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Local legislators briefed on Family First Center

DOUG BALDWIN AND I, along with members of my staff, had the opportunity to brief our local state legislators Tuesday morning on the Family First Community Center, a project that will provide vital services to kids and families in the Cascade/Benson community.

This center is possible thanks to the Renton City Council, Renton School District, First Financial Northwest Foundation, Doug Baldwin, King County Council members Reagan Dunn and Dave Upthegrove, and Ken and Nick Phillips, owners of Car Pros of Renton. Our state representatives expressed support and assistance as we move closer to make this community project a reality.

We are more than half way to raising \$15 million for this community center and we will be announcing two other major donors in a couple weeks, including the owners of another local company!

It's heartwarming to see how this partnership between government, schools and the private sector can come together to make a difference in the lives of many local residents. Stay tuned for more news in a couple weeks!



Expecting a package? Renton PD has advice

RENTON RESIDENTS ARE NOT immune to the rash of porch package thieves we see this time of year.

To help keep your family from becoming a victim, and to ensure a happy holiday season, the Renton Police Department has <u>produced a video with suggestions</u> on protecting your deliveries.

If your holiday shopping includes making an

on-line transaction that involves a face-to-face meeting, the video explains the option of using the Safe Exchange Zone at City Hall.



City Hall trees turn blue, honors police

THE TREES OUTSIDE City Hall are strung with blue lights this month for Project Blue Light, which supports law enforcement.

In Renton we're fortunate to have a police department that not only "protects and serves" but is deeply involved in our community. Their efforts include working closely with community groups,



sponsoring teen youth summits, attending community events, and hosting "Coffee with a Cop." All are designed to help break down barriers and build strong relationships with our residents and our officers.

Feedback

Comments, questions or suggestions, or just want to share all the great things that are happening in the city, please <u>email</u> me. Thanks for reading.