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Tulalip Tribes
Board Member

Quil Ceda Village Opens Doors to Upscale Outlet Center

On May 5th, the Tulalip Tribes and the Chelsea Property Group celebrated the grand opening of the Seattle Premium Outlets. Chelsea Property Group is the world's largest owner and operator of manufacturers' outlet centers and the owner of the new Seattle Premium Outlets. Amidst the ribbon-cutting and a Tribal Ceremony, Tulalip Tribal members expressed their excitement for the new outlets, which they see as a significant step towards their goal of positioning Quil Ceda Village as a Northwest destination.

Just 30 minutes north of Seattle, the Seattle Premium Outlets are part of Quil Ceda Village Business Park, a bustling commercial center located



Tulalip Tribal Chairman Stan Jones Sr., along with other board members, cut the ribbon and welcomed Chelsea Property Groups and the Seattle Premium Outlets to Quil Ceda Village

near Marysville. The Seattle Premium Outlets offer the area an unparalleled upscale outlet shopping experience. The outlets feature 100 designer

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Quil Ceda Tax Equity Act



Quil Ceda Village became a federally chartered city in 2001

For the third straight year, a bill that would allow Quil Ceda Village to receive a portion of the sales taxes generated within its boundaries did not make it out of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, after having been passed by the House of Representatives by the largest margin of support ever (93-3).

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and name-brand outlet stores including Adidas, Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, Brooks Brothers, Burberry, Calvin Klein, Coach, Gap Outlet, Guess, J. Crew, Movado, Nike, Polo Ralph Lauren, Puma, Restoration Hardware, Sony and Tommy Hilfiger.

As part of Quil Ceda Village,



The crowd arrived early for the celebration of the Seattle Premium Outlets

a popular destination that draws thousands of shoppers each day, the Seattle Premium Outlets expect to draw nearly six million annual visitors, playing a significant role in the economic prosperity of the surrounding area.

It is projected that the Seattle Premium Outlets

Center will generate more than 800 jobs, with an annual payroll of over \$15 million. "The Tulalip Tribes are committed to the economic growth of this region," said Tulalip Tribes' Board Member, Herman Williams Jr. "The addition of the Seattle Premium Outlets



The Tulalip Tribes performed traditional song and dance at the grand opening ceremony of Seattle Premium Outlets

will be the latest example of this commitment."

Quil Ceda Village, which emerged in the late 1990s when leaders of the Tulalip Tribes diligently began to lay the groundwork for the creation of a business development within

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New Welfare-to-Work Facility

The Tulalip gym was decorated with bouquets of balloons, large "Congratulations" banners, and over a hundred eager faces, excited to celebrate the grand opening

of the new TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Welfare-to-Work facility. The TANF staff gathered together and thanked Tribal leaders for

their vision of jobs for every Tribal member and for providing the resources to make that vision a reality. "Today is the first day on a journey to self-sufficiency," remarked TANF Manager, Diane Henry.

Located across from the main Tribal offices, the new TANF facility will provide services to Native families to aid in their transition from welfare to work and self-

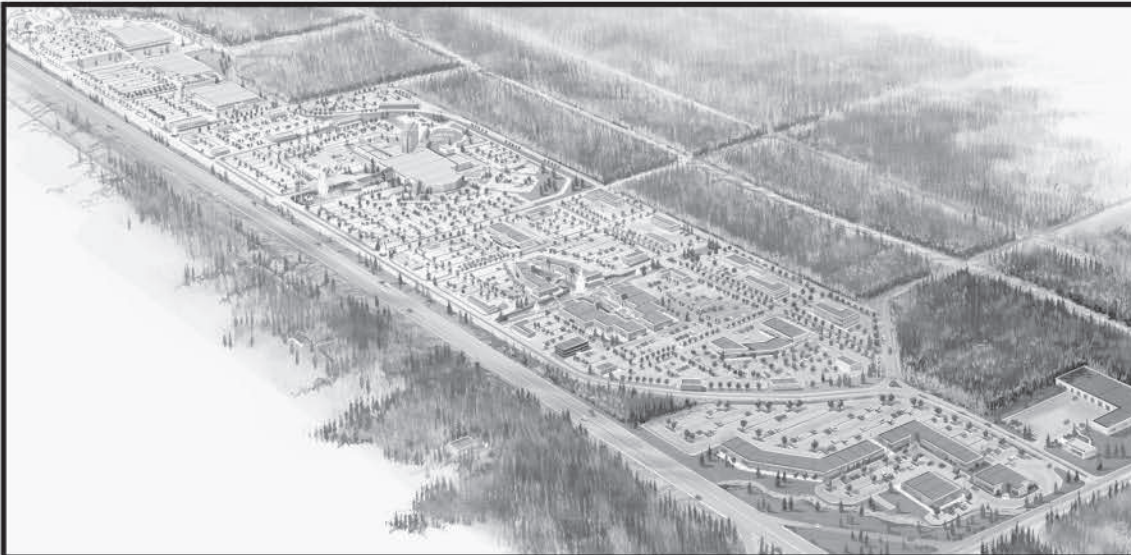


The TANF staff gathers together to celebrate the facility's Grand Opening

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— Diane Henry
TANF Manager



An aerial view of Quil Ceda Village

The bill, known as House Bill 1721 and as the Quil Ceda Tax Equity Act, was supported by the City of Marysville, the Port of Everett, and the Tulalip Tribes. The bill would have granted Quil Ceda Village, a federally recognized political subdivision of the Tribes, the rights enjoyed by all cities in Washington State.

The Tulalip Tribes believe Quil Ceda Village deserves the rights afforded to all other cities in the state. Like all cities, regardless of state or federal charter, the Village provides for and protects the tens of thousands of people that use its services every day. In addition to helping fuel the economy with jobs and tax receipts, Quil Ceda Village has paid \$45 million for water, sewer, power and road infrastructure. They have built

a state-of-the-art wastewater treatment center and paid for improvements to the I-5 overpass, an investment that brought business development to both sides of the highway. Additionally, they continue to pay for police and fire protection for the Village, all without the tax-based revenue stream afforded to all other cities.

Though the Tribes' economic enterprises have generated significant tax revenues for both Snohomish County and the State, detractors of the bill framed the issue as the Tribes' taking money away from the County. Under the Quil Ceda Tax Equity Act, both the County and the State would have continued to collect revenues generated by the Tribes. The Department of Revenue would have continued to receive its

6.5 percent take in sales taxes.

Community transit in Snohomish County would have secured a 0.9 percent tax on each non-tribal sale. The shift in tax distribution would have allowed the Village to pay for traditional city services – services that counties traditionally do not pay for.

The Tulalip Tribes have expanded the economic development of the area with their own financial investments, investments that have benefited and will continue to benefit the entire region for generations to come. The Tribes plan to reintroduce the bill next year as they continue to fight for the revenue streams that will support the continued growth that promotes not only the Tribes, but all of Snohomish County.

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the Reservation, has brought economic diversity to its people and the local area. Since becoming a chartered city in 2001, the Village has played a pivotal role in the lives of Tulalip and non-Tulalip citizens. Village businesses have

stimulated the economy by adding over 3,000 living wage jobs to date, making it possible for local residents to work, shop and play at home in Snohomish County.



New Welfare-to-Work Facility – continued



(L to R) Deborah Marley (DSHS), Ed Parris (TANF Consultant), Diane Henry (TANF Manager) celebrate the TANF Grand Opening

sufficiency. The new program will offer Tribal members employment training and assistance as well as social services to assist low income tribal families, individual members, and elders who

many be in need of temporary emergency assistance when other resources are unavailable. With the new facility, the program is poised to increase the number of people it serves and expand the breadth of services it offers.