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# CLERK'S ALERT

## **Entrance to King County Courthouse Shifts to Third Avenue on June 15, 2023**

The Fourth Avenue entrance to the King County Courthouse will close on June 15, 2023, at which time the Third Avenue entrance will re-open.

King County announced the change on May 18, 2023. It represents the first time in more than three years that the Third Avenue entrance will be used for consistent general access by the public.

As this change takes place, King County is partnering with law enforcement, neighborhood and community organizations, and other governments to foster a safer, more welcoming environment in and around county facilities.

During the shift to Third Avenue access, Sheriff's deputies will be reposted at the Third Avenue entrance and will continue their regular foot and bicycle patrols of the downtown civic campus area, and Facilities Management Division (FMD) Security Officers will continue their exterior perimeter patrols of the courthouse.

Temporary signage will be installed to provide directions to users of the building. Employees, jurors, and other visitors to the Courthouse building should allow additional time to gain access and clear security screening on Third Avenue during this transition.

Repairs to the Fourth Avenue entrance will begin soon after it is closed and are expected to be completed at the start of August. The Fourth Avenue entrance may open as a secondary entrance if staffing and resources allow. The tunnel entrance to the Courthouse from the King County Administration building is not a publicly accessible entrance, as the Administration Building is closed to the public.

