



Snohomish County Workforce Development Council

NEWS RELEASE

WDC releases RFPs promoting new service delivery strategy

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(Everett: January 2007) The Snohomish County Workforce Development Council (WDC) is promoting a new service delivery strategy that will radically change services provided to job seekers and businesses at WorkSource Everett and WorkSource Lynnwood. This strategy, outlined in the recently published white paper, *Performance Trends and System Design Recommendations*, will serve as the foundation for all responses to the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) posted by the WDC early this month.

The WDC has released Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for both Program and Site Operator of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I-B Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs with a desire to remedy the recent decline seen in system performance. *Performance Trends* is the result of a system audit and an in-depth analysis of a similar workforce development area experiencing positive trend lines.

Written and published by WDC staff in November 2006, *Performance Trends* outlines the primary objectives for Snohomish County WIA Programs, including:

- to streamline and facilitate faster and more directed services for both businesses and job seekers;
- to create and encourage a team-based environment in the WorkSource Snohomish County centers utilizing as many partner agencies as possible to exceed Federal and State performance targets; and
- to integrate services to both businesses and job seekers through a cluster-based, demand-driven system, increasing long-term successes for both businesses and job seekers.

More information about the RFPs and the process for applying can be found online at www.worksourceonline.com. Questions regarding the RFPs should be addressed to Trina Miller via email at tmiller@snocowdc.org.

In the interim, WorkSource Snohomish County is still providing excellence in customer service to our county's businesses and job seekers. For more information about the services available, visit us online at www.worksourceonline.com or call WorkSource Everett at (425) 258-6300 or WorkSource Lynnwood at (425) 673-3300.

About the Snohomish County Workforce Development Council

The Snohomish County Workforce Development Council is a non-profit organization investing in workforce training and career development in Snohomish County through the one-stop workforce development system, WorkSource Snohomish County.

The Snohomish County Workforce Development Council was created in 1999 to address the comprehensive workforce development issues of Snohomish County, Washington - one of the fastest growing employment centers in North America. The primary focus of the WDC is to build a collaborative, world-class, results-oriented, job training, and employment system that supports the on-going economic vitality of the region. This effort brings together business, labor, education, community groups, elected officials, and the public sector to craft a blueprint for livable wages, employment growth, and an environment that enables business to thrive.

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