

GETTING INVOLVED

COMMITTEE ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE EUGENE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ONWARD EUGENE



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Eugene Chamber Board of Directors
Business Leaders Task Force on
Homelessness and Public Safety
Workforce, Education and Economic
Development Advisory Council
Infrastructure Advisory Council



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Leadership Eugene/Springfield
Women Business Leaders Committee
Eugene Young Professionals Board
Eugene Young Professionals Summit



BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Eugene Greeters Board
Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Committee
Chamber Ambassadors/
Membership Committee



BUSINESS ADVOCACY

Local Government Affairs Council (LGAC)
Oregon State Legislative Strategy
Work Group
Candidate Engagement Strategy Work Group



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Onward Eugene Board of Directors
Entrepreneurial Advisory Committee



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

EUGENE CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CONTACT: Brittany Quick-Warner - brittanyw@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Last Tuesday of the Month - 7:30-9:00AM

As a non-profit organization, the Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce is governed by a board of directors which is approved by the membership. When a position opens, all members are open to apply and new additions to the board will be communicated to the membership via email from the President & CEO

BUSINESS LEADERS TASK FORCE ON HOMELESSNESS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

CONTACT: Sylvia Barry - sylviab@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

The Business Leaders Task Force (BLTF) is a Chamber-led effort to unite local business leaders impacted by our public safety and homelessness Crisis to learn about these issues from accurate data and informed experts, while implementing the recommendations set forth in the 2021 Homelessness Report. To operationalize the efforts of the BLTF, the task force has created four subcommittees: data, communications, enforcement and accountability, and workforce development. These subcommittees are newly founded and establishing their meeting schedules and objectives.

WORKFORCE, EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

The Eugene Chamber will convene an advisory council of chamber members, chaired by a member from the Local Government Affairs Council (LGAC), to assist with advising staff about the impacts local education and workforce development policies have on area businesses. This council will meet regularly to inform these efforts and will help provide feedback to the State Legislative Working Group for potential proactive advocacy the Chamber may engage in to advocate for policies that support local businesses. [We are currently planning to launch this advisory body in Q2 of 2022.]

INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COUNCIL

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

The Eugene Chamber will convene an advisory council of chamber members, chaired by a member from the Local Government Affairs Council (LGAC), to assist with the advising staff about the impacts local infrastructure policies have on area businesses. The council will meet regularly to inform these efforts and will help provide feedback to the State Legislative Working Group for potential proactive advocacy the Chamber may engage in to advocate for policies that support local businesses. [We are currently planning to launch this advisory body in Q2 of 2022.]



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

LEADERSHIP EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Cohort begins in October, concludes in May

Leadership Eugene/Springfield provides the opportunity for participants to broaden their knowledge and awareness of the communities and their leadership skills. The LES Committee plans monthly, day-long sessions that are focused on civic-engagement and community development.

WOMEN BUSINESS LEADERS COMMITTEE

CONTACT: Roxana Humphreys - roxanah@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Second Tuesday of the Month - 9:00-10:00AM

The Women Business Leaders Program aims to educate and excite aspiring women leaders while offering support on a variety of issues that women might face on any given day. The WBL Committee is dedicated to uplifting the voices of female leaders through the scheduling of speakers and planning of luncheons

EUGENE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS BOARD

CONTACT: Roxana Humphreys - roxanah@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Second Tuesday of the Month - 4:00-5:30PM

The Eugene Young Professionals Council is a dynamic group of young leaders committed to the positive growth of the community, the YP group, and its members.

EUGENE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SUMMIT

CONTACT: Roxana Humphreys - roxanah@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

The YP Summit committee takes part in planning an amazing annual event that empowers and inspires our community's young professionals. Join the committee to activate your curiosity, discover new ways to grow personally and professionally, foster connections, and dig your roots deep into the community to initiate positive change.



BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

EUGENE GREETERS BOARD

CONTACT: Cassie Stoner - cassies@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Third Friday of the Month - 9:00-10:00AM

This lively group offers a fun way to promote individual businesses, learn from a spotlight speaker, and become acquainted with new business connections.

EQUITY, INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

CONTACT: Roxana Humphreys - roxanah@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: First Wednesday of the Month - 3:00-4:00PM

The Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce is committed to being a part of the solution against racism in our community. As part of the promise, we invite you to join our Equity, Inclusion and Diversity committee in conversations and to be a part of that much-needed change.

CHAMBER AMBASSADORS/MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

CONTACT: Cassie Stoner - cassies@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Varies

The Eugene Chamber Ambassadors are the goodwill council of the Eugene Chamber. The Ambassadors are selected volunteers charged with assisting Chamber staff at certain networking events with light duties, and celebrating Chamber members' grand openings, ribbon cuttings, and other ceremonies.



BUSINESS ADVOCACY

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL (LGAC)

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: Every Wednesday - 7:30-9:00AM

Council members are appointed by the Chamber Board of Directors. LGAC meets to review and take action on public policy issues that impact the local economy. Members are welcome to attend; if you are interested in becoming a voting member of LGAC please contact Samantha Roberts.

OREGON STATE LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY WORK GROUP

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

To engage the 2022 Short Session and interim committee work, the Chamber will convene a working group consisting of local area business leaders. This group will meet regularly through the 2022 legislative session to identify top issues for the Chamber to actively lobby. This body will assist staff in understanding the issues relevant to businesses locally that are under consideration this session and in interim working groups, strategies for lobbying the most pertinent bills and assist in advocacy efforts to achieve positive legislative outcomes. This group will also assist advisory councils in homelessness and public safety, infrastructure and education, and workforce development with understanding the impacts of state legislation and advocacy to help inform staff state advocacy efforts in those areas.

CANDIDATE ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY WORK GROUP

CONTACT: Samantha Roberts - samanthar@eugenechamber.com | MEETS: To Be Announced

It is important for the Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce to be aware of and engaged with candidates for local public office. As such, the chamber will convene a working group to find, train, and endorse local candidates. This working group will utilize a variety of tools to accomplish these measures including a scoring matrix to identify endorsements and candidate forums to engage with our members and the general public. Please see the 2022 Candidate Engagement Strategy for more detailed information. This group will be formed shortly after the state legislative strategy work group is established.