

ONWARD

PIERCE COUNTY MEANS BUSINESS

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Connecting ecology and economy: A message from Dana Coggon, Pierce Conservation District Executive Director

A healthy economy and a healthy ecology go hand in hand. That's why the federal conservation district program was created nearly 90 years ago, then to address devastating soil erosion conditions in the U.S.

Today, economic stability is still at the forefront of what we do. Put simply, [Pierce Conservation District](#) has been here for decades to support food, farms, fish and forests – all with the help of friends. Our partnerships

with cities, schools, organizations, agencies, individuals and the Puyallup Tribe of Indians help magnify the collective good work done throughout Pierce County to conserve our natural resources for future generations.

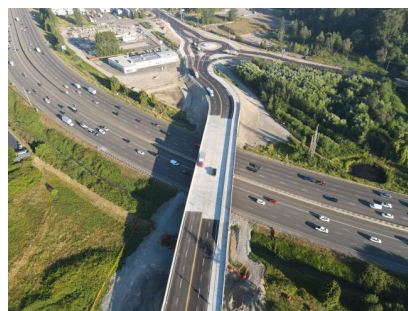
The District's efforts help care for our land and waterways, contributing to the health of our people, our communities and our economy.



South Sound businesses lead on environmental innovation

Earth Day is a big deal for companies across Tacoma-Pierce County that continue to invest in green technology and innovation, environmental remediation and critical habitat restoration.

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SR 167 Completion Project is happening

There's been a lot of confusion swirling around the SR 167 Completion Project. Rest assured the project is proceeding.

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Pierce Conservation District makes every day Earth Day

For more than seven decades, Pierce Conservation District has worked to protect natural resources that are essential to the region's economy and quality of life.

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What's new? Restaurants and retail in Pierce County

From downtown Tacoma to Main Street Sumner, commercial spaces are filling up with places to eat, sip and shop.

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Reserve your spot at the EDB Annual Meeting, May 3

Hear the EDB's annual report, celebrate this year's Excellent 10 and Golden Shovel honorees, and glean insights from Jahmad Canley, President and CEO of Potential Unleashed Consulting. *Advance tickets required.*

[Read more and register](#)



Are you ready to export? April 26: Meet the Washington State Department of Agriculture

The Small Business Administration offers free monthly webinars on export assistance that feature conversations with Washington Export Outreach members. [Read more and register](#)

NEWSBRIEFS

UW Tacoma Milgard School of Business honors EDB leaders

The 2023 UW Tacoma Milgard School of Business Leadership Award winners include former EDB Board Chair and current Executive Committee Member Herb Simon, current EDB Board Member Don Clark, and former EDB Board Member Pamela Transue.

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Pierce County business assistance programs

Several assistance grants and programs are available for a range of businesses and nonprofits. Check them out today. Some application deadlines are quickly approaching.

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Employer and Career and Technical Education Program Director Meet and Greet, April 27

The EDB and Sumner-Bonney Lake School District are teaming up to connect Pierce County employers with CTE program directors.

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2023 State of Pierce County address

Pierce County Executive Bruce Dammeier addressed

State of the City address: 'Building Tomorrow Together'

Tacoma City Mayor Victoria Woodards

Celebrate Earth Day in Pierce County

April 22 is Earth Day, Everyone can do their part to invest in our

crime, homelessness and other challenges and successes of 2022 and the year ahead.

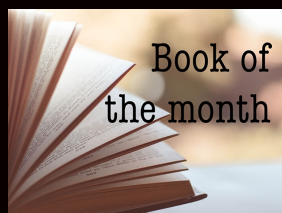
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covered community safety, homelessness, affordable housing and the city's ongoing recovery from the pandemic.

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planet. Here are a just a few ways to celebrate in Pierce County.

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What are you reading?

Dean Burke, President and CEO of [Travel Tacoma](#), recommends [How the World Really Works](#) by Vaclav Smil.

"An eye-opening way to see how the pillars of the world's economy truly play out at scale. And an understanding of global energy as the thing that has driven the success of our species."

NEWS

[EDB steers state grants to help underserved businesses, communities](#)

[Sound Credit Union, UW Tacoma hold financial tech pitch competition](#)

[Campfire Coffee named Family Business of the Year honoree](#)

[Tacoma ramping up to add more housing](#)

[Sea-Tac named best airport in North America](#)

[Washington had 5th-highest net gain in tech jobs last year](#)

[Tacoma startup Give InKind acquired by Pittsburgh gift card company](#)

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