

EXECUTIVE ORDER 80-17

Collocation of State Offices

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the state of Washington to disburse services to its citizens in the most efficient and convenient manner possible; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of state government to achieve maximum operating economy in providing facilities for its agencies and offices; and

WHEREAS, state agencies can provide better services to the public if they are located in close proximity to each other and reasonably accessible to their clients.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dixy Lee Ray, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby proclaim it is a policy of this administration that wherever practical, state agency offices shall be collocated or clustered in state office buildings or leased office building complexes; and do hereby order and direct as follows:

1. a) The Director, Department of General Administration, cluster, consolidate or collocate facilities and offices of state agencies wherever practical, consistent with reasonable cost constraints and normal leasing cycles. Collocation of Social Service and Employment agencies should receive priority consideration in such collocation.

(b) All Executive branch agencies cooperate with and assist the Department of General Administration in the implementation of this Order.

(c) The Director of General Administration be responsible to ensure that the provisions of this Order are implemented.

2. The Department of General Administration shall: (a) conduct studies to determine the optimum deployment of state facilities and offices giving major consideration to locations on or near public transportation routes; and, (b) foster appropriate legislation to continue this Executive Order as a statute of the laws of the state of Washington.

3. All pre-existing Executive Orders which may be inconsistent with the terms of this Order are hereby rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 27th day of October A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty.

Dixy Lee Ray
Governor of Washington

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State
