

2022 EXCELLENT 10



CLEAR CREEK RESTORATION -

The Clear Creek Restoration project proposes to improve access to salmon habitat and increase flood storage capacity by removing sections of an existing access road separating Clear Creek from an adjacent wetland owned by the Port of Tacoma. The road removal will result in approximately 5,000 cubic yards of floodplain excavation and significantly improve access to critical salmon-rearing habitat. The project is located near the mouth of Clear Creek.



GOODWILL OF THE OLYMPICS & RAINIER REGION - ECOMMERCE PLATFORM -

Yes! You can now shop Goodwill online! The online store offers unique merchandise for collectors, vintage lovers, or your average thrift enthusiast. Shopping for goods is what Goodwill thrift stores are all about. Every sweater, set of dishes, romance novel, or board game purchase provides funding for free job training and support services so that everyone can reach their full potential. As a bonus, you are shopping sustainably – keeping usable items out of the landfill and giving them a new purpose.



LAKEWOOD STATION DISTRICT SUBAREA PLAN -

The Lakewood Station District Subarea Plan, Hybrid Form-Base Code, and Planned Action Ordinance was adopted on June 3, 2021. As the City plans for an additional 11,500 residents by 2030, new housing in the area near Lakewood Station will help meet this growth target as well as: provide other affordable housing for current and future residents, add businesses and employment opportunities, maximize access to transit and use of the Sounder Station, improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, prevent the displacement of current residents when redevelopment occurs, and complement planning in the Downtown area. Opportunity abounds in the Lakewood Station District area to improve it for existing residents and businesses and prepare for the next 100+ years.



PIERCE COUNTY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TASKFORCE -

The Pierce County Community Engagement Task Force was formed in May 2019 by the Pierce County Workforce Development Council and WorkForce Central in recognition that workforce services were not truly welcoming and accessible to everyone in our community. The Mission of the Pierce County Engagement Task Force is to use an innovative community engagement framework to integrate services with a comprehensive, multi-faceted approach to foster the economic mobility of Pierce County individuals and families. The Pierce County Community Engagement Task Force stands with the community to tackle our toughest workforce challenges.



RED DOT MOVES 300 JOBS TO PUYALLUP -

Global HVAC manufacturer Red Dot is relocating 300 jobs from Tukwila to Puyallup into a newly completed 200,000-square-foot facility. Employee-owned Red Dot was founded in 1965 and manufactures mobile HVAC units as well as components for heavy-duty commercial and military vehicles. Red Dot's new site will be used to manufacture parts to be distributed to the West Coast, Asia, and Europe, along with housing their corporate headquarters. Red Dot selected this location in Pierce County for its proximity to the Port of Tacoma, high quality of life for team members, and the streamlined manufacturing and distribution processes by co-locating manufacturing with HQ in one building.

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SAFE BOATS TACOMA SHIPYARD -

SAFE Boats International inked the remaining \$90 million dollar U.S. Navy contract to manufacture and build Mark VI Patrol Boats headed for the government of Ukraine. This contract solidifies the company's maritime expansion on the banks of Tacoma's Tideflats and will add 75 new maritime workers to the shipbuilder's South Sound workforce. The award includes firm-fixed-price modification to a previously awarded \$20 million contract for design, construction, outfitting, reactivation, and training for six Mk VI Patrol Boats with an option for two additional vessels. This significant contract award will support growth of shipbuilding in the Tideflats and promote economic vitality for Tacoma-Pierce County.



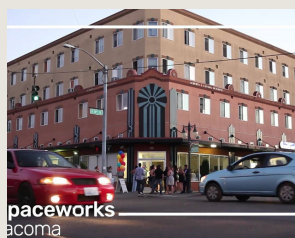
SALES & USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR DATA CENTERS IN URBAN COUNTIES -

The "data center exemption" provides a sales and use tax exemption on purchases of eligible server equipment and power infrastructure that is located at a qualified computer data center. Effective June 9, 2022, qualifying businesses and tenants may apply for a sales and use tax exemption for purchases of server equipment and infrastructure for computer data centers in urban areas according to 2022 House Bill 1846. Eligible urban areas are those counties with a population greater than 800,000, which includes King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties. Qualified computer data centers must have at least 20,000 square feet dedicated to working servers. This valuable incentive supports the growth of high technology jobs for Tacoma-Pierce County.



SILVER CLOUD HOTEL AT POINT RUSTON -

The Silver Cloud Hotel Tacoma at Point Ruston Waterfront is the only luxury hotel and spa along the shoreline in north Tacoma. They offer breathtaking panoramic views of the Puget Sound waterfront along with the Olympic and Cascade Mountains. Hotel amenities include Silver Cloud's signature rooftop pool, an exciting dining experience, and a luxury oasis at Spa Serein. Extensive conference facilities include a 5,400-square-foot grand ballroom and an outdoor terrace. Secured parking is available with the convenience of our professional valet services. Break a sweat in our state-of-the-art 3,000-square-foot fitness center. Silver Cloud offers spacious guestrooms and suites with illustrious water and village views.



SPACEWORKS INCUBATOR -

Spaceworks Incubator provides relevant and meaningful small business training, coaching, technical assistance, and networking support to entrepreneurs creating or growing Tacoma-based businesses. They work with a growing roster of innovative, creative companies that strengthen the creative economy and make Tacoma a destination city. Entrepreneurs are encouraged to seek to launch or grow thriving, locally based businesses to participate in the incubator. An application-based Business Planning Cohort is offered with a suite of services provided to graduates of the cohorts alongside regular workshops open to the public.



WHITE RIVER RESTORATION -

In partnership with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Pierce County, and others, the City's four companion projects both protect the adjacent Manufacturing Industrial Center from flooding and enhance habitat for wildlife, including endangered species of salmon. The White River has been a challenge for over 100 years. These solutions bring unique partners to the table, including environmental sustainability, business, Tribes, and even the railroad, to work together for a win-win. This coordinated effort includes returning over 170 acres to braided river channels and habitat, replacing the obsolete Stewart Road bridge, and adding setback levees.