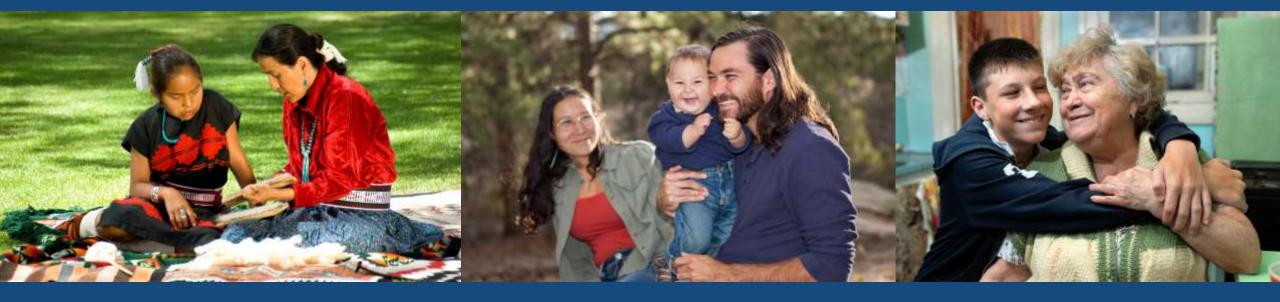
#### **WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT**



# Working Families Tax Credit (WFTC)

Outreach Advisory Committee April 14th 2025





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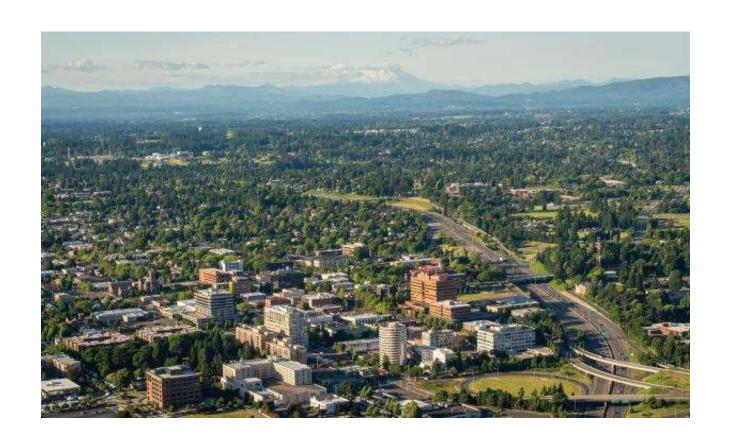




### Meeting Agenda

- Welcome
- Ice breaker
- Program results
- Outreach updates
- Program updates
- Advisory Committee Updates
- Info sharing from members
- Questions
- Working Group Breakout Rooms





### Ice breaker

Who would you consider your biggest mentor or champion? How did that person make an impact on your life?

What is a good piece of advice that you received?

OR



## WFTC Program Results

#### **Applications refunded by 04/07/2025**

#### 67,500 more refunds compared to this time last year!

Total CY25 applications received	264,000
TY24 applications refunded	161,500
TY23 applications refunded	5,000
TY22 applications refunded	2,400
Total CY25 dollars refunded	\$128,869,000
TY24 dollars refunded	\$123,564,000
TY23 dollars refunded	\$3,635,000
TY22 dollars refunded	\$1,670,000
Children impacted	237,000+





### Outreach Updates

#### Most recent updates:

- General Legislative Session Update SB 5768 (Age Expansion)
  and SB 5771 (Renter's Credit)
- Demographic Specific Materials (ITINS, Self-Employment, Migrant workers)
- Outreach to Housing Authority Leaders
- Relationships with State Agencies
  - ESD WorkSource WFTC Training sessions
- Outreach Application Events continue
- Temporary Pause on Social Media Ads





### WFTC Program Updates

- Where is my Refund? Tool
  - What is needed, how to check. When in Doubt, check.
- Direct File in Washington and WFTC
  - No word on continuation of DirectFile
- GovDelivery Redistribution
- Advisory Committee Google Drive
  - Presentations, Notes, Working Group Files
  - Advisory Committee Charter Review Approvals





### **Advisory Committee Updates**

#### **Discussion topics**

- New Advisory Committee recruitment
  - Over 70 applications submitted, blind review process from Outreach Team
  - Interviews conducted during the first weeks of April
  - Four new Advisory Committee Members have been added- names on next slide
- Updated schedule for 2025 monthly meetings
  - Next meeting is 5:30–6:30 p.m. May 19th
  - First Meeting with New Members!
- Working Group Leadership (Lead or Co-Leads)
- Working Groups Breakout at the end of Meeting all are open!
  - Outreach and Communication with Immigrant Communities
  - Data Collection & Useability Studies
  - Promoting WFTC through a Student Leadership Program





## New WFTC Advisory Committee Members

John Amato – Vancouver

Olga Piddubna - Tacoma

Maria Pineda – Pasco

**Cheryl Williams – Shelton** 





#### Committee members sharing moment

- What are you seeing or hearing in your communities about the WFTC program?
- How are you promoting the WFTC?



## Working Group Breakout Rooms

- Breakout Room #1: Outreach and Communication with Immigrant Communities
- Breakout Room #2: Data Collection & Useability Studies
- Breakout Room #3: Promoting WFTC through a Student Leadership Program

Join your breakout room - New Advisory committee members will join each working group in a month or so!

Goals for the connection: 1) Discuss/elect a lead or co-leads of the working group

2) If there is time, continue working on creating a list of topics/ideas that you want to explore in your working group.





**Questions & next steps** 

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### Reminders & resources

#### **Materials**

- Use outreach materials in our toolkit here.
- Get free copies of flyers, posters, or rack cards in the mail with this form here.
- Request information in an alternate language or format <u>here</u>.

#### Resources

- Upcoming outreach events are posted on the WFTC calendar.
- Find the current applications by county data on the WFTC website.



## Thank You!

