



MANUFACTURING  
SECTOR

# Manufacturing + the Chamber

The **SEATTLE METROPOLITAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** works to support specific industry clusters in our region as key building blocks of the economy. We recognize the unique needs and issues faced by distinct industries, and we work with our member companies to provide events and advocacy that serves them best. In addition to all the visibility, cost-saving and access benefits of membership, the Chamber engages in the **MANUFACTURING** industry in a number of ways.



## Relevant Events + Programs

- 2014 International Leadership Mission to Japan explored how Toyota implements LEAN principles in its manufacturing
- 2014 Executive Speaker Series: Manufacturing Industry featured Boeing, Nucor Steel, Cashmere Molding and SuperGraphics
- 2014 Regional Leadership Conference, with a focus on manufacturing and its role in global competitiveness
- 2013 Southwest Washington Study Mission featured visits to Weyerhaeuser and Christianson Yachts
- 2013 Chamber DC Fly-in included focus on federal transportation and freight mobility investments
- 2012 Annual Meeting focused on lean manufacturing principles
- 2012 Manufacturing Roundtable Luncheon with Seattle City Council President Sally Clark

## Relevant Policy Efforts

- Convened a B&O tax taskforce that worked with city and state officials to address tax processes affecting research, manufacturing and service industries
- Advocacy for the Trans-Pacific Partnership and Transatlantic Trade & Investment Partnership free trade agreements, which increase market access and decrease tariffs on aerospace trade
- Advocacy for Trade Promotion Authority to allow trade agreements to receive prompt consideration by Congress
- Supported our state's successful application to designate our aerospace manufacturing cluster as a federal Manufacturing Community
- Leading regional advocacy in support of extension of the Export-Import Bank of the United States
- Advocate for the preservation of the City of Seattle's manufacturing core and related family-wage jobs

- Founding partner of the People for Washington's Waters and Workers Coalition to advocate a balanced approach to water quality regulations
- Advocate for reform to the state's workers compensation & unemployment insurance systems
- Leading advocate of statewide investments in essential transportation and freight mobility projects

## Examples of Chamber members in this sector

- The Boeing Company
- Ash Grove Cement Company
- GM Nameplate
- Nucor Steel Seattle, Inc.
- Production Plating, Inc.
- Weyerhaeuser Company

**Ready to learn more about Chamber membership?** Contact the Chamber's Business Development + Outreach team today!

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