

ACTION ITEMS

Municipal Economic Development
Working Group 2016



*Pacific NorthWest
Economic Region*

Many of the states and provinces are each others' largest trading partners. PNWER's Trade and Economic Development Working Group collaborates with member states, provinces and territories to determine the best practices for economic development and inter-jurisdictional trade, as well as international trade between the region and international trading partners.

Action Items	Project Lead	Status
1	Continue to utilize PNWER as a forum for the sharing of Best Practices from economic development organizations from around the region, states, and provinces. Hold a roundtable of economic development directors at 2018 Summit.	In progress
2	Develop a panel of legislators at future PNWER meeting on breaking down political barriers to economic growth	In progress
3	Develop a list/resource hub to display on PNWER website sharing financing and lending opportunities for small businesses and rural communities	In progress
4	Expand on the topic of financing, funding mechanisms, and access to capital in the PNWER region. Include crowd sourcing (internet fundraising), VCs, angel investors, and community development corporations in future meetings	In progress
5	Collaborate with Workforce Development working group to identify potential subject matter experts for Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center (OMIC) and Scappoose region.	In progress

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