



**Membership Application**

*Become a vital part of the Forest Grove Community*

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING  
THE FOREST GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE!**

Please return this application to:  
 Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce  
 2417 Pacific Avenue Ph: 503.357.3006  
 Forest Grove, OR 97116 Fax: 503.357.2367  
[info@fgchamber.org](mailto:info@fgchamber.org) [www.fgchamber.org](http://www.fgchamber.org)  
 Please call if you wish to pay with your VISA/MasterCard

\*For an additional billing fee semi-annual & quarterly payments may be set up.  
 Contact the Chamber for more information.

\*\*Please include (above or on the back of this page) additional emails of employees  
 who wish to receive weekly chamber email updates.

**Business Name** \_\_\_\_\_

# of Employees \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact/Rep \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Email \_\_\_\_\_

Website Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Business Category(ies): \_\_\_\_\_

Services/Products to be referred to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership Base Fee Amount to Pay

Business \$175 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Includes the first 3 FTE employees)  
 Additional Employees \$10 each \_\_\_\_\_

Organizations \$125 \_\_\_\_\_

Home-Based Business \$100 \_\_\_\_\_

Set-up and Admin. Fee: \$25 \$25.00

Total Membership Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

**Representative's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

## The Chamber is the only community organization working for all

### businesses!

*The Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce is business and professional persons who work together to stimulate a prosperous business environment for a more vibrant community.*

### What can we do for you?

#### Advertising & Networking

- Unlimited Referrals of Chamber members
- Rental of display space on Outside Visitor Board
- Official Membership Plaque and window sticker to display in your place of business
- Use of Forest Grove Chamber logo
- Free display of brochures and flyers inside Chamber office
- Opportunities for low cost Advertising and Sponsorship
- Your important business information in weekly member news updates
- Monthly Luncheon Forums
- Networking Opportunities – morning & after hours
- Numerous opportunities for community involvement through various committees
- Candidate Forums
- Business Classes and Seminars
- Founder's Day Corn Roast, The Main Course and other community volunteer events
- Community Calendar on website
- Website Link to your business
- Annual Dinner Auction

#### Services

- Free use of Board Room for meetings
- Membership lists available upon request
- Chamber staff working on your behalf
- Political representation through business affiliates
- Voice for business in our community
- **MEMBER BUY MEMBER** Program
- Relocation Packets
- And much, much more!

### About the Forest Grove Chamber

Our resources include membership dues and money raised through a variety of activities, from the Annual Dinner Auction to advertising sales.

Our most important resource is our members. Unlike other businesses, our customers (members) collaborate to provide services to each other. Chamber members contribute their business skills and expertise to a variety of committees that are charged by the board of directors to take action on behalf of chamber members.

When you consider that a company membership is not reserved for the owner or manager only, and that all employees are encouraged to participate and contribute, you can see that the Chamber has a veritable army of experts who can work together to advance the commercial, financial and civic interests of our community.

### Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce Goals

- **Create a Strong Local Economy**

Encourage Chamber members and residents to shop locally. Promote the interests of our business community and work to bring new business to Forest Grove. Respond to visitor and local inquiries with references to Chamber member businesses and support services. Maintain the Chamber website at [www.fgchamber.org](http://www.fgchamber.org) with detailed information about business opportunities, the community, and our membership.

- **Provide Networking Opportunities**

Facilitate opportunities for business people to acquaint themselves with others in the community. Business After Hours, introductions at the monthly luncheon, newsletter business profiles, and event sponsorships bring our business and community leaders together to work toward common goals.

- **Support the Interests of Business**

Represent business concerns to local, regional, state and federal entities. Provide opportunities for chamber members to become better acquainted with candidates and representatives by holding forums and informational meetings.

- **Promote the Community**

Provide information on community attractions and events on our website, to visitors, and through relocation packets and mailings. Maintain an up-to-date website with current information that allows visitors to view our community on their computer screen.

### The Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce

1. **BUSINESS ADVOCACY.** Representation of your interests in city, county, regional, & state government issues. The Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce is the only organization that is an advocate for all community businesses.
2. **MEMBER TO MEMBER CONTACTS.** At the monthly Luncheon Forum, through committee work and the 'members only' roster, you are able to meet the owners and managers of more than 200 businesses in our membership.

3. **INFORMATION CENTER.** The Chamber office is open daily to answer questions from area residents, newcomers and visitors about your business, and about our community. Our visitor information center promotes Forest Grove and you. All members can display their information in the office at no charge.
4. **ISSUES AFFECTING BUSINESS.** Listening Posts and Luncheon Forums provide an airing of topics vital to the profitability of your business. Candidate forums help our members make informed decisions. The Chamber brings the issues to you – alerting you, saving time and answering questions.
5. **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT.** The Chamber provides a monthly ‘Business Brief’ workshop or seminar on a variety of topics to help you start, build or continue to succeed at your business.
6. **COMMUNITY COMMITMENT.** The Chamber takes the lead in coordinating community events and building civic pride. The Main Course and Founders Day Corn Roast provide an opportunity for local as well as visitors to gather for fun, food and to experience our community’s hospitality.
7. **TOURISM PROMOTION.** Our community has a growing list of outstanding attractions and services for the visitor. Through our office, we are developing and promoting an important segment of our economic base. We promote our businesses to tourists and visitors. We also work closely with the Washington County Visitors Bureau.
8. **PEOPLE!** The Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce is people and it’s a great group to get to know. Being active in the Chamber is a terrific way to learn just how much so many people contribute to make our community special. Join the team and have fun!