

# Welcome to THE PORT OF SUNNYSIDE

**Dear Colleague,**

The Port of Sunnyside is currently in search of a suitable candidate to take on the role of Executive Director. This may be an opportune moment for you to explore this enticing prospect in your career. If not, we kindly request that you share this opportunity with others who might be interested. We appreciate your time and assistance.

Best regards,  
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## WHY APPLY?

The Port of Sunnyside is in search of a skilled and energetic individual to join its executive management team and lead the ongoing expansion and advancement of this crucial economic center. This presents a remarkable chance to influence the Port's future by utilizing \$10 million in state funding for groundbreaking infrastructure initiatives.

As part of the executive management team, you will play a crucial role in driving these projects forward, working with stakeholders and community partners to maximize their impact.

This is your chance to be at the forefront of significant regional development, contributing to the Port's success and future growth.

## KEY PROJECTS

- The development of a multi-million dollar industrial business park to attract and retain industrial businesses.
- The redevelopment of a brownfield site to revitalize and repurpose land for new opportunities.
- A cutting-edge renewable gas project focused on sustainable energy solutions.
- A range of locally funded initiatives designed to further enhance the region's infrastructure and economy.



# THE PORT OF SUNNYSIDE

The mission of the Port of Sunnyside is to “develop, diversify, broaden and strengthen an economic base throughout the district in an environmentally prudent manner”. The primary objective of the Port is to enhance the economic development within the boundaries of the Port of Sunnyside. The Port is organized to aggressively enhance the local economy by providing access to industrial land, industrial infrastructure, and assistance with funding sources for new and expanding businesses and industries.

The Port of Sunnyside is governed by a three-member Board of Commissioners who represent the three geographical sub-districts within the Port district. The Commission delegates administrative authority to the Executive Director to conduct daily operations.

The Port lies in the heart of Central Washington, within Yakima County. You'll often be treated to breathtaking views of Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams. The Port district spans roughly 335,500 acres, representing 13% of the county. It stretches from the Columbia River in the north to the Yakima River in the south, offering a diverse and expansive landscape to explore.



## THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director is selected by and reports to the Port of Sunnyside Board of Commissioners. The person in this role serves as the chief executive officer of the Port of Sunnyside and oversees all Port activities. The primary function of this role is to ensure the Port operates in an ethical, efficient manner with financial stability to achieve the Port's goals. As the top leadership position within the Port, the Executive Director provides management direction to lead staff members. Additionally, the Executive Director is responsible for fostering strong communication and collaboration with other economic, transportation, and governmental agencies within the region.

## EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

Municipal Management, Business Management, Economic Development, Accounting degree or related field, municipal management experience or considerable managerial experience. Or any satisfactory combination of experience and training which demonstrates the knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the job.

Minimum of two full years of successful experience in a similar job of comparable scope is highly desirable.

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**Salary Range:** \$130,000 to \$180,000 annually DOQ, plus benefits package

**First Review Date:** December 16, 2024 - Open Until Filled. Apply Soon!

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