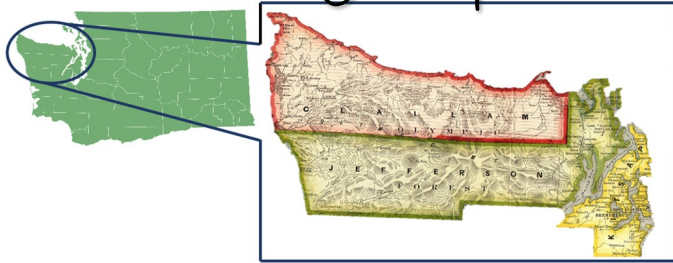


Strategic Workforce Development Coalition

Our Focus



Objectives

- To solicit business needs, collect local economic data, and develop industry best practices.
- To collaborate with training and education providers in meeting local labor market needs.
- To assess and address barriers in obtaining and maintaining economic self-sufficiency.

ADAPTATION The OWDC leads regional workforce efforts, dedicated to the development and implementation of innovative workforce systems, with a focus on community prosperity and economic well-being.

VISION Achieving economic prosperity and exceeding the expectations of jobseekers and employers by providing data driven solutions and innovative strategies for workforce challenges.

MISSION Utilizing locally relevant data to empower innovative and agile workforce strategies; we focus on developing community prosperity, one job seeker and one employer at a time.

VALUES Trustworthy, Transparent, Empowering, Responsive, Diversity, Innovative, Integrity, Customer Centric

Stronger Together



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Is your business experiencing difficulty finding enough workers?



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OWDC Strategic Plan Executive Summary

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), signed into law in 2014, aims to strengthen the U.S. public workforce system by facilitating employment for Americans, including youth and those facing significant barriers. WIOA consolidates various employment and training programs under unified goals, emphasizing local collaboration among workforce boards, educational institutions, and community organizations. The legislation prioritizes inclusivity and ensuring access to opportunities for all individuals. American Job Centers, part of a nationwide network, provide services to job seekers, workers, and employers.

In Washington state, WIOA implementation is organized into 12 regions, with the Olympic Consortium (WDA -1) comprising three county commissioners from each county. The Consortium's role is to establish and operate a comprehensive employment and training system, guided by the Olympic Workforce Development Council. The Kitsap County Department of Human Services provides administrative support.

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