King County Priority Hire Advisory Committee

The King County Council has created a King County Priority Hire Advisory Committee that consists of 12 members who are appointed by the Executive and Confirmed by the Council, to operate in an advisory role to the County for implementation and effectiveness of the Priority Hire Program.

The Priority Hire Advisory Committee membership includes construction industry representatives from: contractors, the Associated General Contractors of Washington, labor union representatives, small, minority and or women owned businesses, pre-apprentice and apprentice training providers, and local community and business organizations. The Committee advises the Department of Executive Services, Finance and Business Operations Division on planning, and provided input prior to the development of the master community workforce agreement administration and reporting. ***Learn more about the Community Workforce Agreement**.

The Committee shall advise the County and help identify ways to recruit and retain people in apprenticeships who have historically not been involved in the construction trades or who are from economically distressed communities or are immigrants or refugees. In addition, the Committee shall advise the division on the Priority Hire program's performance in serving economically distressed communities and the program's impacts on women-owned or minority-owned businesses, open shop contractors and small contractors and suppliers, and shall make recommendations, as necessary, to the County to adjust the program to maximize its responsiveness to these communities. ***Learn more about the King County Priority Hire Program**.