



City of Yakima

News Release

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The search is on for Yakima's Community Christmas Tree.

The City of Yakima and the Downtown Association of Yakima (DAY) are asking area residents to consider donating a tree from their property for the annual holiday festivities in Downtown Yakima.

To nominate your tree as the Community Christmas Tree, call Cally Price, the Assistant to the City Manager, at 509-575-6040.

It is anticipated that crews will arrive to remove the tree during the week of November 15th–19th, transporting it to Millennium Plaza for installation. DAY is working with the City of Yakima to coordinate the tree removal/installation.

DAY is planning a tree-lighting ceremony for Sunday, December 5th.

"It needs be an evergreen, preferably 15 to 25 feet tall," said John O'Rourke, Operations Manager for DAY. "It has to be in a location that we can access with a crane and get a truck to it."

If property owners nominating a tree are unsure about its dimension or about access to it they can call O'Rourke at 509-952-8052.

The selected tree will be removed at no cost to the owner.