

WHAT BUSINESS OWNERS, CITY LEADERS AND RESIDENTS ARE SAYING...

"As a 15-year business resident of the South Lake Union neighborhood, I am very pleased and impressed with the coming Streetcar to the area. I do a lot of business in Portland, see the advantages to their city with the Streetcar, and hope someday that we have a streetcar system that is just as integral a part of our transportation as they do. The Streetcar will **help increase business and employment opportunities** for my four South Lake Union neighborhood restaurants."

*James Schmidt,
CEO for Taco Del Mar and Slo Joe's BBQ and Investor for Paddy Coyne's and Southlake Grill*

"The move of Group Health's headquarters to the South Lake Union neighborhood was **influenced by the development of the Seattle Streetcar network**. We really like the idea of a mixed-use community where we can walk to work, jump on the Streetcar and get downtown to shopping or for a meeting, within minutes. The opening of the Streetcar gives our employees the ability to **connect to the region's transportation hub** and we're pleased the Streetcar has arrived!"

*William Biggs,
Executive Director of Administrative Services for Group Health*

"The Streetcar opening is an exciting event for the South Lake Union neighborhood and downtown Seattle. It will serve as a **vital link from South Lake Union to all parts of the city**. It will also be a safe, efficient and fun way to travel. Residents, business owners and professionals will have **convenient access to business opportunities and entertainment options** all along the line and the Streetcar will encourage more people to **explore the unique, exciting retail amenities in the neighborhood**. This is a **great day for Seattle**."

*Ada Healey,
Vice President of Real Estate for Vulcan Inc.*

"The Streetcar is a **transit alternative for everyone** on our campus and in our community. This **connection to Seattle's downtown core will help our employees, patients and visitors get out of their cars and onto public transportation, reducing our environmental footprint**."

*Shelly DaRonche,
Manager of Transportation and Parking for Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center*

"The Streetcar **ties the Lake Union life sciences organizations together**, giving us easy **access to build rich research collaborations among our scientists** while giving our employees a great conveyance to experience all the amenities of downtown Seattle."

*Kent Irwin,
Director of Facilities for Seattle Biomedical Research Institute*

SEATTLE STREETCAR

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"The Streetcar is a **vital connection to Lake Union Park**, a new 12-acre public green space on the shores of Lake Union. The Streetcar creates an **efficient and enjoyable way to access** the maritime heritage activities at The Center for Wooden Boats, the future United Indians of All Tribe's NW Canoe Center, the planned Museum of History and Industry, and a new trail around Lake Union. **We're thrilled the Streetcar is now available** and will make a stop right here at Lake Union Park!"

*Karen Daubert,
Executive Director for Seattle Parks Foundation*

"Seattle is a city of neighborhood networks, but when it comes to transportation, few of these networks connect with each other. That is why we are so excited about the extension of the Streetcar. **We have seen how fast these streetcars can be brought into service and it gives us real hope that intra-city solutions are within reach**—and in our lifetime. Let us keep the momentum growing so we can move the Streetcar network into those neighborhoods that need alternative transportation options—such as Jackson Street, Capital Hill, the Central Area, Rainier Valley and South Seattle."

*James Kelly,
President / CEO for Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle and Co-Chair for the Streetcar Alliance*

"As someone who **lives, works and owns businesses in Seattle**, I am very excited to see the **Seattle Streetcar come online**. At a time when other transportation solutions are stalled, the Streetcar was built on schedule. It demonstrates that we can develop **transportation alternatives that add to the quality of life** here and effectively move people where they want and need to go. The Streetcar is great for the city."

*Jim Falconer,
President for Vance Corporation*

"The positive impact of the Streetcar on our neighborhood will be wonderful to witness. The convenience of the Streetcar and its modern and spacious design will make it hard to resist. **My husband and I are looking forward to riding it downtown every morning for our workout** at the Washington Athletic Club. We expect the Streetcar will have a positive impact on our neighborhood – creating new social networks and a neighborhood link that flourishes alongside the shops and private and public spaces in South Lake Union."

*Tamara Christopherson,
South Lake Union Resident (2200) and 2000 U.S. Olympian in Canoe/Kayak*

"The Seattle Streetcar is our city's gateway to Lake Union and its surrounding neighborhoods. **The Streetcar provides an innovative urban transportation link that connects Seattle's downtown to a unique lake in the heart of the city and the neighborhoods that surround the lake.** There is a strong vitality and creative energy in South Lake Union so the whole idea of being able to ride the Streetcar to and from downtown Seattle to the shops, restaurants and parks around Lake Union is exciting."

*Betsy Davis,
Executive Director for The Center for Wooden Boats*
