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Celebrating tech: A message from Tamsin Bell, EDB Vice President of Business Development

Tacoma-Pierce County is a hub for technology, and the EDB is bringing together tech leaders dedicated to fostering innovation in our region. After a long stretch of Zoom meetings, it was great to be back in person last month for the relaunch of the EDB's [Technology Cluster Acceleration Team](#), and to celebrate and support the advancement of Pierce County's technology industry.

It was especially fitting to (re)kick things off at the

[Centeris South Hill data hub](#) following passage of state legislation that extends and expands data center incentives. Centeris, operated by The Benaroya Company, is a shining example of how Pierce County is leading the way to provide critical technology vital to our region's economy.

Read more in this newsletter about technology's far-reaching impact in Pierce County, from health care to the arts.



EDB relaunches Technology Cluster Acceleration Team

More than 50 members and guests joined together at the Centeris South Hill data hub to mingle with peers, hear from industry experts and get charged up about tech in Pierce County.

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Pierce County Community Engagement Task Force redefines outreach

Find out how this dynamic collaboration is working to build and sustain communities and help organizations be more equitable.

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EDB's business recruitment activity on the rise

Pierce County is generating buzz and the EDB is seeing an uptick in interest. From hosting a French delegation to representing on a global stage, business recruitment activities are hopping.

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County expands programs for entrepreneurs and small businesses

Pierce County Economic Development programs help entrepreneurs and small business owners succeed.

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Celebrate Juneteenth June 19

This year is the first time that Juneteenth will be celebrated as a federal holiday. Commemorate the day by supporting Black businesses at the Black Business Market Juneteenth Celebration.

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Ivy Data: Real estate data startup calls Tacoma home

U.S. Air Force fighter pilot turned tech startup CEO William Flynt found strong support in Tacoma and easy access to a military talent pipeline. His real estate and property search company, which offers software that streamlines finding a home, is ready to grow.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Apply now! Women-Owned Business Pitch Contest

The inaugural contest offers more than \$47,000 in cash prizes, along with business resources, mentoring and the opportunity to increase market visibility.

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South Sound Proud offers funding for startup projects

South Sound Proud is looking to fund projects that will help attract community engagement, build a sense of pride or support economic development.

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Bridge Industrial warehouse developers present case to public

A public informational meeting was held April 14 for the proposed Bridge Industrial warehouse project slated for South Tacoma.

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NEWS

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