



## Yakima County

- 4 FTE, 28 Board Members
- 250+ Investors
- \$500,000 annual operating budget

## Industry Focus

- Logistics and Distribution
- Food Processing
- Industrial Machinery and Supplies
- Business and Professional Services
- Healthcare
- Medical Services
- Aerospace

*Yakima County boasts a robust job market, strong growth industries, enviable housing options, wellsprings of cultural diversity, and growing educational opportunities.*

# Yakima County Development Association

*Mission:* The Yakima County Development Association enhances the income, quality of life, and employment stability of Yakima County residents by retaining, expanding and recruiting new business and industry.

## Snapshot of Defense in Yakima County

The Yakima Training Center accounts for the majority of defense spending within Yakima County. While the facility focuses on military and defense training, its operations cut across multiple sectors, soliciting services from Yakima contractors in construction, manufacturing and food processing.



**JOBS SUPPORTED BY DEFENSE CONTRACTS**  
**430**

2012-2014 average, direct and secondary



**DEFENSE CONTRACTS VALUE PER CAPITA \$424**

FY 2015



**OCCUPATIONS**

Construction and Extraction **46**

Office Administration **12**

Transportation **10**

Management **10**

Top direct occupations supported by defense contracts



**DEFENSE CONTRACTING COMPANIES 28**

Companies, 2015



**INDUSTRIES**

Other Construction **\$24.9 M**

Food Manufacturing **\$19.3 M**

Other Transportation Manufacturing **\$2.1 M**

Aircraft Manufacturing **\$1.1 M**

Top industries by defense contracts revenue, 2012 – 2014 average



**TOP CONTRACTORS**

1. RJS Construction

2. Imperial Construction

3. Triumph Actuation Systems

4. McClarin Plastics

5. Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences

Top five contractors by defense contracts amount, FY 2015

Sources: Office of Management and Budget, 2016; Washington State Department of Revenue, 2015; Washington State Office of Financial Management, 2015, 2016; Washington State Employment Security Department, 2016; Department of Defense, 2016; Community Attributes Inc, 2015.

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## Yakima Training Center

The Yakima Training Center is a U.S. military base dedicated to exposing trainees to realistic combat training and equipment use. The center features both rural and urban environments as backdrops for training exercises led by the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Federal Law Enforcement units. The diverse range of settings allows varied training techniques to help trainees prepare for unpredictable circumstances.

## Defense-Related Contractors

Defense contractors in Yakima benefit from the proximity of the Yakima Training Center. The large, Department of Defense-owned facility routinely solicits bids for construction projects, manufacturing, and food and beverage supplies. In addition, Triumph Actuation Systems has a branch in Yakima where it manufactures hydraulic actuation systems and components.



Photo courtesy of Yakima Training Center. The Yakima Training Center offers training exercises for many branches of the U.S. military and federal law enforcement. Defense contractors in Yakima benefit from the extensive operations of the center.

## YCDA Support for Defense Contractors

YCDA provides on-the-ground support for businesses and defense contractors that want to expand, grow and develop their companies.

## Locate Sites and Opportunities

With a variety of real estate options for expanding businesses in Yakima County, YCDA is the go-to resource to help companies identify sites and opportunities. Yakima County has buildings available for manufacturing, warehousing, and commercial operations in a variety of sizes and business settings.

## Establish Businesses and Help Them Thrive

YCDA walks new businesses through the startup process from start to finish. Whether it's navigating the permitting process, writing a business plan, or participating in government contracting, YCDA is there to help.

## Develop Customized Workforce

Through relationships with colleges and technical schools, YCDA works with businesses to generate and locate the ideal workforce. Customized training and curriculums produce candidates that are tailor-made for local industries and Yakima businesses.

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