

The City of Spokane

Weekly News Update for May 2

Stay up-to-date on City of Spokane and employee news with our weekly Employee Update.

Get Out to a Ballgame!

We have arranged for two City of Spokane employee nights at Spokane Indians games! You're invited to bring your family, friends and have fun with co-workers at Avista Stadium. Tickets range from **\$6 bench seats to \$13 upper box seats**.

Game Dates:

- Saturday, May 13, 5:09 p.m.
Spokane Indians vs. Hillsboro Hops
- Wednesday, Aug. 16, 6:35 p.m.
Spokane Indians vs. Tri City Dust Devils

[Buy tickets today!](#)

Community School Students Present at City Hall

Tomorrow students from The Community School will be presenting their projects on the green spaces of Spokane.

Come take a look at their projects **TOMORROW, May 3, 9 – 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 – 10:45 a.m.** in the City Hall lobby.

City Hall Construction

Construction at City Hall to replace the roof continues! Post Street is closed and no on-street parking is available between Spokane Falls Boulevard and the Post Street Bridge. The Spokane Falls Boulevard and Post Street public and employee entrances are open!

Please feel free to [contact the Facilities Department](#) with any questions.

Margaret Redd's Retirement Party

Celebrate Margaret Redd's retirement from The Taxes & Licenses Department. Join Margaret Wednesday, May 31, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Tribal Conference Room at City Hall. There will be cake!



Free Say Yes! COVID Tests Ending May 11

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) is announcing its free at-home testing program Say Yes! COVID Test (SYCT) is ending Thursday, May 11. That means you only have two more months to get free, rapid, at-home test kits delivered to your home. [Click here](#) and enter your zip code to see if test kits are available in your area.



More Information to Assist You

Here are some more resources from our Employee Assistance Program:

[Take the High Road](#)

Deer Oaks remains concerned about the safety of its EAP participants and others. Therefore, Deer Oaks reimburses members for their cab, Uber, Lyft, and other ride-sharing fares in the event that they are incapacitated due to impairment by a substance or extreme emotional condition. Such circumstances may include over consumption of alcohol, drowsiness due to medication, or extremely upset/troubled over a situation. This service is available in the United States once per year per participant (18+ years of age) with a maximum reimbursement of \$45.00, excluding tip. The process is simple, and like all other EAP services, confidential. Simply call the Deer Oaks Helpline at (866) 327-2400 for information regarding reimbursement. The receipt may be submitted up to 60 days following the date of service.

[Are You a Good Listener?](#)

Conversation is a two-way activity, and listening is a very important part to ensure good and effective communication. By listening effectively, you will gain new perspective and useful information, and it will help you to understand people and their needs. This session will discuss the benefit of being a good listener and share some practical tips on how to be a better and good listener at work and at home. Available on demand starting Tuesday, May 16.

Employee Information Portal (covid19.spokanecity.org/)

Remember, this Employee Information Portal is a great resource for employees to stay current on what's happening with the COVID-19 response. The [Employee Information Portal](#) can be accessed from work or home, using a computer or mobile device. All of the emailed information we have sent to employees is archived here.