

Washington Filmworks (WF) is the private non-profit organization that manages the production incentive program as well as a variety of resources for the creative industries in Washington State. WF's mission is to create economic development opportunities by building and enhancing the competitiveness, profile, and sustainability of Washington State's film industry.

### *STANDARD PROGRAM OVERVIEW*

WF offers funding assistance for qualified in-state expenditures of up to 30% for motion pictures and episodic series with less than six episodes and up to 35% for episodic series with at least six episodes. WF offers funding assistance for qualified in-state expenditures of up to 15% for commercials.

In order to qualify for funding assistance, the production company must meet the following minimum in-state spending thresholds:

- \$500,000 Motion Pictures
- \$300,000 Episodic Series (per episode)
- \$150,000 Commercials

Some non-resident labor may qualify for a return of up to 15% if the production meets all eligibility criteria as detailed in the full [Guidelines and Criteria](#) including but not limited to, utilizing at least an 85% Washington resident labor force.

WF requires that all productions receiving funding assistance make industry standard payments for health insurance and retirement benefits for all positions typically covered by a collective bargain agreement.

The [landmark bill](#) that passed during the 2022 legislative session increased funding for the production incentive program to \$15M and extended the sunset of the program to 2030. The legislation gives WF the authority to build new programs to support workforce development and emerging Washington based filmmakers as well as allows for an additional incentives if a project films in a rural jurisdiction or tells the story of a historically excluded community. These new programs will launch in the spring of 2023.

Financial contributions to WF are raised by a Washington State Business & Occupation tax credit mechanism and are capped at \$15 million per calendar year. You can learn more about our [contribution campaign here](#).

For more details about the production incentive program visit [www.WashingtonFilmworks.org](http://www.WashingtonFilmworks.org) or email us at [Info@WashingtonFilmworks.org](mailto:Info@WashingtonFilmworks.org)