



Why Choose Siskiyou County

Siskiyou County is where California competitiveness meets a Pacific Northwest lifestyle. We are located in beautiful Northern California, halfway between Medford, Oregon and Redding, California; or Seattle and Los Angeles! Not only do we offer a very advantageous location for markets, but also a very affordable and desirable place to do business. In fact, we believe that our county is quite possibly the most business friendly place in California!

In Siskiyou County we effortlessly combine the exceptional quality of life found only in rural communities with quick and easy access to urban markets. Interstate 5 and Highway 97 run right through the middle of our county and there are no less than five small, local airports along with easy access to three larger regional airports. And we have great rail service too! We enjoy an exceptional quality of life thanks to a combination of affordable housing, first-rate educational opportunities, a qualified workforce, and advanced medical facilities, all in an area rich in recreational activities.

The low cost of living coupled with a high quality of life are tremendous assets, adding to our ever-increasing ability to sustain current businesses as well as attracting new companies, jobs and investment to Siskiyou County. With clean air and clean water urban professionals are eagerly flocking to our area to escape the pollution of the city. In fact, the water in Siskiyou County is so clean and pure that several water bottling companies are located within the area.

For businesses, this means that attracting and maintaining a qualified workforce is a relatively simple matter. Absenteeism and turnover rates are low in the region, and our competitively priced [sites and buildings](#) are among the best to be found in California. As a part of California's [Enterprise Zone](#), Siskiyou County also offers strong business tax incentives to ensure your business success. And as a West Coast transportation hub, we are well positioned to offer businesses significant advantages.

Siskiyou County has the resources, real estate, tax incentives, and qualified workforce to allow you to compete globally while enjoying the benefits of a quiet, rural lifestyle. Here are some of the highlights of [resources](#) you will find here:

Workforce

A committed and motivated workforce is reflected in lower than average absenteeism and turnover. Siskiyou County is one of California's most affordable labor markets with a current unemployment rate of 9% and an average wage of approximately \$27,000. We are a frontier rural area that is transitioning from a timber-based economy to a more diversified economy. This transition, characterized by competitive real estate prices, low interest loans for qualified businesses, and access to custom employee training programs, is good news for businesses looking to expand. Click here for more information on [workforce](#).

From an educational standpoint our county offers exceptional opportunities from K-12 to graduate level as well as numerous specialized training programs. Whether you are looking at staffing your company or finding quality education for your family, our educational systems will meet your needs. In addition to the educational structure in Siskiyou we offer many training programs and workshops for advanced training and skills enhancement. Click here for more information on [education](#).

Health Care

An active health care community provides a variety of services as well as free annual fitness and wellness clinics. Siskiyou County has two hospitals, several licensed residential care facilities, and physicians and surgeons practicing a broad cross-section of medical specialties. In addition to the healthcare programs mentioned above, Siskiyou County has several urgent care and walk-in clinics, as well as various wellness facilities practicing alternative medicine. Click here for more information on [healthcare](#).

Land & Buildings

Siskiyou County has an abundance of affordable and developable industrial land as well as a myriad of properties that can easily be transformed into the perfect facility for your project needs. Siskiyou County Economic Development Council will work with you to identify the most desirable land parcel or property. You can even begin your search now by utilizing our Siskiyou County Prospector which showcases all of our available inventory. We are confident that our properties (incentive priced in exchange for job creation) and construction costs (estimated at about \$45.00 per square foot for basic manufacturing space) will be competitive throughout Northern California and Southern Oregon.

Transportation

As part of the Interstate 5 corridor, Siskiyou County is as accessible as it is scenic. Businesses can get their products to market quickly and efficiently utilizing any of the many modes of transportation available here. From major highways and interstates to rail and air options for businesses are vast and readily available. Click here for more information on [transportation](#).

Recreation & Activities

Siskiyou County, with such major landmarks as Crater Lake and Mount Shasta, offers countless outdoor [recreational activities](#) that are second to none. During the spring and summer months, try your hand at mountain climbing, camping, golfing, boating, fishing and rafting. Fall and winter months offer hunting, skiing, snowboarding, and snowmobiling just to name a few.

Diverse [cultural activities](#) also abound, as the arts are an integral part of Siskiyou County life. From the annual music festivals held throughout the county to the numerous theaters, opportunities for cultural enrichment are readily available. In addition to the fun activities found in Siskiyou County, there are many attractions nearby including Turtle Bay Exploration Park in Redding, California, and the Oregon Shakespearean Festival in Ashland, Oregon, with other major cultural centers such as Portland and San Francisco only a 4 hour drive away.