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RACE FOR WARMTH JUST ONE MONTH AWAY



The ninth-annual Race for Warmth is just a few weeks away. Clark Public Utilities is excited to welcome everyone back to the downtown Electric Center start and finish line for a fun-filled morning of walking, running and celebrating community while raising funds for Operation Warm Heart.

Lace up your racing shoes, gather your friends and family, and join hundreds of runners and walkers of all ages on the morning of Sunday, Jan. 29. The 10K run and 5K walk/run is the largest fundraiser of the year for Operation Warm Heart — the utility's donation-supported program that helps families in financial crisis pay home heating bills.

This year's event will feature many amenities of years' past, plus a few extras — including a new and bigger post-run after party nearby. The after party will include complementary adult beverages, donated by Ghost Runners Brewery, warm snacks, live music, yard games and more!

Before the official race begins, our littlest athletes will have a race of their own around the utility parking lot as the crowd cheers them on. Plus, participants can visit the many local business partners offering snacks, services and prizes.

Not a runner? No problem! The 5K walk is perfect for any pace and winds through some of downtown Vancouver's most beautiful settings.

Both courses are carefully marked and fully supported by Clark Public Utilities employee-volunteers, and the race is professionally timed with top three finishers announced in each category and distance.

Every dollar of your \$30 Race for Warmth registration fee goes directly to helping local families. In addition to a long-sleeve race shirt, registrants receive a bib number, medal and goodie bag with gifts from our generous local business partners.

Sign up today, or make a tax deductible donation to Operation Warm Heart at RaceforWarmth.com.

Special thank you to all our partners, including Area Heating & Cooling, New Tradition Homes, Columbia Credit Union and Burgerville.

LIGHT LINES

USE SPACE HEATERS SAFELY

Space heaters can be great for chasing away chills on a cold winter day, but never trade comfort for safety when using them. The soothing warmth space heaters provide can also be dangerous when not operated properly.

Practice the 3-foot rule and keep your space heater at least 3 feet away from any flammable objects such as paper, drapes, dusty surfaces or bedding.

Space heaters should only be used on the floor — never on a shelf, stool or bed. Never place them on a carpet or rug — hard and flat surfaces are ideal.

Never use a space heater with an extension cord and remember to shut it off before leaving the room or going to bed to prevent it from overheating, blowing a fuse or even causing a fire if left unattended.



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REPORT POWER OUTAGES AND RECEIVE UPDATES



Recent heavy rains and strong winds are a good reminder to prepare now for winter power outages. Although Clark Public Utilities works year round to prevent weather-related outages before they happen, the power can still go out.

Customers can help crews get the lights back on quickly by reporting outages right away. To report an outage, call PowerLine at 360-992-8000 or use the report an outage tool at ClarkPublicUtilities.com.

Either tool will also provide updates on current outages in the system and the online outage map can show outage locations countywide.

Utility power lines are often several miles long, outage reports can help pinpoint the exact location and cause of the outage. When crews respond to outages in the middle of the night or in bad weather this information can help make restoration much faster.

If your phone number has changed, let us know! PowerLine connects customer phone numbers with the account's address to help determine the location of the outage. If your number no longer matches your address, it will not produce an accurate report. To update, add the new number on your payment stub, email it, fill out our online form, visit MyAccount or call us at 360-992-3000.

To receive outage alerts via text, call or email, sign up for notifications in MyAccount anytime.

UTILITY GIFT CERTIFICATES ARE A WARM AND COZY HOLIDAY SURPRISE



This year, consider giving a gift to brighten and warm a home, a Clark Public Utilities gift certificate.

Purchasing a utility gift certificate is easy and only takes a few minutes when you call customer service, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 360-992-3000, or visit the Electric Center in downtown Vancouver or the Operations Center in Orchards during business hours.

Contributions can also be made directly to your loved-one's utility account in any amount, but account balances are kept confidential.

WE HAVE A DIVERSIFIED POWER SUPPLY TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

The 2022 Clark Public Utilities Fuel Mix

Hydro	50.94%
Natural Gas	29.87%
Nuclear	6.52%
Wind.	3.05%
Unspecified*	9.62%

* "Unspecified" is a mix of wholesale market purchases from unspecified generation sources.

