

## Let's Talk Timber

*Wood Products/Timber Industry Update May 19*

Project Leadership graduation and our annual timber/wood products industry update will be featured at the chamber's last membership meeting lunch before summer break. The May 19 program is generously sponsored by [Douglas Timber Operators](#).

The industry discussion will include federal timber legislation and current policy issues affecting the industry, information on current market trends, technological changes and more. This year's industry update will be presented by Lone Rock Resources president & CEO Toby Luther and Lone Rock Timber president Joe Newton.

Always a highlight of the chamber's May membership lunch is our annual recognition and graduation of our Project Leadership Roseburg participants. As we celebrate the accomplishment

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## Upcoming Event

**Monday, May 19**  
**Membership Meeting Lunch**  
"Timber/Wood Products Industry Update &  
Project Leadership Graduation"  
Douglas County Fairgrounds  
11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**GET TICKETS!**

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## Celebrating Business, Industry Leaders & Chamber Activities and Accomplishments

The Roseburg Area Chamber held its annual awards dinner and meeting of the membership on March 20. The annual event is a celebration of local business, community leaders and chamber activities.

Chamber leadership shared the chamber's priorities for 2025, its 2024 accomplishments and its leadership team.

The pinnacle of the evening's events was the naming of the chamber's three business of the year recipients and male first citizen. The chamber's female first citizen was out of town and the honoree was named at the chamber's April membership lunch.



The Roseburg Area Chamber is honored to recognize Dan Bain and Tabitha Layman as our 2024 First Citizens for their dedication and service to our Roseburg and Douglas County community through volunteerism.

*see Celebration, page 2*

## It's a Leadership Thing

The Roseburg Area Chamber has opened the application window for its 2025-26 leadership program which begins in September. Project Leadership Roseburg builds our future leaders while providing participants with a comprehensive awareness of Douglas County and a deeper understanding of how our community works directly from our current business and community leaders.

The chamber is extremely proud of its long-standing program. Our 2025-26 Project Leadership Roseburg program will mark the 36th year of this distinguished program. Since its inception, the chamber has graduated over 700 future business and community leaders from its professional development program.

Not your typical leadership program, the chamber's Project Leadership Roseburg not only provides participants with

*see Leadership, page 3*

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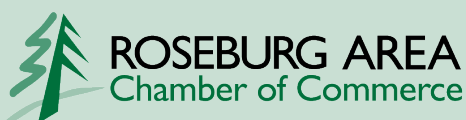
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## Celebration *(Continued)*

Bain was honored for his service with the Community Cancer Center, Douglas County Cancer Services, Roseburg Rescue Mission and American Legion Baseball, just to name a few. He was also touted for his long-time involvement with Roseburg Rotary Club, Festival of Lights, the Josh Bidwell Foundation and the Miss Douglas County Pageant.

Layman has served as chair for the Roseburg Rotary Club board of directors and Festival of Lights committee. She is on the board of directors for the Greater Douglas United Way, has been a CASA volunteer and on the Dave Johnson memorial golf tournament committee. She is on the city of Sutherlin's parks advisory committee and Music Off Central board of directors. She is currently a member of the Roseburg Area Chamber board.

The chamber celebrated Girardet Wine Cellars, Sunrise Enterprises and Umpqua Dairy as the organization's small, mid-sized and large business of the year honorees during the evening's festivities. For details about all our honorees and annual event celebration, For detail about our honorees and the night's celebrations, see the evening's [program](#) and [2025 event press packet](#).

The chamber's 70th annual awards dinner was generously sponsored by [Acrisure Northwest](#) and [Lone Rock Resources](#).

## Timber Talk *(Continued)*

of these future community leaders, the chamber is now accepting applications for next year's Project Leadership Roseburg program. See story on page 1.

The May 19 membership meeting is held at the Douglas County fairgrounds from 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The lunch buffet opens at 11:45 a.m. Advance ticket purchase is required, as tickets are not available at the door. Purchase your tickets online today **HERE!**

Ticket price for Roseburg Area Chamber members is \$30/person, or \$175 for a table of six. For non-members and the general public the cost is \$50 per person. The deadline to purchase your ticket and ensure you have a seat at the lunch is Wednesday, May 14 at noon.

After summer hiatus, the chamber's membership meeting lunches will return on September 15.



Luther



Newton



## Leadership *(Continued)*

extensive community and business awareness, but participants also learn about the importance of volunteerism in our community and how they can get involved to help create a more vibrant future for Douglas County.

The leadership program is open to both principals and employees of Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce members. If you or one of your employees are a future Douglas County community and business leader, then you'll want to be part of Project Leadership Roseburg.

Applicants may be either employer-sponsored or self-sponsored. The cost of the program is \$775 for Roseburg Chamber members; \$975 for non-RACC-members. Roseburg Area Chamber members are given admittance priority. Acceptance is on a first-submitted, first-approved basis. There is a \$50 application fee which is deducted from the cost of tuition for selected participants.

The 2025-26 Project Leadership application form, along with curriculum and workshop dates, is on pages 9-12 in this issue of *Business Perspectives*. The application is also available online. The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 21.

The chamber will celebrate the graduation of its 2024-25 Project Leadership class during its May 19 membership meeting lunch. See the story on page 1 for information about the May 19 lunch and to secure your tickets.

## Advocating in Defense of Local Business

### *An Oregon Legislative Update*

Good news and bad news in the aftermath of the April 9 first Chamber deadline of the Oregon Legislative Session. Good news, [HB 3556](#), an attempt to divert transient lodging taxes (TLT) away from its intended use and a bill RACC opposed, died in committee. The bad news, the legislation will be resurrected in a “zombie” bill, [HB 3962](#) which RACC will oppose and issue an “Action Alert” when appropriate. Similarly, bad news, HB 3119 which would have delayed Oregon DEQ’s “Advanced Clean Trucks” rule until 2027 and which RACC supports died in committee but, good news, may see daylight in a bill TBA in a future “Action Alert” to support.

### Some Remaining Bills of Concern

**SB 916 Unemployment Benefits for Striking Workers.** This bill passed the Senate with the bare minimum 16 votes and is now in the House for consideration. SB 916 extends unemployment benefits for striking workers in a stunning reversal of decades of unemployment policy that allowed for benefits only for those not employed through no fault of their own. This bill appears to be on track to be labor’s big win for the 2025 session.

**HB 2548 and HB 3838 Creation of Workforce Standards Boards.** These bills reflect an emerging trend that would establish new industry regulatory boards that would determine employment and wage law for specific industries (these specifically, farm workforce and home health care workforce). This is a grave threat to Oregon employers as the “Standards Board” concept can be applied to any industry.

**SB 174 “Bad Faith” Insurance Lawsuits.** This bill continues to be the most costly of the remaining insurance and liability-related issues. ‘Bad Faith’ legislation is an ill-conceived idea that has driven up will insurance premiums for commercial property and casualty policies in states where it has been passed.

**SB 426 Property Owner & Contractor Liability.** This bill which would hold property owners and general contractors liable for any unpaid wages at the subcontractor level. The bill directly punishes the wrong parties for wage theft at the subcontractor level and will have a chilling effect on commercial construction.

**HB 2957 90-Day Notice to Sue.** This bill eliminates the 90-day ‘notice to sue’ limitation, extending the timeline that an employment claim can be filed after BOLI concludes there is no evidence to support a claim. Current law gives people a time limit of 90-days to sue an employer after BOLI concludes its investigation and finds in favor of the employer.

**HB 3489 Timber Tax.** Proposes to impose a severance tax on timber, increasing the tax burden to the sector by roughly 800% while defunding the Oregon Forest Resources Institute.

**HB 3197 and HB 3940 Alcohol Taxes.** HB 3197 would add an alcohol sales tax and HB 3940 would place a surcharge on sales of beverage containers to fund wildfire mitigation. Both would require a three-fifths supermajority in order to pass.

### Some Good Bills Still Alive

**HB 3921 Relating to UGB.** Would approve city of Roseburg and Douglas County’s 2024 ordinances that provided for amendments to the city’s urban growth boundary, the city boundaries and the city and county’s comprehensive plan and land use regulations.

## Thank You Reinvesting Members

A-1 Auto Glass

Acrisure Northwest/Umpqua Insurance Agency

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Bassett-Hyland Energy Co.

Coastal Farm & Ranch

Crystal Falls

First American Title Insurance Company

First Interstate Bank

Hope Clinic For Women

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OCCU--Oregon Community Credit Union

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Umpqua Sand & Gravel, A CHR Company

## Welcome New Members

### Industrial Source

Michael Long  
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Roseburg, OR 97471  
(541) 236-2812  
[industrialsource.com](http://industrialsource.com)



Industrial Source provides specialty gases, welding, metal fabrication, cylinder testing, dry ice delivery, vending solutions, rental equipment and more. Founded in 1945, Industrial Source, which is locally-owned and operated, is a leader in gas and welding supply service with 80 years of experience and expertise. Industrial Source has six other locations in Oregon--Springfield, Portland, Salem, Medford, Grants Pass and Coos Bay--and is the largest independent gas and welding company in the state.

### Thoroughbred Express Auto Wash

1100 NE Stephens Street  
Roseburg, OR 97470  
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[thoroughbredexpress.com](http://thoroughbredexpress.com)



Thoroughbred Express Auto Wash is a modern express exterior car wash, located on NE Stephens Street in Roseburg. Thoroughbred Express has more than 10 years experience in the car wash industry, operating large scale car wash operations.

Thoroughbred Express Auto Wash features the latest tunnel equipment and premium car care products. In addition to its Roseburg and Pendleton Oregon operations, Thoroughbred Express has operations in Kentucky, Indiana, West Virginia, Ohio, and Washington.





## 2024 ROSEBURG AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Advocated in defense of our local business community under the chamber's 2023-24 Public Affairs & Legislative Agenda, specifically during the 2024 Oregon Legislative Session, submitting in testimony in opposition to anti-business legislation and in support of pro-business legislation.
- Inaugural member of the opposition to IP 17, ultimately "No on Measure 118" coalition and campaign, beginning July of 2024 and continuing through post-November general election. RACC served on the coalition committee, engaged member action, hosted a presentation about the measure, distributed collateral materials to its member, distributed yard signs and published an opposition statement in the Voters Pamphlet.
- Provided membership with timely information, awareness and tools, during the 2024 Oregon legislative session and, particularly, during the No on Measure 118 campaign via newsletter articles, "Call to Action" and "Chamber News" emails, and membership meeting programs.
- The chamber's membership lunch programs hosted the annual state of the county update, welcomed new community CEOs, an Oregon Business & Industry program update, transportation infrastructure presentation, timber and wood products industry update and more.
- Submitted public comment in opposition of the Oregon DEQ's Climate Protection Program Draft Rules.
- Maintained the chamber's financial stability. Due to long-term conscientious management of chamber funds, including ensuring emergency operations reserves, the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce remains financially stable and secure during unstable economic times.
- Represented the interests of business with government monitoring federal, state and local political activity, taking positions when appropriate.
- Initiated its candidate review, interview and endorsement process. RACC endorsed four candidates in 2024—two for local office and two for state office. All four endorsed candidates were elected/re-elected in November.
- Supported the city of Roseburg's proposed Urban Growth Boundary land swap, recognizing our community's workforce housing shortage and the need for buildable land for housing within the city limits.
- Regular updates of chamber's website and printed materials for the service to and promotion of members.
- RACC joined national coalitions of chambers and business organizations (1) supporting H.R. 7198 "The Prove It Act of 2024; (2) supporting the Regulatory Flexibility Act reform in defense of small business; (3) opposing a California Air Resources Board (CARB) application to EPA related to requiring zero emissions by train locomotives; (4) supporting Congressional action to pass emergency relief supplemental funding related to natural disasters, specifically wildfire; and (5) urging Congress pursue pro-growth tax policy by extending or making permanent 2017 tax reforms.
- Continued to grow chamber communications, specifically its weekly "Chamber News" member email blasts, "Action Alerts"; produced six editions of *Business Perspectives* in addition to "Current News" page, online.
- Hosted the chamber's 69th annual awards dinner and meeting of the membership presenting RACC's small, medium and large business of the year awards, business innovative excellence honors and First Citizen recognitions for 2023.
- Publish online edition of the 2024 *InUmpqua* (business directory, community profile & visitor magazine); continued to provide printed edition to chambers and visitor centers around the state.
- Completed 34<sup>th</sup> year of Project Leadership Roseburg, and launched the 2024-25 (35th year) leadership class program in September 2024.
- Member-benefit programs: Shop Chamber & Save discount program, member referrals, member groundbreakings/ribbon cutting events.
- "Shop local" messaging; promoted "shop local" for Black Friday and "shop small" on Small Business Saturday and throughout the holiday season, during November and December.
- Provided visitor information to individuals interested in visiting Roseburg/Douglas County in response to mail, phone and email inquiries. Provided relocation information and packets to individuals and businesses in response to mail, phone and email requests. Distributed Roseburg/Douglas County map regionally and statewide, and to individuals planning to visit to our area.

## Got News?

**Roseburg's Community Cancer Center turns 45!** On December 9, 1980, Roseburg Community Cancer Center held a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The first treatment was delivered the very next day on December 10. Over the last 45 years CCC's services have grown to provide the best service and care to local citizens. The new CCC building was completed in 2009 along with new programs to make it a one-stop location for cancer care. CCC sees an average of 400 patients each year. On May 1, CCC celebrated the organization's 45th anniversary with a community open house.



Community Cancer Center



Congratulations to our Community Cancer Center at this milestone. Our community will continue to benefit by the passion and dedication of your leadership and the exceptional care services you provide to our citizens.



**Hope Clinic for Women serving our community for 40 years!** Since 1985 Hope Clinic for Women has provided life-affirming pregnancy help through medical services, education and resources to empower individuals to make informed decisions. The many services provided to area women happen under the direction and supervision of a licensed physician

and medical professionals, free of charge. Thank you, Hope Clinic for your past and continued service to Douglas County families.

**Swanson Group appoints Chris Swanson president.** On April 3, Swanson Group announced the appointment of Chris Swanson as president of the organization. In his expanded role, Chris will assume control of the day-to-day management of the company. The transition ensures continuation of family management of Swanson Group. During his more than 25 years with the company, Chris has served in various operations, sales and management roles across all facets of the company.



*Building tomorrow's future today!*

Steve Swanson, who have managed the company since 1988, will maintain a presence, serving and CEO and chairman of the board. Congratulations, Chris, Steve and the entire Swanson Group organization!



## Calendar

- 5/5 Cinco de Mayo
- 5/8 Project Leadership Workshop #8
- 5/11 Mother's Day
- 5/19 May Membership Meeting  
"Timber/Wood Products Industry Update  
& Project Leadership Graduation"  
11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 5/26 Memorial Day  
Chamber Offices Closed



## Calendar

- 6/14 Flag Day
- 6/15 Father's Day
- 6/20 Summer Solstice . . . First Day of Summer!
- 6/27-29 Summer Arts Festival

*Look for information about Music on the Half Shell, Movies in the Park, Riverbend Live, Graffiti Weekend, the Douglas County Fair and more summer fun events [HERE!](#)*



# 2025 Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce Goals & Priorities

## **Our Vision:**

To advocate for and be the voice of the business community in the greater Roseburg area

## **Our Mission:**

To strengthen, enhance and protect our members through political advocacy, economic development, community promotion and member programs and services

While the chamber's priorities and objectives are constantly under review to best serve local business, every year Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce leadership has planning sessions to determine its primary objectives and priorities for the upcoming year and the future. The chamber's key priorities are:

- Expanded the chamber's issues and positions in preparation of the 83rd Oregon Legislative Assembly. Under its 2025-26 Public Affairs & Legislative Agenda the chamber will advocate on behalf of Douglas County business during Oregon's 2025 Legislative Session. The chamber will provide testimony on proposed legislation and participate with local, regional and statewide coalitions in opposition to anti-business proposals and in support of pro-business initiatives.
- Keep membership informed of government affairs issues, particularly during Oregon's Legislative Session via newsletter articles, online "Call to Action" and "Current News" updates, "Action Alert" broadcast membership emails, and programs/forums, as needed.
- Promote member businesses products and services through referrals, online member directory and business directory in its online and printed InUmpqua magazine; through social media posts, "Shop local" holiday promotions and "Shop Chamber & Save" promotions. Additionally, provide members with promotional opportunities through sponsorships, advertising and website corporate banners.
- Launch several new programs and opportunities in the fall of 2025 including, Coffee & Commerce—a quarterly professional networking opportunity, industry-specific councils and emerging leaders quarterly gatherings for business-member individuals chamber leadership determines have a future role in RACC leadership positions.
- Continue to expand online business resource libraries with crucial information and information for best general business practices. Add business programs to provide members with best practices information.
- Add chamber staff prioritizing membership growth, member outreach and retention, and increasing member-business visitations.
- Monitor issues and activities at the local, state and federal government levels. Actively support and oppose issues in order to advance the most pro-business environment possible.
- Host chamber programs including annual awards event which will move to a luncheon in 2026; membership meeting lunches, 2025-26 Project Leadership Roseburg and Economic Forecast 2026, and support our members ribbon cutting and grand opening events.
- Promote our community as a great place to live, work and visit through online information about recreation, events and amenities; statewide distribution of InUmpqua publication and Roseburg/Douglas County map; responding to phone, email and in-person inquiries and via mailing the chamber's InUmpqua magazine.
- Provide information to individuals and businesses looking to relocate through online, phone, and email inquiries and through mailing of community profile and relocation information.
- Advocate for effective forest management on public lands to include increased harvest and reforestation, imperative to economic growth, long-term sustainability, and to curtail the significant increase in catastrophic wildfires seen in recent years; and advocate for proper management after a fire or other catastrophic event.

## Send Us Your Got News?

Has your business moved, changed contact information or expanded? Celebrating a company anniversary or received an award? New staff? Employees who received a promotion, award or completed a specialized training?

These are potentially newsworthy items that you can submit to the chamber's "Got News?" section! Inclusion of "Got News?" submissions in chamber newsletters are subject to approval and availability of space.

Submit your "Got News" to [sales@roseburgareachamber.org](mailto:sales@roseburgareachamber.org).

## Celebrate Small Business Month!

May is National Small Business Month! Celebrate and support our local small businesses!

Did you know? It is estimated that small businesses in the US create approximately 1.5 million jobs each year, or about 64% of all new jobs. There is an estimated 33.2 million small businesses in the US, accounting for 99% of all US businesses. The fastest growing small business industries are in food/restaurant services and business services.

Small businesses are the backbone of our community. Show them love and support every month . . . every day but, with a little extra shine and celebration in the month of May!



## Legislature (Continued)

### Some Good Bills Still Alive (Cont.)

**SB 512 Rock Creek Fish Hatchery.** Would direct the State Fish and Wildlife Commission to operate a summer steelhead fish hatchery at the Rock Creek Hatchery and release the hatchery fish into the North Umpqua River.

**SJR 11 Oregon Constitution Re Lottery Revenues.** Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require a certain percentage of lottery revenues to be expended for wildfire prevention, suppression or management. Refers the proposed amendment to the people of Oregon for vote.

Important upcoming session deadlines: May 9/post work session; May 14/quarterly revenue forecast; May 23/second Chamber deadline; June 18/target Sine Die; and, June 29/Constitutional Sine Die.

For more detailed information about RACC positions and the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce (OSCC) weekly bill tracking, visit [RACC Issues & Positions](#) online.

On the Federal scene, from the US Chamber of Commerce:

[What Small Businesses Need to Know About Tariffs](#)

[Intellectual Property Is the Backbone of Economic Growth](#)

[The State of American Business 2025](#)

[Small Business Tariff Update: What to Know Now](#)

[How Broad-Based Tariffs Put U.S. Growth, Prosperity at Risk](#)

## Increase Business Visibility

### Opportunities on the Chamber's Website

The chamber's website offers members access to helpful online features. Increased attention and visits to the chamber website, provides members with the opportunity for greater visibility and exposure for your company via corporate banner or logo.

Homepage and interior page space options are available for a year under a 12-month contract. An online banner prominently features a member's business logo and link to your company's website. **Claim a banner for your business today!**

The chamber also has advertising options in its *Business Perspectives* newsletter and a discount for website/newsletter combo packages. Email [sales@roseburgareachamber.org](mailto:sales@roseburgareachamber.org) today for information.



### Business Perspectives Publication Deadline

Business Perspectives is an official publication of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce published six times a year. Members are encouraged to submit "Got News."

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"Got News" deadline is the 15th of each month preceding the publication date. Information will be published subject to space availability.

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# Project Leadership Roseburg

## 2025-26

**CALLING ALL FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS**

*Are you or one of your employees a future Douglas County business leader?*

### **Now is the time to apply for participation in the 2025-2026 Project Leadership Roseburg program.**

Since 1989, nearly 700 business people have graduated from Project Leadership Roseburg, and many of today's respected Douglas County business and civic leaders are graduates of this esteemed program. Now in its 36<sup>th</sup> year, the mission of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce's leadership program is to educate, inspire, and strengthen community-minded individuals through increased business and community awareness and to promote civic activism through volunteerism.

Not your typical leadership program, Project Leadership provides participants with a comprehensive awareness of the many facets of Douglas County and they gain a deeper understanding of how our community works, directly from its leaders. The nine-month program not only imparts knowledge about our region, but fosters dedication to our community as participants learn about opportunities for involvement to help create a more vibrant future for Douglas County.

### **Making a Commitment to Leadership**

Project Leadership Roseburg requires a two-year commitment from participants. During the first year, participants attend eight day-long sessions, one per month. Each month, participants will attend a full-day workshop, panel presentations/briefings, and/or tours on different session topics.

Project Leadership challenges its participants to become more involved in local politics, the chamber, community and civic organizations—all for the future betterment of Douglas County. This involvement will start soon after participants "graduate" from the leadership program in May. They may assist chamber staff with facilitation of workshop sessions for a new class of Project Leadership participants; thus, fulfilling their second-year commitment to the program.

### **Now Accepting Applications**

The chamber is currently accepting applications for the 2025-26 Project Leadership class. Space is limited. Applicants may be employer-sponsored or self-sponsored. The cost for the program for Roseburg Area Chamber members is \$775; the cost for non-member participants is \$975. Roseburg Area Chamber members will be given priority and acceptance is on a first-come/first-approved basis. Only one candidate per company may be accepted.

### **Ready to apply?**

An application is available to download online at [www.roseburgchamber.com](http://www.roseburgchamber.com)

### **For more information:**

Email: [roseburg@roseburgareachamber.org](mailto:roseburg@roseburgareachamber.org)

**Application Deadline**

**5 p.m.**

**August 21, 2025**

**Applications should be mailed to:**

**Roseburg Area Chamber of  
Commerce P.O. Box 1026  
Roseburg, OR 97470**

**A \$50 fee must accompany  
application. The application fee is  
applied to the tuition cost if the  
applicant is accepted; if not  
selected, the  
deposit will be refunded.**

## PROJECT LEADERSHIP ROSEBURG CURRICULUM 2025-26\*



### Project Leadership Roseburg

**2025-26**

*A program devoted to strengthening  
and educating community-minded  
business leaders to serve in  
volunteer leadership positions  
throughout Douglas County.*

<p><b>SEPTEMBER 11, 2025   ORIENTATION / LEADERSHIP / TEAMBUILDING</b> Setting the stage for leadership training and getting acquainted with fellow participants. Program overview and class goals are discussed.</p>
<p><b>OCTOBER 9, 2025   BUSINESS / INDUSTRY / NATURAL RESOURCES</b> An overview of our timber, manufacturing and service industries. Identify local natural resource issues and its impact on the community; study of the economic climate of Douglas County.</p>
<p><b>NOVEMBER 17, 2025   ECONOMIC FORECAST 2026 PROGRAM / TRANSPORTATION &amp; UTILITIES</b> (Note: This is a Monday) <b>A.M. Session:</b> Class attends “Economic Forecast 2025” &amp; November Membership Luncheon. <b>P.M. Session:</b> Transportation &amp; Utility services in Douglas County.</p>
<p><b>JANUARY 8, 2026   ROLE OF GOVERNMENT</b> How various levels of government fit into the Douglas County area. Understanding the planning process for public and private partnerships.</p>
<p><b>FEBRUARY 12, 2026   LAW ENFORCEMENT &amp; CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b> Learn about trends, techniques and issues of law enforcement and gain an increased understanding of the local judiciary system.</p>
<p><b>MARCH 12, 2026   ROLE OF EDUCATION</b> Education as a resource and how it affects the community, including the challenges ahead.</p>
<p><b>APRIL 9, 2026   MEDICAL &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b> An examination of health and social services, funding capabilities and future planning.</p>
<p><b>MAY 14, 2026   LEISURE, HOSPITALITY &amp; TOURISM</b> Economic impact of local hospitality industry--recreational assets and visitor destinations. Overview of opportunities and organizations for future volunteering.</p>
<p><b>MAY 18, 2026   PROJECT LEADERSHIP GRADUATION</b> Graduates are presented at the May membership meeting lunch of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce.</p>

*\*Subject to change/be updated as needed*



## Project Leadership Roseburg

Application for 2025-26 Program

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Business Title \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Business Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip Code

Home/Cell Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Email \_\_\_\_\_

Send program correspondence to: ☐ Business email ☐ Home email

**APPLICANT: *Submit the following with your application***

**References** – Two professional/community references

**Questions/Essay** – Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:

1. Community Involvement: List up to three community, business, civic, political, or social volunteer areas in which you have served. Include the name of the organization and/or your responsibilities or role in its activities.
2. Why do you want to participate in Project Leadership Roseburg?
3. How will Project Leadership help you reach your personal and professional goals?

### APPLICANT COMMITMENT

I understand the purpose of Project Leadership and, if selected, I will devote the time necessary to complete the program.

I will attend the program of eight, full-day, monthly sessions that will be held on the second Thursday of the month, except as noted, from September through May and attend the class graduation.

I understand that Project Leadership Roseburg does not end with graduation, but that I may be asked to assist staff facilitating a class session in the following year for the next class of Project Leadership Roseburg.

I also understand that if I have more than three ½-day absences (or 1½ days total) during the program, I will not graduate and will not complete the program. I will be automatically excused from the program and no portion of the tuition shall be refunded.

I accept these requirements and am willing to make this commitment.

**Application Deadline**  
**5 p.m, August 21, 2025**

A completed application and \$50 application fee must be received no later than Thursday at 5 p.m. on August 21, 2025.

**Applications may be mailed to:**  
**Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce**  
**P.O. Box 1026**  
**Roseburg, OR 97470**

The \$50 application fee is applied to the tuition cost if the applicant is accepted; or if not selected, the deposit will be refunded.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

RACC Acceptance \_\_\_\_\_  
RACC President/CEO



## Project Leadership Roseburg

Application for 2025-26 Program

### EMPLOYER INFORMATION

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Organization/Business \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Title \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Business Email \_\_\_\_\_

Invoice Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip Code

### TUITION

#### Application Deposit

A \$50 deposit is required with this application payable to the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce and is refundable if applicant is not selected. If the applicant is accepted, the fee is applied to the tuition.

#### Program Tuition

The \$775 member/\$975 non-member tuition covers: class material, session lunches, admission to the chamber's November membership meeting lunch and May membership lunch/class graduation, annual awards event in March and Economic Forecast 2026 in November.

### EMPLOYER COMMITMENT

This applicant has the full commitment of this organization and, if selected, the time and financial support required to fully participate in Project Leadership.

I understand that if my employee has three half-day (or 1½ days total) absences during the program sessions, they will not graduate and will automatically be excused from the program and no portion of the tuition will be refunded. Participants must be in attendance for each half-day attendance sign in in order for the half-day participation to be valid.

As the employer, I, or my designee, shall be responsible for representing our organization at the graduation program.

In addition, I, or my designee, will devote the time necessary to serve as a mentor to our participant and keep informed about the Project Leadership program.

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Employer Signature

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Date