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SkillSource Board Member and VP of Sabey Data Centers West, Ryan Beebout, gives a tour of Sabey Data Center in East Wenatchee.

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Hello {{ contact.FIRSTNAME }},

Welcome to our second issue of In The Loop, a newsletter just for SkillSource Board Members and County Commissioners. We're getting really excited about what the month of March has in store, including seeing you at our Recognition Banquet on the 15th! We've included some reminders and links to stories and updates below.

Respectfully,

Lisa Romine, CEO

Board Member Spotlight

Welcome Ryan Beebout! Ryan is VP of Sabey Data Centers West and joined the board in October 2023. When asked why he serves on the board Ryan answered, "For almost 20 years now, the data center industry has provided an abundance of opportunity for its workers- it certainly has for me. So now I try to pay it forward and help others develop careers in technology. I am excited to get more exposure to the people and activities that are making a difference."



Board Meeting & Recognition Banquet

It's almost here ... The 34th SkillSource Recognition Banquet is on March 15 at the Confluence Technology Center. We're looking forward to seeing you in our upcoming committee meetings, and then on 3/15 at the 4:30 pm Board Meeting, with the Banquet to follow at 6 pm.



Newsworthy

HB 2230, which would codify Economic Security for All (EcSA), has passed the House and is presently with the Senate. Read Lisa Romine's Op-Ed in the Wenatchee World or this article in the Wenatchee Business Journal on the significance of this bill and its past and potential impact.



Local Workforce Works

Mayra Garcia grew up in poverty and became a mom at a young age. Through hard work and the support of SkillSource staff like Mike and Dana at the Wenatchee Learning Center, Mayra earned her GED, and went on to get her Associate's at Wenatchee Valley College, and then her Bachelor's. Mayra now runs her own business and is the Chair of the Wenatchee Valley Chamber's Hispanic Business Council. We are so grateful that Mayra took time to visit with students to share her story, and to help them see what's possible!



In Case You Missed It ...

SkillSource celebrated a successful hiring event in Othello on January 26! Thirteen local businesses were available in person at SkillSource's Thieme Career Development Center in Othello, and over 150 career seekers attended. Kudos to partners, staff, and volunteers for making this event such a success!



Upcoming Events

SkillSource and partners are rolling into March with a full calendar! Here are just a few events coming up:

- 3/1 Workforce Collaboration Summit, Big Bend Community College
- 3/15 SkillSource 34th Recognition Banquet, Confluence Technology Center
- 3/19 Moses Lake Business Expo, Grant County Fairgrounds
- 3/21 Wenatchee Hiring Event, The Armory



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