

Providing unique regional leadership to bridge
military and civilian communities for mutual benefit

Transportation:

Address congestion issues and provide for better access to Washington State's military installations.

- Support funding for increased I-5 capacity south of Mounts Rd. to Tumwater.
- Local roads, arterials and transit – Support continued local transportation infrastructure investments that improve freight mobility and systems reliability for workers.



Workforce Education and Transition:

Support policies that facilitate the employment for and transitioning of military personnel, veterans and military spouses and their children into a civilian environment.

- Support education-related efforts that expand upon Washington's current innovation sectors, including those contained with the current OEA \$5.3 million grant to the Department of Commerce's Defense Industry Adjustment. See http://www.defenseinnovationmarketplace.mil/DII_Defense_Innovation_Initiative.html
- Continue work of the Washington State Military Transition Council.



Strengthen Military-Community Bonds:

- Continue state level full Funding Military Sector Lead Position. This position provides for essential state level support & resource coordination to the federal, state and local partners.
- Establish a Director of Military Affairs as a policy advisor and the single point of contact for State, Federal and Local officials, as well as assisting military officials and communities surrounding Washington State's military installations in identifying and using state funding sources for planning grants, infrastructure improvements and more.
- Fund Development of "Installation Support" Strategy & Solutions, including the "Military Compatible Land Use Comparative Analysis" Strategy Report and "Military Compatible Land Use" Community Based Solutions via the 'Emerging Issues Fund' proposed by Commerce.
- Increase visibility and consideration of military installation with the Growth Management Act and local implementing policies and regulations.
- Fund the acquisition of properties in JBLM's North McChord Field Clear Zone and Accident Potential Zones in order to protect the health and welfare of the population and preserve the military's mission at JBLM.
- Develop comprehensive State plan for the future including updated economic impact and growth management plans, in-depth analysis of Washington State's installations' BRAC 2005 performance and a State strategy for securing new missions based on the Washington State's unique attributes/capabilities.
- Support the recognition of military installations as part of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Centers Framework, Vision 2040 and future iterations thereof, and PSRC transportation planning funding discussions.
- Fund military community support groups: Groups such as the Washington Military Alliance and the South Sound Military & Communities Partnership (SSMCP) support local communities serving veterans, service members, and their families by coordinating local and regional military-related efforts related to workforce development, transportation and infrastructure, education, and healthcare and wellness.



SSMCP Members

City of Lakewood
City of Lacey
City of DuPont
City of Puyallup
Town of Steilacoom
City of Tacoma
City of Tumwater
City of University Place
City of Yelm
Pierce County
Thurston County
Nisqually Indian Tribe
Thurston Regional Planning Council
Joint Base Lewis-McChord
WA Military Department
WA Dept of Transportation
WA Dept of Veterans Affairs
Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce
Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department
United Way of Pierce County
Clover Park School District
Franklin Pierce School District
Tacoma Pierce County Association of Realtors
WorkForce Central

Collaborative Partners

Emergency Services
Economic Development Boards
School Districts
Public and Private Utilities
Public Libraries
Convention Visitor Bureaus
Parks Districts
Health Systems
Ports
Colleges & Universities
Wildlife & Environmental Advocates
Chambers of Commerce
Workforce Development Organizations
Social Service Organizations
Veterans Service Organizations
Charitable Organizations



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SSMCP Core Goals

- Formalize New Methods of Regional Collaboration

- Improve Regional Mobility

- Improve Access to Information

- Promote JBLM as a Center of Regional Economic Significance

- Improve Access to Existing Services for Active Duty Service - Members and Veterans

- Improve Support for Military Families



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MISSION

To foster effective communication, understanding, and mutual benefit by serving as the most effective point of coordination for resolution of those issues which transcend the specific interests of the military and civilian communities of the South Sound region.

VISION

The SSMCP is an innovative and flexible partnership uniquely positioned to provide regional leadership to bridge military and civilian communities.

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