

Is There Such a Thing as Rural Economic Development?

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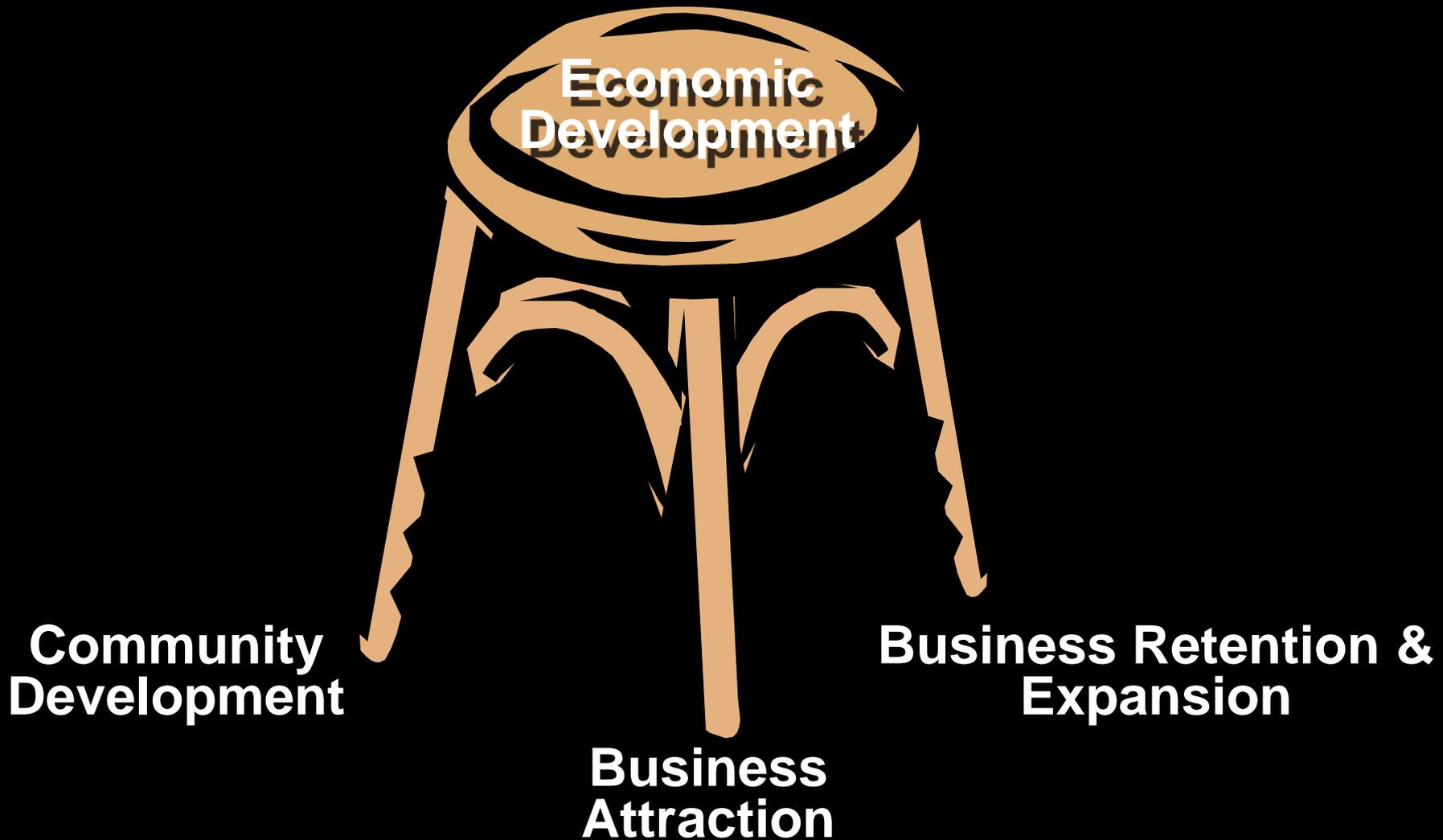
Rural Economic Development Successes

- Pybus Public Market in Wenatchee
- Amtech expansion in Yakima County
- More creative occupations per capita than the nation
- Blue Mountain cluster of artisan food processors
- Pacific Coast Canola state of the art facility in Warden
- SGL Automotive Carbon Fibers is investing \$100 million
- Business and cooperative programs

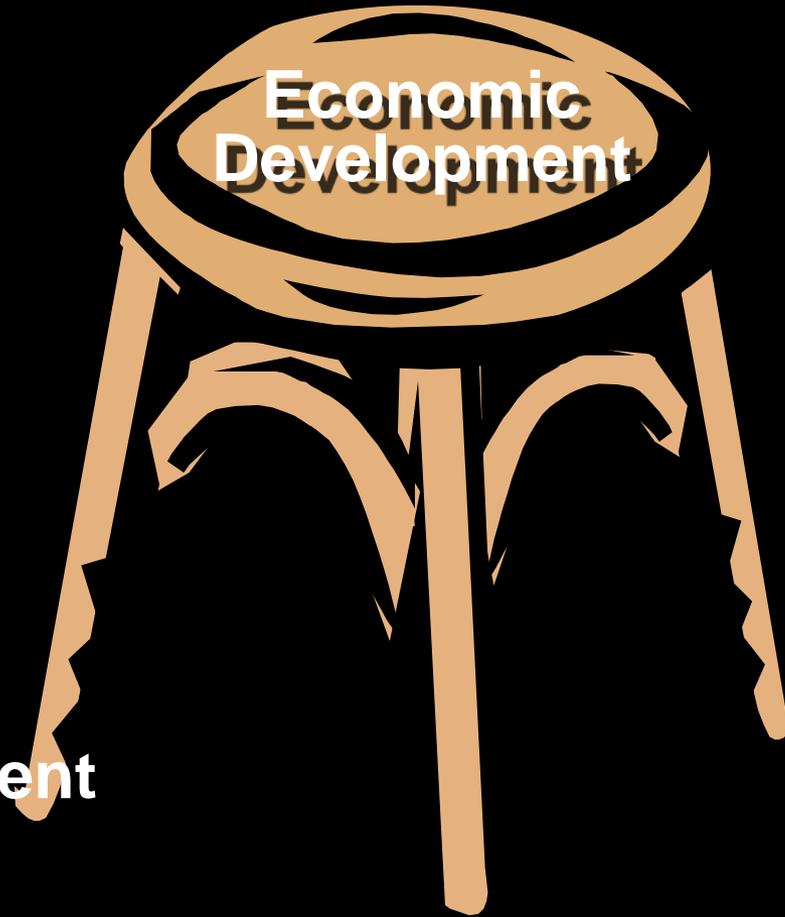
Why do economic development?

- Create jobs
- Raise incomes
- Increase tax base
- Help local industries
- Stabilize the economy
- Avoid obsolescence
- Develop resources
- Revitalize community

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Economic
Development

Asset Development

The Nonprofit Arts are a \$135 Billion Industry

Total Economic Impact of the Nonprofit Art Industry
(Includes both organization and audience expenditures)

Total Expenditures	\$135.2 billion
Full-Time Equivalent Jobs	4.10 million
Local Government Revenue	\$6.0 billion
State Government Revenue	\$6.6 billion
Federal Income Tax Revenue	\$9.5 billion

Adding more foot tapping, smile inducing moments to our lives is sound public policy.

**WASHINGTON INFRASTRUCTURE
REPORT CARD**

Aviation

C

Bridges

C-

Dams

B

Drinking Water

C-

Energy

A

Hazardous Waste

C

Levees

Public Parks & Rec.

Rail

C

Roads

D+

Schools

C

Solid Waste

C

Transit

D+

Broadband...

- Helps business expand and increase their sales
- Transforms health care, enabling better outcomes and lowering costs
- Assists in the retention of youth in the community

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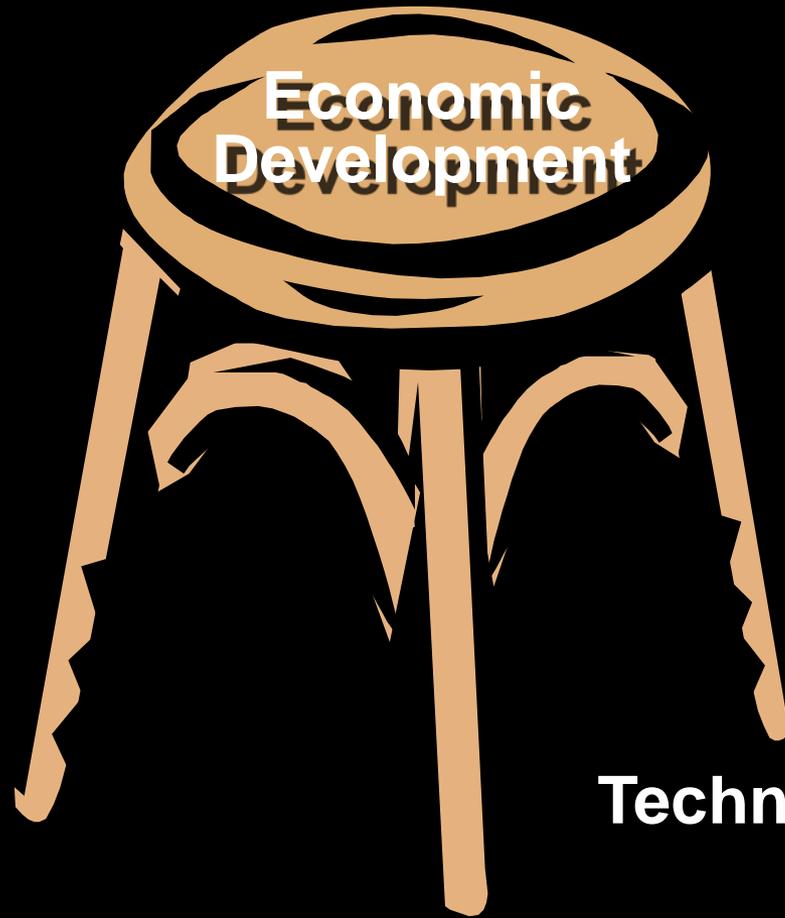


**Innovation/
Entrepreneurial
Development**

Build a Stand, Spark a Dream

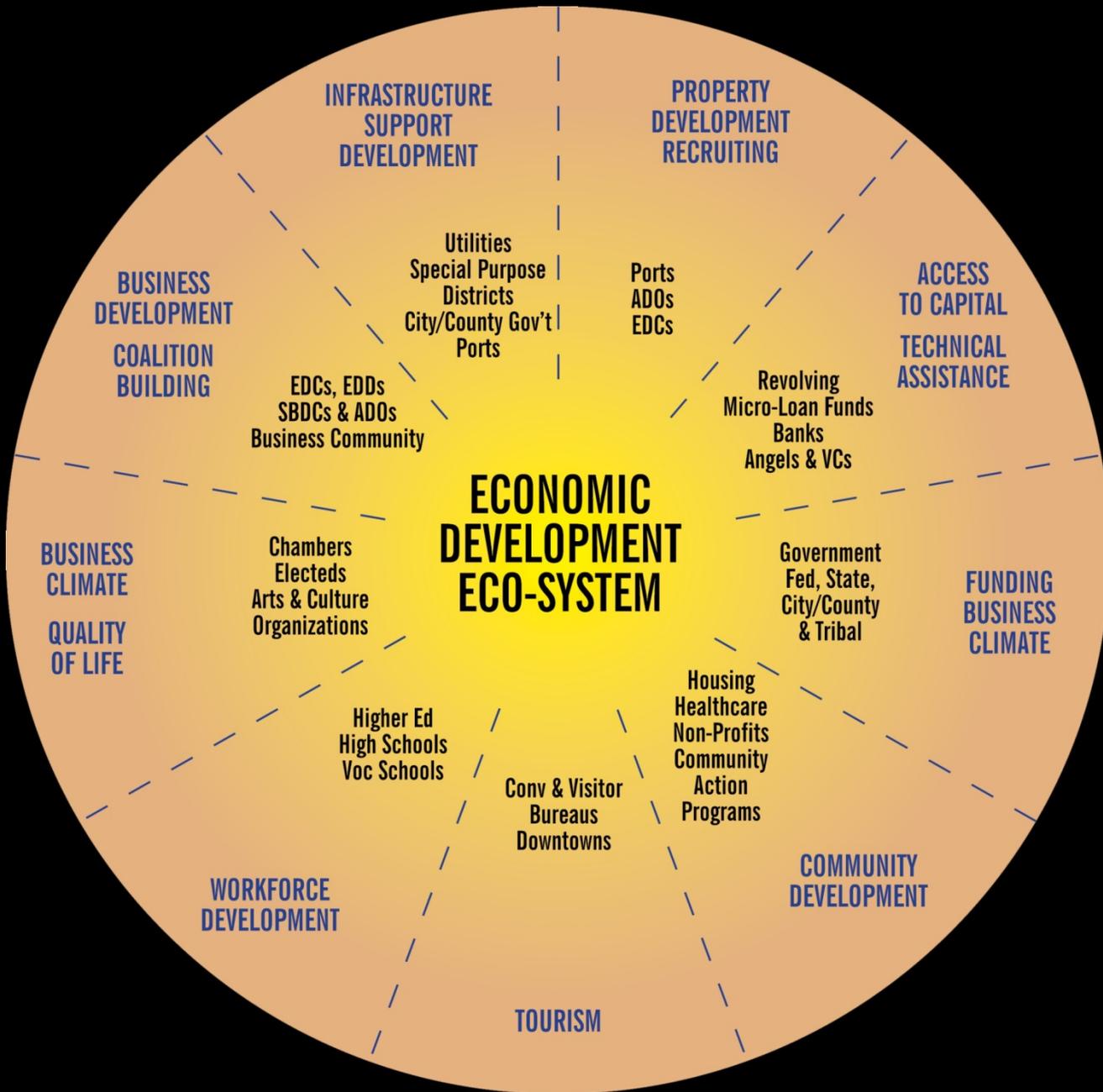


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**Economic
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Technical Assistance



Technical Assistance

- Enterprise for Equity
- Washington State Microenterprise Association
- Washington CASH
- Northwest Agriculture Business Center
- Tri-County Economic Development District
- NW Innovation Resource Center