



Town of Washington Update 09/24

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Today's outreach will cover multiple topics. While vaccine numbers are strong, our growing percentage of vaccinated residents has slowed to a trickle. If you have not been vaccinated and are of eligible age, please reconsider getting the vaccine. The Delta variant continues to have more severe symptoms and is more easily transmissible. Free clinics are widely available.

Recently we have seen a disturbing uptick in motor vehicle crimes. We are reminding residents to keep their cars locked and any valuables hidden from sight. It is also critical to remove your car keys. Most of the crimes taking place are happening where keys are left in the ignition and doors are unlocked. We can drastically reduce these incidents by taking simple precautions.

Many have noticed the change in landscaping at the Town Hall. The plantings that were removed were over thirty years old and many were invasive species. The Washington Garden Club is currently working with our landscapers in selecting appropriate plantings. Over the next several weeks the front lawn at the Town Hall will be replaced. The first step will be the removal of the current lawn. There is no cause for concern if passing by you notice the lawn is withered.

While enjoying the fall foliage, please remember the town is very congested this time of year with both vehicles and pedestrians. We are asking residents once again to please slow down and obey our traffic laws.

Thought of the Day: **"Autumn leaves shower like gold, like rainbows, as the winds of change begin to blow." - Millman**

Thank you to all and stay well.

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