

SERVING CLALLAM, JEFFERSON, & KITSAP COUNTIES

Strategic Workforce Development Planning

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Our Purpose

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.

Our 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.

Our Vision

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

Our Values

Responsive Diversity Customer. Integrity Innovative Centric Empowerment Transparent



79% Council members interviewed.

# Interviews	28
Business	12
Community	6
Labor	1
Education	6
Economic Development	3

23 Council Members Interviewed | 5 Alternates

- 1. Last year as an organization/business
- 2. The Positive and Negative Impacts of the Pandemic
- 3. Forecasting
- 4. Barriers current workforce and applicants
- 5. Skill Gaps
- 6. Customer needs
- 7. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



Recruitment & Retention





Financial & Funding Issues

Industry-Specific Challenges



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Community & Economic Development



Technological Advancements & Adaptation



Education & Learning Transformation



Economic Resilience & Innovation



Equity & Disparities



Remote Work & Hybrid Models

• Operational Challenges



Recruitment & Staffing Challenges



Equity & Inequities

Economic & Financial Impact



Employee Well-being & Mental Health

Forecasting



- Hiring
 Challenges
- Qualified Candidates
- Specialized Fields

Capacity

Expansion
Project

- Project
- Labor Force

Business Development

- Staff
 - Shortages
- Skill gaps
- Training needs
- Revenue Focus

Childcare 22.54%

Affordable Housing 21.13%

Wages 9.86%

Mental Health 9.86%

Work Ethic/Flexibility/Gig Economy 9.86%

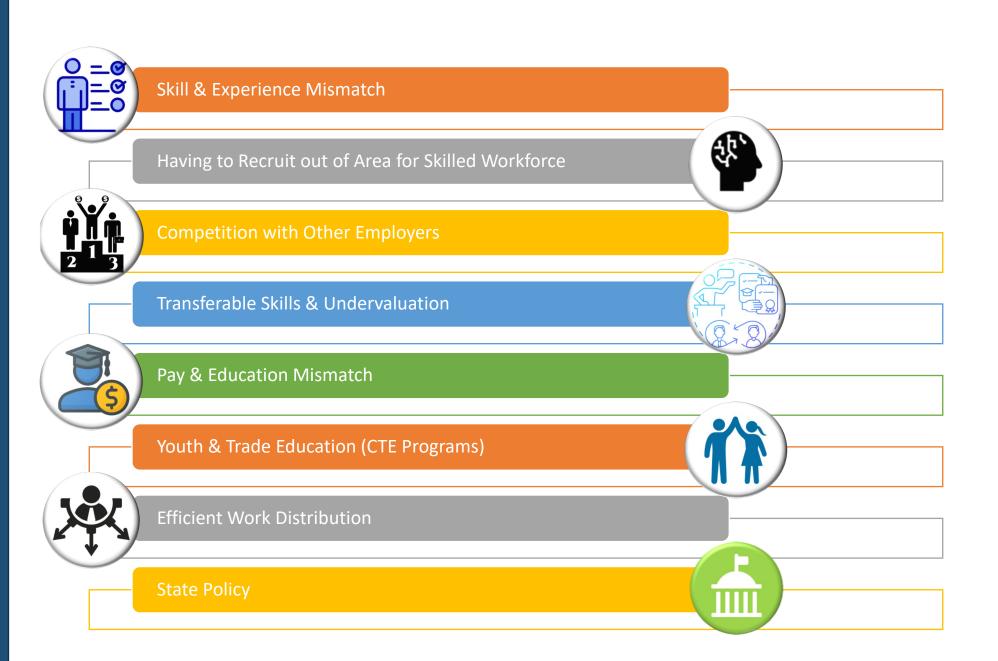
Substance Abuse 8.45%

Training (lack of) 7.04%

Transportation 5.63%

Retirement 5.63%

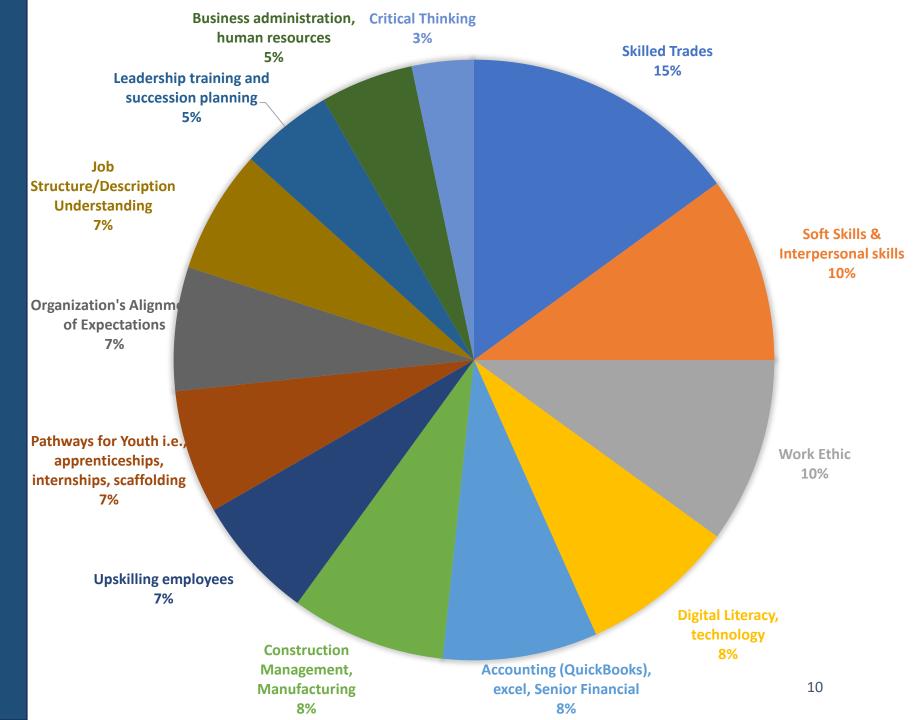
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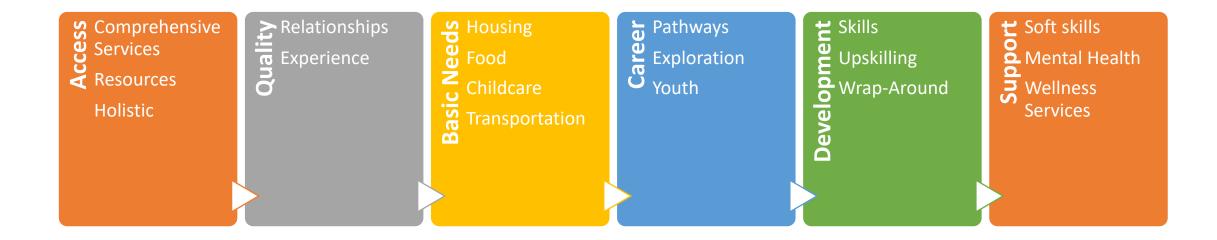
Knowledge

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Skills Employer Needs



Services Community Based



- Creating Better System of Services
- Career Connecting Learning Opportunities
- Pathway Awareness
 - Career Exploration
 - Work Experiences
- Options & Resources to meet needs outside of Workforce Development

- Business Services
 - Job Description Assistance
 - Workforce Planning
 - On-the-Job Training
 - Behavioral Services
 - Ongoing Support & Resources
 - Apprenticeships

Diversity Equity & Inclusion

Addressing Barriers Anti-Harassment Training Creating Inclusive Workspaces Focus on Underserved Populations Leadership Principles Microaggressions & Biases Acknowledging Challenges

Value Added



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Questions

Discussion

Expectations

Next Steps

- Objectives
 - Addressing Barriers
 - Strategic Priorities
 - System Goals
 - Alignment
- Group Recruitment



Economic Landscape

Cindy Brooks Colleen McAleer James Davis Monica Blackwood



Sector Strategies

Matt Murphy Nicole Brickman Danny Steiger



Brian Kneidl Mike Robinson □ Andy Rowlson ☑ Anjalee Blackwell Brian Kneidl \square Cindy Brooks \square Colleen McAleer Cordi Fitzpatrick ☑ Danny Steiger Gina Lindal ☑ James Davis □ Jeff Allen □ Jessica Barr □ Kareen Borders Lucinda Heidel □ Marilyn Hoppen ☑ Matt Murphy □ Megan Mason-Todd Mike Robinson Monica Blackwood □ Neal Holm ✓ Nicole Brickman Peter Johnson ☑ Terry Cox

Timeline - Gannt Chart.xlsx



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