

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

GUIDING PRINCIPLE: Grow the Tri-Cities through policies and legislation that promotes entrepreneurship, new business, workforce development, business retention, infrastructure development, and job growth.

THE CHAMBER SUPPORTS:

- ✓ Reauthorization of Local Revitalization Financing (LRF)
- ✓ Innovation Partnership Zones and the Economic Development Strategic Reserve Fund
- ✓ Tourism Promotion Area (TPA) funds increase to invest in tourism
- ✓ Electric system reliability through new renewable/clean generating resources, practical regulatory framework, and a focus on the region's capacity needs
- ✓ New policies harmonious with CETA (SB 5116), without undue burden on utilities and customers
- ✓ Ongoing energy storage research by Pacific Northwest National Lab

INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

GUIDING PRINCIPLE: Infrastructure and transportation policies should be linked to economic growth through the safe and efficient movement of products, services, information, and people.

THE CHAMBER SUPPORTS:

- ✓ Projects budgeted through Connect Washington, including Lewis St. overpass, Ridgeline interchange, and Duportail Phase II.
- ✓ Preservation of existing infrastructure and transportation projects designated by the Benton-Franklin Council of Governments
- ✓ Completing the Columbia Basin Project
- ✓ Preserving the Lower Snake River Dams
- ✓ Development of small modular reactors

EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

GUIDING PRINCIPLE: Investment in quality education, with specific emphasis on structured vocational education provides a quality workforce for the region. The chamber advocates consistent and ongoing communication and collaboration between business and educators, creating and expanding cost-effective opportunities for training and building partnerships with education providers.

THE CHAMBER SUPPORTS:

- ✓ Opportunities that will allow WSU TC to increase degree production
- ✓ The CBC Performing Arts Building Replacement project
- ✓ Reauthorization of the Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation at WSU TC

TAXES & SPENDING

GUIDING PRINCIPLE: A competitive and balanced tax climate promotes and fosters economic growth through private sector expansion. Equitable taxation policies and sound budgeting practices promote our region as a smart place to do business. Reasonable government spending should be prioritized, fund essential services and infrastructure, and never exceed projected revenues.

THE CHAMBER SUPPORTS:

- ✓ Repeal or change the B&O surcharge enacted during the 2019 legislative session (SB 2158)
- ✓ Extending/including both rural and border counties to the .09 Sales and Use Tax tool
- ✓ Expanding Aerospace incentives to include all manufacturing
- ✓ Re-establishing Research & Development tax credits

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