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THOUGHTS FROM THE CEO





Rebecca Martin, CCE, IOM Greater Federal Way Chamber CEO

Since 2014, the Chamber has been working to meet its mission to support business connection and to promote economic opportunities through strategic objectives, identified as part of a four-year plan for organizational growth.

Sounds pretty great, doesn't it? Intellectually, those words communicate that the Chamber

membership is a sound business decision that invests in the growth of our community. But, so what. Why Chamber? What are we doing? Why are we doing it?

We do it because we have passion. Passion for business. Passion for community. Passion for each other. The Chamber works to capture all the silent passion carried in our mission statement and give it a voice. How we make that passion real is reflected in the commitment and support of our business community.

Prosperity, like passion, is found in our membership. The economic success that comes from businesses that are networked and connected, puts money and time back into our community. Looking at the horizon, the Chamber sees that change is always in the wind. And Change is hard.

Before we know what we can be...we must know what we are. And it's OK to have conversations about where we are going and what we need to get there — because it's not about winning or losing, it's about finding that middle ground, together. We are forging a new direction supported by the trust and networks we build now, together.

At the Chamber, we are committed to inclusive, constructive, strategic conversation as we work together for a greater good. This is the passion of our Chamber. We live it. We share it. We believe it. And We take the Federal Way to business success.

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to Help Fight Hunger in Federal Way

Join the thousands of restaurantsand stores that donate excess food to nonprofit hunger-relief organizations.

REASONS TO DONATE FOOD

- Feed hungry children and families in Federal Way
- Save money by throwing less food away
- ✓ Tax deductions
- Protected from liability

Support & Supplies Provided

City staff will work with you, connect you with a hunger-relief organization and provide the supplies and training needed.

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FOOD RESCUE PROGRAM FIGHTS HUNGER, OFFERS TAX BENEFIT

Chamber members can join the thousands of restaurants, food manufacturers and stores that donate excess food to non-profit hunger-relief organizations through the City of Federal Way's Food Rescue program.

The City received grant funding to set up 15 new food donation programs to help keep food out of the landfill. City staff will work with your business, connecting you with a hunger relief organization, and providing the supplies and training needed.

The Food Rescue program is also a tax benefit. Qualified C Corps- retailers, restaurants and food manufacturers- can take a tax deduction for donations of food to non-profit feeding programs, IRC Section 170(e)(3). In addition, federal and state law as protect your business from liability when donating food in food faith to a nonprofit hunger-relief organization. The Health department also is supportive of food donation programs.

Acceptable donations include:

- fresh produce that cannot be used before it spoils
- surplus canned or packaged foods
- prepared foods that have not left the kitchen
- bread and pastries that have not been served.

How does it work? Your business will be paired with a local hunger -relief organization. Donations should be bagged, labels and stored as appropriate. The hunger relief organization will pick up donations on a mutually-agreed schedule: daily, weekly, or on call.

To participate in the Food Rescue Program, call Jeannette Brizendine, City of Federal Way Recycling Project Manager, 253.835.2771 or recycle@cityoffederalway.



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5 - 9 years

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10 - 14 years

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1 - 4 years

Advancing Leadership Curves Keller Williams - Janai Isaacson Network Administrative Services Nippon Dynawave Packaging Co. Save Weyerhaeuser Campus Umpqua Bank - 320th Branch

New Members and Renewals from October 1, 2018 - November 16, 2018 Find our members in the online directory at **federalwaychamber.com***.*



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WHAT'S NEW AT SEA-TAC INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



The Greater Federal Way Chamber of Commerce welcomes Lance Lyttle, Managing Director, Aviation Division, Port of Seattle for an update on Sea-Tac International Airport on December 5, from 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m., Twin Lakes Golf and Country Club.

As part of the leadership team at the Port of Seattle, Lyttle has a breadth of experience and depth of knowledge of airport operations, having worked in both Atlanta and Houston, and is well acclimated to the rigors of major airline competition.

Lyttle is experienced in strategic and business plan development. As the Chief Operating Officer for Houston's three airports prior to joining the Port of Seattle Executive team, he is familiar with all aspects of operating major airports, including implementation of new ground base operations, terminal construction, introduction of new airline business, and finding continual improvements and efficiencies in all lines of business. He has extensive experience in spearheading strategic and business plan development.

A skilled leader of ideas management and innovation, Lyttle is a growth-oriented executive who has led multi-year strategic development efforts with capital budgets in excess of \$3 billion at Houston airports, and played a key role in the \$6 billion development program in Atlanta. He is well versed in developing high performance organizations, business process reengineering, ideas management and innovation, and implementing technologically complex projects.

One of Lyttle's challenges will be to find ways to channel the growth at Sea-Tac Airport, the nation's fastest growing airport, while delivering outstanding service to passengers and customers. Additionally, he will lead efforts toward developing a sustainable airport master plan for the future that continues to provide economic benefits for the region.



Lyttle holds a BA in Physics and Computer Science and MA in Management Information Systems from the University of the West Indies.

The December luncheon is sponsored by City of Federal Way Solid Waste & Recycling Division. *Register online at federalwaychamber.com.*



DANA OSTENSON Executive Vice President, IRG Owners of Woodbridge Corporate Park



Ring in the new year with the Chamber at our first Membership Meeting of 2019! Join us January 9th for a keynote from Dana Ostenson, Executive Vice President, IRG, owners of Woodbridge Corporate Park. Register online!



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