



AUG 24-29 & AUG 31- SEPT 4, 2023

Contact:

Rose Intveld

Communications Specialist

Rose.Intveld@snoco.org

425-388-6621

Evergreen State Fair Hosts Fair Food Drive June 15-July 8

A chance to give back to the community, in partnership with Lee Johnson Auto Family and receive one ticket for weekday Fair admission.

MONROE, Wash., June 8, 2023 – The Evergreen State Fair is hosting its annual Fair Food Drive and there are multiple ways to participate. The main event is Saturday, July 8, 2023, from 12:00-5:00 p.m. in the west (red) parking lot at the [Evergreen State Fair Park](#) in Monroe where the community can drop off donated items and enjoy some fair food. With support from [Lee Johnson Auto Family](#), drop-off options are also available June 15-July 7, 2023, at various Lee Johnson Auto Family locations around the region. By donating five or more non-perishable and unexpired items at the drop-off locations or at the drive-through event, the donor will receive one ticket for weekday admission to the 2023 Evergreen State Fair. Donations benefit the [Snohomish County Food Bank Coalition](#).

Not only can donors get free weekday tickets at the food drive, but they can satisfy their fair food cravings early! Some local food truck favorites will be at the food drive on July 8 including Fisher Scones, Pioneer Popcorn and the Cheese Pit.

In 2022, the drive-through food drive was a success and brought in **17,516 pounds** of food and that benefitted the Snohomish County Food Bank Coalition. “It means so much to us to see the community come out to support their neighbors in need,” said Sharon Swan, the director of the Snohomish County Parks & Recreation Division. “We are so grateful to our partners, sponsors, and donors. Our goal is to beat last year’s donations, so come out and support your community!”

Having the food drive early instead of on opening day of Fair, which has been a tradition in the past, eliminates the pressure of having to come to the Fair on a certain day to save money on admission. Once participants get their ticket, they can choose which weekday to enjoy the fair.

Suggested non-perishable and unexpired donations include:

- Baby wipes
- Hygiene/toiletries
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta

- Peanut butter
- Rice
- Shelf-stable milk
- Jelly and jams
- Canned meats
- Canned fruits
- Kitchen staples (spices, flour, sugar, cooking oil, salt)
- Pet food

Drop off locations available June 15-July 7, 2023:

- **Lee Johnson Chevrolet**
Lee Johnson Mazda
Lee Johnson Kia
11845 NE 85th St Kirkland, WA 98033
- **Lee Johnson Nissan of Kirkland**
11930 124th Ave NE Kirkland, WA 98033
- **Eastside Auto Licensing**
8244 122nd AVE NE Suite 2 Kirkland, WA 98033
- **Speedway Chevrolet & RV**
16957 W Main St. Monroe, WA 98272
- **Lee Johnson Hyundai of Everett**
Genesis of Everett
5206 Evergreen Way, Everett, WA 98203
- **Autoright Motors Bothell**
17318 Bothell Way NE Bothell, WA 98011
Autoright Motors Lake Stevens
2022 87th Ave SE Lake Stevens, WA 98258
- **Lee Johnson Mazda of Seattle**
4522 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle WA 98105

By donating five or more non-perishable and unexpired items at the drop-off locations or at the drive-through event, the donor will receive one ticket for weekday admission to the 2023 Evergreen State Fair. **Limit one ticket per person and five tickets per car** (there is a limited number of tickets, and they are first come, first served). Cash donations do not count towards tickets. Monetary donations can be made on the Snohomish County Food Bank Coalition website: <http://www.snohomishcountyfoodbankcoalition.org>. More information can be found at: <https://www.evergreenfair.org/279/Fair-Food-Drive>.

Other events happening July 8 at the Evergreen State Fair Park include the [NASCAR Central Welding Supply 125 – Driver Reunion Night Presented by Ziplly Fiber at the Evergreen Speedway](#) and the [Great Northwest Rabbit & Cavy Show Group](#).

About the Evergreen State Fair Park

The Evergreen State Fair Park in Monroe, WA collaborates with its partners to sustain, maintain, and innovate for the purpose of creating an inclusive and accessible space for Snohomish County’s residents and visitors. Since 1949, the 193-acre Fair Park has been home to the Evergreen State Fair which attract hundreds of thousands of visitors each year. Several permanent facilities including the Gary D. Weikel Events Center, the

Evergreen Speedway, the Evergreen Equestrian Park, two RV campgrounds and other exhibition spaces are used year-round for horse shows, trade shows, swap meets, auto races and more.

About Snohomish County Parks & Recreation

The Snohomish County Parks system is incredibly diverse and boasts almost 12,000 acres of parks and open space; over 120 park properties; 100s of miles of trails and access to fresh and saltwater shorelines. Major regional park assets such as the Evergreen State Fair Park, Kayak Point County Park, Lord Hill Regional Park, and the Centennial and Interurban Trail systems host local, regional, and national events that draw millions of visitors each year to Snohomish County.

###