# Poulsbo Event and Recreation Center

Proposal to Kitsap Public Facilities District

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### A Unique Opportunity for a New Community Asset

### Events + Fields + Recreation

Premier event facility available for regional conferences, business meetings, workshops, banquets, community events, performing arts, weddings, exhibitions, and institutional functions; and

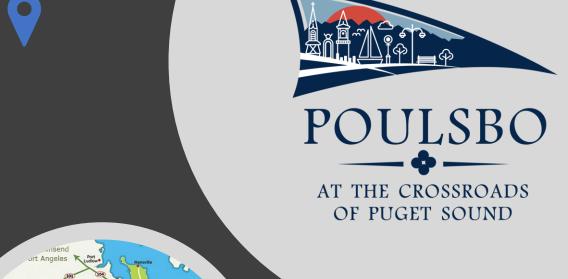
Multi-use sports fields with tournament capabilities; and

Recreation Center to provide space for physical fitness, classrooms and administrative space for Poulsbo Parks and Recreation.



### Poulsbo is an ideal location

- Crossroads of Puget Sound: Poulsbo serves as North Kitsap's commercial, employment and residential center.
- \*Desirable quality of life: Poulsbo is a unique and desirable community, with shared cultural heritage, and a small town feel.
- Continued growth: 2014-2016 Population growth was 8% and jobs/employment 12% growth.
- Strong tourism: Poulsbo's vibrant and thriving downtown continues to be the cornerstone of our tourism industry.
- Established user base: Demand for a multiuse facility is already established in Poulsbo.



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### Poulsbo's College Market Place

- College Market Place provides the perfect home within the multiuse area:
  - Olympic College and WWU Campus
  - Co-anchors Wal-Mart and Home Depot
  - Marine View Beverage and Cascade View Medical Center
  - Fairfield Hotel by Marriott
  - New multi-family residential opportunities

City of Poulsbo

The Poulsbo Event and Recreation Center location is on 6 acres owned by the City of Poulsbo.



- **❖** Walking distance to 101-room Fairfield Hotel by Marriott
  - **❖** Walking distance to Olympic College and Western Washington University Campus
  - Minutes from SR 3 freeway, with easy access to regional destinations such as NS Bangor, Downtown Poulsbo, Clearwater Casino, Hood Canal Bridge, Bainbridge Island and ferries; transit is also nearby
  - **❖** Adjacent property will be acquired based upon feasibility study

### A Catalyst for Economic Development

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## Designed to attract both regional and local events

Meets a demand for mid-sized conference spaces in North Kitsap.

Corporate, government and private events all viable for the proposed facility.

Commercial kitchen and excellent A/V facilities provided.

### Economic catalyst at an excellent location

Catalyst for final buildout of College Market Place.

Connection to OC/WWU and current/new residents, provides a 'built in' user group.

Brings in new/outside consumers to retail center.

## Additional sports fields round out tournament opportunities

The additional sports fields, with NKSD fields, provide opportunity for regional tournaments.

Fairfield Inn & Suites, with Poulsbo's two existing hotels teaming up, provide heads in beds.



#### Poulsbo Event Center

- Premier facility for conferences, business meetings, workshops, lectures, weddings, and banquets.
- Variety of meeting rooms to serve both small and larger sized events.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> floor location orientation towards Liberty Bay and Mount Rainier views.
- Family friendly option event venue in North Kitsap.



"We rarely get calls from professional meeting planners about Poulsbo because of the lack of professional venues." Patricia Graf-Hoke, Director, Visit Kitsap

#### Tournament Fields

- Add to the suite of existing fields in Poulsbo to host tournaments.
- Brings consumers into community and provides four-season economic drive on its own.
- Fields are planned to be lighted, with adequate seating, and all-weather turf.
- Soccer, football, softball and lacrosse



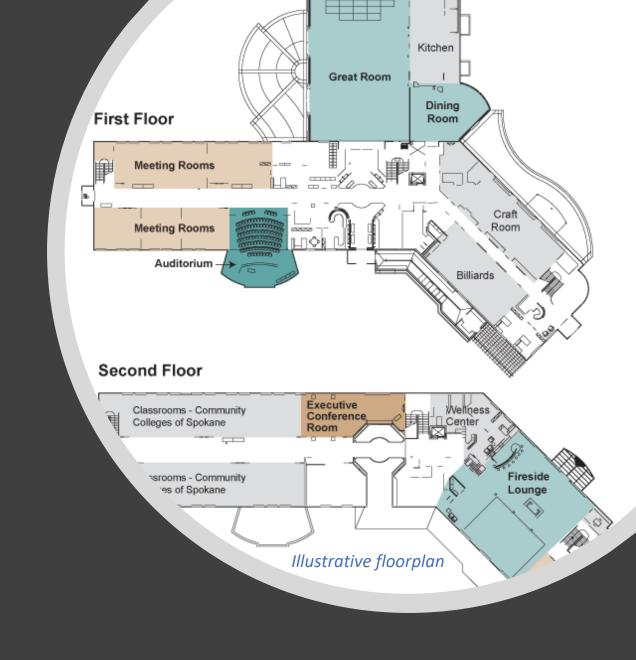


## A new Poulsbo Recreation Center – serving greater North Kitsap

- ❖ 700 activities offered annually
- ❖ Nearly 10,000 participants
- \*Community events/dances
- Indoor fitness
- Sports Leagues
- Art, crafts, cooking classes
- Senior program and excursions
- Youth programming

### Something for everyone

- 2-story building, oriented to take advantage of views of Mount Rainier and Liberty Bay.
- First floor lobby, administrative, classrooms, fitness
- Second floor Event Center, conference rooms, hospitality suite
- 25-35,000 square foot building
- Lighted multi-use fields
- On-site parking









### Examples of similar facilities

Poulsbo Event and Recreation Center a public/public partnership Phase 1

Project Feasibility Study - 2019 Phase 2

Preliminary Project Plan -2020

Phase 3

Final Project Plan- 2021+

Funding
Request: \$20
million with
local match of
\$20 million

### Poulsbo Event and Recreation Center is a great choice for the next round of PFD funding:

- ✓ Multi-use event center with demonstrated demand.
- ✓ Catalyst for larger economic impact within the College Market Place development.
- ✓ City of Poulsbo has the resources, capabilities, partnerships and management team to build and operate the facility.

