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PacMtn Workforce Development Council Announces \$1.5 Million Investment into WorkSource System

The Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council Board of Directors (PacMtn) is pleased to announce a new investment model designed to move people into self-sufficiency. PacMtn's *One Workforce* initiative will support WorkSource system partners in achieving shared outcomes by directly investing in the partner's efforts. This approach will reduce duplication of services, streamline processes, and eliminate unnecessary boundaries to employment for people searching for employment.

PacMtn Board Member, Jonathan Pledger of Morningside said, "Morningside is excited about PacMtn's move to a distributed funding model. We feel this will better support constituents that are currently being served by multiple community-based organizations, but more importantly, it will help these organizations maximize the impact of these investments and help those being served on their journey to self-sufficiency. This amplification of services and investment by PacMtn will strengthen the organizations working hard and make our communities a better place to live. We look forward to expanding our partnership and finding ways to work together to streamline the services we provide and avoid duplication of our efforts in the community."

This change in approach brings \$1.5M of funding to system partners enabling them to expand their services to include key job seeker investments that drive performance outcomes for the participants they serve.

PacMtn CEO, William Westmoreland said, "Helping people achieve self-sufficiency is a complex process and requires individually designed solutions. PacMtn's WorkSource system is a complex web of programs that is often difficult for job seekers to navigate. Making these investment resources accessible to those in need, where they're being served, is much more efficient than referring them all over town to patch together the available resources."

System partners can learn more about [One Workforce](#) by visiting the PacMtn website.

For more information, don't hesitate to get in contact with Kelly Fujimoto, Community Relations Analyst, kelly@pacmtn.org or for general inquiries email oneworkforce@pacmtn.org.

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About PacMtn Workforce Development Council (PacMtn):

PacMtn is a nonprofit organization that is the recognized convener of regional workforce development efforts. The PacMtn Board of Directors, PacMtn elected Official Consortium, and all staff are dedicated to the development of a workforce system that supports business, industry, and all levels of employers and job seekers. PacMtn oversees the regional network of American Job Centers, called WorkSource, which house the demand-driven and integrated system of partners dedicated to developing community prosperity, one job seeker and one employer at a time.