

2008 Action Items



Action Initiative	Action Initiative Area	Organization	Target Completion
1 Keep Washington's commitment to the aerospace industry by re-funding the Project Olympus coordinator position.	Aerospace	Governor Gregoire/ Washington State Legislature	March 2008
2 Sustain progress in implementing our region's transportation plan.	Transportation	Governor Gregoire/ Washington State Legislature	March 2008
3 Increase the international awareness of Washington's clean technology industry by organizing a delegation to the GLOBE 2008 Trade Fair and Conf. in Vancouver, B.C.	Clean Technology	Washington Clean Technology Alliance	March 2008
4 Build legislative support for an increased state investment in infrastructure that supports housing affordability as well as a waiver for the state portion of the sales tax on the hard and soft costs of construction and rehab for low income housing projects.	Quality of Life & Social Capital	Regional Housing Strategy Working Group	March 2008
5 Secure investments to increase the capacity of Washington's higher education institutions to offer more high demand degrees.	Education/ Information Technology	Higher Education Working Group/College Work Ready Agenda	March 2008
6 Ensure aerospace tax incentives are available to the entire aerospace value chain.	Aerospace	Aerospace Futures Alliance	March 2008
7 Begin the first phase of construction of Kitsap SEED Pod 1, known as the Northwest Clean Technology Incubator.	Clean Technology	Port of Bremerton	March 2008
8 Build legislative support for a proposal to increase access to scientific and cultural organizations throughout Washington.	Quality of Life & Social Capital	Cultural Task Force	March 2008
9 Identify key measurements to compare the Puget Sound to its international peer regions through an International Benchmarking consortium.	Logistics and International Trade	Trade Development Alliance/ Prosperity Partnership/ Technology Alliance	June 2008
10 Improve our region's business climate for international trade by conducting a survey on our region's accommodation to international visitors and producing a marketing and education piece for local officials on the international economy.	Logistics and International Trade	Trade Development Alliance/ PSRC	June 2008
11 Ensure that the scoping process for <i>Destination 2030</i> integrates the transportation goals of the Regional Economic Strategy.	Transportation	PSRC	June 2008
12 Develop and implement a strategy to strengthen the Tourism and Military Industry Clusters in our region.	Tourism and Military	Tourism and Military Cluster Working Groups/Prosperity Partnership	June 2008
13 Stage an export promotion symposium in King County.	Logistics and Int'l Trade	Trade Development Alliance	Sept. 2008
14 Grow Washington Clean Technology Alliance membership to 50 organizations.	Clean Technology	Washington Clean Technology Alliance	Dec. 2008
15 Improve the ability of minority small business owners to access capital and increase contracting opportunities with government and large business by enacting the Minority Economic Development Working Group's action plan.	New and Small Business	Minority Economic Development Working Group	Dec. 2008
16 Create an education and technical assistance toolkit for local jurisdictions to take full advantage of existing resources to increase housing affordability.	Quality of Life & Social Capital	Regional Housing Strategy Working Group	Dec. 2008
17 Build consensus on a proposal to make the state tax system more pro-competitive.	Tax Structure	Tax Structure Steering Com.	Dec. 2008
18 Develop and conduct a pilot communications initiative to educate K-12 students about high demand degree opportunities.	Education	Higher Education Working Group/College Work Ready Agenda	Dec. 2008
19 Enact the 2008 action items laid out in the Comprehensive Bioscience Strategy.	Life Sciences	WBBA	Dec. 2008
20 Identify the criteria necessary to make the Puget Sound an attractive place for foreign direct investment, and use that information to successfully complete these transactions.	Logistics and International Trade	Trade Development Alliance/ CTED/Prosperity Partnership/ enterpriseSeattle/Snohomish County EDC/EDB for Tacoma-Pierce County/Kitsap EDA	Dec. 2008
21 Examine the economic impact of the nonprofit and philanthropic sectors on the Puget Sound region.	Quality of Life & Social Capital	Nonprofit Partners for Prosperity	Dec. 2008