Downtown BREMERTON ASSOCIATION

NEIGHBORS OF THE DBA

September 2026

Thank you for joining this month's Community Meeting!

Recording of Meeting can be found here

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MAINSTREET UPDATE

01. OCTOBER 1 - ONE MORE OPPORTUNITY
It’s not too late to become a Main Street donor. On October 1, additional tax credits may become available statewide on a first-come, first-served basis.

Apply for the Main Street Tax Credit:
Washington DOR — Main Street Tax Credit Application

02. CREDITS ARE LIMITED - As of September 1, only $82,673.60 remained statewide. Washington Main Street forecasts $75,000 or fewer may be available October 1 — and they could go within the first hour.

03. WHERE BREMERTON’S FUNDS WILL GO
Our goal is to put these dollars directly back into Downtown Bremerton through placemaking and beautification, small-business support and incubator programming, historic preservation, and reactivating our Pop-Up Shop / Temporary Occupancy Program.



QUINCY SQUARE PEDESTRIAN MALL

01. PEDESTRIAN MALL PLAN

Has been approved by the City Council.

02. SCHEDULE UNDER REVIEW

The plan is to close during the summer months for events and weekday activations. The shoulder season schedule is still to be determined.

03. CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

We'll report the next time this will be discussed on city council.



SQUARE ROOTS MARKET RECAP

01. FIRST YEAR, GREAT RESPONSE

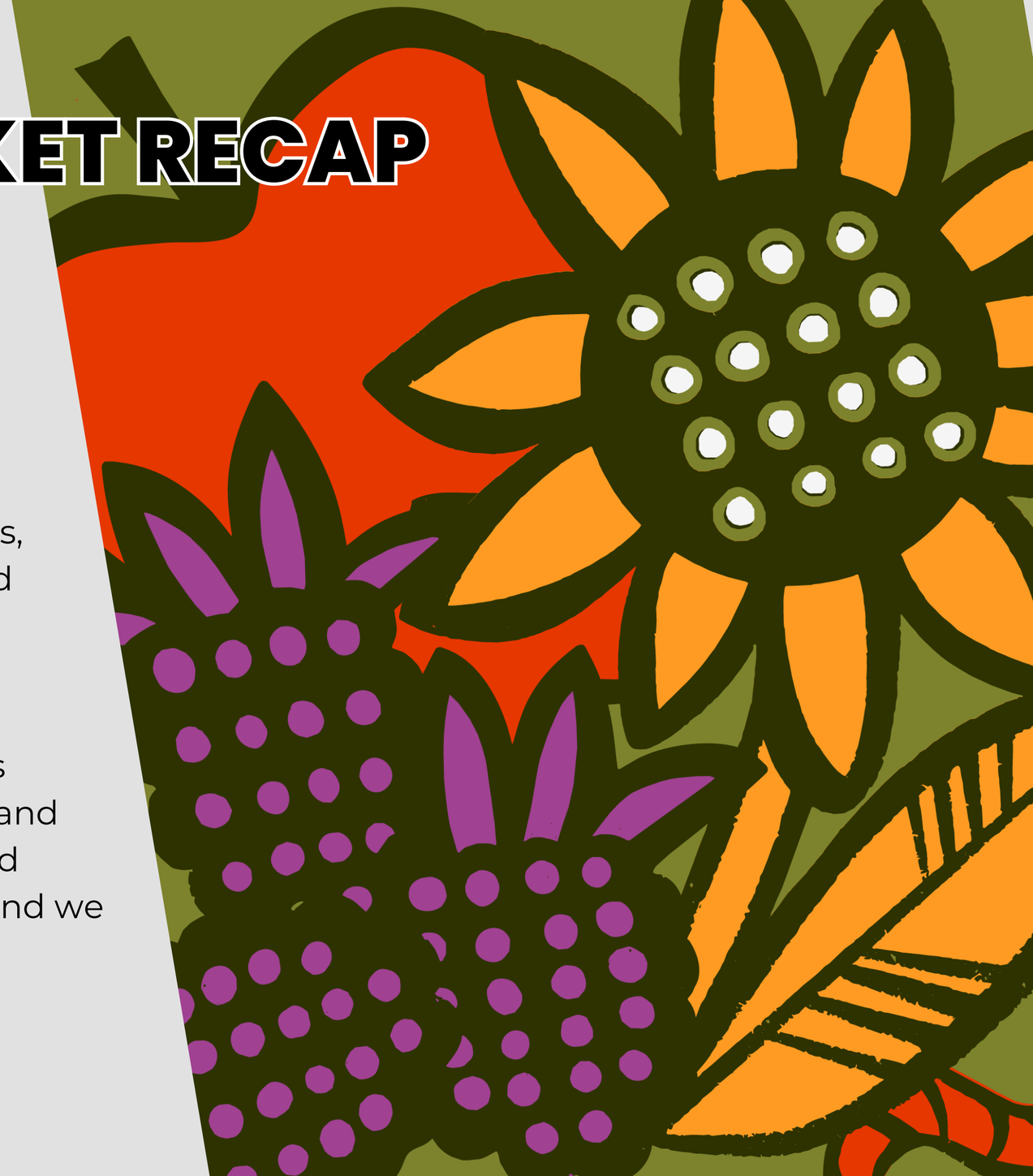
We were thrilled with the response to our first annual Square Roots Harvest Market in Quincy Square.

02. COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

Created in partnership with the Bremerton Community Farmers Market, the event brought together 20+ farmers, makers, artists, food producers, community partners and entertainers for a truly special day in the Square.

03. THANK YOU, PARTNERS!

A huge shoutout to the Bremerton Community Farmers Market, our participating vendors, community partners and everyone who came out to support the market. We loved seeing Quincy Square activated in a whole new way — and we can’t wait to do it again next year! (Sunday of Labor Day weekend)



UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

OCTOBER

2nd | Frist Friday Art Walk
3rd | Fall Harvest Fest
10th | Hobby Hunt
15th | Team Bremerton
17th | Witches Night Out
31st | Trick-or-Treat Street*

NOVEMBER

2nd | Frist Friday Art Walk
12th | GreenDrinks
19th | Team Bremerton
28th | Winter Fest

DECEMBER

4th | First Friday Art Walk
5th | Krampusknacht*
17th | Team Bremerton

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Vendors at the Chew | Volunteers | Sponsorship Packet

*these events are held in Quincy Sqaure and will extend into Pacific and other parts of downtown

HOW TO PREPARE FOR TRICK-OR- TREAT STREET

01. WHEN

Halloween Saturday, October 31st, 5 - 7:30 pm

02. HOW TO PARTICIPATE

If you have a storefront in downtown on 4th or Pacific and you want to participate, you can set up a table outside your business, or you can set up something inside and give out candy.

03. CANDY BUDGET

Some businesses may spend up to $1000 on Candy. Many businesses underestimate how much candy to get and then they run out in the middle of the event.

04. Let us know how you plan to participate.

Sign up here



JOIN US FOR WINTER FEST

01. WHAT
Shop Small Saturday
November 28th, 5 - 8 pm

02. WHAT
Kick off the holiday shopping season with us, shop small, and join the seasonal fun. We'll have hot treats, Santa's workshop with photos, and holiday-themed entertainment.

03. NEW THIS YEAR.
We are adding a window decorating contest:
Details coming out soon.

04. VENDORS/PERFORMERS SIGN-UP HERE:
HTTPS://WWW.DOWNTOWNBREMERTON.ORG/WINTER-FEST-FORMS



ON OUR RADAR

01. Board Recruitment
We're actively recruiting new board members as we continue building a strong, representative board to help guide the DBA's next chapter..

02. Fall Board Retreat
Our annual Board Retreat is coming up in October. We'll be setting aside dedicated time to dig into 2027 priorities, Main Street work, programs, and the DBA's strategic direction.

03. Planning for 2027
We're already looking ahead to 2027 — evaluating what worked this year, where we can have the greatest impact, and how we continue investing in downtown businesses, placemaking, and community connection.

04. Next Neighbors of the DBA meeting
October 27th at 9 am RSVP here



OPEN DISCUSSION