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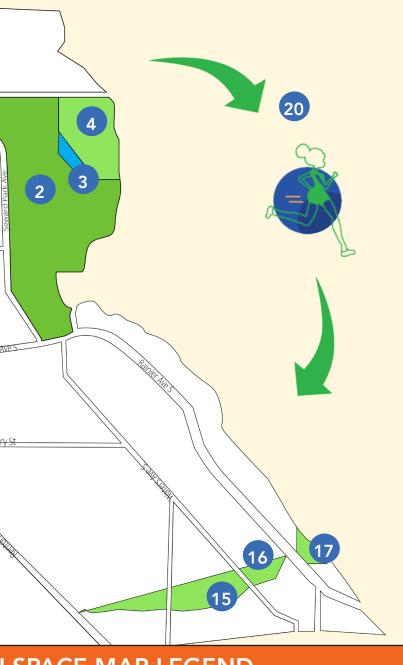
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ARTS IN THE PARK NW TAP CONNECTION



ABOUT US

Located at 8732 Rainier Ave S, Northwest Tap Connection is dedicated to building the whole dancer through a love of dance, personal discipline, respect for the community, respect for fellow dancers, and knowledge of the history of the art form. We provide an environment where dancers can grow artistically and technically, and at the same time can develop leadership skills and social responsibility. For the past two summers, we have participated in the Arts In the Park program, providing regular programming at Othello and Be'er Sheva Parks.

GET INVOLVED

- Come to our events!
 - The Groovement performance will be on May 10, 2019
 - National Tap Dance Day @ NWTC on May 25, 2019
 - Rhythms of the Sole recital on June 29, 2019
- Hire our talented dancers to perform
- Check out a class: https://www.nwtapconnection.org/classes-and-times
- Join us in upcoming work parties to build out Shaina's Garden, an exciting new project that combines early childhood education, dance & nutrition

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Melba Ayco @ (206) 915-1364 or call the studio @ (206) 725-7924

More info @ https://www.nwtapconnection.org

BE'ER SHEVA LAKE ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS A.K.A. "LINK 2 LAKE"



ABOUT US

The Link2Lake (L2L) project envisions a vibrant, active corridor from the Rainier Beach Light Rail Station to Lake Washington, along S. Henderson St.

"Where's the Beach" A.K.A. Be'er Sheva Lake Access Improvements is the first L2L project. In 2017, the L2L Open Space Steering Committee, with support from Seattle Department of Neighborhoods (DON) and the Seattle Parks Foundation, solicited input from Rainier Beach community on what they liked about park and what would draw them in even more. This informed a schematic design for the park improvements. In 2019, we were awarded another DON grant to hire Site Workshop landcape architects to create build-ready documents based on the community-envisioned design schematic. We are currently in fundraising mode to ensure that improvements can be built.

GET INVOLVED

- Join our steering committee; tasks include planning, outreach, and fundraising; meet on 2nd Mondays @ 6:30; roving location
- Attend one of our upcoming Design Parties:
 July 20 Farm Fest and Canoe, Aug 22 Grill Off
 Competition @ the Beach
- · Assist us with outreach & fundraising
- Sign up for our mailing list! RainierBeachLinktoLake.org

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Co-Chairs, Sally Li or Jenny Frankl @ RBLinktoLake@gmail.com

Visit: RainierBeachLinktoLake.org

TINY TREES PRESCHOOL



ABOUT US

We provide children with a world class education: one where reading, math, science come alive as children interact with the world around them and we offer a gleefully muddy childhood: one full of play, exploration, and wonder in the great outdoors.

Tiny Trees is all-outdoors. We partner with public parks and create a class space that affords children even more than the traditional classroom can. The best part is we offer this joyful education to all families, with an equitable approach to financial assistance available and a commitment to inclusive, anti-bias practices.

GET INVOLVED

- Summer program is starting from July 8- Aug 16!
 If you or someone you know is interested attending, or would like information about working the program, please visit our website (tinytrees.org).
- We are always looking for volunteers. If you would love to help children thrive in an outdoor environment, contact our Volunteer Manager Corbin Muck at <u>corbin@tinytrees.org</u>
- We are hiring substitutes currently, and teachers for the fall of 2019. Contact Khavin (<u>khavin@tiny-trees.org</u>) or Rachel Franz (<u>rachel@tinytrees.org</u>)

KEEP IN TOUCH

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RAINIER BEACH URBAN FARM & WETLANDS



ABOUT US

Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands (RBUFW) is Seattle's largest urban farm. Community members of all ages participate in educational activities at the farm, learning to grow food using practices that are healthy for the environment, restoring the natural wetlands habitat that runs down the middle of the farm, eating farm fresh food and learning about nutrition, and supplying fresh food for the community.

The site is co-operated by Friends of Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands and Tilth Alliance, and is owned by Seattle Parks and Recreation.

GET INVOLVED

- Learn: Sign up for a class, summer camp, or school field trip and learn how to grow food organically, compost, cook and preserve your harvest, keep urban livestock, conserve natural resources, and more.
- Grow: Help the farm to grow at regular Community Volunteer Days
- Eat: Come join us for a monthly Community
 Dinner on the 3rd Sunday. Show up early to help
 cook or come at 5pm to enjoy the meal. Bring the
 whole family!
- Celebrate: Enjoy farm festivities for all ages at Farm Fest! Join us Sat., July 20 for Farm Fest and have fun exploring the farm, listening to live music, making farm crafts, tasting food from the farm and community, and more.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Omaretta Sharpley @ Omarettasharpley@ tilthalliance.org or find us on Facebook

"9053 MLK" A.K.A. FUTURE FOOD INNOVATION CENTER



ABOUT US

The "Food Innovation Center" (the "FIC") will deliver a multi-purpose facility that combines commercial kitchen facilities for training and production, classroom space, and supportive services (computer lab, day care, public agency offices) in order to create a center that can bring together education, training, job creation, food production and community connection. The kitchen space could serve as a food incubator program for catering or value-add food production, training space for culinary arts programs, and community cooking space for community members and not-for-profit agencies. The educational spaces would be programmed by the community college system or other post-secondary educational partners to provide classes in the technical aspects of food delivery, preparation, production and nutrition, ESL and business skills classes, and other postsecondary degree offerings. Agencies supporting immigrant services, resume writing, job skills, and small business development would be co-located in the site. To maximize utilization of the site, affordable or mixed income housing will be developed above the FIC. Projected cost is \$13,300,000.

GET INVOLVED

RBAC needs to conduct a formal needs assessment to determine what will actually go in the facility. If you have ideas on the most critical needs that would fill a gap and be sustainability share your ideas with us.

KEEP IN TOUCH

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ELIZABETH THOMAS HOMES



ABOUT US

The Equity Alliance of Washington (EAW) in partnership with Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington (CHS) will develop approximately 95 units of affordable housing serving families between 50% - 60% AMI with the intention of housing low-wage working families and individuals in the Rainier Beach Neighborhood. We will be constructing approximately five floors of housing over ground floor commercial space. Although we are in the early planning phase we anticipate that the ground floor commercial component will include: space for offices for both property management and potentially on-site service providers and food service and local retail space. Prior to finalizing our plans for the commercial space we intend to work closely with the community to determine the best uses for the ground floor.

The project is located at the intersection of S. Henderson Street and Renton Avenue S. just two blocks from the Rainier Beach Light Rail Station.

GET INVOLVED

We will be seeking funding support from the Office of Housing in Sept 2019. We would welcome your support in our application process.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Evelyn Allen at EvelynA@ccsww.org

CHIEF SEALTH TRAIL PLACE-MAKING



ABOUT US

The area near where S. Henderson St intersects with the Chief Sealth Trail is frequented by people riding transit and moving throughout the neighborhood. Rainier Beach Action Coalition and Ethiopian Community of Seattle have been working with Seattle King County Public Health, through a Kaiser Permanente grant, to make this space a place where Rainier Beach residents can gather, play and interact with each other. RBAC is currently seeking input from community on what type of elements should be included in this space. Early ideas have included seating, planting, play equipment, and signs.

GET INVOLVED

- Share your ideas of what you want to see in this location with us.
- Join us for a meeting every other Thurs, from 3 pm to 4 pm, alternating between ECS and RBAC Office. Next meeting is April 25, 2019 at RBAC 9013 MLK Jr Way S, Seattle, WA 98118

KEEP IN TOUCH

Gregory Davis, Rainier Beach Action Coalition, Managing Strategist

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THE GREEN LINE



ABOUT US

The Green Line is a community stewardship project taking place in the transmission corridor of Seattle City Light in upper Rainier Beach. This is the space under high-voltage power lines the city uses to get power from its source into your outlet. Previously, it was primarily inhabited by invasive weeds. With two acres planted, and 3 years of pollinator population data collected, The Green Line publicly launched in fall 2018 in partnership with: The Common Acre, Rainier Beach Action Coalition, Duwamish Alive Coalition, King Conservation District, and EarthCorps. Restoring native plants and pollinators to unused land, we're creating a sustainable habitat that can model how communities may repurpose inactive public space. It's part of a strategy to create "hubs and spokes" of community directed, re-purposed public land that can become a "grid" with civic utility and ecological and cultural promise.

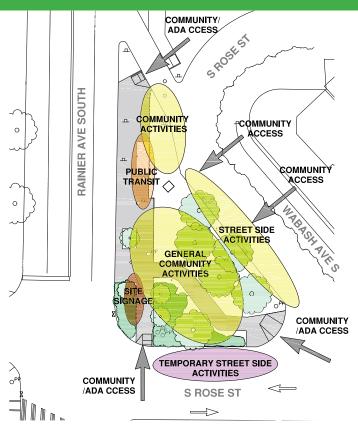
GET INVOLVED

- Provide feedback on public green space needs and opportunities
- Become a Community Leadership Council member
- Take a public survey on Open Space activation beginning summer 2019
- Sign up to be a volunteer Community Steward and participate in First Saturdays
- Attend monthly Community Stewardship party, every First Saturday from 10 - 2 pm @ 10617 53rd Ave S, Seattle 98178

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Allison Rinard allison@commonacre.org (206) 487-4451

ROSE STREET TRIANGLE PLACE-MAKING



ABOUT US

The area near the intersection of Rainier Ave S & S. Rose St, a.k.a. the Rose Street Triangle, is frequented by people riding transit and moving throughout the neighborhood. The Rainier Beach Action Coalition and Ethiopian Community of Seattle have been working Seattle King County Public Health, through a grant from Kaiser Permanente, to make this area a place where Rainier Beach residents can gather, play and interact with each other. We are currently seeking input from community on what type of elements should be included in this space. Early ideas have included seating, planting, play equipment, and signs.

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KEEP IN TOUCH

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DETECTIVE COOKIE CHESS PARK



ABOUT US

Detective Cookie is well known in our community as the founder of a youth chess club that has taught hundreds of local youth to play chess. Our vision for Det. Cookie Chess Park is to create a small public park where chess can be played on permanent chess tables. This park is meant to be an outdoor destination for her club as well as the greater community to learn, play and observe chess together in Rainier Beach, Seattle, WA.

HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

- Join our steering committee! We have monthly meetings on teh 3rd Monday at 5 pm in the Party Room at the Rainier Beach Community Cetner
- Attend our pop-up Chess Park events that we host in Summer months.
- Make a donation! We are also starting to fundraise for the construction and appreciate any donations to make this happen!
- Tell your neighbors, friends and family about us.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Erin Lau, Project Manager dcchesspark@gmail.com | 206-473-2332



RAINIER BEACH SKATEBOARD PARK



ABOUT US

The Rainier Beach Skateboard Park is a community stewardship project that CHAMPS Resource & Service Center is leading on behalf of Friends of Southend Neighbors. This space is currently being used by several sports groups. We want to give them a place to share ideas, vision and plans for this project. In 2007 City of Seattle approved Rainier Beach Playfield for an integrated district (10K-30K sq ft) size skate park.

Skaters and Rainier Beach Residents started meeting in November to discuss a strategic plan to begin the planning process. To ensure this is something the community wants, we will have more community meetings to discuss neighborhood interest in this project and next steps.

GET INVOLVED

- Provide your feedback and help us get feedback from community members on their interest and involvement
- Participate in a public survey on Rainier Beach
 Skatepark activation beginning summer 2019
- Become a steering committee member; attend monthly meetings (date, time, location TBD)
- Provide a consistent location for meeting space once a month

KEEP IN TOUCH

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RAINIER BEACH FOOTBALL CLUB



ABOUT US

Rainier Beach FC is an alternative, youth led soccer crew with a soft place in their heart for creating awesome soccer videos. They use soccer and video to give voice to young people and to spark new ideas on teamwork and leadership. They blend applications of art and science in a continual skill improvement process and their philosophy of "building from within" is evident in their commitment to teach young players to work with younger players, creating a mentorship network of soccer enthusiasts and better soccer playing opportunities for the south end. Their immediate goal is to help soccer programs at Rainier Beach High School, South Shore K8 and Aki Kurose Middle School. To achieve their goal, they work directly with those coaches and players outside of the system to provide specialized training, playing opportunities and leadership roles.

GET INVOLVED

- RBFC wants to make volunteer opportunities for its players centered around their ability to teach soccer.
- RBFC is looking for reservable field space to hold youth led soccer training.
- RBFC will take donations of new and used soccer equipment.
- RBFC will take assistance towards player tuition.

KEEP IN TOUCH

IG: Rainier Beach FC FB: Rainier Beach FC rainierbeachfc@gmail.com

RAINIER BEACH LEARNING GARDEN



ABOUT US

Jointly managed by Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) and Tilth Alliance, the Rainier Beach Learning Garden is located behind South Shore K-8. Originally developed to provide garden education and environmental stewardship for students at South Shore School, it is celebrating ten years of growing food and community education this year!

Tilth Alliance and the Urban Food Systems Program of Seattle Parks and Recreation are leading a process for community dialogue to explore how this garden can be of service to the community for another 10 years and beyond. The garden is showing its years of use, and needs some freshening up. This site has potential to be a vibrant hub of environmental and health education activities for students, families, and community members.

GET INVOLVED

If you have ideas for how to engage this food growing space to support new or existing community and/or school programs, or how to raise funds to revitalize the garden, Tilth Alliance and Seattle Parks and Recreation invite you to submit your ideas and contact information to Belinda Chin.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Belinda Chin, Urban Food Systems Program Coordinator, Seattle Parks and Recreation Belinda.chin@seattle.gov | 206-615-1811

SEATTLE PARKS AND RECREATION'S GET MOVING INITIATIVE

ABOUT US

Seattle Parks and Recreation's Get Moving Initiative is an Equity and Engagement Outcome-Based Fitness Strategy that is funded through the Parks District Initiative to improved health through increased physical activity, new or expanded partnerships with community groups, and increased access to athletic opportunities by offering programs and events that get Seattle moving. Using 4 strategic goals:

- Resources- Fund Culturally Relevant, Community Led Fitness Opportunities. (up to \$15,000 available; opens annually Jan-Feb)
- Access- Offer Free Community Classes and Events
 - Big Day of Play! (Aug 17, 2019)
 - Health & Wellness Classes
- Opportunity- Bring Physical Recreation
 Opportunities to Communities. (Mobile
 Recreation Rec N The Streets https://www.recinthestreets.com/programs)
- Equity- Inclusive Engagement and Outreach (Community Engagement Ambassadors)



BIGDATOR

GET INVOLVED

- Come to a class, program or event and provide your feedback
- Volunteer
- Apply for grant funds and provide fitness-oriented programming for communities afflicted by health disparities
- Be a community health vendor at Big Day of Play
- Become a sponsor for Big Day of Play (https://www.bigdayofplay.org/)
- Become a Community Engagement Ambassador

 market, advertise, survey and gather feedback
 from community
- Volunteer to secure funding for the Get Moving Initiative to keep Getting people Moving

KEEP IN TOUCH

Lakema Bell, Get Moving Recreation Program Coordinator

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FRIENDS OF DEADHORSE CANYON

ABOUT US

Deadhorse Canyon is the headwaters of Taylor Creek, which flows and empties into Lake Washington. The entrance to a 3/4 mile woodland trail, which includes two footbridges, is located at 68th Ave S and Holyoke Way S. The trail & canyon area is cared for by the Friends of Deadhorse Canyon. They host monthly work parties on the third Saturday (April 20, May 18, June 15, etc) at 9 AM at the trail head.

Our work:

- Environmental restoration to make the 36 acre natural area more like an unspoiled Pacific Northwest conifer forest
- Trash removal.
- Trail maintenance: the 3/4 mile trail is a great resource that often needs upkeep.

GET INVOLVED

- We can always use more volunteers to do the above tasks. Volunteering in the outdoors is fun and good exercise. We always declare victory at 1 PM!
- Also, we could use help on grant applications and community outreach in the neighborhood.
- Someone who enjoys Facebook could help with our page: https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOf-DeadhorseCanyon

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Peter Mason, volunteer forest steward, at 206-388-6490 or petermason065@gmail.com



LAKERIDGE PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS



ABOUT US

Park renovation project provides needed improvements to the playground and playfield, including:

- Play Area New play equipment and access improvements for all abilities [to standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)]
- Playfield New field grass turf, irrigation and drainage improvements
- Courts Renovation and resurfacing of courts surfacing
- Retaining Wall Geotechnical study to determine whether to replace
- Park Pathways New and improved pedestrian access that meets ADA standards

<u>Schedule:</u> Planning - Fall 2018 - Winter 2019; Bidding - Winter 2019; and Construction -Spring -Fall 2020

GET INVOLVED

- Provide feedback (including kid-users) on the schematic design and play equipment options.
- Attend our next big public meeting on June 8, from 12 - 2 PM @ Lakeridge Playground Park, 10145 Rainier Ave S.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact <u>Libby.hudson@seattle.gov</u> or 206-256-5988 More info @ <u>www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/ lakeridge-playground-improvements</u>

TAYLOR CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT



ABOUT US

Taylor Creek originates in unincorporated King County and passes through a natural area known as Dead Horse Canyon within Lakeridge Park. It then passes through residential yards and a culvert under Rainier Avenue South before discharging into Lake Washington. The culvert under Rainier, along with other barriers in the creek, prevents fish passage to good quality habitat in Dead Horse Canyon, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) purchased property at the lower reaches of Taylor Creek to increase the quality and quantity of shoreline habitat, particularly for threatened juvenile Chinook salmon. The restored natural area (shoreline habitat) will also create a new opportunity for public access to Lake Washington. The project is currently in the design phase. Regulatory agencies, funding partners and the community have all provided insight into the new natural area. Construction of the project is anticipated as early as 2021.

GET INVOLVED

- Share your feedback on how you would like to use the new natural area, how you like to recreate in natural areas and if there are any barriers to access/safety concerns for you.
- Attend future meetings [tentative June 8]
- Sign up for our mailing list: http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/environment-and-conservation/projects/taylor-creek

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact the Project Manager, Jason Sharpley jason.sharpley@seattle.gov | 206-615-0030

KUBOTA GARDENS



ABOUT US

The Kubota Garden Foundation (KGF) is a non-profit 501(c3) organization formed in 1989 to continue a partnership with the City of Seattle and assure the preservation of the entire 20-acre garden as envisioned by the Kubota family. With the support of staff, KGF volunteers implement all programs and projects: conduct tours, greet visitors, help with garden maintenance, and organize publicity and capital projects to build special garden features such as the Terrace Overlook. Working with partner organizations, volunteers implement free cultural and educational events. Volunteers and donor members raise all the revenue for KGF by organizing plant sales, writing grants, and recruiting members. A team of KGF volunteer archivists catalogue and maintain the important historic aspects of the garden.

GET INVOLVED

We are always looking for volunteers, both at the garden and for other projects. Here are a few ways we would welcome your support:

- Come visit the garden
- Be a Garden Greeter or Tour Guide
- Join us for Tuesdays or Saturdays in the Garden
- · Join us for Nursery Work Parties
- Attend or volunteer for our bi-annual plant sales
- Give out Visitor Surveys
- Join our event support crew
- Lend your skills to special garden projects
 For full position descriptions, visit:
 www.kubotagarden.org/volunteering

KEEP IN TOUCH

Contact Anna Carragee, Volunteer Engagement Coordinator

volunteers@kubotagarden.org info@kubotagarden.org | (206) 725-5060

RAINIER VALLEY GREENWAYS



ABOUT US

The Rainier Valley Greenways is a community based organization that believes that Rainier Valley should be a great place to walk and bike. We advocated for comfortable, well-maintained sidewalks, safe crosswalks, and safe bike lanes that actually take bicyclist where they need to go. We are also concerned about car speeding and other factors that lead to car drivers colliding with people who walk and bike.

GET INVOLVED

- We want to learn from to folks in the community what their concerns are with regard to how our streets are designed for safe biking and walking, and what new trails, crosswalks, paths, and sidewalk facilities they would like in their communities.
- We meet on the Third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm at 3715 S Hudson St in Columbia City, (Bike Works offices, not the store) all are welcome!

KEEP IN TOUCH

Please contact Andrew Kidde, Co-Chair 206-501-6905 or <u>akandrew37@gmail.com</u>



GIRLTREK



ABOUT US

GirlTrek, the largest public health nonprofit for African-American women and girls in the United States. With nearly 100,000 neighborhood walkers, GirlTrek encourages women to use walking as a practical first step to inspire healthy living, families, and communities. As women organize walking teams, they mobilize community members to support monthly advocacy efforts and lead a civil rights-inspired health movement.

Our Mission: Pioneer a health movement for African-American women and girls grounded in civil rights history and principles through walking, community leadership, and health advocacy with a goal to inspire 1 Million Walking by 2020!

GET INVOLVED

 Come walk with us! Be on of the 1million trekkers by 2020!

KEEP IN TOUCH

https://www.girltrek.org/



THANK YOU

TO OUR OPEN SPACE CHAMPIONS IN RAINIER BEACH!

CHAMPS RESOURCE & SERVICE CENTER

COMMON ACRES

ETHIOPIAN COMMUNITY OF SEATTLE

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