSU Extension King County and Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Classes and workshops for landowners and managers interested in learning how to enhance the health of their forest, save money through tax incentives,

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and earn revenue from their woodlands. Contact: Ginny Ballard at **206-205-3171** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlrf/forestryprogram.aspx.

FORESTRY PROGRAM - STEWARDSHIP PLANNING, FORESTRY MANAGEMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Provides free on-site technical assistance to forest landowners. Get help with timber enhancement and forest health, improving wildlife habitat and protecting water resources. Contact: Kristi McClelland at **206-296-7820** or Bill Loeber at **206-296-7821** and visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlrf/forestryprogram.aspx.

LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT GRANTS AND QUESTIONS ABOUT LIVESTOCK

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Awards grants to share the costs of implementing farm management plans. Answers questions about livestock and related regulations. Contact: Rick Reinlasoder at **206-263-6566** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlrf/agriculture-program/livestock-programs.aspx.

PUGET SOUND FRESH

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

This is the region's "eat local" farm products branding and consumer education program. Information about where to buy local, local farms and special events, is available at www.pugetsoundfresh.org. Contact: Karen Kinney at **206-263-6429**.

RURAL FOREST COMMISSION

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Advises King County on policies and programs affecting rural forests; works to identify strategies to conserve forestlands; and promotes the practice of forestry in rural areas of the county. Contact: Linda Vane at **206-296-8042** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/forestry/ruralforestcommission.aspx.

Animal Services

ANIMAL SERVICES

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Protects public safety and the welfare of animals in unincorporated areas and in more than 30 suburban cities. Adopt a pet, buy a pet license, get help from animal control or report suspected animal cruelty. Contact Animal Services at **206-296-PETS (7387)**, pets@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/pets/.

Building, Development and Permitting

BEFORE YOU BUILD OR REMODEL

CRITICAL AREAS DESIGNATION PROCESS

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

Looking to develop or sell property? Allowing DDES to designate the presence, type and location of sensitive areas in advance helps offer consistency and predictability in permit decision-making. Contact: DDES Critical Areas Section at **206-296-7273**.

WELL AND SEPTIC PERMITS

Public Health – Seattle and King County
Please see page 34.

GREEN BUILDING PROGRAM

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

Free assistance to residents who are building or remodeling to reduce pollution, conserve energy and water, and create healthy homes. Contact: Joelyn Higgins at **206-296-7159**, joelyn.higgins@kingcounty.gov, Cynthia Moffitt at **206-296-6792**, cynthia.moffitt@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.metrokc.gov/ddes/acrobat/cib/55.pdf.

PRE-APPLICATION MEETINGS

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

For Projects with Farm or Rural Stewardship Plans (Mix of free and fee services)

Customers who intend to include a farm plan or rural stewardship plan with their building permit application can meet with DDES staff to discuss a particular proposal, whether you are in the early planning stages, or nearly ready to submit a permit application. Contact: Julie Kubota at **206-296-7245**.

For Building or Land Use Planning (Fee)

Meet directly with a DDES technical specialist to discuss your project. Fees are assessed at

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the standard DDES hourly rate. For voluntary meetings concerning a building proposal contact Julie Kubota at **206-296-7245**; For voluntary meetings concerning a land-use proposal contact Shirley Goll at **206-296-6796**.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS (Free) *King County Department of Development and Environmental Services*

Free technical assistance offered Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m for property owners considering a building or land-use proposal on their property. Driving directions to DDES offices are available online at www.kingcounty.gov/property/permits.aspx.

PERMITTING

AUTOMATED BUILDING INSPECTION REQUESTS (24x7)

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

Allows permit customers to schedule and hear results from building inspections through an automated telephone system, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call the DDES Voice Inspection Line at **1-888-5-INSPECT (1-888-546-7728)**.

BLACKBERRY CLEARING PERMITS (Free)

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

Removing large blackberry patches can now be done with a free permit, and applications can be filed on line at www.kingcounty.gov/ddes. Blackberry clearing permits are typically mailed within one business day. Contact: Doug Dobkins, Site Development Services Supervisor at **206-296-7087**.

HOME EARTHQUAKE RETROFIT PERMITS (Free)

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

Earthquake retrofit permits are issued free of charge for older homes that have not been adequately anchored to their foundations. Contact: Chris Ricketts, Building Official at **206-296-6750** or Richard Peter, Plans Examiner at **206-296-7017**.

HOME FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION PERMITS (Free)

Helps residents reduce the amount of natural flammable materials that could spark fires by offering fast turnaround times on home fire hazard reduction permits for clearing brush

around rural-residential structures. To apply for a free home fire hazard reduction permits online, visit www.kingcounty.gov/property/permits/info/PermitTypes/fire/FireHazardReduction.aspx.

PLUMBING AND GAS PERMITTING SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Plumbing inspectors are available at our Black River office at 900 Oakesdale Ave. SW, Suite 100, Renton from 7 to 8 a.m. Monday through Thursday to review drawings and answer questions. Visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/plumbing.aspx or call **206-296-4932**.

WASTEWATER/ONSITE SEWAGE SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Public Health helps to ensure that more than 115,000 septic systems are safe. Septic systems treat wastewater when homes and buildings are not connected to public sewer systems. Call **206-296-4932** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/wastewater.aspx.

ENFORCEMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT

King County Department of Development and Environmental Services

Investigates complaints of irresponsible or hazardous development and also violations of King County Code including zoning, housing and building, shorelines, and critical areas. DDES Code Enforcement jurisdiction is limited to unincorporated King County. Contact **206-296-6680** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/property/permits/ce.aspx.

ILLEGAL CLEARING AND GRADING HOTLINE (24x7)

King County Department of Development and Environmental Services

Emergency hotline for citizen complaints regarding development activity that may be negatively impacting the environment, such as illegal clearing and grading or lack of proper erosion control measures. Call **1-888-437-4771**, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Business Assistance

APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

King County Business Development and Contract Compliance – Business Relations and Economic Development, Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management

The Apprenticeship Program is committed to fostering partnerships with labor, business,

and the local community to create a skilled workforce that reflects the diversity of the county's population. Visit the Web site at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/exec/bred/bdccc/prog/apprent.htm>.

CONTRACTING PROGRAM

King County Business Development and Contract Compliance – Business Relations and Economic Development, Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management

The contracting program helps create opportunities for small contractors and suppliers to work with King County and its contractors on county contracts and increase the competitiveness of these firms. Additional information and contact information is available online at: www.kingcounty.gov/exec/BusinessDev/contractingopps.aspx or by phone at **206-205-0700**.

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

King County Rural Economic Strategies – Business Relations and Economic Development, Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management
Its mission is to sustain and enhance the long-term economic viability of the rural area and resource lands. The program explores opportunities, identifies needs and creates partnerships to support farmers, foresters, home-based businesses, rural communities, unincorporated area councils, the Agriculture and Rural Forestry commissions, and other organizations. Contact: Julia Larson at **206-296-1062** or julia.larson@kingcounty.gov or www.kingcounty.gov/exec/bred/rural_econ_strategies.aspx.

Community and Human Services

AGING SERVICES

Adult day care, transportation, information and referral, recreation, nutrition, chore services and more. Call Senior Information and Assistance toll free at **1-888-4-ELDERS (1-888-435-3377)** or go to www.4elders.org/.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Outpatient and inpatient treatment, detoxification, opiate substitution, peer support, housing and vocational services. Call **206-263-9000** during regular business hours, or go to www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/MHSA. For information and referral, call the Alcohol and Drug Help Line at **1-800-562-1240**, or www.adhl.org/.

COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Provides a wide variety of services for King County residents, directly or via community-based contracts. Information on all our services is available by calling **206-263-9100** or online at www.kingcounty.gov/dchs.

CRISIS CLINIC

A non-profit organization offering an array of information and referral services available by phone or online to everyone in King County.

24-Hour Crisis Line provides immediate, confidential assistance for people in emotional distress and in need of help. Call: **206-461-3222**, or toll-free **1-866-4CRISIS (1-866-427-4747)**.

2-1-1 Community Information Line/Community Resources Online provides King County residents with information on a wide range of community services, most notably basic needs, financial assistance and homeless shelter referral. Information and Referral Specialists are experts in helping people navigate the complex world of human services. Dial: **2-1-1** or **206-461-3200** or toll free **1-800-621-4636** or search online at www.resourcehouse.com/.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Early intervention services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays; family support and education; supported employment training and placement services; and other services and supports for people with developmental disabilities and their families. Call **206-263-9018** or go to www.kingcounty.gov/ddd.

HOMELESS SERVICES

Homeless prevention, shelter beds, transitional housing and other supports are offered throughout King County. Call the Community Information Line, sponsored by King County, at **206-461-3200** or **2-1-1** for referral assistance.

HOUSING REPAIR SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Home repairs (roofs, plumbing, electric, other) and disability accommodations (wheelchair ramps, accessible bathrooms) at zero percent interest and no monthly payments for qualifying households in King County outside the City of Seattle. Call the Housing Repair Hotline at **206-263-9095**.

Community and Human Services **(continued)**

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Individual, group and family therapy; inpatient and outpatient treatment; 24-hour crisis intervention; housing; vocational and employment services; and other supports. Interpreter services available upon request. 24-hour telephone crisis line:

1-866-4-CRISIS (1-866-427-4747). Mental health treatment information and referral: **206-263-9000** or **1-800-790-8049** or online at www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/MHSA.

PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Legal counsel for low-income people charged with a crime or certain other offenses. Eligibility screening is available at sites across King County. Call **206-296-7662** or go to www.kingcounty.gov/opd.

VETERANS' SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Financial aid, crisis and trauma counseling, emergency shelter, transitional housing, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and employment services available for veterans and their family members. No eligible veteran is ever turned away. Call **206-296-7656** (Seattle office) or **206-205-3501** (Renton office) or online at www.kingcounty.gov/veterans.

WOMEN'S SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Counseling, emergency shelter, legal assistance and support for women and children who are victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. Call **206-263-9034** during business hours or the Domestic Violence Victims 24-hour Hotline at **1-800-562-6025** or Sexual Assault Victims 24-hour Hotline at **1-800-825-7273**.

WORK TRAINING SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Education, job training, job search and other services for low-income adults and dislocated workers. GED classes, stay in school support, high school credit retrieval, counseling, pre-employment and job coaching available for low-income and at-risk youth. For information, call **206-263-9039** or online at www.kingcounty.gov/worktraining.

kingcounty.gov/socialservices/WorkTraining. WorkSource Renton, the largest “one-stop” employment center in the state, is available at **206-205-3500**.

YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Youth and family counseling, support groups, gang intervention, referral to mental health and substance abuse treatment services, crisis service, and more. Call **206-263-9034**.

Community Service Centers

King County Department of Executive Services – Records and Licensing Services Division
Community Service Centers bring King County closer to your home, and offer an array of services including: marriage licenses, property tax payments, voter registration, passport sales, renewal of concealed weapons permits, bus schedules, property assessment information and more. The centers are located at Black River, Cottage Lake, Covington, Northshore, Sammamish, Vashon-Maury Island and the Kent Regional Justice Center. For more information, contact Colleen Oordt at **206-205-6166**, or colleen.oordt@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/operations/csc.aspx.

Elections

ELECTIONS INFORMATION

King County Elections

To learn more about upcoming elections, absentee ballots, how to register to vote, candidate information, or to confirm your voter registration, contact Elections at **206-296-VOTE (8683)**, or elections@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

VOTER GUIDE LOOK-UP

King County Elections

Confirm your registration, create and read your custom voter pamphlet to learn more about the issues on your ballot at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/elections/voterlookup.aspx>.

Emergency Preparedness

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (GENERAL)

King County Department of Executive Services – Office of Emergency Management

Provides information to help you better prepare for the possibility of an emergency or disaster. For more information, call **206-296-3830** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/prepare.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PUBLIC HEALTH)

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Find out how you can prepare for public health emergencies such as pandemic flu at www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/preparedness.aspx.

FIRE SAFE INITIATIVE

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Supports homeowners and communities in planning and working together to implement measures that will help protect homes, neighborhoods, and ensure fast, effective response to emergencies and natural disasters. Contact: Kristi McClelland at **206-296-7820**.

Flooding

FLOOD WARNING CENTER

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Provides near-real-time flood information and forecasts that allow individuals and organizations to prepare for flood conditions and take action to minimize flood damage. Contact: **206-296-4535** or **1-800-768-7932** during Flood Warning Center activation, or www.kingcounty.gov/flood.

RIVER AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Responsible for carrying out programs and implementing projects to reduce the risk to people and property from river flooding and channel migration along King County's major river systems. This includes the Flood Buyout and Home Elevation programs. Contact: Steve Bleifuhs at **206-296-8011** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlr/river-floodplain-unit.aspx.

STREAMFLOW AND RAINFALL DATA

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Rain gauge and stream flow data available for King County streams and rivers. Contact: David Funke at **206-296-8066** or <http://green.kingcounty.gov/wlr/waterres/hydrology/>.

Hazardous Waste

The Local Hazardous Waste Management Program is a regional coalition of local governments working together to reduce the threat posed by the use, storage and disposal of hazardous materials. Program

services are provided by multiple agencies, including *King County's Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Public Health – Seattle & King County, City of Seattle (Seattle Public Utilities)* and suburban cities.

BUSINESS WASTE LINE

Free, anonymous advice for businesses that handle or generate small quantities of hazardous materials. Offers businesses on-site visits, assistance and technical consultations. Investigates complaints of mismanagement of hazardous materials and waste. Cash rebate incentive may be available for work or equipment related to hazardous materials management or disposal. For more information call **206-263-8899** or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business.

ENVIROSTARS

Businesses certified by EnviroStars are rated based on their demonstrated commitment to reducing hazardous materials and waste, and implementing environmentally beneficial practices. The higher the star rating, the more recognition and program benefits they receive. Call **206-263-3063**, or toll-free at **1-877-220-STAR (7827)**. Find a business near you online at www.envirostars.org.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DIRECTORY

Provides information on regulations, vendors, and agency contacts for businesses and other facilities that generate small quantities of hazardous waste. Lists companies that can recycle, dispose or offer management technologies for wastes. The directory is available online at www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/index.cfm. To order a directory, call **206-263-3050**.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDS LINE

Call for information on hazardous products, including disposal, handling and less toxic alternatives at **206-296-4692**, or toll-free **1-888-TOXIC-ED, 1-888-869-4233** or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/house.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

King County residents may bring household hazardous products for no-fee disposal to the North Seattle, South Seattle and Factoria facilities, and the Wastemobile. The Wastemobile is at the Auburn SuperMall twice a month and at special suburban city collection events throughout the county. For locations and hours, or a guide to hazardous product disposal, contact the Household Hazards Line at **206-296-4692**; toll-free at **1-888-TOXIC-ED (1-888-869-4233)** or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/house/index.cfm.

Hazardous Waste (continued)

To dispose of unwanted medicines safely, visit www.medicinereturn.com to find a participating Bartell Drug or Group Health Cooperative location near you.

INDUSTRIAL MATERIALS EXCHANGE

This free service advertises materials that businesses want or have available, saving on disposal and purchasing costs. Call **206-263-8465** or toll-free at **1-888-TRY-IMEX (1-888-879-4639)**.

To list or view materials, visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/imex/index.html.

SMALL BUSINESS HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

This pilot project is offered to eligible small quantity hazardous waste generators in King County at no extra cost. Qualifying businesses may use household hazardous waste disposal facilities. For details visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/sqg.html, or call the Business Waste Line at **206-263-8899**.

TAKE IT BACK NETWORK

Recycle computers, TVs, some electronics and fluorescent light bulbs. Call **206-296-4466**; toll-free **1-800-325-6165, ext. 6-4466**, or visit www.takeitbacknetwork.org.

WASTE CHARACTERIZATION PROGRAM

For permission to dispose of commercial or industrial waste in garbage, call **206-263-8528**, toll-free at **1-800-325-6165; ext. 3-8528**.

Historic Preservation

King County Office of Business Relations and Economic Development – Historic Preservation Office

Provides assistance to property owners in the rural area interested in historic preservation and/or landmarking their property. Contact: Julie Koler at julie.koler@kingcounty.gov or www.kingcounty.gov/exec/bred/historic.aspx.

Jail

King County Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention
Contributes to the public safety of the citizens of King County and Washington state by operating safe, secure, and humane detention facilities and community corrections programs, in an innovative and cost-effective manner. Contact **206-296-1234** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/courts/detention.aspx.

Licensing

ANIMAL BUSINESS LICENSES

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Issues licenses for businesses located in unincorporated King County for guard dogs, animal trainers and purveyors, hobby kennels, commercial kennels and businesses involving animals. Contact: **206-205-6171**, jeannie.chow@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/pets.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Information on marriage licenses is available at the Web site www.kingcounty.gov/courts/marriage.aspx, or by calling **206-296-4021**.

PET LICENSES

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Information on pet licenses is available at the Web site www.kingcounty.gov/pets or by contacting Animal Services at **206-296-PETS (7387)**, pets@kingcounty.gov.

VEHICLE/VESSEL LICENSES AND REGISTRATION

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

For more information on vehicle/vessel licensing or to renew your tabs online, contact marcia.thomas@kingcounty.gov, **206-296-4000** or visit <http://your.kingcounty.gov/lars/autoboat/>.

Online Tools

ANNUAL GROWTH REPORT

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Office of Management and Budget*

Contains growth trend data and maps of the past year's development with illustrative graphs and text. The AGR series has become one of King County's most widely used documents, presenting frequently requested information in an easily used format. Go to: <http://your.kingcounty.gov/budget/agr/agr08/index.htm>.

ASSESSMENTS EMAP

King County Department of Assessments

Quarter-section property maps are available for download from Assessments' Web site. Contact: Christie Most at **206-296-5115**, or Christie.most@kingcounty.gov, or <http://your.kingcounty.gov/assessor/emap/eMap.aspx>.

Online Tools (continued)

CENSUS VIEWER

King County GIS Center

View maps and tables of more than 100 census data indicators for 77 defined places throughout King County. Data is displayed at the census tract or block group level within each place. Go to http://your.kingcounty.gov/gis/Mapportal/CV_main.htm, or contact Dennis Higgins at **206-263-4523**, or kc.giscenter@kingcounty.gov.

DDES REFERENCE MAPS PAGE

King County Department of Development and Environmental Services

Land Use Planning and Regulatory maps including the King County Area Zoning Map, and the King County Landslide Hazard Areas: Sensitive Areas Ordinance Designations Map. Go to www.kingcounty.gov/property/permits/gis/ReferenceMaps.aspx.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
Natural Resources Reference Maps

Analyzes the King County landscape and produces easily understood maps of natural features, conditions and characteristics, and their spatial relationships with constructed features, political entities, and changes over time. Go to: www.kingcounty.gov/environment/data-and-trends/natural-resource-maps.aspx.

IMAP

King County GIS Center

View King County geographic information and images in a map display that you control. Go to: www.kingcounty.gov/operations/GIS/Maps/iMAP.aspx or contact Dennis Higgins at **206-263-4523**, or kc.giscenter@kingcounty.gov.

PARCEL VIEWER

King County GIS Center

Search for and display information about real property parcels in King County, including simple parcel maps. Go to: www.kingcounty.gov/operations/GIS/PropResearch/ParcelViewer.aspx or contact Dennis Higgins at **206-263-4523**, or kc.giscenter@kingcounty.gov.

PARKS LOCATOR

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks

Click on any section of the county map to locate a King County park or search by park facilities, community areas and park amenities using the menu to the left of the map. Go to: www5.kingcounty.gov/parklocator/.

PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

*King County Department of Development
and Environmental Services*

How to submit a docket request to propose a change to the King County Comprehensive Plan or County Development Regulations. Contact Paul Reitenbach at **206-296-6705** or go to www.kingcounty.gov/property/permits/codes/growth/CompPlan/amend.aspx.

ROAD MAP AND RECORD CENTER

King County Roads Services Division

Maintains mapping and historical survey data concerning roadway establishments, drainage plans, plats, road construction plans and profiles, and other maps. Open to the public Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 201 S. Jackson St., Seattle.

Contact: **206-296-6548** or www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/MapAndRecordsCenter.aspx.

VIRTUAL MAP COUNTER

King County GIS Center

View, download and print digital versions of published King County maps. Go to: <http://your.kingcounty.gov/gis/vmcl> or contact Dennis Higgins at **206-263-4523**, or kc.giscenter@kingcounty.gov.

Parks, Recreation and Open Space

BICYCLING GUIDEMAP

King County Department of Transportation

Comprehensive directory for commuting and recreational bicyclists. Downloadable in sections from the Web site: www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/Bicycling.aspx or call **206-263-4741**.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND GRANTS PROGRAM

*King County Department of Natural
Resources and Parks – Parks Division*

A public/private partnership program that empowers community-based organizations and recreation associations to plan, develop, construct, operate, and/or program recreation facilities on King County-owned parkland or other King County sites. Capital grants are available for successful proposals. Contact: T.J. Davis at tj.davis@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/partners/cpg.aspx.

CONSERVATION FUTURES CITIZEN COMMITTEE

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

Community members review applications and make recommendations for purchase of open space with Conservation Futures Funds, a dedicated portion of King County property taxes. Contact: David Tiemann at **206-296-7775**.

Parks, Recreation and Open Space **(continued)**

KING COUNTY PARKS – YOUR BIG BACKYARD

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

With 25,000 acres of public open space, King County Parks offers 180 parks, 175 miles of regional trails, and 130 miles of backcountry trails, including such regional treasures as Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park, Marymoor Park, and the Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center. King County Parks serves communities and enhances regional quality of life through partnerships, entrepreneurial initiatives, and sound stewardship of parks, trails and public open space. Learn more at www.kingcounty.gov/parks/ or contact: **206-296-4232**.

PARKS AND RECREATION PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Investigates encroachment and hazardous tree reports on park property and issues permits for alterations to park property. For Parks Division properties south of I-90, contact: Nick Halverson at **206-263-7005** or at nick.halverson@kingcounty.gov. For Parks Division properties north of I-90, contact: Robert Nunnenkamp at **206-263-6207** or at robert.nunnenkamp@kingcounty.gov.

POOLS

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Indoor and outdoor pools offering swimming lessons, water exercise classes, and open swims. Available to rent for birthday parties or other private events. Program hours and schedules vary. Outdoor pools open from mid-June through Labor Day only. For more information, go to www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/pools.aspx or contact the aquatics general information line at **206-296-7643**.

REGIONAL SCHEDULING OFFICE

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Reserve athletic ball fields, picnic shelters, indoor facilities and campsites throughout King County (except for the major regional business units such as Marymoor Park and the Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center). Contact: Kathy Hardy or Pam Schellhase at **206-205-5275**, or regional.scheduling@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/parks/.

REGIONAL TRAILS

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
King County's regional trails system offers 175 miles of paved and soft surface non-motorized paths connecting all corners of King County.

A regional trails map is available online at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/gis/vmc/Recreation.htm#RT>.

Walking maps for many local communities are available online at: www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/chronic/getactive/activities/maps.aspx. For more information contact: Robert Foxworthy at **206-263-6206** or robert.foxworthy@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/trails/regionaltrailssystem.aspx.

TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Voluntary incentive program that allows rural farm and forest landowners to sell development rights.

Contact: Darren Greve at **206-263-0435** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/stewardship/sustainable-building/transfer-development-rights.aspx.

YOUTH SPORTS FACILITY GRANT PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Provides matching funds to local jurisdictions, school districts, community-based organizations, scout troops, and youth sports associations to renovate or build new youth sports facilities in King County. Contact: Butch Lovelace at **206-263-6267**, or butch.lovelace@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/partners/ysfg.aspx.

Problem Solving

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAM

King County Department of Development and Environmental Services

A conflict resolution group comprised of government agencies, labor unions and volunteer professionals providing mediation and other dispute resolution services at no cost. Takes minor case referrals from DDES Code Enforcement. Contact: King County Dispute Resolution Office at **206-296-8740**.

RURAL INITIATIVE

Department of Natural Resources and Parks

King County's coordinated effort to improve service delivery to rural residents is managed by the Department of Natural Resources and Parks and includes all county departments.

To offer suggestions for improving service to rural residents, contact Lauren Smith at **206-263-7146**, or lauren.smith@kingcounty.gov.

Problem Solving (continued)

RURAL OMBUDSMAN

Works to resolve land use issues affecting citizens and property owners in the rural and unincorporated areas in response to citizen complaints about the operation of county government. Contact: David Spohr at **206-205-5061** or david.spohr@kingcounty.gov.

SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT FEE DISCOUNTS AND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Resolves disputes regarding impervious surface determinations and determines if properties are eligible for a Surface Water Management fee discount. Contact: Diane Schneider at **206-296-1983**, or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlr/surface-water-mgt-fee/discount.aspx.

Public Health

ABCD PROGRAM – ACCESS TO BABY AND CHILD DENTISTRY

Public Health – Seattle & King County

ABCD focuses on preventative and restorative dental care for Medicaid-eligible children from birth through age 5 with an emphasis on the first dental visit by age 1. To enroll visit: www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/child/kgc/abcd.aspx.

AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Many children, families and adults in Washington may be able to get free or low-cost health insurance. Eligibility is based on income and family size. We can help you find the insurance you need. Visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/personal/insurance.aspx.

BREAST AND CERVICAL HEALTH SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides free breast and cervical cancer screening for low-income women, preventative health care knowledge, and assistance in obtaining access to health care and insurance. For more information call **1-800-756-5437**, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/chronic/bchp.aspx.

CHILD CARE HEALTH PROGRAM

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Offers health promotion and disease prevention services to child care facilities throughout Seattle and King County, including on-site consultation

about health policies, immunizations, communicable disease control, nutrition, child development and child behavioral issues. Call **206-296-2770** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/child/childcare.aspx.

CLINICAL SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Physician and health care provider visits are provided at Public Health centers throughout King County. Contact the center nearest you for more information about services. Not all services are offered at every center. For information, call **206-296-4600** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/locations.aspx.

DRINKING WATER PROGRAM SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Helps prevent disease and illness associated with drinking water from small public and individual private water systems. Provides small public water system operators and individual private well owners with information and technical resources to allow them to operate their water systems in a safe and efficient manner. Call **206-296-4932** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/water.aspx for more information.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides a variety of environmental health services on issues including toxic materials, illegal dumping and garbage, dead bird reporting, West Nile virus, food safety, rabies and bat bite questions, and rat and other pest problems. Call **206-205-4394** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs.aspx.

FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides reproductive health, birth control, sexually transmitted diseases, outreach and education services for King County residents in order to promote sexual health and well being and reduce unintended pregnancies. Contact: **206-296-4600** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/personal/famplan/providers/ClinicGuide.aspx.

FOOD PROTECTION SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Inspects restaurants and food establishments and provides educational sessions for staff. If you have experienced a problem at a restaurant, file a report at **206-296-4708** (South King County) or **206-296-9791** (North and East King County), or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/foodsafety.aspx.

Public Health (continued)

FOOD WORKER CARDS

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides classes and tests to 50,000 food workers each year. Call **206-296-4791** for class location and times, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/foodsafety/FoodWorker.aspx.

HIV/AIDS PROGRAM

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Coordinates and collaborates with health care organizations, universities, community-based groups and other Health Department programs to provide essential prevention, research and care services. To learn more call **206-296-4649** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/communicable/hiv.aspx.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides vaccines, administers vaccine programs, and provides information and educational materials about immunizations. Call **206-296-4774** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/communicable/immunization.aspx.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Provides a range of services including referrals for pregnancy care, early post-birth discharge visits, checking the health of mother and newborn, and assisting with new parent concerns and questions. Visit or call a clinic for information. To locate a clinic visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/locations/phn.aspx or call **206-296-4600**.

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES (STDs)

Public Health – Seattle & King County

The STD Control Program strives to reduce the frequency of STDs and their complications, and ultimately to eliminate STD and HIV transmission in residents of King County. Contact: **206-205-7837** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/communicable/std.aspx.

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN PROGRAM

Public Health – Seattle & King County

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children is a health and nutrition program that provides short-term assistance to young families to promote optimal growth and development. For eligibility and service location information, call **206-296-4600** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/personal/WIC.aspx.

Public Records

ARCHIVES

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Collects, preserves and provides access to archival records that document the history of interaction between King County citizens and their government. For more information, contact **206-296-1538** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/archives.

BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS (VITAL STATISTICS)

Public Health – Seattle & King County

All births and deaths in King County are registered with Public Health. For birth and death records call **206-296-4768**. For forms and information visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/vitalstats.aspx.

RECORDS INFORMATION

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Records and Licensing Services Division*

Since 1853, the Recorder's Office has maintained a record of all real estate transactions, marriage records, surveys, maps, liens and other types of documents submitted for public record. For more information on the recorded documents maintained by King County, contact the Recorder's Office at **206-296-1570** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/records to search recorded documents online.

Solid Waste and Recycling

COMMUNITY CLEANUP PROGRAM

*King County Department of Natural Resources
and Parks – Solid Waste Division*

Free cleanup services for litter on publicly owned property throughout the county. Contact: **206-296-8443**, toll free **1-800-325-6165**, ext. **6-8443**, TTY Relay: **711**, or visit our Web site at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/cleanup/index.asp>.

ILLEGAL DUMPING HOTLINE

*King County Department of Natural Resources
and Parks – Solid Waste Division*

Illegal dumping impacts public health and safety, property values and the quality of life in our community. Contact: **206-296-SITE (7483)**, toll-free **1-866-431-7483**, or submit a report online at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/cleanup/report-dumping.asp>.

JUNK VEHICLE PROGRAM

*King County Department of Natural Resources
and Parks – Solid Waste Division*

Service to help King County residents complete two critical steps in the junk vehicle removal

Solid Waste and Recycling (continued)

process. Contact: **206-296-4437**, toll free **1-800-325-6165**, ext. **6-4437**, or visit <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/cleanup/junkvehicles.asp>.

MASTER RECYCLER COMPOSTER VOLUNTEERS

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Solid Waste Division

Volunteers are available to provide presentations on topics that include waste reduction, recycling, food scrap composting and alternatives to household hazardous waste. Contact Karen May at **206-296-4353**, karen.may@kingcounty.gov, or visit <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/mrc/index.asp>.

SECURE YOUR LOAD

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Solid Waste Division

Recent changes to state law increased the fines and penalties for failing to secure a vehicle load and littering. For tips about how to transport your load securely and safely, contact: **206-296-4466**, toll free **1-800-325-6165**, ext. **6-4466**, or visit <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/secure-load.asp>.

TRANSFER STATIONS

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Solid Waste Division

Operates transfer and recycling facilities throughout the county where hauling companies, businesses and King County residents can bring their waste and recyclables. For more information, contact: **206-296-4466**, toll free **1-800-325-6165**, ext. **6-4466**, or visit <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/transfer.asp>.

WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR GRADES 1-12

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Solid Waste Division

Educational programs and materials on recycling and resource conservation for schools at the preschool, elementary and secondary levels. Other services include teacher workshops on household hazardous waste and assistance to schools to improve recycling and other resource conservation practices. Contact: Donna Miscolta at **206-296-4477** or <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/education/index.asp>.

Stewardship Services

BASIN STEWARDSHIP

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

King County's basin stewards work with citizens and agency staff to protect and restore critical habitat areas along the county's rivers and streams. Stewards can help landowners identify resources including funding and technical assistance. Contact: Sarah Ogier at **206-263-6159** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/watersheds/general-information/basin-stewards.aspx or one of the four basin stewards:

Bear and Issaquah Creeks, and Cedar River, Tom Beavers **206-205-5620**

Middle Green River (Newaukum and Soos Creeks), and White River, Josh Kahan, **206-296-8052**

Snoqualmie River, Mary Maier, **206-296-1914**

Vashon-Maury Island, Lori Larkin **206-263-7316**

CEDAR RIVER COUNCIL

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

The Cedar River Council is a public forum for addressing issues in the lower Cedar River basin.

The council is comprised of basin residents, representatives of community groups, businesses and local governments. Contact: Nathan Brown at **206-263-6181** or nathan.brown@kingcounty.gov.

GRANT EXCHANGE

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

A clearinghouse of grant and technical assistance programs for projects that protect or improve natural resources, such as water quality, salmon and wildlife habitat, reforestation and water conservation.

Contact: Ken Pritchard **206-296-8265** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/grants-and-awards/grant-exchange.aspx.

GROUNDWATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Collects well and stream data to monitor or model aquifer water quantity and administers groundwater protection activities on Vashon-Maury Island.

Current special projects include development of hydrologic sustainability measures for Vashon-Maury Island and a nitrogen management study for Quartermaster Harbor. Contact: Laurence Stockton at **206-296-1910** or www.kingcounty.gov/groundwater.

LAKE STEWARDSHIP

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Works with volunteer monitors on specific projects to improve lake water quality and conditions, and to reduce aquatic noxious weed invasions. Contact: Sally Abella at **206-296-8382** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlr/lake-stewardship-program.aspx.

Stewardship Services (continued)

NATURAL RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP NETWORK

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Awards grants and provides technical assistance for forestry projects in King County that involve youth after school. Contact: Linda Vane at **206-296-8042** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/grants-and-awards/grant-exchange/nrsn.aspx.

Stormwater Services

DRAINAGE ENFORCEMENT

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Addresses violations of King County's surface water drainage code, including illegal hook ups and diversions. Contact: Brian Sleight at **206-296-8025**.

DRAINAGE AND WATER QUALITY COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION TELEPHONE LINE

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Responds to citizen concerns regarding stormwater runoff and surface water quality problems on both residential and commercial properties in unincorporated King County. Contact: Doug Navetski at **206-296-8311** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/stormwater/problem-investigation-line.aspx.

NEIGHBORHOOD DRAINAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Addresses private drainage problems through the construction of capital improvement projects when the solution is the maintenance or repair of an existing storm drainage system (facility fix) and for smaller problems when no permits are necessary (quick fix). Contact: Brian Sleight **206-296-8025** or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/stormwater/neighborhood-drainage-assistance.aspx.

SURFACE WATER DESIGN MANUAL AND KCRTS/KCBW SUPPORT PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Provides technical assistance on the interpretation of King County's Surface Water Design Manual and the use of the KCRTS/KCBW software. Contact: **206-296-1900**, or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/stormwater/documents/surface-water-design-manual.aspx.

SURFACE WATER FACILITY (POND) MAINTENANCE AND MOWING

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

Mowing and maintenance of King County's surface water maintenance facilities including retention/detention ponds. Contact:

Dave Hancock at **206-296-8230**.

SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT (SWM) FEE DISCOUNTS AND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

Resolves disputes regarding impervious surface determinations and determines if properties are eligible for a SWM Fee discount. Contact: Diane Schneider at **206-296-1983**, or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wlr/surface-water-mgt-fee/discount.aspx.

WATER QUALITY CODE ENFORCEMENT

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

Works with businesses and residences to appropriately and safely dispose of and store cars, substances and chemicals that have the potential to pollute surface water supplies. Contact: Doug Navetski at **206-296-8311**.

Taxes and Incentive Programs

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

*King County Department of Executive Services –
Finance and Business Operations Division*

To learn more about property taxes, pay your taxes online, view your tax and assessed value information, or request a mailed copy of your tax statement, contact **206-296-0923** or visit <https://payments.kingcounty.gov/metrokc.ecommerce.propertytaxweb/>.

PUBLIC BENEFIT RATING SYSTEM

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

Provides property tax incentives to encourage private landowners to voluntarily conserve and protect land and water resources, wildlife habitat and open space. Contact: Ted Sullivan at **206-205-5170**, or ted.sullivan@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/stewardship/sustainable-building/resource-protection-incentives.aspx.

TIMBER LAND PROGRAM

*King County Department of Natural Resources and
Parks – Water and Land Resources Division*

An incentive program that provides a reduction in property taxes to landowners of between five and 20 acres of forestland within specific zoning

who manage their property for the production of timber products, consistent with an approved forest stewardship plan. Contact: Ted Sullivan at **206-205-5170**, or ted.sullivan@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/stewardship/sustainable-building/resource-protection-incentives.aspx.

FORESTLAND, FARM AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS *King County Assessor's Office*

A current use taxation program that provides incentives for larger forest landowners (more than 20 acres) and agricultural landowners involved in commercial production of agricultural commodities and livestock. Contact Wendy Morse at **206-296-3969**, or wendy.morse@kingcounty.gov.

Transportation

KING COUNTY METRO TRANSIT provides a network of connections and transit opportunities for all King County residents. Although densely populated areas make bus service more efficient, providing rural communities such as Duvall, Preston, Vashon and Enumclaw with commuter bus routes, park-and-ride spaces, and vanpool incentives, encourages and supports efforts to reduce traffic congestion in the rural areas.

ACCESSIBLE SERVICES

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
Provides transportation services to those with special needs due to age or disabilities. For more information about the range of services available, call **206-263-3113** or visit <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/accessible/accessible.html>.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
“We’ll get you there” is a guiding phrase that describes how Metro values its customers. If you have a question about a Metro service, call **206-553-3000** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/metro.

LOST AND FOUND

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
Metro Transit’s Lost and Found Office is located on the first floor of King Street Center, 201 S. Jackson St. in downtown Seattle. You can also go online and be connected to a lost and found operator. For information about hours of operation or to find out more, call **206-553-3090** or visit <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/cs/lostinfound.html>.

PASS AND TICKET SALES

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
Buy a bus pass, ticketbook or ORCA card and enjoy the benefits of not having to pay cash each time you ride Metro. Place your online order or check out other pass sales options at <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/cs/faresales.html> or call **206-624-PASS (7277)** for more information.

REGIONAL REDUCED FARE PERMIT

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
Sometimes called a senior or disabled bus pass, this permit entitles the bearer to reduced fares on Metro Transit and many other transit providers in the region. For more information, contact **206-553-3060**, TTY users **206-684-1739**, or visit http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/accessible/reduced_fare_permit.html.

RIDESHARE INFORMATION

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
King County Metro Rideshare Operations provides a variety of services to help you start pooling and to support your commuter pool. For more information, call **206-625-4500** or visit <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/van-car/van-car.html>.

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE INFORMATION

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit
Call **206-553-3000** for up-to-date routes and schedules or visit Metro Rider Information at <http://metro.kingcounty.gov/oltools/timetables.html>.

TAXI SCRIP PROGRAM

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit

Serves low-income King County residents age 18 to 64 who have a disability, or who are age 65 and over. Once registered, you can buy up to six books of taxi scrip each month from Metro at a 50 percent discount to help meet your transportation needs. For more information, call **206-553-3060** or visit http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/accessible/taxi_scrip.html.

TRIP PLANNER

King County Department of Transportation – Metro Transit

Use this popular online tool to plan transit trips within King, Pierce and Snohomish counties. Plan your next trip by visiting www.kingcounty.gov/tripplanner.

KING COUNTY ROAD SERVICES DIVISION

designs, builds, operates and maintains roads, bridges and walkways in unincorporated King County, making the county's transportation system safe and efficient for all uses and modes of travel.

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ABANDONED VEHICLE HOTLINE

King County Sheriff's Office

Abandoned vehicles in the road right-of-way are handled by the King County Sheriff's Office. Call **206-205-0969**.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Learn about improvements to roads, bridges and transportation facilities in unincorporated King County. Call **206-296-6590** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Call our 24/7 Road Helpline for assistance with road maintenance and traffic safety issues. Call **206-296-8100** or **1-800 KC ROADS (1-800-527-6237)**.

ILLEGAL DUMPING HOTLINE

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Report illegal dumping to the King County 24/7 Road Helpline. Call **206-296-SITE (7483)** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

MYCOMMUTE TRAFFIC CAMERAS

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

View real-time traffic conditions along major intersections and corridors in unincorporated King County at www.kingcounty.gov/mycommute.

ROAD ALERT

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Sign up for road closure information through our free e-mail subscription service at www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

RADAR/READERBOARD PROJECT

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Monitor and record vehicle speed through your neighborhood. Call Kyle Shira or Wes Harvey at Traffic Maintenance at **206-296-8153** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

ROAD HELPLINE – 24/7

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Contact us for help with road maintenance and traffic safety issues in unincorporated King County such as

downed stop signs, signal outages, road closures or trees over the roadway – 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Contact **206-296-8100** or **1-800-KC-ROADS (1-800-527-6237)** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

SNOW AND ICE PLAN

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Learn about the safest travel routes during a snow and ice event. Call **206-296-8100** or **1-800-KC-ROADS (1-800-527-6237)** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

For concerns about road striping, safety markings, traffic signal repair. Call Traffic Maintenance at **206-296-8153** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

For concerns about speeding, signage, pedestrian safety or the safety of children walking to school. Call Traffic Engineering at **206-296-6596** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/roads.

Unincorporated Area Councils (UACs)

were created to improve communication between King County government and the residents of the unincorporated areas. Each of the four councils is a volunteer organization whose members are elected by the residents of the area. The UACs distribute information on county services and create opportunities for community input and involvement.

UNINCORPORATED AREA COMMUNITY SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Two full-time staff serve as liaisons between the unincorporated area residents and county government. Contact: Bong Santo Domingo at **206-296-3325**, Marissa Alegria at **206-205-1003**.

FOUR CREEKS UNINCORPORATED AREA COUNCIL

Located between May Valley and the Cedar River and from Renton to Issaquah. Mission: Working to involve the public and improve access to information and services of King County government. For more information visit: www.fourcreeks.org.

Transportation (continued)

GREATER MAPLE VALLEY AREA COUNCIL

This UAC serves the neighborhoods of Hobart, Ravensdale, Francis and River Heights. Mission: The Greater Maple Valley Area Council was established nearly 20 years ago as an advisory group to governmental agencies, primarily King County, about the issues of the community. For more information visit: <http://greatermaplevalleyareacouncil.org>.

UPPER BEAR CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

This UAC serves communities within the Upper Bear Creek watershed. Mission: To inform, assist and represent the community in dealing with King County government and other entities with respect to issues that affect the community. Residents are welcome and encouraged to participate. This is not a conflict resolution source. For more information visit www.upperbearcreek.com.

VASHON-MAURY ISLAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Serves Vashon-Maury islands. Mission: The Vashon-Maury Island Community Council is a town hall style forum for discussion of issues relevant to the residents of Vashon and Maury islands. As a townhall forum, decisions are made by a public vote at general meetings. Much of the work of the council takes place in committees, which then forward their recommendations to the whole council for action. For more information visit www.vmicc.org.

Volunteer Opportunities

ADOPT-A-ROAD

*King County Department of Transportation –
Road Services Division*

Adopt a road by committing to two litter clean-ups per year on a two-mile stretch of roadway. Signs will be placed on the road to recognize volunteer clean-up groups. Call **206-296-3807** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/Environment/AdoptARoad.aspx.

ADOPT-A-PARK or TRAIL

*King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks –
Parks Division*

Volunteer opportunity that helps improve King County's 180 parks and 175 miles of regional trails. You or your group can adopt a park or a portion of a trail by volunteering at least four times over a 12-month period. For more information, visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/volunteer.aspx.

HABITAT RESTORATION

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Volunteers help restore streams and wetlands to improve habitat for fish and wildlife and enhance water quality, as well as build and maintain hiking trails. Other opportunities include preparing native plants for use in future restoration projects at the King County Greenhouse and Nursery. Contact: Tina Miller at **206-296-2990**, or tina.miller@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/volunteer/ambassador.aspx.

HUMAN SERVICES VOLUNTEER BOARDS

King County Department of Community and Human Services

Volunteers needed for boards focused on mental health, chemical dependency, veterans, seniors, regional human services, violence prevention, and developmental disabilities. Call **206-263-9100** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/operations/DCHS/boards.aspx.

LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (ROADS)

King County Department of Transportation – Road Services Division

Volunteers beautify the land and receive recognition on a sign posted in the area. Call **206-296-3807** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/Environment/LandscapeEnhancementProgram.aspx.

NATIVE PLANT SALVAGE PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Hand dig plants from sites which are scheduled for development and pot up salvaged plants at the Native Plant Salvage program nursery. Once replanted, these native plants will help reduce erosion, shade streams and provide habitat. Contact Cindy Young at cindy.young@kingcounty.gov or **206-296-8065**, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/stewardship/volunteer/plant-salvage-program.

PARKS AND TRAILS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Parks Division

Volunteer ambassadors provide park and trail visitors with a friendly and informative presence and monitor parks facilities and trail conditions. Volunteers receive training and provide a minimum 100 hours of service per year. Contact: Laurie Clinton at **206-296-4452**, or laurie.clinton@kingcounty.gov or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/parks/volunteer/ambassador.aspx.

Wells and Septic

DRINKING WATER PROGRAM SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Helps prevent disease and illness associated with drinking water from small public and individual private water systems. Provides small public water system operators and individual private well owners with information and technical resources to allow them to operate their water systems in a safe and efficient manner. Call **206-296-4932** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/water.aspx for more information.

WASTEWATER/ONSITE SEWAGE SERVICES

Public Health – Seattle & King County

Public Health helps to ensure that more than 115,000 septic systems, including 192 septic systems in Seattle, are safe. Septic systems treat wastewater when homes and buildings are not connected to public sewer systems. Call **206-296-4932** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/wastewater.aspx.

Yard and Gardening

GARDEN HOTLINE

Local Hazardous Waste Management Program

For practical advice and information on less toxic lawn and garden chemicals and techniques, call **206-633-0224**.

NATIVE PLANT LANDSCAPING

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Learn how to grow and salvage native plants and create backyard wildlife habitats at <http://green.kingcounty.gov/GoNative/Index.aspx>. Browse photos and descriptions of native plants, see sample landscape plans and create your own plant list.

NATURAL YARD CARE PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Conducts programs in grant-funded neighborhoods that teach whole neighborhoods how to change old behaviors in order to protect the environment and families from harmful pesticides and overuse of resources and to encourage habitat creation, healthy soils and waste recycling. Workshops available. Contact: Doug Rice at **206-296-8360** or doug.rice@kingcounty.gov.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL PROGRAM

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Offers property owners technical assistance on weeds, site visits, transfer station vouchers for noxious weed disposal, equipment for loan, and complaint resolution for noxious weed control on public and private lands and roadsides. Contact: Steven Burke at **206-296-0290**, or steve-j.burke@kingcounty.gov, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/environment/animalsandplants/noxious-weeds.aspx.

“YARD TALK” NATURAL GARDENING TV SHOW ON KCTV

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks – Water and Land Resources Division

Natural gardening show on King County Television that teaches viewers how to easily care for their yards and gardens in a way that's good for people, pets and the environment. Contact: Greg Rabourn at **206-296-1923**, yardtalk@kingcounty.gov or www.kingcounty.gov/environment/stewardship/nw-yard-and-garden/yard-talk.aspx.

