



SURGESouthTacoma – Business Spotlight of the Month

Nestled in the heart of the historic South Tacoma business district, this beige building stands on the south-east corner of 54th and South Tacoma Way and has been under-utilized and waiting to be given new life. Later this summer, this more than 100-year-old building will be bustling with life as an almost 5,000 sq ft Co-Working facility-- SURGESouthTacoma.

SURGESouthTacoma empowers startups, freelancers, entrepreneurs, students and non-profits by providing offices, co-working spaces, resources and networking opportunities, thus freeing up members' time and energy to focus on their goals. It provides an inspiring, high tech environment minus the mundane distractions and isolation of a home office or small, secluded office space. We offer fiber internet, printing, mailboxes, conference rooms, a large presentation space, a kitchen, and a lounge along with free coffee and tea. Unlike traditional office space, at SURGE you'll be surrounded by inspiring coworkers, opportunities to network with others in your industry and connect with new ones, as well as meetups and seminars.

The SURGE Co-Working brand was founded in 2012 by the Moreno Family when they opened the first Co-Working space in downtown Tacoma. Eli, Amber and Stasha Moreno are strong believers in supporting the community in which they live and work. Providing a space that supports, encourages and inspires businesses and start-ups to grow and thrive simultaneously helps build a stronger city and community.

With an already established SURGE location near downtown Tacoma and “sister” status with the Union Club in downtown, the SURGESouthTacoma location will now will bring the benefits of Co-Working to people who live in the vibrant south end of Tacoma. We will offer the same out of this world customer service, modern amenities, and engaged community-- with a historic twist.

SURGE is excited to be expanding to South Tacoma and believes “adding more businesses that encourage pedestrian traffic and are ‘destinations’ will only help the area as a whole continue to grow,” owner Amber Moreno explains.

To celebrate our excitement surrounding opening a new SURGE location, we'll be hosting a Grand Opening Party later in the summer and hope to have the neighborhood join us! We'll be releasing more details on this event as we near our Grand Opening in August!

You can also visit us at the South Tacoma Car Show where we'll be hosting a booth this summer taking part in this exciting event!

SURGE is home to a diverse set of members from professional services such as attorneys and accountants to architects, small business operations, non-profits, and more. We offer flexible leases, fiber internet (included in rent), 24/7 secure access, local coffee and events, and that's just for starters. You take care of your business, and we'll take care of the rest!

SURGESouthTacoma will have the same membership levels as SURGEtacoma, offering four different levels of flexible month-to-month memberships. Starting with our Café Membership at \$50 and ranging to private offices from \$250-\$700, there is a room for a variety of budgets.

Located right next to a bus stop for Route #3 with Pierce Transit, members and guests can travel all the way from Downtown Tacoma in one direction to Parkland in the other direction making it easily accessible with public transportation.

Our goal is to help you grow your business by providing you with the right tools and atmosphere to get the job done the way you need to. You can easily take meetings, get your work done and enjoy yourself while you do it!

If you are interested in more information or a tour of the space, please contact us at info@surgessouthtacoma.com or 253-444-1868. We would love to tell you more! We are out to Make Work Wonderful. Let us inspire you!

10th Annual Living History Cemetery Tour

Once again, the Tacoma Cemetery, Tacoma Historical Society and the Northwest Room of the Tacoma Public Libraries invite you to experience Tacoma's history as it comes to life in a unique, fascinating way at the Tenth Annual Living History Cemetery Tour. This year's theme “Showtime in Tacoma” celebrates the rich variety of Tacoma's performing arts.

Tours start every 20 minutes.

Tacoma Cemetery, 4801 South Tacoma Way

FRIDAY JULY 20TH 6:00PM - 7:40PM
SATURDAY JULY 21ST 5:40PM - 7:40PM

Tickets are \$15 pp. Advanced reservations are required. Call 253-472-3738 or email info@tacomahistory.org for reservations. The cemetery ground is often uneven, so comfortable walking shoes are encouraged.



Who Should I Call?



Police-Fire-Medical Emergency.....911

TPD Non-Emergency.....253-798-4721

Tacoma Police Dept. Sector 3

Lt. Al Roberts, Comdr. 253-591-5190

CLO Jason Mills.....253-591-5692

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So. Tacoma Business District

Association Office253-475-5676

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City of Tacoma

TacomaFIRST311: CALL 311 for any complaints or questions that you may have. If they do not have an immediate answer for you, they will find out and call you back. **Just Dial 311**

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ Spotlight your business in the STBDA Newsletter - circulation 300
- ▶ Link your website to the STBDA website at www.stbda.com
- ▶ Use the Membership Directory - to utilize your fellow business district members when you do business.
- ▶ List your events on the monthly calendar - a great way to invite your fellow district members to sales and events at your place of business
- ▶ Complimentary booth at the Annual Classic Car Show
- ▶ Introduce your business to newcomers in our "Welcome Kit"
- ▶ Host a membership meeting at your place of business
- ▶ Showcase your business at the district booth during community events.
- ▶ Your dues support the continuation of Beautification Projects.



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July 2018

Dawsons Bar & Grill Happy Hour 3-7 M-F
Airport Tavern Happy Hour 4-6pm Tu-Sun
Stonegate Pizza Happy Hour All Day Mon, 3-7 Tu-F
SAVE THE DATE: SAT AUG 18TH – 22ND CAR SHOW

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Car Show Mtg – Airport 5:30pm	13	14
15	16	17	18 S Tacoma Neighborhood Council – STAR Center 6:30pm	19 Car Show Mtg – Airport 5:30pm	20 8:00am STBDA Executive Board – Dawsons Bar & Grill Living Cemetery Tours 6:00 -7:40pm	21 Living Cemetery Tours 5:40 - 7:40pm
22	23	24	25	26 Car Show Mtg – Airport 5:30pm	27	28 REGGAE ON THE WAY Noon-11pm
29	30	31	FRIDAY THE 13TH TRIVIA: Most buildings & skyscrapers do not have a 13th floor Many people will not allow 13 people at a dinner table. If there are exactly 13, a 2nd table is set up Skippers will not go out to sea with a crew of 12. Including the captain, that makes 13			

MEDICAL or FIRE At Your Business?

How will our First Responders find you IF you have an emergency? You will call 911 and give them your name, name of your business, address and type of emergency. The police and/or fire department will respond immediately but how easily can they find you?

Per International Fire Codes which the City of Tacoma abides by, "Buildings shall have address numbers placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property and from all rear alleyways. These numbers shall contrast with their background; color selection shall accommodate all lighting conditions".

Take a look at the front of your business from across the street. Is your address visible? Is the name of your business on the front of your building? If you have alley access, is your address also on the back of your building? This is extremely important and your attention to this could mean saving a life of either your employee or a customer.

On the 5400 block, I was amazed at how many addresses were NOT visible from the street. Actually, there is one business that has been there for over one year that does not even have their name on the front of their building. How are our first responders supposed to find you if and when you call? This is an important, life-saving issue. Please take a look at your building. Minimum height for address numbers is six inches. If you have a canopy across the front of your building, numbers should not be placed above your door as the canopy blocks their visibility.

GRAFFITI is a CRIME !!!

To combat the presence of graffiti in Tacoma, the City council passed an ordinance making graffiti a public nuisance in Tacoma. (TMC 8.120) Graffiti removal is the responsibility of the property owner. If the graffiti is not removed within 18 days, the City of Tacoma may remove the graffiti from the property and bill the owner for the cost of the removal.

The Graffiti vandals objective is to have others see his/her work. They are drawn to walls that are not cleaned because it means more people will see their "tag" longer. By covering the graffiti immediately, you rob the vandals of the effort and time it took to do the tag and most likely, they will move on.

Prevention:

- 1) If you have high surfaces that are attractive to taggers, move trash cans or other stored items away from the building so they can't climb up or have a place to stand.
- 2) Placing motion-activated lights at the front/back of your building could deter graffiti vandals & prevent damage to your property.
- 3) Cement and brick surfaces can be protected by applying a protective coating or sealer to the surface. (This was done 15 years ago to the Heritage Bank mural in their parking lot. Occasionally if/when the mural gets tagged, it is easily removed).

If you see tagging in progress, call 911.

If you see private property tagged and don't know how to contact the owner, email the business district with the address at info@stbda.com and type GRAFFITI in the subject line. One of our committee members will follow up on the tagging and notify the property owners or have it removed if the owner cannot be contacted.

If you see graffiti on public property (street signs, poles, traffic control boxes) Write down its exact location and call 311 to report.

56TH STREET IMPROVEMENT UPDATE

The signal upgrades for Phase 1 of this project between Washington and Orchard are now complete, including coordination between the signals. If you notice any issues with the signal coordination please let me know. On occasion, additional adjustments are needed & the City of Tacoma signal team is able to make these adjustments if necessary. Thank you for your patience with this project.

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2018 STW CAR SHOW – Mild to Wild

Planning continues for this year's 22nd Annual Car Show. We expect over 200 cars, trucks and motorcycles from throughout the Pacific Northwest to attend. You can expect a wide variety of vendors, food trucks and live music along South Tacoma Way. The event is FREE to the general public and runs 10am – 4pm. This will bring a captive audience to South Tacoma Way so plan to have your business open that day. There will no parking for your customers on STW, however, this is an opportunity for you to showcase your business to NEW customers; customers who came to the show and "found you" while here. They might not purchase anything that day, but they will be back. Be prepared with promotional items that they can take with them to remind them to come back. Maybe even a discount coupon to be used 30-days later.

All business owners/employees are welcome to attend the bi-weekly planning meetings. The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 12th @ 5:30pm at The Airport Tavern (back room). A schedule of future meetings is included in this newsletter.

CITY of TACOMA – Workshops for Business Owners

The City of Tacoma's Tax & License staff will offer a free series of workshops starting mid-July on Tacoma's Tax & License requirements. Topics will include:

- Tax classifications & how they apply to your business
- Minimum thresholds that apply before filing is required
- Completing your tax return
- Online filing for tax returns & license renewals through FileLocal
- Tacoma's paid sick leave & minimum wage laws

All workshops are open to the public and will be held in the:

Tacoma Municipal Building North
733 Market Street, Room 16

There will be opportunities for Q&A following each workshop. Register to attend by emailing: tacomataxworkshop@cityoftacoma.org or calling 253-591-5252. Please indicate your desired workshop date and timeframe and if any special accommodations are needed.

Workshop Dates:

Thursday	July 19th	5pm-7 pm
Thursday	July 26th	10am-Noon
Thursday	Oct 18th	3pm – 5pm



REMINDER - Sidewalk garbage cans are for pedestrians, NOT for retail store garbage disposal. If our sidewalk garbage cans are full, pedestrians will throw their garbage on the ground in front of your store.

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The Board meets monthly Check your monthly calendar. Meetings are open to Everyone.

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