



**Pierce County** Pierce County was organized in 1852 from a portion of Thurston County by the Oregon Territorial Legislature. It was named for President Franklin Pierce. It is located in the west central part of the state and stretches from Puget Sound on the west to Mount Rainier in the Cascade Mountains. The first U.S. military base established on Puget Sound was Fort Steilacoom in 1849. The county achieved prominence in the late nineteenth century when two major

transcontinental railroads made Tacoma their western terminus. Tacoma also became the headquarters for the Weyerhaeuser Company and a major Pacific shipping center. Today, Pierce County possesses a varied economy based on wood products, metal manufacturing food processing and shipping. Its county seat, Tacoma, is the state's third largest city.

**Bounded by:**

**County Seat:** Tacoma

**Chambers of Commerce:**

Bonney Lake Chamber of Commerce, ([www.bonneylake.com](http://www.bonneylake.com)) PO Box 7171, Bonney Lake, WA 98390. Phone 253-862-5120. Fax 253-840-0804.

Eastern Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, ([www.puyallupchamber.com](http://www.puyallupchamber.com)) 417 E Pioneer, PO Box 1298, Puyallup, WA 98371. Phone 253-848-6164. Fax 253-848-6164.

Eatonville Chamber of Commerce, ([www.eatonville.com](http://www.eatonville.com)) PO Box 159, Ashford, WA 98304. Phone 360-569-2799. Fax 360-832-4000.

Fife Chamber of Commerce, ([www.fifechamber.org](http://www.fifechamber.org)) 2026 54<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Fife, WA 98424. Phone 253-922-9320. Fax 253-922-1638.

Gig Harbor/Peninsula Are Chamber of Commerce, ([www.gigharborchamber.com](http://www.gigharborchamber.com)) 3311 Harborview Dr, Gig Harbor, WA 98332. Phone 253-851-6865. Fax 253-851-6881.

Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, ([www.lakewood-wa.com](http://www.lakewood-wa.com)) 4650 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Bldg. 19; Suite 109; Lakewood, WA 98499. Phone 253-582-9400. Fax 253-581-5241.

Steilacoom Chamber of Commerce, ([www.steilacoom.org](http://www.steilacoom.org)) PO Box 88584, Steilacoom, WA 98388. Phone 253-582-4204. Fax 253-582-4204.

Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, ([www.tacomachamber.org](http://www.tacomachamber.org)) 950 Pacific Ave. Ste. 300, Tacoma, WA, 98402. Phone 253-627-2175. Fax 253-597-7305.

Tacoma Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, ([www.traveltacoma.com](http://www.traveltacoma.com)) Courtyard by Marriott, 15<sup>th</sup> and Pacific, Tacoma, WA 98402. Phone 253-627-2836, 800-272-2662.. Fax 253-627-8783.

**Pierce County Government:** ([www.co.pierce.wa.us](http://www.co.pierce.wa.us)) County City Building, 930 Tacoma Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98402. Courthouse hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30am to 5:00pm.

*Assessor/Treasurer:* 2401 S 35<sup>th</sup> St., Room 142. Phone 253-798-7427, Fax 253-798-3142.

*Auditor:* 2401 S 35<sup>th</sup> St., Room 200. Phone 253-798-7427. Fax 253-798-3182.

*Clerk of Superior Court:* Phone 253-798-7455. Fax 253-798-3428.

### **Genealogical Society:**

Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society, <http://www.rootsweb.com/~watpcgs/>  
PO Box 1952, Tacoma, WA 98401. 253.572.6640 (message).

**Health Department:** Pierce-Tacoma Health Department, ([www.tpchd.org](http://www.tpchd.org)) 3629 So D St, Tacoma, WA 98418-6813. Phone 253-798-2899. Fax 253-798-7627.

### **Historical Society:**

Anderson Island Historical Society, <http://www.andersonislandhs.com/> 9306 Otso Point Rd, Anderson Island, WA 98303. **Phone 253-884-2069.** (can not verify phone number)

DuPont Historical Society, ([www.dupontmuseum.com](http://www.dupontmuseum.com)) 207 Barksdale Ave., DuPont, WA 98327. Phone 253-964-2399. Fax 253-964-3554. Email [info@dupontmuseum.com](mailto:info@dupontmuseum.com).

Fort Nisqually Association (<http://www.metroparkstacoma.org/page.php?id=825>) 5400 N. Pearl St. #11, Tacoma, WA 98407. Phone 253-591-5339.

Fox Island Historical Society, ([www.foxisland.net](http://www.foxisland.net)) 1017 Ninth Ave., Fox Island, WA 98333. Phone 253-549-2461. **Email [museum@foxisland.com](mailto:museum@foxisland.com).** CAN NOT VERIFY E-MAIL

Historic Fort Steilacoom Association, (<http://fortsteilacoom.com/>) 9601 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood WA 98498. Phone 253-582-5838..

Key Peninsula Historical Society, ([www.keypeninsula.museum.org/](http://www.keypeninsula.museum.org/)) PO Box 577, Vaughn, WA 98394. **Phone 253-884-6951.** CAN NOT VERIFY PHONE

Points Northeast Historical Society, ([www.pointsnortheast.org/](http://www.pointsnortheast.org/)) **6602 Spring St NE, Tacoma, WA 98411. Phone 253-927-3329.** CAN NOT VERIFY ADDRESS OR PHONE.

Salmon Beach Historical Commission, 46 Salmon Beach, WA 98407. **Phone 253-752-7010.** (can not verify phone). Email [marilyn.roger@cwix.com](mailto:marilyn.roger@cwix.com).

**South Pierce County Historical Society, PO Box 1131, Eatonville, WA 98328. Phone 253-847-6182. UNABLE TO VERIFY**

Steilacoom Historical Museum Association ([www.steilacoomhistorical.org/](http://www.steilacoomhistorical.org/)). PO Box 88016, Steilacoom, WA 98388-0016. 253-584-4133.

Sumner Historical Society, ([www.ci.sumner.wa.us/Living/Ryan\\_House.htm](http://www.ci.sumner.wa.us/Living/Ryan_House.htm)). 1228 Main St., PO Box 517, Sumner, WA 98390. Phone 253-299-5780.

Tacoma Historical Society, PO Box 1865, Tacoma, WA 98403. Phone 253-472-3738.

Washington State Historical Society, ([www.wshs.org](http://www.wshs.org)) 1911 Pacific Ave., Tacoma, WA 98402. Phone 1-888-238-4373. Fax 253-272-9518.

### **Libraries - Academic:**

Pacific Lutheran University, ([www.plu.edu/~lib/](http://www.plu.edu/~lib/)) Robert A.L. Mortvedt Library, 12180 Park Avenue S., Tacoma, WA 98447 (121<sup>st</sup> & Park Ave S.) Phone 253-535-7500. Fax 253-535-7315.

Pierce College-Fort Steilacoom, ([www.pierce.ctc.edu/](http://www.pierce.ctc.edu/)) 9401 Farwest Dr. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. Phone 253-946-6500. Fax 253-964-6713.

Pierce College-Puyallup, ([www.pierce.ctc.edu/library/](http://www.pierce.ctc.edu/library/)) 1601 39<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Puyallup, WA 98374-2222. Phone 253-840-8300. Fax 253-964-8316. UNABLE TO VERIFY

Tacoma Community College, ([www.tacoma.ctc.edu/library/](http://www.tacoma.ctc.edu/library/)) 6501 S 19<sup>th</sup> St, Tacoma, WA 98466-6100. Phone 253-566-5087. Fax 253-566-5398.

University of Puget Sound, (<http://library.ups.edu/>) Collins Memorial Library, 1500 N Warner, Tacoma, WA 98416-1021. Phone 253-879-3669. Fax 253-879-3670.

### **Libraries — Public:**

Pierce County Library System, ([www.pcl.lib.wa.us/](http://www.pcl.lib.wa.us/)) 3005 112<sup>th</sup> St E, Tacoma, WA 98446-2215. Phone 253-536-6500. Fax 253-537-4600. Branches of this system:

Bonney Lake, 18501 90<sup>th</sup> St E, Bonney Lake, WA 98391. Phone 253-863-5867. Fax 253-863-6016.

Buckley, PO Box 167 (123 S River Ave), Buckley, WA 98321. Phone 360-829-0300. Fax 360-829-2874.

DuPont. 1540 Wilmington Dr., DuPont, WA 98327. Phone (253) 964-4003

Eatonville, PO Box 69 (205 Center St), Eatonville, WA 98328. Phone 360-832-6011. Fax 360-832-7201.

Graham Library, PO Box 1267 (9202 224<sup>th</sup> St E), Graham, WA 98338, Phone 253-847-4030. Fax 253-846-5174.

Key Center, 8905 KPN, Lakebay, WA 98349. Phone 253-884-2242. Fax 253-884-3706.

Lakewood, 6300 Wildaire Rd SW, Lakewood, WA 98499. Phone 253-582-6040. Fax 253-582-1190.

Milton, 1000 Laurel St, Milton, WA 98354. Phone 253-922-2870. Fax 253-922-2385.

Orting, PO Box 1060 (202 Washington St), Orting, WA 98360. Phone 360-893-2661. Fax 360-893-4149.

Parkland/Spanway, 13718 Pacific Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98444. Phone 253-531-4656. Fax 253-536-3789.

Peninsula Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Dr NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98353. Phone 253-851-3793. Fax 253-851-8002.

South Hill Library, 15420 Meridian E, South Hill, WA 98375, Phone 253-848-8686. Fax 253-841-4692.

Steilacoom, 2950 Steilacoom Blvd, Steilacoom, WA 98388. Phone 253-558-1542. Fax 253-589-7095.

Summit, 5107 112<sup>th</sup> St E, Tacoma, WA 98446. Phone 253-536-6186. Fax 253-536-6009.

Sumner, 1116 Fryar Ave, Sumner, WA 98390. Phone 253-863-0441. Fax 253-863-0650.

Tillicum, 14916 Washington Ave SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. Phone 253-588-1014. Fax 253-588-2095.

University Place Library, 7315 27<sup>th</sup> St. W., University Place, WA 98466. Phone 253-565-9447. Fax 253-565-2913.

Wilkeson, PO Box 379 (540 Church Ave), Wilkeson, WA 98396. Phone 360-829-0513. Fax 360-829-0513.

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Puyallup Public Library, ([www.cityofpuyallup.org/page.php?id=378](http://www.cityofpuyallup.org/page.php?id=378))  
324 S Meridian, Puyallup, WA 98371-5914. Phone 253-841-5454. Fax 253-841-5483.

Roy City Library, PO Box 700 (122 3rd St), Roy, WA 98589-0700. Phone 253-843-2331. Fax 253-843-0279.

Tacoma Public Library, (<http://www.tpl.lib.wa.us/v2/>) 1102 Tacoma Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98402-2098. Phone 253-591-5666. Fax 253-591-5470.

### **Libraries - Special:**

News Tribune, News Research Library, PO Box 11000, Tacoma, WA 98411-0008. Phone 253-597-8629. Fax 253-597-8274. [don't think this private business library is open or available to the public]

Puyallup Tribal Library, Chief Leschi Schools 5625 E 52<sup>nd</sup> St, Puyallup, WA 98371. Phone 253-445-6000 ext 3122. Fax 253-445-2531. UNABLE TO VERIFY phone, fax or library.

Sumner, Washington LDS Family History Center, 512 Valley Ave, Sumner, WA. Phone 253-863-5167

Puyallup Washington South Family History Center, 13420 94<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Puyallup, WA. Phone 253-840-1673. (no library here)

Tacoma, Washington LDS Family History Center, 1102 S. Pearl St., Tacoma, WA 98465 Phone 253-564-1103.

### **Museums and Historical Sites:**

African American Museum, 925 Court C, Tacoma, WA 98402. Phone 253-274-1278. Fax 253-274-9644.

Buckley Foothills Historical Society Museum, ([www.buckleychamber.org/history.htm](http://www.buckleychamber.org/history.htm)) PO Box 530, 123 River Ave. , Buckley, WA 98321. Phone 360-829-1291.

Camp 6 Logging Museum, ([www.camp-6-museum.org/c6.html](http://www.camp-6-museum.org/c6.html)) PO Box 340, (Point Defiance Park, North End of North Pearl Street), Tacoma, WA 98401-0340. Phone 253-752-1164. Email [camp6museum@harbornet.net](mailto:camp6museum@harbornet.net).

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DuPont Historical Museum, ([www.dupontmuseum.com](http://www.dupontmuseum.com)) PO Box 173, 207 Barksdale Ave, DuPont, WA 98327. Phone 253-964-2399. Fax 253-964-3554. Email [info@dupontmuseum.com](mailto:info@dupontmuseum.com).

Ezra Meeker Mansion, ([www.meekermansion.org](http://www.meekermansion.org)) PO Box 103, 321 Pioneer St., Puyallup, WA 98371. Phone 253-848-1770.

Fort Lewis Military Museum, ([www.lewis.army.mil/DPTMS/POMFI/museum.htm](http://www.lewis.army.mil/DPTMS/POMFI/museum.htm)) PO Box 331001, Bldg. 4320, Fort Lewis, WA 98433-1001. Phone 253-967-4523. Email [archamba@lewis.army.mil](mailto:archamba@lewis.army.mil). UNABLE TO VERIFY E-mail or BLDG. #

Fort Nisqually Historic Site, ([www.fortnisqually.org](http://www.fortnisqually.org)) 5400 N. Pearl St. #11, Tacoma, WA 98407. Phone 253-591-5339. Fax 253-305-1005. Email [fortnisqually@tacomaparks.com](mailto:fortnisqually@tacomaparks.com). UNABLE TO VERIFY FAX

Fox Island Historical Museum, ([www.foxisland.net](http://www.foxisland.net)) PO Box 242, 1017 Ninth Ave., Fox Island, WA 98333. Phone 253-549-2461. Email [museum@foxisland.com](mailto:museum@foxisland.com).

Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society Museum, ([www.gigharbormuseum.org/](http://www.gigharbormuseum.org/)) PO Box 744, 4218 Harborview Dr., Gig Harbor, WA 98335-0744. Phone 253-858-6722. Fax 253-853-4211. Email [ghphs@harbornet.com](mailto:ghphs@harbornet.com).

Historic Fort Steilacoom, (<http://fortsteilacoom.com/>) Fort Steilacoom Park, 9601 Steilacoom Blvd. SW., Lakewood, WA 98388 (on the grounds of Western State Hospital). Phone 253-756-3928 (message). Email [ohstout@foxinternet.com](mailto:ohstout@foxinternet.com)

Job Carr Cabin Museum, ([www.jobcarmuseum.org](http://www.jobcarmuseum.org)) PO Box 7609, 2350 N 30<sup>th</sup> St, Tacoma, WA 98417. Phone 253-627-5405. Fax 253-627-5405. UNABLE TO VERIFY FAX

Johnson Farm Museum, ([www.andersonislandhs.com/](http://www.andersonislandhs.com/)) 9306 Otso Point Rd., Anderson Island, WA 98303. Phone 253-884-2135. UNABLE TO CONFIRM PHONE

Key Peninsula Historical Society Museum, ([keypeninsulamuseum.org/home.html](http://keypeninsulamuseum.org/home.html)) PO Box 577, Old

Vaughn Union High School, Vaughn, WA 98294. **Phone 253-884-6951.** UNABLE TO CONFIRM PHONE

Longmire Museum and Transportation Exhibit. Phone 360-569-2211 ext 3314.

McChord Air Museum, ([www.mcchordairmuseum.org/](http://www.mcchordairmuseum.org/)) 100 Main St, POBox 4205, McChord Air Force Base, WA (Tacoma, WA) 98438-0205. **Phone 253-982-2485.** Fax 253-982-9560. Email [mamfound@mcchordairmuseum.org](mailto:mamfound@mcchordairmuseum.org) CAN NOT VERIFY PHONE

Mt. Rainier National Park, ([www.mount.rainier.national-park.com/info.htm](http://www.mount.rainier.national-park.com/info.htm)) 55210 238th Ave. E., Ashford, WA 98304. Phone 360-569-2211. Fax 360-569-2170.

**Neely Mansion, 12303 Auburn-Black Diamond Rd, Auburn, WA.** THIS IS IN KING COUNTY

Paul H. Karshner Memorial Museum, ([www.karshnermuseum.org/](http://www.karshnermuseum.org/)) 309 4<sup>th</sup> St NE, Puyallup, WA 98372. Phone 253-841-8748. Fax 253-840-8951. Email [curator@karshnermuseum.org](mailto:curator@karshnermuseum.org)

**Peninsula Historical Society Museum. Phone 253-858-6722. See Gig Harbor Peninsula HS Musuem ABOVE (same)**

Pioneer Farm Museum and Ohop Indian Village, ([www.pioneerfarmmuseum.org](http://www.pioneerfarmmuseum.org)) PO Box 1520, 7716 Ohop Valley Rd E, Eatonville, WA 98328. Phone 360-832-6300. Fax 360-832-4533. **Email [pioneer@mashell.com](mailto:pioneer@mashell.com).** Can't verify e-mail addy.

Scandinavian Culture Center, Pacific Lutheran University, 122<sup>nd</sup> & S. Park Ave, Tacoma, WA 98447. Phone 253-536-5132. **Fax 253-536-5132.** Email [scancntr@plu.edu](mailto:scancntr@plu.edu) CAN'T VERIFY FAX #

Spanaway Historical Society Museum, PO Box 741, 812 E 176<sup>th</sup> St, Spanaway, WA 98387. Phone 253-536-6655.

Steilacoom Tribal Museum and Cultural Center, PO Box 88419, 1515 Lafayette Street, Steilacoom, WA 98388. Phone 253-584-6308. **Fax 253-584-0224.** Email [steilacoomtribe@msn.com](mailto:steilacoomtribe@msn.com) NOTE Email address change

Steilacoom Historical Museum, ([www.steilacoom.org/museum/](http://www.steilacoom.org/museum/)), PO Box 88016, 112 Main St., Steilacoom, WA 98388. Phone 253-584-4133. **Fax 253-581-7444.** Email [djwelch@csi.com](mailto:djwelch@csi.com). UNABLE TO VERIFY FAX or E-mail addy.

Sumner Ryan House Museum, PO Box 517, 1228 Main St, Sumner, WA 98390. Phone 253-863-8936.

Washington State Historical Society Museum, ([www.wshs.org/](http://www.wshs.org/)) 1911 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402. Phone 1-888-238-4373. **Fax 253-597-4186.** UNABLE TO VERIFY FAX

**Western Forest Industries Museum, Point Defiance Park, Tacoma, WA 98407. Phone 253-752-0047.**

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<b>Phone:</b> 360-492-5588 or Toll Free: 888-STEAM11	<b>Fax:</b> 866-312-2103
<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.mrsr.com">www.mrsr.com</a>	<b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:info2007@mrsr.org">info2007@mrsr.org</a>
<b>Mail Address:</b> PO Box 250, Mineral, WA, 98355	<b>Physical Address:</b> 349 Mineral Creek Rd, Mineral, WA, 98355

Western Washington Frontier Museum, 2301-23<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, Puyallup, WA 98372.

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**State Archives Branch:**

Puget Sound Regional Archives,  
 ([http://www.secstate.wa.gov/archives/archives\\_puget.aspx?m=ar1&m=undefined](http://www.secstate.wa.gov/archives/archives_puget.aspx?m=ar1&m=undefined)) Pritchard-Fleming Bldg N, Bellevue Community College, 3000 Landerholm Circle SE, Bldg N, Bellevue, WA 98007-6484. Phone 425-564-3940. Fax 425-564-3945. Email [archives@bcc.ctc.edu](mailto:archives@bcc.ctc.edu).

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National Archives—Pacific Northwest Region, Seattle

Naturalization Index, 1912-53

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Naturalization Record, 1896-1900

Petitions for Naturalization, 1854-28

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Record of Citizenship, 1854-1881

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**Pierce County**

**Created:** December 22, 1852 from a part of Thurston County by the Oregon Territorial Legislature.

**Named For:** President Franklin Pierce, president-elect at time of county incorporation.

**County Seat:** Tacoma (called Commencement City until 1869).

**Courthouse:** County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98402  
PHONE: FAX: 206-596-6628

**Health Department:**

**Chamber of Commerce:**

**Bounded by:** Kitsap and King counties (N), Yakima (E), Lewis County (S), and Thurston and Mason counties (W).

**Historical Society:**

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Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Society, 3510 Rosedale St, PO Box 744, Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Ezra Meeker Historical Society, 312 Spring St, Puyallup, WA 98372

Steilacoom Historical Museum Association, 112 Main St, PO Box 88016, Steilacoom, WA 98388-0016

Sumner Historical Society, PO Box 517, Sumner, WA 98390

Salmon Beach Historical Committee, PO Box 7002, Tacoma, WA 98407

Washington State Historical Society, 315 N Stadium Way, Tacoma, WA 98403

141st Military History Detachment, Washington Army National Guard, State Historical Society, Camp Murray, Tacoma, WA 98119

**Genealogical Society:**

Genealogical Society of Pierce County, PO Box 98634, Tacoma, WA 98498-0634

Sumner Genealogical Group, Sumner Public Library, Sumner, WA 98390

Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society, PO Box 1952, Tacoma, WA 98401-1952

**Land Surveys:**

**Townships:**

**Special Notes:**

**Library - Public:**

Puyallup Public Library, 324 S Meridian, Puyallup, WA 98371

Pierce County Rural Library District, 3005 112th St E, Tacoma, WA 98446

Tacoma Public Library, 1102 Tacoma Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402-2098

**Library - Academic:**

Pacific Lutheran University, Robert A. L. Mortvedt Library, S 121st St & Park Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98447-0013

Pierce College Library, 9401 Farwest Dr SW, Tacoma, WA 98498

Tacoma Community College, Pearl A Wanamaker Library & Instructional Resource Center, 5900 S 12th St, Tacoma, WA 98465

University of Puget Sound, Collins Memorial Library, 1500 N Warner, Tacoma, WA 98416-0004

**Library - Special:**

Fort Lewis Military Museum, Research Library, PO Box 331001, Fort Lewis, WA 98433-1001

United States Army, Fort Lewis Library System, Bldg 2109, Fort Lewis, WA 98433-5000

United States Air Force, Base Library, Military Airlift Command (MAC), 62nd MWRSS/MWRL, 765 Sixth St, FL4479, McChord AFB, WA 98438

Morning News Tribune Library, PO Box 11000, Tacoma, WA 98411-0008

Puyallup Tribal Library, Chief Leschi Schools, 2002 E 28th St, Tacoma, WA 98404

Washington State Historical Society, Special Collections Division, 315 N Stadium Way, Tacoma, WA 98403

Weyerhaeuser Company Archives, Tacoma, WA 98477

National Park Service, Mt Rainier National Park Library, Tahoma Woods, Star Route, Ashford, WA 98304-9751

**Family History Centers (as of January 1995):**

Puyallup, 13620 94th Ave E, Puyallup, WA Tel: 206-840-1673

Sumner, 512 Valley Ave, Sumner, Wa Tel: 206-863-3383

Tacoma, 5941 S 12th, Tacoma, WA Tel: 206-564-1103

**Historical Sites:**

Dupont Historical Museum, 207 Barksdale Ave, DuPont, WA 98327

Pioneer Farm Museum, 7716 Ohop Valley Rd, Eatonville, WA 98328

Fort Lewis Military Museum, Bldg 4320, PO Box 331001, Fort Lewis, WA 98433-1001

Longmire Museum, General Delivery, Longmire, WA 98397

Ezra Meeker Mansion, 312 Spring St, Puyallup, WA 98372

Paul H Karshner Memorial Museum, 426 Fourth St NE, Puyallup, WA 98372

Western Frontier Museum, 2301 23rd Ave SE, Puyallup, WA 98372

Steilacoom Historical Museum Association, Nathaniel Orr Home & Pioneer Orchard, 112 Main St, PO Box 88016, Steilacoom, WA 98388-0016

Steilacoom Historical Museum Association, Bair Drug & Hardware, 112 Main St, PO Box 88016, Steilacoom, WA 98388-0016

Fort Nisqually Historic Site, Point Defiance Park, N 54th & Pearl Sts, PO Box 11, Tacoma, WA 98407

Historic Fort Steilacoom, 9601 Steilacoom Blvd SW, PO Box 88447, Tacoma, WA 98388

Tacoma Art Museum, 1123 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402

Tacoma Public Library, Thomas Handforth Gallery, 1102 Tacoma Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402

Western Forest Industries Museum, Camp Six Logging Exhibits, 5400 N Pearl, Pt. Defiance Park, PO Box 705, Tacoma, WA 98401

Western Washington Frontier Museum

Tumwater Henderson House Museum, 602 DesChutes Way, Tumwater, WA 98501

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Fox Island Historical Museum

Gig Harbor Peninsula Historical Museum

Puget Sound Mariner's Museum

Tribal Cultural Center and Museum, PO Box 88419, 1515 Lafayette St, Steilacoom, WA 98388.  
Phone 253-584-6308. Fax 253-584-0224.

McChord Air Museum

Sumner Ryan House Museum, PO Box 517, 1228 Main St, Sumner, WA 98390. Phone 253-863-8936.

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CEMETERY RECORDS

CENSUS RECORDS/INDEXES

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CITY/COUNTY DIRECTORIES ( PRE 1920 VOLUMES)

CITY/COUNTY HISTORIES

COURT RECORDS (See also Probate & Vital Records)

GAZETTEERS, ATLASES, MAPS

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Mt Rainier National Park Library

Tahoma Woods

Star Route

Ashford, WA 98304-9751

Nixon Family Association

Clearinghouse

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Puyallup, WA 98373

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5941 S 12th

Tacoma, WA 98465

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