

A wide-angle photograph of a modern urban development. In the foreground, there is a large, multi-tiered water fountain with several jets of water spraying upwards. A young child in a colorful dress is standing in the water. Behind the fountain is a green lawn. In the background, there are several multi-story apartment buildings with modern architecture, featuring large windows and balconies. Some buildings have red and grey facades, while others are dark grey. There are trees and parked cars along the street in front of the buildings.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE SPRING DISTRICT

MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER

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POINTS OF INTEREST

Experience Bellevue!

Reduce and Recycle

GiveBIG

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EXPERIENCE BELLEVUE!

NEIGHBORHOODS
CONFERENCE



May 14, 2022
9 a.m.-3 p.m.



EXPERIENCE BELLEVUE!

NEIGHBORHOOD CONFERENCE

Saturday, May 14, 2022, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, City Hall welcomes Bellevue residents and visitors for this biennial event. Take walking tours of Bellevue neighborhoods, participate in workshops being offered on topics such as CPR, crime prevention and active listening. There are more than 20 sessions and tours to choose from as you embark on your Experience Bellevue adventure.

Register for Experience Bellevue

Don't miss your chance to get connected with local neighborhoods, civic leaders and other Bellevue residents and visitors. This one-day experience allows you to learn more about Bellevue and the unique neighborhoods that create our vibrant city. The Spring District is honored to be included among the communities highlighted in this event. If you see a tour group walking through the park, feel free to say "hello!"

Registration through eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/experience-bellevue-neighborhoods-conference-tickets-293249125027>

Read more about the event here in the [Event Program](#).



REDUCE AND RECYCLE - FOOD WASTE!

By Erin Hislop,

Bellevue Utilities Conservation and Outreach Program Coordinator

Food waste and food-soiled paper make up about 30% of a typical household's waste and about 16% of our landfill! Whether you live in an apartment or have a business, there are steps you can take to help reduce the amount of food waste sent to landfill.

Reduce first! Make the most of the food you purchase! Visit BellevueWA.gov/recycle-food-waste to learn how to store food to keep it fresh longer, meal plan to reduce waste, and learn what dates on food labels actually mean!

Compost Right - Food in, plastic out! The best way to compost right is to put food scraps in your compost bin and keep plastic out. Plastic bags, containers and packaging should never be put in the compost because they do not break down and can contaminate compost that people use on their lawns and gardens. Common compostable items include:

- Meat, fish, poultry, bones
- Dairy (yogurt, cottage cheese, etc.)
- Vegetable and fruit trimmings
- Egg shells, bread, pasta and coffee grounds
- Paper towels, napkins, and coffee filters
- Food-soiled cardboard like pizza boxes



Apartment/Condo communities and Bellevue businesses can receive up to two compost carts per garbage container, collected weekly by Republic Services at no extra cost. The City can provide a free small kitchen compost container for individual households, signage and more! Contact 425-452-6932 or recycle@bellevuewa.gov if you have more compost questions.

Earth Day was a Fun Community Gathering

Thank you [City of Bellevue Utilities & Water Quality](#) and [AMLI Apartments](#) for joining us out in the park for a gorgeous Earth Day celebration. [1 Green Planet](#) collected e-waste recycling and [Alliance Building Services](#), [Cedar Grove](#) & [Wells Fargo](#) generously donated prizes and giveaways. Thanks to everyone who came to have some fun while learning about making less of an impact on the environment!



MAY EVENTS

CINCO DE MAYO

Thursday May 5, 2022

Largely viewed in the USA as a celebration of Mexican culture, Cinco De Mayo honors Mexico's 1862 win over the French in the Battle of Puebla. They were outnumbered and out-gunned and still persevered to win. Learn more [Here](#).



MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday May 8, 2022

This day celebrates all mothers and all forms of motherhood. Officially a holiday since 1914, Mother's Day is the second Sunday in May in the USA. Learn more [Here](#).



BELLEVUE FARMERS MARKET

Begins its Season May 12, 2022

The Bellevue Thursday Market begins its season Thursday, May 12 located at Bellevue Presbyterian Church, 1717 Bellevue Way NE.

Learn more [Here](#).



BIKE EVERYWHERE DAY

Friday May 20, 2022

Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned veteran, Bike to Everywhere Day is a great way to try something new or try a new route as you ride the streets of Bellevue. Join our team and a representative from Sound Transit at our Celebration Station at the corner of 121st Ave NE and NE Spring Boulevard. Learn more about Bike Month and Bike Everywhere Day [Here](#).



MEMORIAL DAY

Monday May 30, 2022

Memorial Day is an American holiday first observed after the Civil War as a way to mark the sacrifices made by those who served. Learn more about this national day of recognition and honor [Here](#).



NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES



BLOCK 20 IS OPEN!

Block 20 (former REI Headquarter building), has officially opened it's doors to Meta employees, rounding out their current 3-building Spring District campus, which includes previously completed buildings Block 16 and Block 24. This unique building blends the natural world and office space seamlessly. The design allows for easy transition to outside meeting spaces and promotes an energy efficient workplace. Read [here](#) for more details.

5G OPEN INNOVATION LAB

An innovative center for collaboration and invention has opened in the GIX/Steve Ballmer Building located in The Spring District. This creative space allows inventors and investors, startups and experts to come together to build the future. This thriving creative effort was created by partners who saw a growing need for collaboration in the marketplace.

[Learn more about how 5G Innovation Lab is making things possible here.](#)





Celebrating Spring with The Spring District

We had a great time bringing spring to The Spring District. [Animal Encounters](#) brought some of the cutest animals to visit our neighborhood. The Easter Bunny stopped by for a visit, neighborhood kids participated in the egg hunt, and local resident, 7-year-old Esen, won the coloring contest!






Congratulations to Esen for winning the 2022 Spring Coloring Contest!



THIS MONTH'S PHILANTHROPY

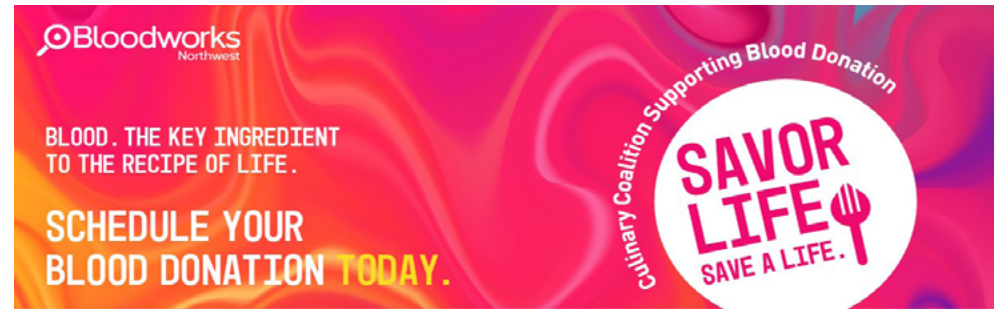
GiveBIG 2022

GiveBIG is a 48-hour period where the community comes together to support local nonprofits. Last year, 71,912 donations made to 1,684 nonprofits raised \$17.4 million in total!

You can help by spreading the word about GiveBIG through your individual social media, word of mouth, and encouraging your workplace to participate. Find your nonprofit of choice, donate and share. It's easy to make a positive impact on your community.

Read [here](#) for more information about GiveBIG 2022.

[Click here to find local Bellevue non-profits participating in Give Big 2022.](#)



It takes 1,000 blood donors every day to maintain a healthy blood supply for local patients. Join our table, and let's support this critical need in our community. Donate in May and you can enter to win a one-of-a-kind culinary experience, <https://bloodworksnw.org/savor-life/giveaways.php>!

Make the reservation that will make a difference!

For donation eligibility information call 1-800-398-7888. If you are a 16-17 year old donor, you must arrive with a signed [parental consent form](#).

City of Kirkland

May 4 & 5

[Book Donation Appointment](#)

Union Hill Church-Redmond

May 9

[Book Donation Appointment](#)

Holy Family Kirkland

May 16

[Book Donation Appointment](#)

Pop Up @ Issaquah

May 19 & 20

[Book Donation Appointment](#)

North Creek Presbyterian Church-Mill Creek

May 23, 24, 25

[Book Donation Appointment](#)

A thank you we received from a patient at Seattle Cancer Care Alliance:

"Thank you for being a platelet donor. I am being treated for a rare blood cancer in Seattle. Your donation is helping to keep me alive. Thank you!"

Donating blood is an essential and encouraged activity critical to sustaining community healthcare. Your one-hour donation appointment is a safe action to support local hospitals and patients. Pop-Up Donor Centers are being conducted in accordance with social distancing guidelines.

Appointments and masks required. There is no deferral from donating if you receive the COVID vaccine. For more information, please visit bloodworksnw.org/coronavirus.



BloodworksNW.org / 800-398-7888

Food Trucks Return To the Spring District!

Last spring The Spring District participated in the [Washington State Food Truck Association's pilot program](#) which helped assess the impact of food trucks on their community. The results showed that food trucks provide consumers and residents the opportunity to deal directly with a small, local business, increase the livability of a neighborhood by increasing social interaction and promote walking! Join us again this year as we bring exciting lunch options to The Spring District! To learn more, click [Here!](#)



FOOD TRUCKS

RETURNING TO BELLEVUE'S SPRING DISTRICT!



Tuesdays
11 - 1:30pm

Starting
May 17th

Trucks are parked on NE 14th Terrace
Find the schedule, menus & order:
www.streetfoodfinder.com/springdistrict

a program of the
Washington State Food Truck Association



Mexican Corn Dip

By Chungah, [Damn Delicious](#)

Yields: 4 SERVINGS

Prep time: 5 MINUTES

Cook time: 10 MINUTES

Total time: 15 MINUTES

The traditional Mexican street corn is turned into the best dip ever! It's so good, you won't even need the chips. Just grab a spoon!

INGREDIENTS:

2 tablespoons unsalted butter
4 cups corn kernels, frozen, canned or roasted
1 jalapeño, seeded and diced
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
2 tablespoons crumbled cotija cheese
2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro leaves
1/2 teaspoon chili powder
1 clove garlic, pressed
Juice of 1 lime

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Melt butter in a large skillet over medium high heat. Add corn kernels and jalapeño, and cook, stirring occasionally, until cooked through and slightly charred, about 8-10 minutes.
- 2) Stir in mayonnaise, cotija, cilantro, chili powder, garlic and lime juice.
- 3) Serve immediately.





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