

Washington State WorkSource Information Notice (WIN)

WIN Number: WIN 0148

WIN Title: Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) May 2025 Investments

Date: June 11, 2025

Expiration: N/A

Purpose:

To communicate the Community Economic Revitalization Board's (CERB) efforts to respond to local economic development in Washington communities.

Action Required:

Local Workforce Development Boards and their contractors and Employment Security Department Regional Directors must distribute this guidance broadly throughout the system to ensure that WorkSource System staff are familiar with its content and requirements.

LWDB and WorkSource system partners should connect with CERB project recipients to collaborate with business regarding local training needs and to ensure WorkSource is used to fulfill business hiring needs.

Content:

The Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) was formed in 1982 under [RCW 43.160.900](#) to promote local economic development in Washington communities. CERB provides funding to local governments and federally recognized tribes for public infrastructure that supports private business growth and expansion. Eligible projects include domestic and industrial water, storm water, wastewater, public buildings, telecommunications and port facilities. CERB evaluates and approves project funding through the following:

- CERB Committed Private Partner Program (CPP)
- CERB Planning Program (PP)
- CERB Prospective Development Program (PD)
- CERB Rural Broadband (RB)

CERB's bylaws and grant and loan application processes direct businesses creating new jobs on public properties whose infrastructure was improved with CERB funds to use WorkSource for their hiring needs.

Note: Learn more at the [CERB Website](#) or [CERB 101 Presentation](#)

May 2025 Workforce Decisions:

Benton County - \$2,400,000 low interest loan for the Port of Benton 2579 Stevens Modernization project to modernize and remodel a multimodal facility. Private Partner, Barnhart Crane and Rigging Co., is investing \$5,000,000 and the project is estimated to create and retain 35 jobs. CERB funds were matched with \$6,300,000 in federal and local resources.

Spokane County – \$50,000 grant to the Spokane Conservation District for the “Phase 4 – Midway Development Study.” This project consists of a feasibility study of the Phase 4 development of the Quarry master plan. CERB funds are matched by \$12,500 in local resources.

NOTE: See attached CERB newsletter for more information.

References:

- [May 2025 Newsletter_CERB.pdf | Powered by Box](#)
- [RCW 43.160.900](#)

Website:

[Workforce Professionals Center](#)

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