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Happening Tomorrow: District Four Recovery Meeting at Mountlake Terrace City Hall

*Community Event to Provide Feedback on Federal Recovery Funds for Residents of County
Council District Four, Including Bothell, Brier, Mill Creek, and Mountlake Terrace*

Snohomish County, Wash., May 24, 2022 – The first Office of Recovery & Resilience (ORR) in-person [pandemic recovery community event](#) is taking place tomorrow, May 25, at Mountlake Terrace City Hall, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. At this event, County Council District Four communities – including residents and business owners in Bothell, Brier, Mill Creek, and Mountlake Terrace – will be able to help shape uses of the county’s \$160 million American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation.

The following are the top six pandemic recovery issues for District Four; these issues were identified through ORR’s conversations with community partners and local elected officials in the district:

- Child care, day care, early childhood education
- Increasing shelter availability
- Increasing behavioral & mental health services
- Increasing affordable housing
- Supporting jobs & hiring
- Upgrading parks, trails, & other amenities

Event attendees will vote on their top three pandemic recovery priorities from within these identified issues. At 6:45 p.m., attendees can participate in a facilitated deep-dive discussion on the top three voted issues to identify recovery barriers and solutions.

In addition, the event will include resource tables where attendees can connect directly with Snohomish County and community-based services and resources. Participating organizations include the [Department of Conservation and Natural Resources](#), [Planning and Development Services](#), and [Volunteers of America Western Washington](#). Participants will also get free dinner and dessert from [Delfino’s Chicago Style Pizza](#) and [Yay Big. Yay High. Yay Ice Cream!](#) [Mari’s Place for the Arts](#) will provide on-site arts activities for kids ages seven to 12.

“Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Snohomish County communities have come together to do what’s best for all of us: We’ve gotten vaccinated, tested, and rallied around our front-line workers and small businesses. Our collective recovery should be no different – we have to do it together,” said Executive Somers. “That’s why the county and partners are embarking on this extensive outreach and engagement effort. We want to hear directly from our residents and businesses on what recovery means to them. Our goal is to ensure we make smart and sustainable investments that are responsive to community needs, with a focus on people most impacted by the pandemic.”

“Passing the American Rescue Plan sent critical relief out to our communities. Making sure that these federal dollars reach families, essential workers, and businesses that need it the most is an ongoing responsibility,” said Congresswoman Suzan DelBene, WA-01. “These pandemic recovery community events will allow Snohomish County residents to share their stories and talk to local leaders about how pandemic recovery funds should be used. I thank the Snohomish County Office of Recovery & Resilience for prioritizing the voices of our community members.”

“We are excited to host the first of five countywide efforts to listen to our community and hear firsthand what their priorities are for the ARPA recovery funds. It’s important for our cities to work together with the county to provide relief for our residents and our businesses,” said [Mountlake Terrace Mayor](#) Kyoko Matsumoto Wright.

Details for the District Four event are as follows:

- **Date & Time:** Wednesday, May 25; doors open at 6:00 p.m., event ends at 7:30 p.m.
- **Location:** Mountlake Terrace City Hall, 23204 58th Ave W, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043
- **Cities:** Bothell, Brier, Mill Creek, Mountlake Terrace and unincorporated areas of District Four
- **No Cost Dinner:** Food trucks from Delfino’s Chicago Style Pizza and Yay Big. Yay High. Yay Ice Cream! will be on-site throughout the event.
- **No Cost Kids Activities:** Mari’s Place for the Arts will be providing drawing, dancing, and other activities for kids 7-12 years-old on-site.

Residents can find more information on the District Four event [here](#). In addition, interested attendees are encouraged to review [this flyer](#) ahead of the event to better understand how ARPA funding can be used. District Four residents who are unable to attend the May 25 event can email their recovery priorities to ORR directly at SnohomishCounty.Recovers@snoco.org.

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