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COMMUNITY

12 South King County Organizations to Receive \$2.5 Million to Support Equitable Economic Recovery

Supporting an equitable recovery in our communities and helping to recruit a new generation of workers to Port-related industries are top priorities at the Port. Last month, the Port of Seattle announced that 12 organizations will receive \$2.5 million in South King County Community Impact Fund Economic Recovery funding to achieve those goals. The organizations in communities surrounding Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) will each receive up to \$250,000 for projects that stimulate economic recovery in communities hit hardest by COVID-19.

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New Airport Shops Feature Glass Art and African Goods



Two new small businesses featuring blown glass by Seattle artists and handmade products from Africa are now open near Gate A1 at SEA Airport. Glass Eye Studio and Africa's Best, part of the airport's kiosk program, join nearly 40 unique airport shops offering travelers essentials for the journey or the chance to indulge with hard-to-find local goods and duty-free options.

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SEA Roadway Construction to Begin to Relieve Congestion on Drives



SEA crews will begin overnight roadway construction Monday September 12 on a project that will relieve traffic congestion on airport roadways. Construction will occur Monday through Friday between midnight and 7:00 a.m., and involves demolishing a currently unused ramp that sits atop Arrivals Drive. This work will make way for major construction to kick off next year to widen the airport roadways.

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EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY

Prioritizing Diversity in Construction Projects



The Port is committed to creating career pathways by growing living-wage jobs, building connections to job training, removing barriers, and expanding opportunities for the people left behind in our growing economy. One way the Port supports equitable access to well-paying jobs is through the Priority Hire Program. See what happened in 2021.

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Port Police Officer Wants to Make a Difference



For Port Police Officer Ryan Cody-Berry, a career as a first responder runs in the family. Growing up in San Francisco, both his parents were firefighters and other relatives worked in law enforcement. In 2017 he started working at the Port of Seattle Police Department (POSPD) as a dispatcher. After going through an internal hiring process, he became a police officer in 2019.

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RECAP AUGUST 9: The Port Commission authorized a joint partnership agreement with Maritime Blue to advance economic recovery by offering a Maritime Accelerator Initiative, starting a Maritime Business Incubator Program at Fisherman's Terminal, and supporting conferences/events surrounding ocean innovation. The Commission also heard a Sound Insulation briefing and authorized advertising, awarding, and executing a Major Public Works Contract, including a Project Labor Agreement, and funding construction of Phase 1 of the Apartment Sound Insulation Program. [View video→](#)

UP NEXT SEPTEMBER 13: The Port Commission will consider authorization to execute contracts for the 2022/2023 South King County Community Impact Fund (SKCCIF) in an amount not-to-exceed \$3,250,000 and will issue a

proclamation recognizing Latino Heritage Month (September 15 – October 15, 2022). The Port will also consider authorization of a three-year Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the University of Washington's Sea Grant Program.

In Case You Missed It



COOL CRUISE JOB Kate Anderson, Director of Port Agency for Inter cruises Shoreside & Port Services, has worked as a port agent for 17 years and instantly fell in love with the exciting work. [Keep reading→](#)



PNW ROADTRIP Before your next cruise, fall in love with the natural beauty of Washington State's tallest peaks, majestic national parks, rugged coastline, and charming towns with this Ultimate PNW Road Trip itinerary. [Keep reading→](#)



SOLAR INNOVATION Commissioner Hamdi Mohamed prioritizes inclusivity as we work toward a world where community and technology work together sustainably. [Keep reading→](#)



TASAR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP Seattle Yacht Club will host an event from September 17-25 at Shilshole Bay with Tasar racing and a focus on environmental sustainability. [Keep reading→](#)

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