Who Is CERB?

Investing in
Washington's Economic Future

Community Economic Revitalization Board

CERB is designed to:

- Finance public infrastructure construction to support private business development
- Assist local governments with economic development planning

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Eligible Jurisdictions

- Cities & Towns
- Counties
- Federally Recognized Indian Tribes
- Municipal & Quasi Municipal Corps
- Port Districts
- Special Purpose Districts (e.g. PDAs, PUDs)

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Planning Grants

$50,000 grant maximum

- Tier: 1: $25,000 grant per project, for planning activities that will not lead to CERB construction project.
- Tier 2: $50,000 grant per project for planning activities that could lead to CERB construction project.

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Planning Grants Eligible Activities

- Economic Feasibility
- Environmental Impacts
- Capital Facilities
- Land Use
- Permitting
- Marketing
- Project Engineering & Design
- Site
- Site Planning
- Broadband

Construction Programs

Committed Private Partner Business in hand	Prospective Development Build it and they will come
$3 million per project maximum	$2 million per project maximum
Grant: Up to 25% of total award, determined by the underwriting process and the Debt Service Coverage Ratio.	

• Private business partner committed to:
  • Significant job creation
  • Significant private capital investment
• Hourly wages of created jobs must exceed county median wage
	Rural counties/communities ONLY
	• Demonstrate economic development feasibility with supporting study
	  • Study must show likelihood of significant jobs and/or significant private investment

Eligible Public Facility Projects

Activities	Systems: Improvement of:
• Acquisition • Construction • Reconstruction • Rehabilitation • Repair • Replacement	• Building or Structures • Broadband/Telecommunications • Bridges • Domestic & Industrial Water • Earth Stabilization • Electricity • Natural Gas • Port Facilities • Railroad • Roads • Sanitary Sewer • Storm Water • Transportation

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County Median Hourly Wage

2019-21 Biennium

Adams*	$16.01	Grays Harbor*	$17.99	Pierce	$21.42
Asotin	$18.06	Island	$18.36	San Juan	$20.47
Benton	$22.28	Jefferson*	$18.87	Skagit*	$20.50
Chelan	$16.01	King	$30.25	Skamania*	$17.65
Clallam*	$17.05	Kitsap	$19.42	Snohomish	$24.72
Clark	$21.25	Kittitas	$17.31	Spokane	$19.67
Columbia*	$18.27	Klickitat*	$19.91	Stevens*	$18.42
Cowlitz*	$21.35	Lewis*	$18.96	Thurston	$20.01
Douglas*	$16.01	Lincoln	$17.17	Wahkiakum*	$20.70
Ferry*	$18.42	Mason*	$17.22	Walla Walla	$17.56
Franklin*	$16.41	Okanogan*	$14.59	Whatcom	$20.35
Garfield	$18.14	Pacific*	$16.34	Whitman	$18.64
Grant*	$16.37	Pend Oreille*	$24.50	Yakima*	$15.46

Source: Washington Employment Security Department, Labor Market & Economic Analysis Branch, Vancouver Office. 2017.
*Identifies Distressed Counties (Jan 2015 – Dec 2017)
Updated 10-2018

PUBLIC SIDE - Infrastructure

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PRIVATE SIDE - Need for the Infrastructure

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NOT Eligible

CERB may NOT finance projects which:
Result in retail development
Facilitate gambling
Displace jobs from one part of the state to another
Are outside the applicant's jurisdiction

CERB does not contract with private business, only the local government applying for funds.

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Rural Broadband Construction Programs

Funding Limits
• $2 million per project loan/grant award limit • Grant: Up to 50% of total award, determined by the underwriting process and the Debt Service Coverage Ratio. Example: $2 million CERB + $500,000 minimum match = $2,500,000 Total Project Cost

Objective

To finance the cost of building broadband infrastructure to provide high-speed, open-access broadband service for **rural underserved communities**, for the purpose of community economic development.

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Eligible Infrastructure & Minimum Speeds

"Dark Infrastructure" – Not technology to provide service

Including, but not limited to for the purpose of broadband infrastructure:

Wireless (fixed wireless, wifi) 50/10Mbps	4G Mobile Wireless 25/5Mbps
Microwave 100/20Mbps	Cable Modem 100/20Mbps
Broadband over Powerlines (BPL) 100/100Mbps	Fiber 1/1Gbps

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NOT Eligible

CERB may NOT finance projects which:

SAME as other CERB construction programs +

Are for equipment which would enable a public entity to provide retail telecommunications services or services that **the entity is not authorized by statute to provide**.

Are for the deployment of publicly-owned telecommunication network infrastructure ("backbone") **solely for the sake of creating competitive, publicly-owned telecommunication network infrastructure**.

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How CERB works

Tech Assistant (TA)
- Staff provides TA to communities for project development.

Applications
- Applications are due 8 weeks prior to a meeting.
- Staff works with the client to vet the application and project.

CERB
- The Board meets to review applications every two months.
- The applicant presents the proposal to the Board.
- The applicant will know at the meeting if their project is approved.

Project Tracking

Job creation, wages, and private investment

Tracked for 5 years **after** a project is complete.

Port of Skagit

MARITIME FABRICATIONS INCORPORATED

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PORT of SUNNYSIDE
DARIGOLD
SINCE 1918
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PORT OF CAMAS-WASHOUGAL
THERASIGMA
ENABLING PAIN RELIEF
FILLCUP
Swift Machining
PANTHER RV PRODUCTS
Farmhouse Ales
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Port of Douglas County
TRUSTED | RESPONSIVE | READY
SALCIDO ENTERPRISES, LLC
"DATA OUTSIDE THE BOX"
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PORT OF Garfield COUNTY
Pocket iNet
Pomeroy
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JAMESTOWN S'KLALLAM TRIBE
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JAMESTOWN NETWORKS
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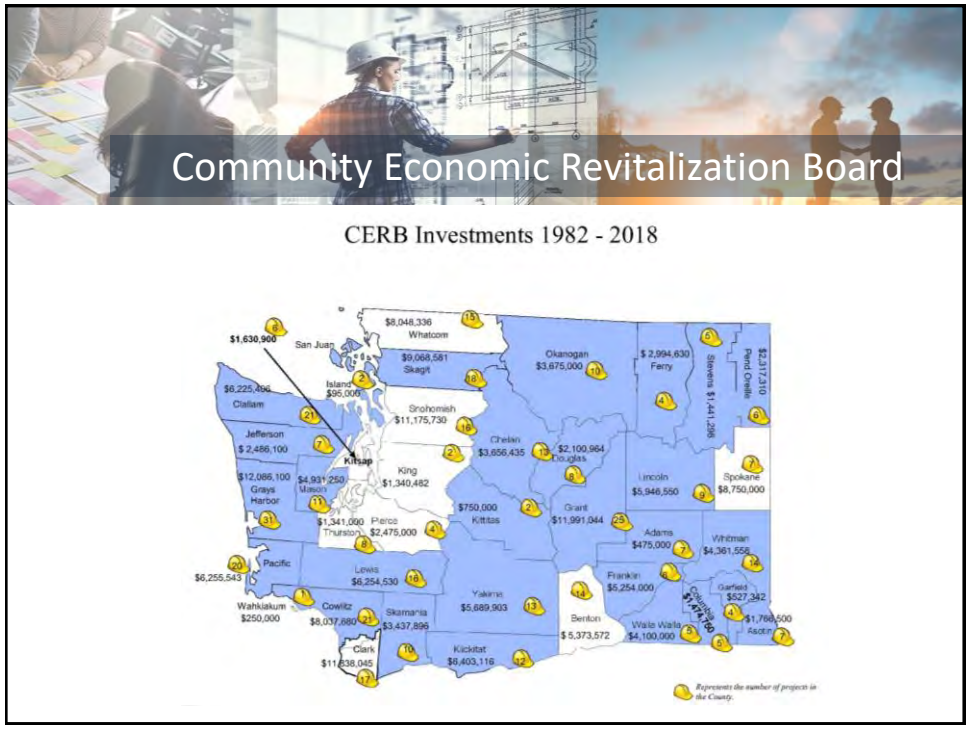
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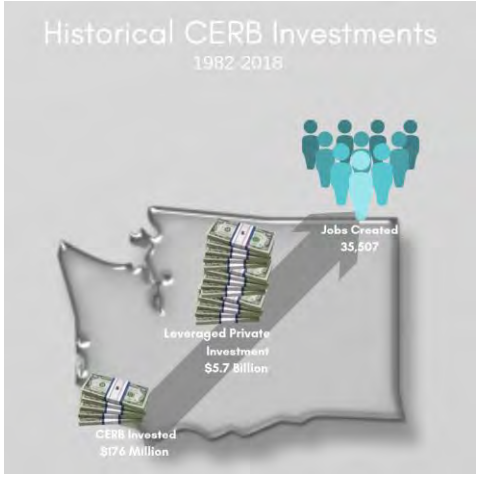
CERB Investments 1982 - 2018
$1,630,900
San Juan
$8,048,336
Whatcom
$9,068,581
Skagit
$6,225,496
Island
$95,000
Clallam
Snohomish
$11,175,730
Jefferson
$ 2,486,100
Kitsap
$12,086,100
Grays Harbor
$4,931,250
Mason
King
$1,340,482
$1,341,000
Thurston
Pierce
$2,475,000
$750,000
Kittitas
Chelan
$3,656,435
Okanogan
$3,675,000
$ 2,994,630
Ferry
Stevens $1,441,298
Pend Oreille
$2,217,310
$2,100,964
Douglas
Lincoln
$5,946,550
Spokane
$8,750,000
Grant
$11,991,044
Adams
$475,000
Whitman
$4,361,556
$6,255,543
Pacific
Lewis
$6,254,530
Yakima
$5,689,903
Franklin
$5,254,000
Garfield
$527,342
Wahkiakum
$250,000
Cowlitz
$8,037,680
Skamania
$3,437,896
Benton
$ 5,373,572
Walla Walla
$4,100,000
Asotin
$1,768,500
Clark
$11,838,045
Klickitat
$8,403,116
Represents the number of projects in the County.

2020 Session Requests

- $15 Million for the Core CERB Programs
- 1 FTE



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THANK YOU!

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