Outdoors/Recreation
- Mt. Rainier National Park (see if the mountain is out)
- Northwest Trek Wildlife Park
- Pt. Defiance Park
  - Pt. Defiance Zoo
  - Hiking & Biking Trails
  - Owen Beach
  - Views of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge
  - Anthony’s Restaurant (great seafood!)
- Ruston Way (along the waterfront, walking & great restaurants)
- Chambers Creek Park & Chambers Bay Golfcourse (home of the 2015 U.S. Open!)

Downtown Tacoma/Pacific Avenue
- Museums
  - Tacoma Glass Museum
  - Washington State History Museum
  - Tacoma Art Museum
  - LeMay Car Museum
- Freighthouse Square (near the Tacoma Dome)
- Antique Row on Broadway (including Sanford & Son)
- Urban XChange (Hip used, vintage & consignment style)
- Tinkertopia, LLC (An alternative art & creative supply store)
- Food
  - Corina Bakery
  - Hello Cupcake
  - Indochine
  - Infinite Soups
  - Puget Sound Pizza
  - Pacific Grill

6th Avenue (some of Tacoma’s best coffee & food!)
- Southern Kitchen (featured on Diners, Drive-Ins & Dives)
- MSM Deli (great sandwiches – a favorite lunch spot)
- Blue Beard Coffee Roasters
- Shakabrah Java (breakfast!)
- Gateway to India (awesome lunch buffet)
- Marrow
- Ice Cream Social
- Trapper’s Sushi
- Valhalla Coffee
Shopping
- Tacoma Mall
- South Hill Mall (Puyallup)
- The Outlet Collection (Auburn)

South Tacoma/Parkland
- Food
  - 72nd Street Taquerias (In the mood for a great taco?)
    - Taqueria El Grande
    - Taqueria El Rinconsito
    - Tacos Guaymas
  - 38th Street Sushi & Pho
    - Gari of Sushi
    - Vien Dong (incredible Pho!)
  - South Tacoma Way Pho & Chinese
    - Pho Tai
    - Tacoma Szechuan (authentic & seriously best Chinese food in Tacoma)
  - Bruno’s European Café (also featured on Diners, Drive-Ins & Dives)
- Activities
  - Sprinker Recreation Center (ice skating, batting cages, climbing wall and more)
  - Parkland Putters Miniature Golf Course
  - Paradise Bowl
  - Spanaway Park
  - American Lake

Garfield Street – just next to PLU
- 208 Garfield (great restaurant, owned by PLU – try the gelato!)
- Farrelli’s Wood Fire Gourmet Pizza
- Garfield Book Company at PLU (PLU’s official bookstore)
- Marzano’s (one of the best Italian restaurants in Tacoma)
- Northern Pacific Coffee Company (better known as NPCC)
- Pita Pit
- Reyna’s Fine Mexican Cuisine
- Uni Teriyaki