



United States Coast Guard Sector Seattle *Command Facts Sheet*

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Command Center & Sector Offices

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Resources and Results

- Annual Operating Budget: \$1.3 Million
- 158 Active Duty, 149 Reserve, 45 Civilian (352 Total)
- Over 250 Coast Guard Auxiliary Volunteers
- Responsible for 3500 square miles of waterways including the Strait of Juan de Fuca, Puget Sound and inland waters extending eastward to Montana/North Dakota border
- **In Fiscal Year 2007, Sector Seattle:**
 - ✓ Prosecuted 398 Search & Rescue cases; 58 Lives saved, 650 Lives assisted, \$715 K property saved, \$19.6 million property assisted.
 - ✓ Maintained 302 Aids to Navigation and 10 lighthouses.
 - ✓ Maintained 12 radar sites, 13 camera sites, 2 weather buoys, 14 radio high sites, 14 remote sites for Automatic Identification System (AIS) and 13 weather stations in support of the Vessel Traffic Center.
 - ✓ Conducted 211 security and positive control boardings using the Vessel Board and Search Team.
 - ✓ Directed 193 Military and 1,414 High Capacity Passenger vessel escorts.
 - ✓ Responded to 613 pollution case reports.
 - ✓ Spent \$2,845 on Hazardous Material cases. Expended \$12,565 in federal funds to clean up 8 oil spills.
 - ✓ Issued 1,495 Mariner Licenses, 2,033 Merchant Mariner Documents, and 1,397 STCW Certificates.

Serving Our Community

- Station Seattle: 3 – 41's UTB's, 7 – 25' RB-S's; 46 Active Duty Personnel, 38 Reserve Personnel.
- Aids to Navigation Team Seattle: 2 – Trailerable Aids to Navigation Boats (TANB's), 1 - 55' Aids to Navigation Boat; 15 Active Duty Personnel.
- Sector Seattle coordinates with other Coast Guard units in the Puget Sound area including the Marine Safety and Security Team (MSST) Seattle, Group/Air Station Port Angeles, Marine Force Protection Unit, Bangor and Stations Bellingham and Port Angeles.
- Sector Seattle also coordinates operations with other government agencies including but not limited to: Customs and Border Protection, Transportation Security Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Defense, U. S. Navy, Washington State Patrol, Washington State Ferry System, Washington State Department of Ecology, and various City, County and Port Police/Sheriff and Fire Departments.

Sector Organization: The increased focus on Homeland Security in response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks highlighted the importance of coordinating activities of Coast Guard units. The Sector organization allows complementary Coast Guard assets that operate in Puget Sound to be coordinated under one command, focused on the primary areas of Prevention and Response. The Sector Commander works as Captain of the Port, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Federal On-Scene Coordinator, Officer-in-Charge of Marine Inspection, and Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator. The Sector organization directly supports the Sector Commander in these duties and in the execution of the full range of Coast Guard missions.

Sector Seattle combines the legacy Vessel Traffic Service, Group, and Marine Safety Office into one consolidated organization with missions that include Maritime Safety, Maritime Security, Protection of Natural Resources, Maritime Mobility, and National Defense.

CDR Ray Evans Shore Operations Building:

The new \$16 million dollar Sector Command building broke ground in July 2005, and opened its doors in July 2006. The new facility acts as a centralized operations hub, co-locating all of Seattle's previous legacy operational commands under one roof, improving organizational efficiency and internal communications.

Sector Seattle Facts

- Sector Seattle's Area of Responsibility (AOR) is more than double in size the combined areas of the ports of San Francisco, LA/LB and San Diego and includes 10 ports and 12 counties w/ commercial maritime interests.
- Sector Seattle Domestic Inspectors inspect 28 Washington State Ferries, the largest ferry system in the U. S., which carries over 24 million ferry passengers a year.
- Sector Seattle Vessel Traffic Center is the largest VTC in the U.S. by Area of Responsibility (3500 square miles), vessel transits (approximately 220,000 annually) and personnel (48).
- Sector Seattle Incident Management Division handles an average of 687 pollution cases, 10 Federal Projects and expends **\$760K** in federal funds per year.
- The Vessel Board and Search Team conducts over 200 commercial vessel boardings annually.