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## **March 19 Youth Career and Job Fair Postponed by Workforce Southwest Washington**

**Vancouver, Wash. (March 12, 2020)** – As COVID-19 continues to spread across the state and country, Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW) has postponed its fourth annual Youth Employment Summit (YES) out of an abundance of caution.

The event, originally scheduled for March 19, 2020 will be held at a future date.

“We did not make this decision lightly,” said WSW CEO Kevin Perkey. “We did so out of guidance from science and a desire to act in the most responsible way possible to protect the well-being of our team, business partners, young adults, and the greater community. We will be reviewing options for a future date for the event.”

WSW staff has contacted businesses and schools that were scheduled to participate and notified them of the postponement.

At the YES event, companies can meet their future workforce, increase awareness of their company and promote job opportunities to approximately 400 young adults, ages 16 to 24, from school districts and youth programs across Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties.

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**Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW)** funds community prosperity by investing in services that help individuals gain skills to find a good-paying job or advance in their careers and help companies attract, train and retain workers. Our investments strengthen the region’s businesses and contribute to a strong economy. Since 2003, we’ve invested more than \$100 million in Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties. Learn more at [www.workforcesw.org](http://www.workforcesw.org).

*Serving businesses, job seekers and youth in Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties.*

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