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**Mission, Vision, & Values**

**MISSION**
To lead dynamic regional workforce development that enhances economic success.

**VISION**
PacMtn is a recognized leader providing workforce solutions in Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific and Thurston Counties.

**VALUES**
The Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council values are…

- Customer emphasis that puts the public at the center of every decision and action
- Regional efforts that span the five-county area, so that all counties are achieving economic success for the benefit of the region
- Innovation and creativity as the backbone of progress and support of day-to-day activities
- Diversity of thoughts, ideas and solutions achieved by honoring diverse perspectives
- Integrity, honesty, openness, personal excellence, constructive self-assessment, continual self-improvement, and mutual respect as an organization and as individuals
WDC Roles & Relationships

State of Washington

Congress
Enacts Workforce Investment Act
Appropriates Funds

Department of Labor
Administers Funds

Federal Government

Governor
Establishes Workforce Development Areas

State Department of Employment Security
Administers Funds

Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Area

Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Consortium
Authorizes WDC; Appoints WDC members; Approves WDC budget and strategic plan
The WDC and Consortium are Partners in regional strategic planning.

WDC Committees
Executive Finance

WDC Board
Sets Policy; Approves Budget

CEO
Staffs Board; Directs Staff

Staff
Administers Services

Sub recipient Contracts for Service Delivery
What We Do

Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council (PacMtn) is the recognized convener of the region’s workforce development efforts. The PacMtn Board of Directors, PacMtn Elected Official Consortium, and all staff are dedicated to a workforce system that supports businesses, regional industry sectors, and all level of employers and job seekers. We are developing a fully integrated system of services that is efficient at meeting the community and economic needs of the region.

Community Prosperity

PacMtn oversees the local network of American Job Centers, called WorkSource. WorkSource is a demand-driven and integrated system of partners who share common goals. Our WorkSource Centers are a focal point for developing community prosperity, one job seeker and one employer at a time. Each WorkSource is committed to being a community resource and providing excellent customer service.

Labor Market and Business Employment Needs

PacMtn is a hub for gathering and disseminating information about the area’s labor market and business employment needs. We convene groups of businesses and partners to guide collaborations with training providers and fund innovative solutions for today’s workforce challenges. Learn more here.

Creating Pipelines

By building strategic alliances and designing innovative workforce solutions, we are creating a pipeline of skilled and talented workers prepared to meet the needs of local employers and the industries of tomorrow. Targeted employment services help job seekers explore career pathways, update skills, and gain work-related training - increasing employability, retention, and long-term earning potential. All of these efforts culminate into an integrated system that supports regional employers by supplying them with the skilled workers.

Regional WIOA Administrator

In 2014, President Barack Obama signed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) into law as the first major reform of the public workforce system in 15 years. This law creates a more streamlined workforce training and employment delivery system that seeks to increase business prosperity by supplying highly-skilled workers. The focus on business, industry, and the health of our local economy will
promote economic success for individuals and our communities. At the local level, PacMtn directs program activities driven by WIOA funding.

Industry Cluster & Sector Information

In 2019, PacMtn updated the 2012 Targeted Cluster Identification & Strategic Alignment Report.
The report continues a focus on primary industry clusters:

- Food Production and Manufacturing
- Wood Products and Paper Manufacturing
- Health Care
- Specialty Manufacturing and Logistics
- IT/Telecommunications
- Hospitality, Tourism and Recreation

**Food Production**
Comprised of industries involved in agriculture production and fishing, as well as the transformation of livestock, agricultural products, and other consumable natural resources into products for immediate and final consumption. The cluster contains supply chain components ranging from agribusiness, transportation/distribution, and final consumption (e.g., supermarkets, restaurants, amusements parks, etc.).

**Wood Products and Paper Manufacturing**
The core industries range from logging and sawmills to different types of wood manufacturing. Since logging and sawmills are represented within the core industries, the industrial inputs include the engineering and industrial machinery that go into the core industries. Purchasers and distributors include a wide variety of industries such as hospitals, which require a wide range of wood and paper products, and soft drink manufacturing, which primarily buy specific products like cardboard.

**Health Care**
This cluster’s core industries are involved in the development and manufacturing of health-care products, such as electro-medical products, as well as specialty and niche medical services, such as laboratories, diagnostic imaging, and kidney dialysis centers. Industries providing administrative and engineering services are represented in the industrial inputs, whereas medical facilities such as dentists play the role of purchasers and distributors.

**Specialty Manufacturing and Logistics**
The core industries are comprised of activities focused on the production of value-add chemicals, such as basic inorganic and organic chemical manufacturing, as well as the production of various plastic products. This sector includes high performing transportation and warehousing industries (but not wholesale trade) not already included in other cluster arrays.

**IT/Telecommunications**
Industries specializing in performing computer programming and data processing related services, including custom services, internet hosting, and other computer-
related services, comprise the core industries. This sector is particularly entrepreneurial-focused, given the high number of proprietors and self-employed jobs. It includes motion picture and sound recording sector. Primary industrial inputs revolve around engineering, administrative, and other service-based industries required by the core industries. The purchasers include a variety of industries that use the core industries’ services.

*Hospitality, Tourism and Recreation*
While one additional target cluster, tourism and recreation, was also studied, the leadership team opted to remove it from the regional strategies framework given the predominance of supply-chain industries compared to core industries, the lack of available data for significant tribal operations in the region, and the relatively unique form the industry takes in each part of the region. Recognizing its economic value in the region, participating economic development councils will continue to pursue development of arts, tourism and recreation industries as part of their individual work plans. Additionally, the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council recognizes tremendous workforce development opportunities with the tribal communities in the region. Using this document as the basis for dialogue, PMWDC hopes to build and enhance existing partnerships.
Join Us!

Dear Community Member:

We invite you to consider application for a board position with the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council. PacMtn is responsible for workforce development in the five county area of: Grays Harbor, Lewis, Pacific, Thurston and Mason Counties.

The Board of Directors provides oversight to the operations of this $13 mil+ organization and to the important strategic work to create a pipeline of skilled and talented workers who meet the needs of local employers. Pacific Mountain's workforce system relies on partnership and recognizes collective impact as the only way to accomplish the daunting workforce challenges of this region. PacMtn leads efforts and continues to evolve into a regional, strategically focused and demand driven system. We need business, labor and community members who care about this issue, who recognize the connection of workforce development to regional prosperity and who will dedicate their time and energy to accomplishing our mission.

Learn more about PacMtn at [www.pacmtn.org](http://www.pacmtn.org).

Please review the materials included and do not hesitate to call the PacMtn offices at (360) 515-5134, if you have questions. Your attention and contribution to this effort is vitally important to our communities and the vitality of our local economies.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Sharon Trask  
Elected Officials Consortium Chair  
Mason County Commissioner

Alissa Shay  
Board Chair  
Port of Grays Harbor
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The members of the Board that represent PacMtn industry sectors are individuals with optimum policy making authority within the businesses, organizations, agencies and other entities. They shall represent diverse geographic areas within the local area.

Composition
Fifteen members of the Board must be representatives of business large and small in the local area and may include private sector employers who represent them (i.e. trade/industry representatives, EDCs and chambers). These members represent businesses, including small businesses that provide employment opportunities that, at a minimum, include high quality, work-relevant training and development in in-demand industry sectors or occupations in the local area. Each of the County Commissions in PacMtn local workforce area will select and forward at least three business representatives who have been nominated by local business and trade organizations.

An additional 11 required regional representatives are appointed for a particular expertise required to achieve the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Acts intention, meet local needs and should include professionals who serve individuals with barriers to employment and/or eligible youth.

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<td>11 seats–region wide</td>
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Nomination
All appointments will be made by the PacMtn Consortium. Nominations shall be received from:

A. 3 business representatives per county –15 seats total
   a. Recommended by each County Commission following nomination and consultation with local business organization and business trade associations

B. 2 seats–Organized Labor
   a. Nominated by Local Labor Federations and Organizations

C. 1 Seat–Apprenticeship
   a. Nominated by Local Labor Federations and Organizations

D. 1 Seat–State Employment Services
   a. Nominated by Employment Security Department Commissioner

E. 1 Seat–Disabilities-based Employment/Training
a. Nominated by Department of Vocational Rehabilitation Director

F. 1 Seat—Adult Education and Literacy
   a. Nominated by Local Adult and Basic Education Contractors

G. 1 Seat—Postsecondary Higher Education
   a. Nominated by Post-Secondary Presidents

H. 1 Seat—K-12 Education
   a. Nominated by Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Education
      Service District 113, Superintendents Association, Principals Association

I. 1 Seat—Department of Social and Health Services Economic Services Administration
   a. Nominated by DSHS Economic Services Assistant Secretary

J. 2 Seats—Community Based Organizations and/or Tribes whose workforce
   mission aligns
   a. Nominations are open from all of the above nominators and community
      based organizations that serve the specialized populations and expertise
      desired by the Board and Consortium

All nominations are received by PacMtn WDC Board Nomination Review Committee,
appointed by the WDC Chair or alternatively by the Chief Executive, as the Board Chair
directs. All nominations will be forwarded for consideration and appointment, as agreed by
the Consortium.

**Board Member Job Description**

The purpose of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) is to be the region’s expert and
leader in workforce development. The WDC is led by a dedicated group of labor, business
and community leaders focused on the mission to build community prosperity. The Council
will identify workforce issues and concerns and bring together the necessary assets to
facilitate solutions that foster prosperity for the region, local business and industry, and
residents. The WDC strategically plans and deploys workforce solutions and resources for
the advancement of region’s economy. The WDC gathers and disseminates information
about the area’s labor market and businesses’ employment needs; builds a strong area-wide
workforce development system of partners; convenes groups of businesses, training
providers, and other organizations to develop solutions for workforce challenges; and
oversees the local network of America’s Job Centers, called WorkSource in Washington
State. Board Members are appointed by the PacMtn Consortium and will report semi-
annually to the County Commissioners and/or at the request of the Commissioner.
Qualifications
1. Desire to make a positive contribution to the regional economy by helping shape a workforce development system that meets the needs of employers and individuals.
2. Willing to devote time and talent to work with other Board members, staff, businesses, public officials, and public and private sector partner organizations to achieve PacMtn’s mission to enhance the quality of the workforce.
3. Demonstrated team player committed to creating and contributing to a positive environment
4. Employed as a senior-level decision-maker in your organization and willing to think about the region as a whole—not just the interest of your business and organization.
5. Conducts oneself with the highest levels of professionalism as a thought leader and visionary, respected in their communities
6. Community minded individual with demonstrated interest and capacity to enhance and expand the credibility of the workforce system and its partnerships.
7. Business Representatives:
   a. Represent all sizes of business and industry with adequate employees to understand labor force needs/issues;
   b. Clearly understand the need for a well trained workforce and the workforce skills needed by 21st century employees
Stand ready to represent a whole industry (cluster/sector), with credibility, knowledge and experience in that sector/cluster and to speak to regional industry trends and needs

Expectations
1. Attend 75% of scheduled Board and assigned committee meetings.
2. Join and actively participate in at least one standing committee of the Board.
3. Notify the Board chair or the executive director when you are unable to attend meetings.
4. Act as an ambassador of the workforce system in community and business groups in which you are involved.
5. Utilize, to the greatest extent possible, the business and partner resources of the local WorkSource.
6. Educate yourself and remain updated on current and contemporary workforce issues and PacMtn activities.
7. Be prepared for Board meetings by staying informed about Board matters, reviewing materials sent in advance of the meetings.
8. Get to know and respect other Board members, building collegial relationships that contribute to effective decision making.
9. Act and vote on behalf of the long term interests of the regional labor force, employers and the community not on the interest of a single constituency.
10. Avoid conflicts of interest. If a conflict on a particular issue is unavoidable, disclose the conflict and follow Board policies for removing oneself from discussion and/or vote on that issue.

11. Understand and observe the respective roles of the WDC, Board staff, the One-Stop Operator, service providers and the Chief Elected Officials.

12. During Board meetings focus on policy elements, operating at the 30,000 foot level, not in the staff level details.

Complete description of duties and responsibilities can be found on our website here.

**Time Requirements**

1. The Board meets on a regular basis as dictated by the press of business and not less than four (4) times a year; with meetings normally lasting from two to four hours. To accommodate schedules and the vast travel distances of this region, virtual participation of meetings are encouraged if you are unable to meet in person. Upon request, travel expenses will be reimbursed.

2. Committees generally meet monthly, with some variance upon needs as determined by the Chair, specific projects and desired deliverables.

3. Members are encouraged to perform ambassador duties as part of their regular job functions and through existing professional networks.

Individuals are appointed into two, three or four year terms, as designated by the PacMtn Consortium.

**Board Committee Work**

Pursuant to the Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act H.R. 803 the Board may designate and direct the activities of standing committees to provide information and to assist the local Board in carrying out required activities. All standing committees shall be chaired by a member of the Board and may include other members of the Board, and other interested community stakeholders and subject matter experts appointed by the Board. Committees and Taskforces must be chartered and accepted by a vote of the full Board.

**PacMtn Committees and Taskforces**

1. Executive Finance Committee - comprised of the WDC Board Chair, Incoming Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary/Treasurer, Immediate Past Chair and chairs of all Taskforces and assigned Committees. Should all counties not be represented in this group a Member at Large will be added until such time as all counties are represented.

2. Business and Sector Engagement Committee - responsible for convening leaders across the region to organize and drive economic and workforce development.

3. Priority Populations Committee- responsible for oversight of planning and
programming related to people with disabilities and other populations for which
the Board desires specific and focused attention.
4. One Stop and Program Operations Task Force - responsible for oversight of
the One Stop System, and activities related to service delivery and programs.

**Code of Conduct & Conflict of Interest**
The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Section 107(h) Conflict of Interest states
that a member of a local Board, or a member of a standing committee, may not:
1. vote on a matter under consideration by the local Board;
   a. regarding the provision of services by such member (or by an entity
      that such member represents); or
   b. that would provide direct financial benefit to such a member or the
      immediate family of such member; or
2. engage in any other activity determined by the Governor to constitute a
   conflict of interest as specified in the State plan.

PacMtn Conflict of Interest Policy can be found on our [website](#).

**Board Member Application & Process**
1. Nominee fills out board member application
2. Nominating body prepares nomination letter; should be on organization
   letterhead, signed by nominator and should include a brief biography of
   nominee, addressing the nominee’s skills, background, and interest in
   serving on the board.
3. Nominator or Nominee sends complete application (application and nomination
   letter) to:
   - CEO@pacmtn.org
   - Email Subject: PacMtn Board Member Nomination
Board Member Application

Contact Information

NAME:
ADDRESS:
COUNTY:
EMAIL: PHONE:
EMPLOYER: POSITION TITLE:

Representation

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Questions

1. What do you think are the key Pacific Mountain regional workforce issues facing employers and job seekers?

2. What interests you about the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council? Which aspects of workforce development interest you the most?

3. What skills, connections, resources, and expertise do you have to offer and are willing to use on behalf of the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council and its employer and job seeker customers?

Nominee Signature

Signature _____________________________________________________________________________ Date ______________

Thank you!
For your interest in serving on the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council