

SEPTEMBER 2026

Arnada Board Candidates

Neighbors interested in running for Arnada Neighborhood Association (ANA) chair/vice chair positions will need to attend the September 10th ANA meeting or email any board member 5 pm on September 10th; contact information is on the following page.

Candidates will be announced in September and printed in the October newsletter. Elections will be held on October 8, 2026.

Arnada Street Party Fun

A big thank you to everyone that came out to repaint our neighborhood mural at the intersection of 22nd and D streets.

The Arnada street mural was the first mural of it's kind in the city of Vancouver; now there are nearly a dozen traffic calming murals. *Continued on page 3.*





YARD GAMES ARNADA PARK LABOR DAY

Bring your favorite yard games to share.
Enjoy a day of friendly competition and laughter.

Bring a picnic, relax, and spend quality time with
your neighbors in Arnada Park.

 Monday
SEPTEMBER 7

 TIME
12:00 PM

WWW.ARNADANEIGHBORHOOD.ORG

ARNADA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

Next meeting: September 10th 7pm

In person: 2500 Main Street VHA
Zoom: visit our Facebook for details
(facebook.com/groups/arnadaneighborhoodvancouverwa)
Agenda: board candidates, City updates

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Arnada Neighborhood Association Resources

Website: arnadaneighborhood.org/
Facebook: facebook.com/groups/arnadaneighborhoodvancouverwa/

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Phone: cell (360) 831-2661
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Neighborhood Fire Station: Uptown Station #1
2607 Main Street
(360) 487-7212

Code Compliance: (360) 487-7810
Traffic Compliance Hotline: (360) 487-7402

Arnada Neighborhood Association

Elected Board Members

Chairman: Position Vacant

Vice Chairperson: Position Vacant

Secretary: Tim Gruscinski
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Treasurer: Kathie Loveall
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ANA Meeting Minutes August 8, 2026

The 3rd Annual Arnada Neighborhood Street Party following the mural painting on August 8th served as the Arnada Neighborhood Association meeting for the month of August. There are no meeting minutes. Thank you to all that attended.

Old Apple Tree Festival

In 1830 Clark County's first apple harvest occurred – one apple. Planted near Fort Vancouver in 1826, the Old Apple Tree is considered the oldest in the Northwest and the matriarch of Washington State's apple industry.

The annual Old Apple Tree Festival is a celebration of this historic tree with activities for children, food for sale, apple tastings and sales, live music, cider pressing and walking tours of Fort Vancouver Village and the Land Bridge.

The festival features community apple cider pressing. Bring your own apples and a clean container to catch your fresh cider, or purchase apples and a container at the event. Approximately 15 lbs of apples will make a quart of cider. Volunteers needed for the cider pressing station, contact Urban Forestry to learn more; email jessica.george@cityofvancouver.us.

Saturday, October 3, 2026

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Old Apple Tree Park, located on Columbia Way just east of I-5 bridge



Arnada Street Party Fun *(continued)*

First painted in 2008 by members of the Arnada Neighborhood Association, it was designed as a colorful and cost-effective way to slow traffic. Now, 18 years later it is an icon of our neighborhood and is home to our neighborhood kiosk, a hub for neighborhood and community news.

On August 8th the newly repainted mural provided a beautiful setting for our third annual neighborhood street party. A big 'Thank You!' to Ali Pisanski for taking the lead to coordinate the event and to all neighbors that came out and made it a wonderful event.



NEEDED: Recycling Enthusiast

Each year, our neighborhood association is eligible to receive \$120 from Solid Waste for attending one of the City's *RecycleU* or *Composter Recycler* workshops or by taking a Recycling Walking Tour with Waste Connections. Just one person from our neighborhood needs to attend to qualify.



If you are interested in attending and representing our neighborhood to help us qualify for the grant, follow these steps...

1. Attend a RecycleU or Composter Recycler workshop or a Recycling Walking Tour.
2. Share what you learned with your neighborhood
 - Use one of the pre-written articles or write your own. If you create your own, please have Solid Waste Services review it by contacting 360-487-7160 or email solidwaste@cityofvancouver.us.
 - Submit one article to your neighborhood newsletter OR,
 - Share two postings on NextDoor.
3. Send copies of these postings or submissions to solidwaste@cityofvancouver.us for your grant request to be processed. A check will be sent to your Neighborhood Association's Treasurer or designee.

Schedule and offering resources:

- RecycleU: cityofvancouver.us/services/garbage-recycling/recycleu/
- Composter Recycler workshops: clark.wa.gov/public-works/clark-county-composter-recycler-program
- Recycling Walking Tour: email RecycleHelp@wcnx.org.

The Newsletter That Delivers

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ARNADA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Est. 1976

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PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS AND TELL THEM YOU READ ABOUT THEM IN THE ARNADA NEWSLETTER



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SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2026
12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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Food | Music
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Hygiene Products
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2213 Main St Vancouver, WA 98660

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Neighborhood Cleanup

The annual multi-neighborhood cleanup event will not take place in September as anticipated. The event is organized by volunteer representatives from each neighborhood, and required eight volunteers from each neighborhood on the day of the event. This year the neighborhood representatives were unable to come together to finalize logistics.

If this event is important to you please consider stepping up to make it happen. Attend a neighborhood meeting or reach out to a board member.

Should you have a stockpile of items you collected in anticipation of the cleanup you can take them directly to the West Van Material Recovery center. Here's the cleanup guide to help you organize your materials.

BE PREPARED

TO MAKE A DONATION BEFORE YOU UNLOAD

✔ What's accepted?



Bulky Items: Broken or worn out items that are too large to fit in your garbage cart at home, such as a rug, kiddie pool, small appliances, furniture, broom, etc.



Scrap Metal: Metal BBQs, bicycles, lawn furniture, mowers, car parts or small engines (drained of fluids) metal appliances (no refrigerant containing items – no fridge or freezers or AC units)



Yard Debris: Branches, grass, leaves, vines, bramble, arborvitae, juniper, bamboo, yard and garden trimmings

✘ What's NOT accepted?



NO Household trash or contractor waste



NO Large or heavy quantities of concrete, cement, rocks, sod or dirt



NO Home project/remodel debris (i.e. flooring tiles, drywall, fencing, etc.)



NO Roofing shingles or roofing materials



NO Hazardous chemicals, cleaners, paints or stains, fluids like gasoline or oil



NO TVs, computers or electronics (recycle for free, visit www.EcycleWashington.org for locations)



NO CFL or fluorescent tube lights (recycle for free visit www.LightRecycle.org for locations)

📋 Prepare Your Load:

- Categorize your load – separate material for easy moving into the bulky item truck, yard debris box or truck, chipper, or metals box
- Use a tarp liner under the yard debris for faster and cleaner unloading. Put the yard debris on the bottom, then the big stuff (furniture), then smaller items around the big stuff.
- Don't forget to cover your load to prevent littering if you bring an open truck or trailer
- Come prepared to unload what you bring to the cleanup (i.e. leather gloves and tools to unload)
- To prevent injuries, please bring heavy materials, such as yard debris, in smaller containers or wheel barrows. Do not bring your curbside cart to the cleanup, as they are too heavy to dump

🌲 Wood Chipper Items



✔ YES: Branches, twigs, tree pruning (up to 4" in diameter), tree limbs (up to 4" in diameter)—No limit on the length



✘ NO: Juniper, arborvitae, ivy, vines, bamboo, blackberry briar (they get tangled in the machinery), leaves or grass clippings, pine needles, rocks, dirt, sod, or large trunks/stumps



LARGE items like boats and hot tubs must be hauled directly to the transfer station at the owner's expense.

THANK YOU for helping keep our community clean and green!

I-5 Southbound Closure

Starting September 11, all southbound lanes of I-5 between I-84 and I-405 will be closed for up to five weeks while critical road repairs are completed as part of the I-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project.

This closure is expected to cause significant traffic delays and detours throughout the area. Allow extra travel time and consider alternate routes when possible. Travel times may take up to two to three times longer than usual and congestion could back up across the Columbia River into Washington.

Stay informed... sign up for travel alerts (<https://www.i5rosequarter.org/contact/>) or visit TripCheck.com for real-time travel information.

