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PACMTN AWARDS THE HIGH IMPACT COMMUNITY GRANT IN THURSTON COUNTY Affecting resources that support youth and young adult career connected learning

Olympia, Wash.: PacMtn enables Jobs for Washington Graduates and Thurston Conservation District in developing youth and young adult workforce initiatives. The organizations receive High Impact Community Grants on Feb. 27, 2018 at the Thurston County Commissioner's Office. High Impact Community Grants are in sum of up to \$5,000 each to develop pathways and opportunities to benefit youth and young adult careers, called career connected learning initiatives.

Career connected learning is a statewide program backed by Gov. Jay Inslee to ensure Washington's young people take active roles in the local economy and to embrace 21st century challenges and innovation. The High Impact Community Grant provides resources to fund project and activities supporting career connected learning experiences.

PacMtn is thrilled to announce this initiative for young people in Thurston County, and looks forward to the programs that Jobs for Washington Graduates and Thurston Conservation District develop.

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**About Us:** The Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council (PacMtn) and its Board of Directors are responsible for workforce development in the five county area of: *Grays Harbor, Lewis, Pacific, Thurston and Mason Counties.* Pacific Mountain has created a pipeline of skilled and talented worked that are prepared to meet the needs of local employers.