

# Seattle Public Utilities AT YOUR SERVICE

Information about your water, drainage, wastewater, and solid waste utility services.



# Don't Have a Garden? No problem!

There are ways to get outside and make an impact in your neighborhood. Sign up to Adopt-a-Street, Stencil a Storm Drain, and other volunteer opportunities at: seattle.gov/utilities/protectingour-environment/volunteer.

You can also volunteer for Trees for Seattle at: seattle.gov/trees.

# **Tips to Up Your Gardening Game**

Spring is on the way! Thinking about getting to work in the garden? Before you grab gardening gloves and head out the door, take a look at a few of our spring gardening tips below—they'll help you save time and money, and be kind to our environment.

Get to Know Your Yard: Where are the sunny and shady spots? Where does your soil stay wet, and where does it dry out easily? How much space do you have to work with?

Be Choosy: Pick plants based on what kind of sun. shade, and soil you can provide. Look at the mature size of a plant—will you have enough space for your plant when it grows up?

Weed When It's Wet: Pull weeds when the soil is saturated to make the job easier and more effective. It's also a good alternative to using chemicals that harm the environment.

Replenish Soil with Compost: Mix compost into your vegetable garden or spread it onto the soil around trees and shrubs to add nutrients to the soil.

Remember Tree Care: Replenish the mulch around your trees, which helps keep the weeds away, retains water in the soil, protects your tree from mowers, and provides nutrients to your tree.

For more tips and answers to all your yard and garden questions, contact The Garden Hotline: (206) 633-0224 or visit **seattle.gov** and search for "natural lawn care."

Spring can also be a time to consider how you use plants, trees, soil, and cisterns to manage rain. Learn more about green stormwater solutions and find out whether the RainWise program is right for you at:

700milliongallons.org/solutions.

Also, you can drop off pesticides and fertilizers, which pollute our lakes and streams, at a Hazardous Waste collection site for safe disposal at no cost to you. Visit kingcountyhazwasteWA.gov to learn more and find the collection sites in Seattle.



# Adopt-a-Street

Seattle Public Utilities works hard to keep our city safe and clean by responding to spill reports, cleaning up illegal dumping and graffiti, managing public litter cans, and much more. But we can't do it alone!

You can help keep Seattle streets litter-free by participating in SPU's Adopt-a-Street program. It's fun and flexible! Just pick the street you want to adopt, and we'll provide free clean-up supplies and safety equipment.

Ready to sign-up? Call us at (206) 684-7647 or email adoptastreet@seattle.gov.





# **Reduce Waste and Save Money**

Wasted food has big impacts on our environment, our community, and our wallets. But there's good news! You can make a difference. Learn how online at **seattle.gov** and search for "stop food waste."



### **Need Help with Utility Bills?**

Has the COVID-19 pandemic made it harder for you to afford utility services? Seattle Public Utilities has financial resources available to help.

### **Flexible Payment Plans**

With a payment plan, you can break up your bill into segments and pay over time with no late fees. SPU will work with you to set up a plan that makes sense for your budget. Call us today at (206) 684-3000 or log in at myutilities.seattle.gov.

### **Utility Discount Program**

It's now easier than ever to apply for the City of Seattle's Utility Discount Program. Income-eligible residential customers can access 60% off their Seattle City Light bill and 50% off their Seattle Public Utilities bill by filling out a short online form. Go to www.seattle.gov/mybill.

### **Emergency Assistance Program**

If you're having trouble paying your bill, you may be eligible for emergency assistance - up to \$954 toward your utility bill until the end of 2022. To find out if you qualify, go to www.seattle.gov/mybill and click on "emergency assistance" or call (206) 684-5800.



# Recycle It App

Never forget your collection day again with SPU's new Recycle It app! Recycle It helps you get reminders about your next collection day, look up how to sort items into the correct cart, and report solid waste service issues.

Download the app today - just search Seattle Recycling and Garbage in the App Store or Google Play. Learn more: seattle.gov/recycleit.

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### **Contact Us**

### 24/7 Emergency Services

(e.g. urgent flooding, hydrant leaks)

• (206) 386-1800

### Report Problems

(e.g. graffiti, illegal dumping, needles)

- www.seattle.gov/utilities
- www.seattle.gov/finditfixitapp
- (206) 684-7587

### **Customer Service**

- www.seattle.gov/utilities
- www.seattle.gov/utilities/emailus
- (206) 684-3000 M-F, 7:30am-6pm