

I know that many people currently living in Clatsop County were around when Job Corps opened at the former Tongue Point Naval Station in 1965. Many may remember challenging times as Astorians got used to a diverse population and youth from all around the country acclimated to the North Coast's weather, food and customs. Many of you reached out to help these 'strangers' feel welcomed and more comfortable in their new surroundings.



Much has changed in the world, in Job Corps, in Clatsop County and at Tongue Point during these past fifty years. More than 30,000 young adults have received training at Tongue Point Job Corps Center, paid for through our taxes. While most graduates have remained in the Pacific Northwest, many have returned to their home cities around the nation and many have travelled around the world. They have shared their impressions of Job Corps, Clatsop County and Tongue Point.

I want to thank everyone – elected officials who have provided public encouragement and appreciation, employers who have partnered in training students, residents who have volunteered as mentors and tutors or opened their homes to host students for holidays, and so many others - who have had a hand in supporting Tongue Point Job Corps Center's staff and students. You can take credit for so many successful people throughout the country – with ages ranging from sixteen up through seventy-one!

And, as you look around Clatsop County you can see so many contributions that Job Corps students have left behind in our community.

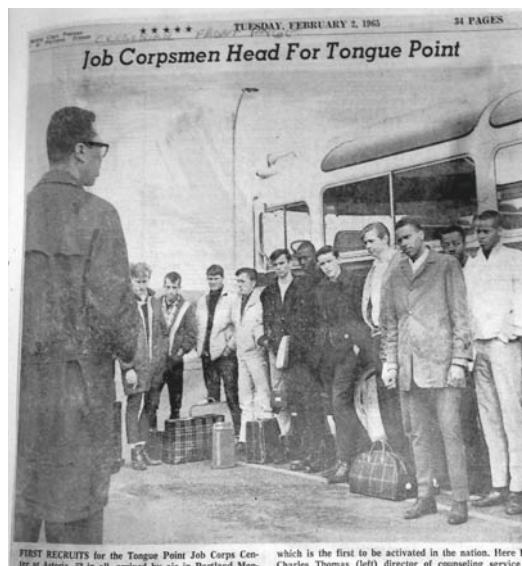
Little did Sargent Shriver know that his idea - Job Corps - would turn out to be such an invaluable asset for our country. We in Clatsop County are lucky to have one of the premier centers in a program which some call our country's best kept secret and many others profess is the best use of their tax dollars – because Job Corps Works!

Kim Shillinger, Center Director

Tongue Point Job Corps Center 50 years of History

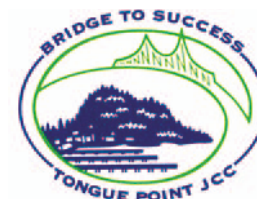
During the past fifty years:

- More than 30,000 students have received training at Tongue Point Job Corps Center.
- More than 150 local residents have been employed every year.



Congratulations Tongue Point Job Corps Center on 50 years!

The **Seaside Chamber of Commerce** has been privileged to have worked with 5 interns from the **Tongue Point Job Corps Centers Business & Finance Program** over the years. These interns performed a wide range of office duties that helped promote the growth of Seaside businesses and our community at large. We offered real life work experience, and the Tongue Point interns delivered valuable hands-on help. **A WIN-WIN!**



Thank you and congratulations from the Seaside Chamber of Commerce
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