

NEWS LETTER

November 2016

CERB Project Awards - November 17, 2016

CERB invests \$1.9 million to support economic development infrastructure and planning in Clark, Grant, Mason, and Yakima counties.

The Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) approved \$1,920,000 in public infrastructure development and economic feasibility studies targeting business growth and job creation in the Clark County, City of George, Port of Shelton and City of Yakima.

Clark County:

Clark County was awarded a \$50,000 grant for the I-5/NE 179th Street Plan. The feasibility study is to complete preliminary scoping via a practical design concept in consultation with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), survey, traffic modeling/analysis, design and engineering, constructability phasing, and permitting. CERB funds were matched by \$25,000 in local resources.

Grant County:

City of George was awarded a \$1,200,000 loan and a \$300,000 grant

for Industrial Park No. 5 Water System Improvements, for Ancient Lake Wine Company. This committed private partner project consists of design and construction of approximately 6,000 feet of 16-inch water transmission main, valves, fittings, appurtenances, and surface restoration. Ancient Lake Wine Company, LLC will invest \$46,000,000 in a 9,000 ton wine grape processing facility and create/retain 55 permanent jobs, as a result of this project. CERB funds were matched by \$403,000 in local resources.

Mason County:

Port of Shelton was awarded a \$160,000 loan and a \$160,000 grant for the Fraser MetalWorks Expansion at Johns Prairie Industrial Park, for Fraser MetalWorks. This committed private partner project consists of the conversion of an existing 11,600 square foot shed into a steel fabrication assembly building that includes space for the manufacturing and testing of industrial electrical control panels. Fraser MetalWorks will invest \$1,269,500 in a 3,000



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Project Development Regional Map



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square foot expansion, steel fabrication machinery and equipment, and create/retain 69 permanent jobs, as a result of this project. CERB funds were matched by \$400,000 in local resources.

Yakima County:

City of Yakima was awarded a \$50,000 grant for the Business Incubator, Commercial Kitchen, Public Market Real Estate Valuation Study. This is a feasibility study to refine the concept of a Public Market and Mixed-Use Incubator/ Commercial Kitchen; including final location selection, layout, conceptual drawings, and estimated construction budget. CERB funds were matched by \$16,667 in local resources.

The release of CERB funds to these projects is contingent upon each applicant completing specific pre-contract requirements, such as finalizing other funding sources and obtaining necessary permits.

CERB Project Development Staff

Maybe you haven't heard, but CERB has project development staff that works with our communities to get projects ready to apply for CERB funding and/or help them find other infrastructure funding.

Do you have a project idea or need to know more about the CERB program?

Reference the map above and call your project development staff.

CERB staff will come out to your community to meet with you, to talk about funding opportunities, next steps, and how to get ready to present your project to the Board.

CERB is focused on economic development through job creation in partnership with local governments. The Board finances public infrastructure improvements that encourage new private business development and expansion. Contact project development staff to discuss a potential project.

Totals Funds Available	\$11,503,932
Loans Funds Available	\$9,672,002
Grants Funds Available	\$1,831,930
<i>Rural County Funds</i>	<i>\$10,200,388</i>
<i>Urban County Funds</i>	<i>\$1,303,544</i>

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Vacancies

Currently CERB is excepting [applications](#) for the:

- **Small Business, East of Cascades, West of Columbia River**
- **Public Representative**
- **County Representative**

If you are interested in the vacant position, please contact Janea Eddy, janea.eddy@commerce.wa.gov.

Since 1982, CERB has committed more than \$163 million to local jurisdictions across the state, an investment generating more than 35,000 jobs, and private capital investments of a \$5.6 billion (\$34 to \$1) return on CERB investment.

<u>Tier 1 Application Deadline</u> (Tier 1 Committed Private Partner, Prospective Development Programs)	<u>Planning & Tier 2 Application Deadline</u> (Tier 2 Committed Private Partner, Prospective Development Programs)	<u>Board Meeting</u>
November 14, 2016	November 28, 2016	January 19, 2016
January 17, 2016	January 30, 2016	March 16, 2017
March 13, 2017	March 27, 2017	May 18, 2017
May 15, 2017	May 29, 2017	July 27, 2017

The Tier 1 application for the Committed Private Partner & Prospective Development Programs, as well as the Planning Program are submitted via an online portal. Please contact project development staff to talk about your project and to get the link to the applications.

For program requirements, threshold checklists, and more information check out the website: www.commerce.wa.gov/CERB