FIRST Washington supports and engages today’s tech-native youth with a league of their own, inspiring them to build on their passions and preparing them to be the STEM leaders of tomorrow. Expanding their worlds. Getting their hands dirty.

FIRST Washington ignites youthful minds through education, hard work, mentorship, and healthy competition.

Just as important, participants are integrated into a fun, team-based learning environment created to encourage their interests, teach the benefits of collaboration, boost self-confidence, and illuminate the exciting world of STEM study and careers.

At FIRST Washington, we sum it up this way:

What’s going to be happening next in STEM is happening here.
Dear Friends,

It is our pleasure to share FIRST Washington’s impact for 2016-2017.

FIRST (For the Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Washington inspires young people ages 6-18 to be science and technology leaders by engaging them in the sport of science, technology and teamwork through fun and challenging robotics programs and competitions. Our exciting mentor-based programs build STEM skills, inspire innovation, and foster well-rounded life skills including self-confidence, communication, and leadership.

We serve 10,791 youth on 1,034 teams across the four programs and we are the largest afterschool STEM program in Washington. FIRST programs rely on our amazing volunteer network of more than 5,500 individuals giving generously of their time and talents throughout the season. And of course, all of these efforts are made possible by the support of hundreds of individuals, companies, and foundations across Washington as well as our partnerships with the Washington State Legislature, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and FIRST.

In FIRST Washington’s programs, industry mentors, teachers and parents team up with students not only to build robots, but to cultivate self-confidence and respect, and to teach youth the skills necessary to be the next generation of innovators and community leaders.

At a time when STEM jobs are plentiful, the numbers of students earning STEM degrees and certificates in Washington has not kept pace with demand. FIRST Washington programs will help close this gap by inspiring students to pursue post-secondary education and training in STEM. Evaluations show students who take part in FIRST programs are 50% more likely to go to college and twice as likely to pursue science or engineering degrees.

Thank you for joining us in the sport of science, technology and teamwork! We are grateful your partnership as we work together to bring FIRST programs to the over 1.1M youth in Washington State. Your support is changing lives!

With gratitude,

Conrad Ball
Chair, FIRST Washington

Erin McCallum
President, FIRST Washington
Our Impact

1,712 Volunteers who reinforce and augment our ranks

3,877 Coaches and mentors who support our students

580,669 Hours donated to FIRST Washington

10,791 Young people ages 6-18 years old on FIRST teams

1,034 Teams across our state in 4 tiers of FIRST programs
Our Reach

**FIRST** Washington Teams 2016-17 by Region

**FIRST** Washington Teams 2016-17 by Program
Our Professional Development

After receiving OSPI funding to launch a statewide STEM Robotics 101 (Robo101) Professional Development (PD) program in FY15/16, FIRST Washington partnered with private funders and local school districts to continue this impactful training throughout this past year. During FY16/17, FIRST Washington sponsored two different PD opportunities for teachers:

STEM Robotics 101 Introductory PD
This two-day workshop equips teachers with the resources and skills to become their school’s new STEM teacher by providing a hands-on introduction to Computer Science (CS) and STEM which is approachable for teachers and students alike. Teachers learn to build and program LEGO® robots, customize the free STEM Robotics 101 curriculum resources and adopt FIRST LEGO® League (FLL) as a leadership activity. During FY16/17, 131 teachers were trained during 10 workshops at five sites around the state.

STEM Robotics 101 Advanced Topics PD
This one-day workshop invites Robo101 Intro graduates back to share their experience in implementing STEM Robotics 101 in their classroom, resolve any curriculum/pedagogy/classroom management issues and dig deeper into the STEM/CS capabilities of the LEGO® platform and Robo101 resources. Topics include advanced programming, data logging and an in-depth FLL primer. During FY16/17, 65 teachers were trained during five workshops at three sites around the state.

Participant feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, with comments including:

“This has been one of the best professional development opportunities in my 25 years of teaching.” - Attendee, Richland

“I learned so much during these two days. I appreciate the many and diverse resources provided for STEM Robotics 101.” - Attendee, Lacey

“Great course! I wish I had had this 10 years ago instead of trying to put it all together myself.” - Attendee, Kent

“This was a fantastic collection of resources and this was incredibly well-presented! I don’t think I’ve ever learned this much in two days before in my life!” - Attendee, Vancouver
# Our Financials

## Revenue

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**Total Expense:** $1,764,625

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Ballard High School’s Viking Robotics 2928 claimed a first-place win at the 2017 World Competition in Houston, TX in May as part of a four-team alliance.

9915 Robo Thunder, a two-year-old team from Bellevue, captured first place in its division and second place as part of an alliance at the World Competition in Houston, TX.

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I became fascinated with science and technology at an early age, dreaming of one day becoming an astronaut and travelling through space. Well, something didn’t quite work out (yet) with that aspiration. FIRST is the program I wish I had in school. It engages our youth in a way that expands their abilities to solve complex, technological problems. I believe FIRST can unlock the potential in all young people to follow and achieve their dreams.

-Curtis Takahashi, FIRST Washington Board Member and Nonprofit Professional

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I like the way FRC has a new challenge every year for our students. Students use critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and work as a team to build a robot for the competition. Just the excitement in the student’s eyes when they are competing at one of the tournaments is priceless. We work as mentors to guide the students to build their robot for the competition. We help with the concept of the students and the robot builds it!

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