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Description

Tacoma is a destination place with the amenities of a big city and the charm of a small town. A dynamic and exciting locale, Tacoma is poised to embrace the future.



Economic Outlook

Against a stunning natural backdrop, Tacoma's local economy has grown over the last several decades.

With an international port, a uniquely pro-business environment and some of the most livable neighborhoods in the Puget Sound area, Tacoma is home to a range of companies that compete in today's global landscape.

Location

Tacoma is located on Puget Sound's majestic Commencement Bay, 18 miles south of the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

Tacoma serves as a gateway to the Pacific Rim and the rest of the world. A diverse, progressive, international city, Tacoma sits within the Pacific Standard Time zone which enables its businesses to work with Europe first thing in the morning and Asia in the late afternoon.

History

Tacoma was incorporated in 1884 and became known as the “City of Destiny” when it was designated as the terminus of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Today, Tacoma has grown into a city with a diverse population of approximately 200,000.

Downtown Revitalization

Tacoma’s urban core is evolving and assuming its natural role as the downtown for a South Sound region of nearly one million people. An energized, high-tech industry invigorates the area and is leading to continued expansion and development. Over the last decade, Tacoma Power has invested more than \$100 million in 700 miles (1,127 km) of fiber to create Tacoma’s high-speed, wired communications network. The University of Washington Tacoma’s Institute of Technology produces graduates who are ready to contribute to a growing technology sector.

Neighborhood Business Districts

Tacoma’s 15 neighborhood business districts are a vital part of the City’s economic development strategy, which extends the benefits of development into core neighborhood business areas. District associations provide a valuable communication link between the City and Tacoma’s small businesses. The neighborhood districts offer a diverse array of goods a

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