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## **Boeing Awards \$100,000 Grant to PacMtn for Military Transition Program**

Pacific Mountain Workforce Development (PacMtn) announces a \$100,000 grant from The Boeing Company (Boeing) in Washington State, addressing employment gaps for military personnel and their families by providing equitable access to family-wage careers in manufacturing at Boeing.

In partnership with Thurston County Chamber of Commerce (Thurston County Chamber), Joint Base Lewis McChord SkillBridge-CareerSkills Program Administration, South Seattle College, and South Puget Sound Community College, PacMtn aims to bolster the Military Transition program, forging stronger ties with Boeing's Workforce Development Team.

The Thurston County Chamber, alongside the Boeing Workforce Development Team, will expand the Aviation Pathways program, including a hands-on Boeing skill development and mentorship experience. The program will also focus on a new career pathway recruitment effort with Bates Technical College to address workforce shortages.

This initiative supports military personnel and their families transitioning to civilian life, reducing poverty and fostering healthier communities.

"The private/public partnership is the cornerstone of success for programs like this. Boeing's grant empowers our military community, creating pathways to high-quality jobs benefiting veterans and the aerospace industry," said Pacific Mountain Workforce Development CEO William Westmoreland.

This \$100,000 grant signifies a significant investment in military personnel and their families, fostering successful civilian careers and supporting Washington State's aerospace industry growth.

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### **About Pacific Mountain Workforce Development (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 houses the demand-driven and integrated system of partners dedicated to developing community prosperity, one job seeker and one employer at a time.

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