WASHINGTON STATE ECONOMIC RECOVERY
Built on local Workforce solutions.

There is urgent need for business to hire skilled workers and for workers to secure family-sustaining wage jobs.

- 179,000+ vacant jobs
- Over 373,000 unemployed workers
- Fewer than 2% of workers who recently lost unemployment benefits have returned to work
- Racial disparity gap is widening
- Over 90% of those in need are not served with the current level of investment

WE RECOMMEND
Strategic investment of $50 million in a Workforce Innovation Fund to empower local solutions with flexible funding.

- Employer driven solutions putting Washingtonians into jobs in high-demand sectors
- Pre-apprenticeships, apprenticeships, critical, evidence-based earn-and-learn models
- Increase and intentional focus on Black, Indigenous, Latinx, AAPI and other people of color. Community co-design focused on workforce development pathways

SOLUTIONS
Local Workforce Boards bring business, education, labor, and communities together.

- For over 80 years, the infrastructure we built has integrated systems and dollars for the highest possible ROI
- Data-driven results of over 80% success rate, by optimizing multiple resources targeted to proven solutions

LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARDS IMPACT
STATEWIDE 2020/21

Collectively over 15,000 businesses served
78,000 workers served

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