

FOREST GROVE / CORNELIUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



MEMBERSHIP GUIDE

WELCOME TO OUR CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE!





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Welcome!



On behalf of the Forest Grove/Cornelius Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, it is my privilege to welcome you to the 2024-2025 Chamber year.

Having worked closely with the Chamber during the past several years, I begin my term as Board Chair with great optimism and enthusiasm. Our Chamber leadership team continues to amaze me with their relentless efforts to provide solid events, education and opportunities. Our Board of Directors and Executive Board are likewise well-suited to foster a successful Chamber.

If you need any assistance or would like to discuss a business opportunity or challenge, please contact one of the staff in the office or any of the Board members listed on the following pages.

Our growing team of Ambassadors also is constantly reaching out to our business community to make sure everyone is aware of Chamber activities, benefits, and the priorities of the Chamber.

In addition to our long-standing annual events, the Chamber hosts monthly Rise and Shine visits to area businesses, ribbon cuttings for new businesses, and Chamber luncheons drawing 30-40 attendees each month. For those members and other businesses who have not yet participated in Chamber events, I encourage you to attend this coming year to enjoy the networking opportunities and better learn about our business community.

Thank-you for participating in the Chamber and serving our local community.

I look forward to serving as your Board Chair in 2024-2025.



Steve Krautscheid
Board Chair '24-'25

Welcome to the FGC Chamber of Commerce! We are thrilled to have you join our dynamic and growing business community.

As a member, you will have access to a wealth of resources, including networking opportunities, educational workshops, and targeted advocacy efforts. Our strategic plan for 2024-2026 focuses on enhancing membership value, strengthening communication strategies, and fostering a diverse and thriving business environment. We are committed to supporting your business growth and ensuring you receive the maximum benefit from your membership.

Our mission is to be the voice of business, advancing economic development in the community through advocacy, networking, support, and training. We are dedicated to helping you connect with fellow business leaders, stay informed about the latest business activities, and participate in initiatives that drive economic growth and community engagement.

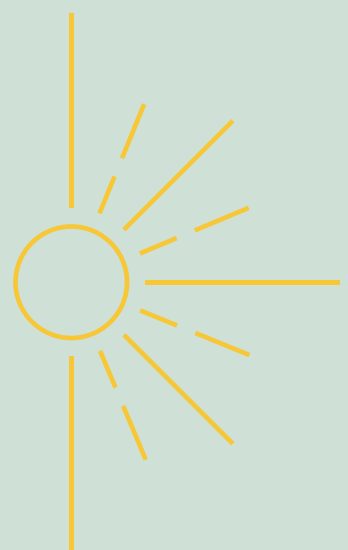
Your membership also plays a vital role in the financial stability and success of our Chamber. Through your support, we can continue to provide high-quality services, advocate for business-friendly policies, and create a thriving business environment for all our members.

We look forward to partnering with you and supporting your business endeavors. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team. Together, we can achieve great success and make a positive impact on our community.

Welcome to the FGC Chamber of Commerce!



Claudia Yakos
Executive Director



Growing with you

Our Mission

The Forest Grove / Cornelius Chamber promotes a diverse, inclusive, and thriving business community working together to ensure an equitable and sustainable future where businesses succeed and people prosper.

Our Goals



01 Provide Networking Opportunities

- Facilitate opportunities for business people to acquaint themselves with others in the community.
 - Monthly luncheon, Rise & Shine, newsletter and other events bring our business and community leaders together.
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02 Support the Interests of Business

- Represent business concerns to local, regional, state and federal entities.
 - Provide opportunities for chamber members to become better acquainted with candidates and representatives by holding forums and informational meetings.
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03 Promote the Business

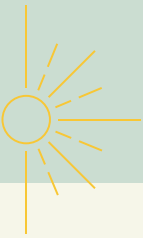
- Provide information on community attractions and events.
 - Maintain an up-to-date website with current information.
 - Promote Members and Chamber Business through social media platforms and dynamic website content.
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04 Create a Strong Local Economy

- Encourage local shopping and use of contractors and professional services.
- Promote the interests of our business community and work to bring new business.
- Respond to visitor and local inquiries with references to Chamber member businesses and support services.
- Maintain the Chamber website with detailed information about our members business and the community

Your Membership Benefits

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01 Community Involvement

- Creating community events to showcase our members' businesses
- Holiday activities
- Chamber Community Events

Business Education & Resources

- Economic development resources
- Centro de Desarrollo' Empresarial (Business Development Center)
- Travel & Visitor Association membership
- Import/export & Notary service
- Conference room usage

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03 Online Presence

- "Chamber Chatter" Email Newsletter - Member only postings
- Chamber website
- Social Media Presence
- Promotions and Event listings online
- Employment listings online



Access to local & Regional Leadership

- Chamber Board & community liaisons
- Legislative advocacy
- City & state association representation
- Belonging to government and other related organizations with business best interest in mind

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05 Advertising Opportunities + Sponsorships

- Forest Grove/Cornelius "Unwined" Guide
- Community Banner Program
- Pacific Community Resource Guide
- Weekly Newsletter
- Social Media Shares + Likes
- Hotel Guest Rack Cards
- Vendor Opportunities at Chamber Events



Networking Events

- Rise & Shine
- Monthly Chamber Luncheons
- Women's Business Network
- Chamber Ambassadors

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FGC Chamber Executive Board



Steve Krautscheid
FGC Chamber Board Chair
OHSU Hillsboro Medical Center



Michael Cook
Executive Board - Treasurer
Brookwood Auto Group



Claudia Yakos
Executive Director
Cima Services



Parri Van Dyke
Executive Board
Wedge & Cured



Evelyn Orr
Executive Board - Incoming Chair
GearUp Sports



Robert Groves
Executive Board
Minuteman Mortgage

FGC Chamber Board of Directors



Parri VanDyke
Wedge & Cured



Ruth Tarr
Sidereus Winery



Maria Caballero Rubio
Centro Cultural



Peter Brandom
City of Cornelius



Jennifer Coyle
Pacific University



Willow Oelke
Wauna Credit Union



David Warner
Forest Grove School District



Jesse Vanderzanden
City of Forest Grove



Lourdes Herencia
Adelante Mujeres



Rhonda Worbel
The Higher Taste



Miles Glowacki
City of Forest Grove



Tim Rippe
City of Forest Grove

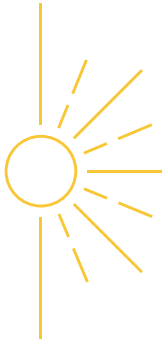


Mayor
Malynda Wenzl
City of Forest Grove



Mayor
Jeff Dalin
City of Cornelius

Annual Membership Dues



Payment accepted by check, VISA or MASTERCARD.
Payment is available via our website in your member account portal, or with mailed check sent to 2417 Pacific Ave Forest Grove OR, 97116.

Business Schedule

1-4 Employees	\$225
5-9 Employees	\$250
10-19 Employees	\$300
20-29 Employees	\$375
30-39 Employees	\$450
40-59 Employees	\$525
60-79 Employees	\$600
80-99 Employees	\$675
100-129 Employees	\$750
130-149 Employees	\$1,000
150-199 Employees	\$1,700
200+ Employees	Negotiable

Non-Profit Schedule

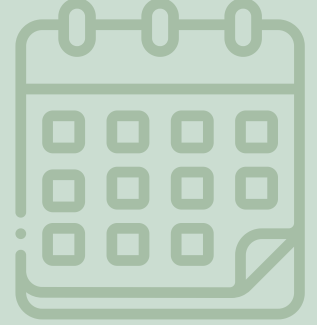
1-4 Employees	\$175
5-9 Employees	\$200
10-19 Employees	\$250
20-29 Employees	\$325
30-39 Employees	\$400
40-59 Employees	\$475
60-79 Employees	\$550
80-99 Employees	\$625
100-129 Employees	\$700
130-149 Employees	\$950
150-199 Employees	\$1,650
200+ Employees	Negotiable

Home Based Business \$150; Retired/Non-Business \$100



Forest Grove/Cornelius
Chamber of Commerce

Suggestions to get the most out of your chamber membership!



First 30 days:

- Go to the Chamber website- www.fgcchamber.org—review other members' information in the membership directory and check out the event calendar
 - Log on to 'Member Login' and review your information page
 - Attend one networking event
 - Schedule your ribbon cutting event
 - "Like" the Forest Grove / Cornelius Chamber social media pages
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First 60 days:

- Post an event or happening with your business on the website event calendar
 - Attend a Monthly Chamber Luncheon
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First 90 days:

- Review online membership directory. To whom can you potentially refer business? Call the Chamber office if you need introduction to that member
 - Register for an event online
 - Schedule a time to be a Business Spotlight at a Monthly Luncheon
 - Time is limited and not sure how to get involved? Call us to learn about how and where you can serve
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First 120 days:

- Review sponsorship opportunities with Chamber for brand and name exposure
 - Determine an event you would like to sponsor for additional exposure
 - Review calendar for ribbon cutting of business that could be a good referral source and commit to attend that ribbon cutting
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First 180 days

- Review membership ROI. Are we meeting the goals you set for joining? If not, call the Chamber office.

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