



LAKE STEVENS STATE OF THE CITY

We are a thriving community that promotes a vibrant economy, preserves natural beauty, and supports an exceptional quality of life for all.

“One community around the lake.”

WHO WE ARE



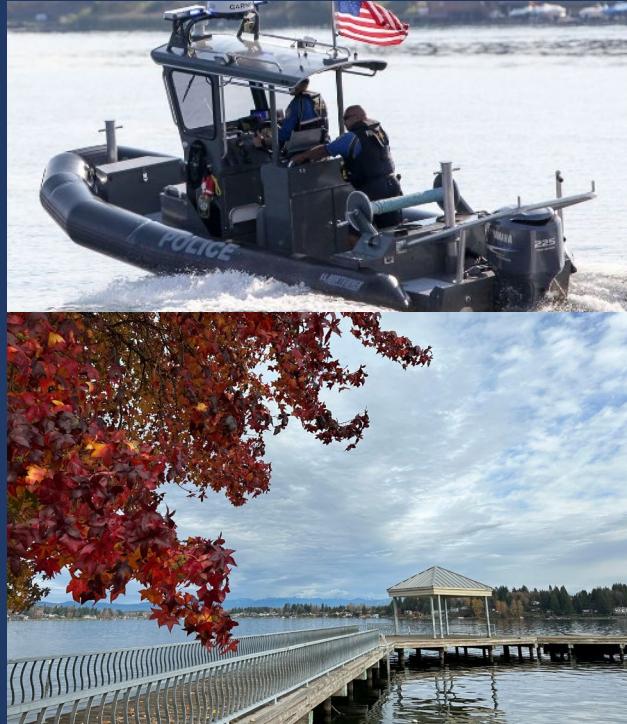
From timber and mining, to resorts and summer vacations, to today, an urban, continuously growing residential area.

**With a community like this...
the future is bright for Lake Stevens.**

The city of Lake Stevens is the last stop before entering the wilderness nature we all love in Washington. From hiking the trails in Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest to skiing the slopes in the Cascades to and hitting the shores of Lake Wenatchee. Lake Stevens is surrounded by endless adventure and natural beauty.



WHAT WE DO



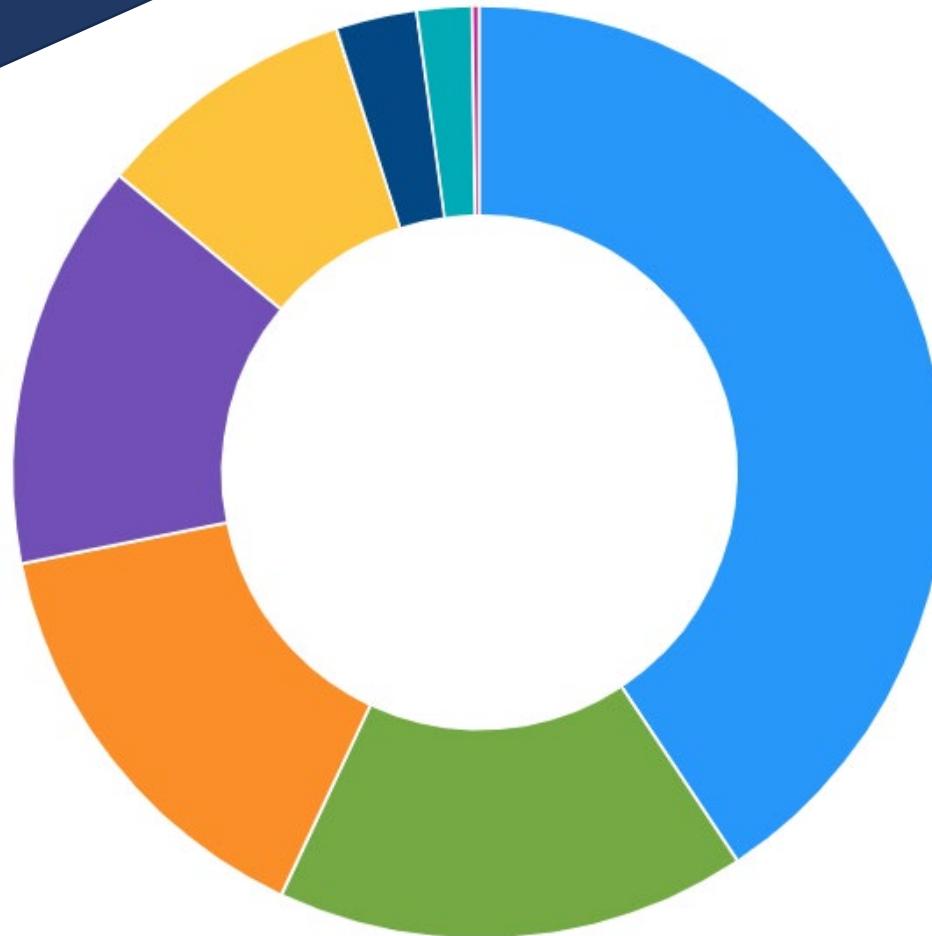
The city of Lake Stevens is home to **41,260 people** and shares the same name of the lake it surrounds and is nestled between the beautiful Cascade Range and Puget Sound.

- **Police**
- **Administration**
- **Finance**
- **Information & Technology**
- **Community Development**
- **Parks and Recreation**
- **Public Works**
- **Human Resources**



How We Are Funded

Residents, businesses, and visitors
are all essential to fund city services.



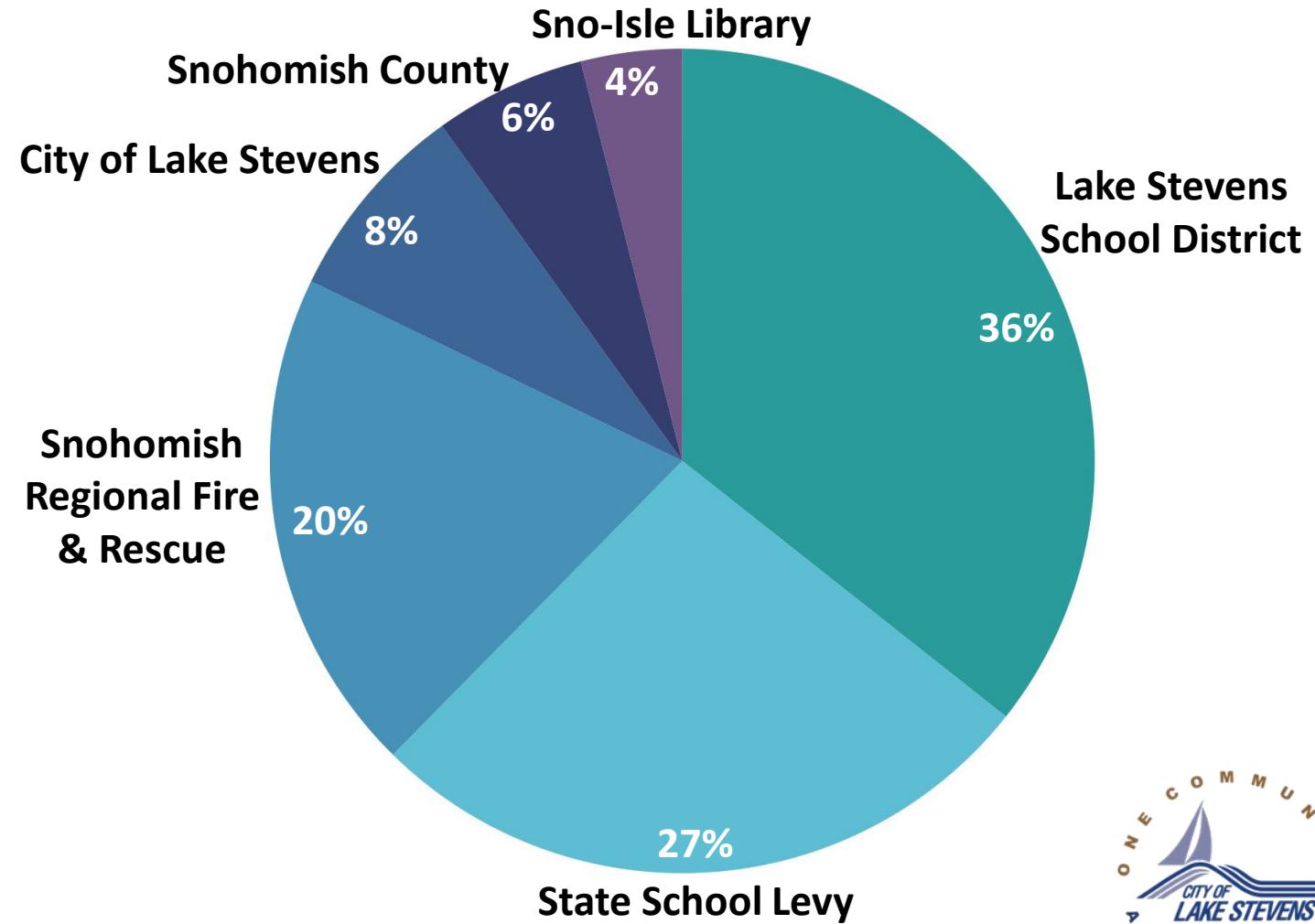
Taxes	40.7%
Other Financing Services	16.3%
Charges for Services	14.9%
Intergovernmental	14.1%
Miscellaneous Revenue	9%
Licenses and Permits	2.8%
Other Fund Resources	1.9%
Fines and Forfeitures	0.2%



TOTAL PROPERTY TAX BREAKDOWN

AMOUNT (PER %1,000 AV)

LAKE STEVENS SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$3.10
STATE SCHOOL LEVY	\$2.35
SNOHOMISH REGIONAL FIRE & RESCUE	\$1.72
CITY OF LAKE STEVENS	\$0.71
SNOHOMISH COUNTY	\$0.50
SNO-ISLE LIBRARY	\$0.32



CITY FINANCIAL HEALTH

What Contributes to the City's Financial Health?

- Balanced annual budgets
- Strong General Fund Reserve
- Strong financial performance every year
- Ability to meet all financial obligations on time
- Prudent budget management

The City Receives 2nd Highest Bond Rating

Continuing to strive for better financial health has led to the city's increased bond rating from Aa2 to Aa1, the 2nd highest Moody's bond rating. Seven cities in the state have this rating, and only five have the highest rating of Aaa. The Aa1 reflects their view of Lake Stevens' strong and robust financial and economic profile.



Scan the QR code for more financial information!



LAKE STEVENS HIGHLIGHTS

Comprehensive Plan Update

The City's Comprehensive Plan:
The primary document for guiding city growth and development over the next 20 years.



FUN FACT:
The new comprehensive plan assesses projected population, housing and employment growth through the year 2044.



Spring 2023:
The city started the state mandated periodic update process.

The city launched an extensive public engagement process and numerous work sessions.

35 community members and seven partner agencies/districts provided comments or testimony.

October 2024:
City Council approved Ordinances 1188 and 1189, adopting the comprehensive plan.

LAKE STEVENS HIGHLIGHTS

American Public Works Association Accreditation

Recognized for efficiency, safety, and service levels



Received impressive 99.7% full compliance rating



Joins elite group of 7 other cities across Washington state and 214 cities across the country who received APWA accreditation



Evaluated on operations, including management, planning, communication, policies, procedures, and overall performance

CITIZENVUE



Do you see something around
the city in need of attention?

The city launched CitizenVUE, a portal for residents to submit service requests on issues they see around the city that our team needs to address.

Assist our team to efficiently take care of the issue to help keep
Lake Stevens a beautiful place to live.

For more information, including a how-to submit a request video, scan the QR code.



Over 8,000 work orders completed since the program started May 2023!



JUSTSERVE.ORG

JustServe.org is a platform connecting interested residents with available volunteer opportunities to serve in their community.

Together, we can continue to make Lake Stevens a great place to live, work, and play.



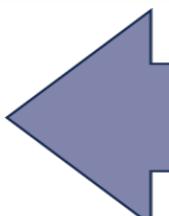
Scan the QR Code to visit the city's JustServe.org webpage!



LAKE STEVENS RIBBON CUTTINGS

West Lake Park and Bayview Trail Facts

- The West Lake Park groundbreaking ceremony was held July 31, 2024, with the Bayview Trail groundbreaking ceremony held on January 6, 2025.
- A dog park will open in Spring 2025.
- The Bayview Trail connector will add 4.7 miles of paved multi-use path aligning with Marysville's 64th Street NE existing Bayview Trailhead.



Scan the QR Code to visit the West Lake Park webpage!



2024 Accomplishments

POLICE

Obtained Washington Association Sheriff and Police Chief (WASPC) re-accreditation

Participated in multiple internet Crime Against Children (ICAC) operations with regional partners

Received and processed over 1,650 police public records requests

Hosted successful Citizen Academy, a 9-week course providing LSPD operations insight

PUBLIC WORKS

Awarded approximately \$900,000 in grant funds for watershed and stormwater infrastructure management

Launched the City of Lake Stevens Facilities Division

Constructed 3,000 feet of sidewalk along 91st Avenue SE

Installed 18 new school beacons with cloud-based management system



2024 Accomplishments

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Completed and adopted the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update in October

Start of construction on S. Lake Stevens Business Park, Sno-Isle Library, senior apartments and assisted living buildings

Reviewed 746 building permits and issued 665 building permits

Reviewed 225 land use applications and issued 117 land use decisions/permits

PARKS AND RECREATION

Created Mission and Vision Statement

Documented all park signs in the GIS system

Created the first activity guide

Replaced the row dock at North Cove Park



2024 Accomplishments

HUMAN RESOURCES

Passed Personnel Risk audit with no mandatory action items

Hired a Safety and Training Coordinator to enhance employee safety practices and professional development

Achieved the WellCity Award for the 15th year in a row

Hired and onboarded 30 new employees and promoted 11 internal employees

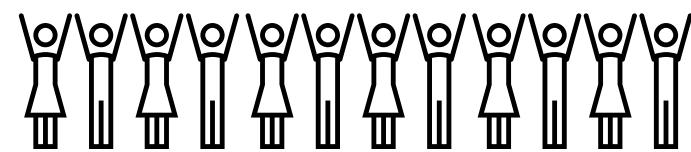
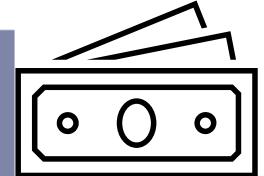
FINANCE

Received clean Financial and Accountability audits

2025 Annual Budget adoption

Upgraded our Moody's bond rating to Aa1

Updated multiple department policies



2024 Accomplishments

CITY ADMINISTRATION

Creation of Municipal Services Division to increase customer service, communication, and transparency

Processed over 1,960 public records requests, in partnership with the police department, totaling 2,249 staff hours

Focused on building positive legislative relationships and pursuing outside funding for city priority projects

Improved city contracts for compliance and timely delivery and updated city's mission statement and strategic planning initiative

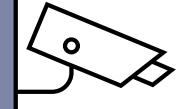
INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

Evaluated and migrated 900,000 files for records management modernization to SharePoint

Hired IT Security Analyst to formalize city cyber security policies, processes, and accountability

Increased city camera security at Lundein Park, North Cove Park, and Public Works building

Expanded GIS and external storage systems to make information easily accessible for the life of the infrastructure



TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT PROGRAM - 2024 COMPLETED PROJECTS

2024 Pavement Preservation

- ADA curb ramps updates
- Sidewalk improvements
- Crosswalk updates
- Full-depth spot repairs
- Utility adjustments
- Replace roadway markings

Locations

- 113th Avenue NE from State Route 92 to 32nd Street NE
- 20th Street NE from Ashley Pointe to 116th Avenue NE
- 4th Street NE from State Route 9 to 99th Avenue NE
- Vernon Road from Lundein Parkway to 91st Avenue NE
- 22nd Place NE from 130th Drive NE to Cul-de-sac
- Vernon Road from the bridge (1706 Vernon Rd) to Lundein Parkway Roundabout

Transportation Benefit Program (TBP) made significant progress in 2024. The city hired a Senior Civil Engineer to oversee the program. Through the TBP, the city will provide safe walkway and sidewalk connections to schools, street maintenance for high-volume roads, and traffic congestion relief.

91st Avenue SE Sidewalk Phase 1

- Completed a continuous ADA compliant pedestrian and bicycle route on the east side of 91st Avenue SE, between the intersections with 8th Street SE and Market Place.
- Provided a pedestrian and bicycle link between nearby neighborhoods, Hillcrest Elementary, Skyline Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School, and the commercial area on Market Place.



CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
ANNUAL PAVEMENT
PRESERVATION



THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN FUNDED BY THE:

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TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT PROGRAM - 2025 PROJECTS

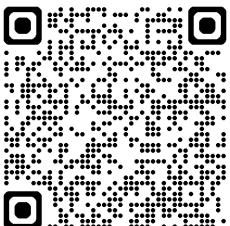
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2025 Pavement Preservation Sites

- 116th Avenue NE from 20th to 26th Street NE
- 117th Avenue NE from 20th to 26th Street NE
- Vernon Road from Callow Road roundabout to Mitchell Drive
- 20th and 26th Street NE from 116th NE to 117th NE

116th / 117th Avenue NE One-way Couplet

To put pedestrians and bicyclists first, the city is launching a pilot project to turn 117th/116th Avenue NE into a one-way couplet. One lane of the existing road will turn into a pedestrian/bicycle path.



Scan the QR code to visit the TBP webpage!



Capital Projects

2024 Completed

- **91st Avenue SE Sidewalk**
(8th Street SE to Market Place)
- **Bayview Trail Phase 0**
- **2024 Pavement Preservation**
- **2024 Citywide Striping and Thermoplastic**

2025 Goals

- **Main Street Reconstruction**
- **Frontier Heights Phase 2**
- **Bayview Trail Phase 0.5**
- **2025 Pavement Preservation**
- **131st Avenue NE Infrastructure**



Scan the QR Code to visit the capital projects webpage!



2025 Priorities

City Hall Municipal Services Campus

New Campus Facts:

- Located at 10519 20th Street SE
- Includes a City Council Chambers
- No new taxes or costs to residents
- Project is funded by a combination of local funds from bonds and grant funds
- New and more efficient services offered, including passport services
- More office space for growing staff
- Opens parking at North Cove Park
- Estimated move in date is spring 2026



Scan the QR code to visit
the project webpage!



2025 CITY EVENTS

- Egg Hunt
 - April 19 at North Cove Park from 10 am - 12 pm
- Gaming By The Lake
 - May 3 at North Cove Park from 10 am - 8 pm
- Community Garage Sale
 - June 7 & 8 from 9 am - 4 pm
- Lake Stevens Farmers Market
 - June 4 - August 27 at North Cove Park from 3 - 7 pm
- Old Fashioned Fourth
 - July 4 at North Cove Park from 11 am - 5 pm
- AquaFest
 - July 10 - 14 at North Cove Park
- Movies in the Park (Lundeen Park)
 - August 8 at 8:15 pm & August 22 at 7:45 pm
- Going a Viking
 - September 20 at Lundeen Park from 10 am - 6 pm
- Lake Stevens Harvest Market
 - October 11 at North Cove Park from 11 am - 4 pm
- HarvestFest
 - October 31 at North Cove Park from 4 - 7 pm
- WinterFest
 - December 13 at North Cove Park from 4 - 7 pm

Save the Date!



Scan the QR code to visit the community events webpage!



Welcome to our Community

Zencity Engage is our community's new hub to share, discuss, and collaborate on creating sustainable, solutions for important issues, challenges, and opportunities in our community. Thanks for taking part, joining with us, and making your voice heard.



Scan the QR code to visit the
Zencity Engage Project Pages

Active projects pages include economic development, public works, parks and recreation and other engagement opportunities to participate with our residents.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS



The city of Lake Stevens is grateful for the unwavering support and dedication of our community partners. Your contributions and collaboration have been instrumental in driving our mission forward and fostering a thriving community. Thank you for being an invaluable part of our city. We look forward to our continued collaboration and the many successes that lie ahead.

Greater Lake
Stevens
Chamber of
Commerce

Sno-Isle
Libraries

Lake Stevens
Community
Food Bank

Community
Transit

Lake Stevens
Senior Center

Lake Stevens
School
District

Lake Stevens
Historical
Society

Lake Stevens
Community
Resource
Center

Lake Stevens
Lions Club

Lake Stevens
Rotary

Snohomish
Regional Fire
& Rescue

Lake Stevens
Kiwanis

Lake Stevens
Sewer District

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County Public
Utility District





QUESTIONS?

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