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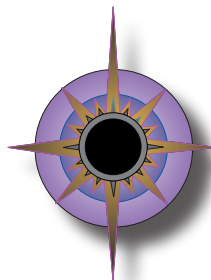
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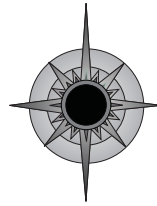
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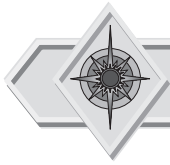


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# Campaigns: Earth Fall ~ Cascadia

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Cascadia (officially Cascadia Symmetry) developed from the **Western Protectorate** (officially formed on 4 January 2021). After a series of casual meetings beginning 20 December 2025 near Portland, Oregon, the **First Cascadia Conference** occurred on 8-9 August 2026, officially establishing Cascadia with the formation of the **Alpha Commission** (see *Cascadia Formation Commission in the Beginnings* section). Full Declaration of Separation occurred on 16 June 2028.

The player/reader of this article will find a rich culture having grown uniquely from the *Former U.S.* and *Canada*. Peruse the sections to gain understand. Since this culture is unique in many ways, a full overview would be needed before playing a character from there. Take the time. Start with the *Beginnings* and *Campaign Atmosphere* sections.

## Beginnings

Cascadia as a whole, does not call what they did as *Independence*. They found it necessary to separate from the *Former United State* before a full crumbling occurred. Some saw them as part of the problem. And each of the **Divergent American Nations/Countries** felt the others should remain united in their image.

There were many reasons the population with the Northwest of the United State decided to separate from the other states of the Union and the federal government at the time. Below are a few of the reason for the disconnection and building of the new nation of Cascadia. The highest in their view is presented higher.

Many felt they should stay, but as the movement took hold, most of them decided to leave. In was estimated that for every 2 that left 3 arrived to be part of the growing "*Renaissance*" at it was thought of by some.

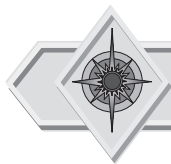
The people who began the movement set the stage and policies with other accepting them because they knew they were right and letting the other move away. As done in the past, long before the *Free State Movement* of New Hampshire, the movement took hold of the area and invited people her saw it as for them.

**Cascadia Formation Commissions** was the first **Conference of Cascadia**, taking place on 8-9 August 2026. Plans for severing relations with the U.S. federal government took shape. See *History* section for other details and progression.

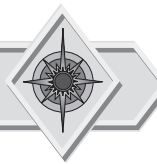
- Between 2014 and 2026, **MT (Moss & Temelton) Future Enterprise** had bought up large tracks of land, including homes. By 2026, the *Washington Protectorate* was under their influence. They also control the *Tranquility Space Station*. Marissa Goldston aquired 17% of the stock, the largest private shareholder of the mega-corporation.
- Several events had significant effects on the peoples of the *Former U.S.* The *Central States Union* formed on 9 January 2019. Rome was destroyed on 27 April 2019. The **Northwest Protectorate** formed officially on for January 2021.
- The first casual meeting was held on 20 December 2025, at *Charles Braydon* home with *James Rethke*, *Nicole Danials*, *Jennifer Polinati* and *Mark Hitchen*. Little was done other than discuss the problems with the nation and agreeing that something had to be done. Mostly, they drank beer and griped. The next 2 gatherings were little better, though the group was up to 16, then 18.
- In February 2026, the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting took place at *Charles Braydon* home. *Marissa Goldston* attended her first time, bringing 4 women and 2 men with her. Others brought friends as well, and in all, 38 were present. Marissa, with her radical views and comfortable nature brought more guidance views with solutions that many lacked – many from the writings of *Nolan Bernstein*.
- The attendees began calling themselves the **Cascadia Discussion Group** and other meetings took place, including a couple at Marissa Golston's domed Manor in Grand Ronde, Oregon. Many, including Marissa Goldston, had been influenced by *Nolan Warren Bernstein*.
- The **First Cascadia Conference** was held on 8-9 August 2026 (Saturday-Sunday) at the *Conference Center* in Portland,

Oregon. *Marissa* was in attendance, and seeing that if she did not get on the counsel, others would take advantage of their position and create similar regimes of the past, doomed to fail as the others have. Her stocks holding in various companies, notably *MT-Future Enterprises*, gave her clout she wasn't expecting (or wished for), but it did get her on the Council. From there she was able to influence the outcome. Marissa got herself on the **Cascadian Formation Commission**. There were 82 attendees, including *Gary & Janice Coleman*, *David Rieger*, *Charles Braydon*, *James Rethke*, *Nicole Danials*, *Jennifer Polinati*, *Mark Hitchen*, *Douglas Ramanathan*, *Kenneth Drew*, *Nolan Warren Bernstein* (contacted by Marissa), *Marci Brandt*, *Janice (Coleman) Dunning* and *Samuel Harrington*.

- Greater storms from warmer seasons flooded lowlands well above historical highs each few years. Repair costs became too great for governments to handle, including the *Former U.S.*, placing extraordinary strain on the economy.
- The attempt to unify government through the UN failed. Alliance factions around the world manipulated by influential persons, families and global corporations became divided, unwilling to surrender there possitions. Their intrigue fractured the fabric of society and the whole began to shatter.
- Global economy failed through the 2010s and 2020s as global corporations became even stronger, pressing more influence on the nation policies to gain advantage and control. All global corporations had political figures in the former United States, Europe and abroad that were influenced from the four favorable considerations
- Regional **Coast Guard** and **National Guard** units fell under the **Western Protectorate** as equipment became decommissioned due to cost. **Washington Protectorate** aquired and attached them to the national guard wound.
- Cascadia would not enforce any debt those of the *Former U.S.* or foreign nations and protected the new citizens as long as they remain in Cascadia.
- The **Cascadian Formation Commission**, the temporary entity created. For the transition, set several court to handle specific areas; martial affairs transition core economic and transition core, civil transportation core, etc.
- *Marissa Goldston* bought an estate on the southern shore of *Oswego Lake*, near Portland, dedicating it at the **Cascadia Retreat**, adding a guest house and conference lodge.
- After many mini-meetings, the 6-day **Conference for the First Cascadia Foundation Convention** on 6 May 2028 was held at the *Cascadia Retreat*. It started with 216 people. by the time it was done, there were 273, includes all from the *First Cascadia Conference*, and *Sydney/Lorie Larkin*, *Fativa Higginson* and *Vanora Lockwoodd* and others.
- Many of the concepts were brought to the early meetings by *Marissa Goldston* from writings from **Vander Bazuhan** (9 Sep 1922 to 22 Jul 2007) who saw the rise of Nazi and left Germany when he was 16 when his family moved to Amercia to escape the events there. As he aged, he wrote of the times and of what he saw of the manipulation of people in America be a variety of special interest groups, including the political parties and churches. He live in obscurity and was discredited by most.
- All military personnel coming from the *Former United States* service was offered the equivalent of their former rank. Both officers and enlisted went through orientation seminars on location.
- Equipment and assets were aquired and manned by the absorbed personnel.
- On the second of the two day first conference, the **Alpha (First) Foundation Commission** was form, consisting of 9 members.



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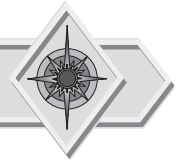
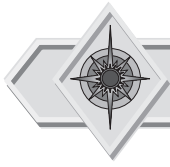
### Beginnings (cont.):

- The **Alpha (First) Foundation Commission** was given the designation for being the first of the *Cascadia Commissions* have *Marissa Goldston, David Rieger, Charles Brown, James Rethke, Nicole Danials, Jennifer Polinati, Mark Hitchen, Douglas Ramanathan, Kenneth Drew* as the 9 members.
- *Nolan Bernstein* joined the movement in February 2029. He recognized the Vander Baughman's concepts in what *Marissa Goldston* was saying, having most of the man's books, though she obviously had grown far beyond him. Both *Marissa* and *Nolan* had similar views of how the knowledge could help. Others began seeing their vision and the moment grew into the *Cascadia Renaissance*.
- The **Second Foundation Commission** took place during the second week of March 2029.
- The **Third Foundation Commission** took place during the third week of September 2030.
- Uniforms of the *Former U.S.* were adapted for the *Cascadia* military and replaced with their unique style as time went by.
- Many wished to call this new nation the **Washington Consortium** or **Washington Protectorate** declaring the technical superior contribution of the Puget Sound region, that using "*Cascadia*" diminished what made that region strength possible in the first place. *Nolan Bernstein* guided the acceptance of *Cascadia with no added descriptors*, as opposed to the proposal for *United Cascadia*, the latter being a collection of regions in loose cooperation. He expressed the discourse with in the alliances of the past, with a trend for self-importance of regions under the guise of liberties. He showed that uncontrolled countries and states exploited people and the environment, stripping natural resources for their own prosperity at the expense of harmonious living within nature, and driving less capable persons to lesser regions. Those nations and states abandoned their responsibility to ensure the well-being of all citizens. It is the responsibility of a nation to give each citizen the ability to prosper, not just the opportunity.
- On 16 June 2028, *Cascadia declared political ties with the U.S. Congress and President were severed*, handling *U.S. Congress* as a forum for discussion between *Cascadia* and other nations of the *Former U.S.*. The control of *MT-Futures* assets was transferred under the new assembled Parliament. Nationalization of citizens began transition on 1 January 2030, giving 18 months to stabilize the nation.
- *Marissa Goldston* was issued compensation bonds (at a rate equal to CLR-II, as shown in the *Civil Loan-Banking Service* entry) that would mature over a 20 year period beginning on 15 June 2050, allowing the bondholders to gain 5% each year.
- Formalized "**Foundation Edicts**" were presented to the public, and transition began officially. **Transition Proclamations** were issued and an acted until the new nation was stabilized. This was set to prevent legacy terminology within the main body of the Proclamations that would not apply after the transitional.
- Within *Cascadia*, offers of property with government loans at moderate interest for incentive true many persons from other regions and nations. Military personnel officers were offered residential property without government loans at the lowest possible interest as an incentive to move to *Cascadia*.
- *Prior home/property loans* remained with the confirmed owners. Loan companies holding those mortgages had to establish a cascading company, following all rules, or sell the mortgages to a *Cascadian* loan company.
- Under the political atmosphere of the *Former U.S.*, higher politicians would most always need at least one global Corporation favorable to them to gain and retain the seat. Politicians would be indebted, catering to campaign donors, becoming a mutual relation, strengthening both positions. As the *Cascadian Renaissance* took hold, great effort was set to prevent that behavior to continue within *Cascadia*. *Marissa*

*Goldston* guided the development away from corporate control, having seen the problems wrapped around her family fortune.

- As the rest of the world collapsed in confusion and the weight of the mega-corporation crushed the nation and the beginning breaking of energy, concerns, local and civilian unrest, poverty uprising and national border disputes. With virtually all of the global wealth tied up in a few global corporations at odds with each other, the banking system became unstable, then fell. The nation now in reliance of the car companies that were as much a disability the world banks as the nation puts strain on the banks. With the loss of corporate revenue, national defaulted, even the *Former U.S.*, all losing credit rating. Unemployment skyrocketed. Civil unrest grew. Many committed suicide up, often killing the family with them first. Crime escalated, straining the legal system and accelerating costs, more money applied etc. nonproductive people.
- Into the 2030s, the general population were at wits end, seeing corporate control of politicians so ingrained, the people were being ignored and manipulated for votes. The support of major corporations, giving them the rights of people, the public came to see the system failed them, leaving gaping gaps in moderate business levels. Reliance on cheaper major corporations goods crowded out midsize companies, leaving tiny fringe companies. Even the people fear the collapse of major corporation, their retirements plans fulling connected. Their fear came to realization during the 2030s, when the major corporations around the world could no longer hold their crushing size up. The propping that began in the early century could no longer be maintained. The economic shattering became violent.
- With the tipping point of the mega-companies, came the breakdown of dispute of to the masses distribute to the masses with a higher global population much of it in cities, the restructuring was painful to most everyone. Blame was given to virtually everyone an extremely few had been the cause. People rioted, killed and destroyed what was seen as faulty.
- Into 2032, the *Former U.S.* held a presence in the mid-east, mostly in Saudi Arabia, where they attempted to squelch the conflict and negotiate peace. With the loss of Washington D.C. in the final severing of several of the new North American nation's, and he rammed remnants of American presidents overseas was returned home to where ever they decided to call home and patron reproaching eyes into the new nation of their choice. The United America continued the Social Security system and accepted any American from the *Former U.S.*
- In *Cascadia*, the *Foundation* had a structure in place to take half of the shattered pieces and restructure and restructured quickly, when other regions worked at preparing propping up the failed rotten structure. The *Cascadian Renaissance* had seen by many a perverse backward solution and rejected it. Those who did not work with the *Cascadian* ways were dejected. The founders and supporters had seen what happened when trying to cater to everyone and their was only keeping the ones who understood.





## **Beginnings (cont.):**

- Most who left, went to families and friends in the Central State, leaving those understanding the changes and reasons for them and some who came for it, or had little choice than to adapt.
- It was not easy for many. There were deaths and personal loss but in the years to come, there was steady construction and the *Foundation* was built on family strength, not private personal growth and greed.
- New penitentiary facilities were constructed in *Monroe, Washington Province*, to house all the criminal prisoners of Cascadia. As each was completed, prisoners from other locations were transferred. By ----, all prisoners within the Alliance were incarcerated there. Greater controls were set on the prisoners that were to remain.
- The incarcerated who were held on charges that were no longer criminal (prostitution, marijuana and such) or held on nonviolent criminal acts were processed out of the prison system, those with an earlier date having priorities. Those remaining within the system were transferred to Monroe penitentiary as the facility was expanded. Other facilities were shut down as their populations diminished. There was a considerable influx of prisoners due to the violent reaction to changes. Cascadia authority made it clear that such actions would not be tolerated.
- Once Cascadia became established in 2030, the *Council* agreed it was time to get *Alaska* back. When the deligation discussed the matter with the Russians, they agreed not to fight for it. In March 2033, National Guard and militia units moved to the Alaskan border within Yukon. Military vessels went up to the Bering Sea boundary. United America sent troops and ships, hoping that the joining of the 2 national entities would help reunite the Former U.S. The conflict with China left them in a rough state. As a good faith gesture, Cascadia sent resources to Russian to help with their plight. The *Cascadia Council* made it clear that was not a payment for the land and if they didn't pull out, conflict would have taken place. The gesture also helped form trade connections.
- The *first public election* was held on the next autumn equinox, 22 September 2028, for those confirmed as Cascadian. Until 2032, elections were held on each of the equinoxes woking th fill open seats in Parliament and Councils. After that time election date and held into 2067.
- Until the establishment of the *Civil Personal Registration Code* was established, the *Social Security Number* of the *Former U.S.* was still used.
- Universities and colleges were granted the property debt-free, wiping out and not recognizing any prior debt to banks or institutions of the former United States or beyond Cascadia. They will be responsible for property levies and future loans within Cascadia.

- The first minting of Cascadian Currency began in September 2028 and available 1 June 2029, at an initial exchange rate of C£1.00 for \$2.50. *See Currency in the Details & Options section for rates though the years.* Until 2035, the American Dollar and Amero were still allowed in use.
- The Cascadian Calendar was officially adopted in August 2031.
- In 2061, Parliament declared Cascadia as the first Commonwealth in the growing *Dominion of Kaskashya*. *See Future Growth entry in the Details & Options section.*

**Reasons for Separation:** For decades, there was growing social and political rifts and no matter how the peoples felt of the everlasting nation, the *Former U.S.* did not remain. There were many factors in the dissolving of the great experiment. For Cascadia, these are a few of them.

- Preventing organizations from establishing controls of personal lives and families.
- **True Freedom of Faith:** The population who joined the movement saw the past reference of religion was being controlled by Christian entities, crowding out other faiths, creating laws favoring them in taxes and social settings. They had enough.
- Rejecting the hold of banking institutions on the peoples financial wellbeing, with the raising of family status over corporate control.
- Rejection of the notion that the government needs to track personal income for monitoring drug trade, seeing it as an reason for taking control and not a true means of eradicating the drug problems.
- Dismantling of the bloated and corrupt legal system, becoming known by many as "*Dethroning the judges and attorneys.*" With this, seeing the simplified legal structure was understandable by most people and greedy attorneys could be limited.
- **Relation liberty:** The personal lived of individuals and who they could love was being controlled to much by people beyond the family for the liking of those who connected themselves to Cascadia.
- **Personal size:** With the *Obesity Health Levy*, many felt the government went too far in dictating the affairs of people, even if they claim it was for their own good. Mostly, these people saw it as another way to tax the people and claim is was a health epidemic.

## **~ Family lifestyles ~**

Cascadia is very serious about giving all families the resources to live well. In the twentieth century, there was a lot said about family life and prosperity. However, the more they talked, fewer and fewer families were left intact. The founders of Cascadia worked to reverse the trend, reinforcing family continuity over corporate interests. Policies concerning employment, business, education, retirement and other elements within Cascadia were shaped to strengthen family bonds, and still have the diversity of blended homes and communities. Other qualities were encouraged; including the means to support artistic endeavors, open conceptual thoughts, as well as diverse-interlaced cultural exposure with peaceful convergence.

## Campaign Atmosphere

In any role-playing campaign, there is an atmosphere created by the director. Each region, nation, etc. will have its own atmosphere. This section should help players with understanding general aspects of Cascadia. These elements are a few elements the character may come across in their interaction with the culture.

Players entering Cascadia will find a culture unlike the other evolving from the Former U.S. In many ways, it is high in technologies than other nations, with androids and robotics, and yet the people have been drawing on ancient cultures for art and practices. Each entry has more details throughout the overview. Some events are global.

- The nation uses the metric system. For height, people generalize in decimeter with men are around 17 decimeters and women around 16. For more specifics, 17 - 8 (17 decimeters 8 centimeters, 17 dm 8 cm for 178 centimeters, or 16-1 for 161). This puts a more grouping of measurements with smaller number to reference.
- A 6-day calendar had been formed and adopted. Many elements are based on seasons.
- There are less airplanes, with greater travel by trains and trams. There are more derigibles in the air, some for the Sheriff and medical use, others for citizen transportation.
- Androids and robots (collectively known as *armeks*), have become more widespread and serves a variety of uses.
- Two pandemics occurred by a 2067 (*T4 Teppi Ebola* and *Kazakhstan Influence*) are described in more detail in the Medical section. These pandemics, conflict, riots and other events reduced the population of Earth dramatically.
- People experienced 22 years (2016 to 2038) of the *Constellation Showers*, where meteors from outside the solar system impacted Earth on a daily basis, killing people at times. Most everyone knew someone who was killed.
- *Social revolution* continued from the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. People strived for broader sense of social relations, and reduction of the hold of corporations and churches. The fight for civil liberties and justice across all types of people divided the *Former U.S.* The allowance of a broader sense of family – including polygyny, polygamy and polyandry – had a greater struggle than of other lifestyles. Seeing that false social façades causes great deal of problems, the founders of Cascadia embedded social elements within the *Proclamations*, ensuring it would ensure diverse acceptance within Cascadia. One of the hardest things to instill was the true honor of a person's word. Even in 2067, the honor of one's promises is weak in many.

**Affections:** Cascadia is far more progress in affections that most places around the world. Display of affection is not discouraged, though full excused intercourse is not allowed in common areas.

- Women are often seen holding hands, even kissing. Men publicly do not show as much affection, though since gay men (*gaflian*) are more expressive and open in Cascadia, it is not uncommon for them to show affection in public.
- Sex is not fully band from common areas, though it must be discrete and not fully viewable or heard by citizens. Many private parks for full sensual pleasure have been set up and people there are subject to the rules of the owner.

**Clothing & Nudity:** Cascadians as a whole wear layers of clothing, when they wear clothing, depending on the weather. A more casual attire had been accepted, even for most businesses, having classical Greco-Roman, medieval, swashbuckler feel.

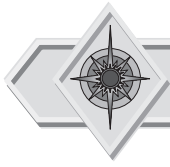
*See clothing in the Details & Options section.*

- Women are more often in flowing gowns, dresses or skirt-blouse compositions having a grecoroman, though bouse and jeans are also common. Dress suite are fairly rare and considered “stuffy” for most people's tastes. Soft leather low shoes or sandals are the most common footwear, with few having heels over 1.5”. Shawls are very common for shading from the sun and wind, more so than hats, though many wear broad brim hats for the sun.
- Clothing wore by men and woman is looser and in layer having flavor reminiscent of classical, medieval and shashbuckler qualities. Women are more in dresses and skirts and blouses, though do wear jeans.
- Men are also in looser attire and more and more are taking after the mideast-asian look with tunics, dalmatica, caftans, even togas, though more often they would be found in slacks, jans and loose shirts, with soft leather shoes or sandals. Keffiyeh agals are worn by many men. Fedoras and other broad brim hat styles are wore by a lot of men.
- Jewelry is very common for women and girls. Men tend to be more subtle, though they are often wearing necklaces, bracelets and rings.
- Casual nudity and affections is acceptable open-air common public areas and viewed as natural. *See Vulgar Behavior in the Criminal Acts entry of the Legal Affairs section.*

**Death & Depopulation:** There was a dramatic drop in the global population due to a variety of causes, including 2 pandemics and conflicts. See Population and Death in the Details & Options section.

**Entertainment:** With Cascadia being one of the most stable nations, there are most social entertainment options. Being one of the more socially liberated, some of these options are considered too risqué, open, even perverse for people from other nations.

- Entertainers are very often to be providing music for tips. They must be registered as a business and Sheriff may asked them to tally the take in the collection within their presence. This information is passed for revenue collection and compared to their claims.
- Drinking of beer, wine and mixed drinks are allowed in public areas, though overt drunkenness is not allowed. Sheriffs uphold this and may call upon *Detox Units* (see separate entry for details) if needed to be removed.
- With marijuana being legal, it and other reactional intoxicants are treated as beer, wines, etc. for public consumptions and seeing people in parks, taverns, restaurants and such with bongs and joints are common.
- Though a low percentage of people smoke in Cascadia, smoking (mostly, men with pipe) is allowed in non-congested (average separation of 15' or more) open air public areas as long as there is enough air dispersal. Common social curtasies is that if there is a previous presence of people not wishing the smoke, smoker are to move down wind, so not to disturb them. If there is a dispute, the smoker is to extinguish it or move on. Sheriffs will uphold the curtesy. The owner of any private property, weather resident or business, having the right to set any smoking policy for legal tobacco and the guest patrons have the right to not be there.



## Earth Fall ~ Cascadia



**International relations:** Cascadia has caused the nervousness in a number of foreign nations. Declaring the northeast Pacific waters a territory of Cascadia (enforced by the Cascadian Naval Force), response to the destruction of Seattle, the intense progress into the solar system and beyond with the formation of Stellar Force as part of the Ministry of Martial Affairs, rejection of globalization of business interests, as well as other policies, created an uneasiness in some nations. Other nations, including India, Indonesia, Japan, Philippines, etc., became accepting of Cascadia. Other nations have mixed responses.

- **Russia** has trade nation status and holds a relative peaceful accord with Cascadia since the rendering Alaska in March 2033.
- **United America** has a relatively close relation with Cascadia with trade as the main conduit.
- European trade with Cascadia is functional through the northwest passage. However, the instability of the regions make it difficult at times.
- The United Nations still functions with in Geneva – the New York headquarters being destroyed when the city was destroyed by nuclear device 2022 – though with little to no resolve. Cascadia has no permanent representatives in the UN, however, occasionally sends dignitaries to conference when asked to do so.

**Medias:** Digital radio stations are plentiful holding the same maturity rating as other media, though since they are open airwaves, the rating is announced with the call signs, as well as part of the digital information insignia that would be displayed.

Most all televised systems are through direct cabling or through phone networks. There are a few digital television stations, some being part of networkes, though due to the manner of businesses, there are more private station in local Counties/Shire that may be picked up by surrounding Couties/Shires.

**News:** Cascadia has several private and government news sources, including mag-paper, televised and radio.

- There will be segments of the progression of the space programs, including the stellar crafts being built.
- International news is a hot topic and journalists are scattered around the world, find stories to tell. People globally have become distrustful of the new network, viewing them as puppets of whatever nation they are from and because of this, it has become extremely dangerous for those pursuing stories. International journalists have several body guards with them.

**Public Safety:** Throughout Cascadia's common areas, people will fine cameras for monitoring conditions, as well as Sheriffs, Constible, Marshals, Soldiers and a variety of roving semi-autonous Patrol Bot. The Sheriffs and Bots are directly connected to the Amber Status System and the other may be instantly included as needed.

**Earthquake:** with the melting of Antarctica glacier, the continent of Antarctica shifted up. See sea level in the details & options section.

**Oceans & Seas:** With the warming of the global climate, many changes occurred. Melting of the ice caps and subsequent rising of continental plates in some regions with the pressure release causing rise of the oceans/seas around 46" on average by 2067.

The Northwest passage, open year round and travels to Europe from Cascadia prospered from the Yukon province, especially along the Mackenzie River from McKenzie Bay to great slave lock. Ray away from the lake to Hudson Bay was expanded.

Population in the northern regions grew with the warmer oceans and climate in the.

**Scene Creation:** There are many considerations for director in setting the scene for the players to react in, and declare quote the "the groups walking in the whatever. What are you doing?" There's more to presenting the atmosphere as many books will show. The scenes view is created from prior elements. The following may help to seen creation.

- The first consideration of course, would be the location. Is is inside, outside, in a town, city, wilderness, somewhere else, etc.
- Whether an seasons; is it?? Cascadia has the frigid North, Northwest America to some desert areas. How does this affect the scene?
- Animals & & people? Are the no means long to the character. What? Are the law enforcement's are there scratch that line.
- Animals & people? Are there is no means surroundings beyond the character? Are there law enforcement parent Sheriff/Marshall and parent? Military?
- Robots and androids? Cascadia has a wide variety of robot robotic units and androids from all sorts all sorts of purposes. Some are becoming more people and animallike. Some are some payments for the sheriff/marshals and military.
- Dirigibles aircraft and watercraft etc. Air flight and auto traffic has reduced over the years from the past, there are more trains, water ferry, monorail, trans etc. Also dirigibles (ship) are common to see, often attached to the sheriff, safety rescue and military.



## Campaign Options

As with many of Universal Tales Campaign Environments, this article has many elements that may be changed to fit with the group and the group is encouraged to be unique and creative. Other UT Campaign Environments may be integrated with this.

**92 Million CE:** The fusion reactor accident (19 March 1932) at Nellis AFB did not vaporize the Las Vegas region. A crater was left, but the local cities, region and Hoover Dam and all the residents found themselves over 92 million years in the future where people no longer reside on Earth and the continents have evolved a lot.

Some people along the fringe of the effected area could have been pulled along the way and left at different times and places. This leaves a lot of possibilities, even that some survived in pockets when the region full arrived.

See separate 92 Million CE campaign environment article.

**Fifth Reich (2193):** In 2193, Reichists having evolved into something very different from the Nazi beginning. By 2193, the scientist had figured out how to breach the dembrane between the *Manhattan Prime* and *Zeus Rising* demcosm (dimensions cosmos, alternate reality) and began setting up bases on that side to support activities on theirs. This produced a conflict with the few people left on Earth.

On Earth of the Manhattan Prime dimension, most people ventured out to colonize other worlds, leaving each with a very depleted population. A few major cities existed with universities to train scientist going out. The rest of Earth was wild with assorted tribes living simple lives.

As for a connection with Earth Fall, there is no direct one, though, if the director and players wish interdimensional travel could make one. A bit of time travel will be needed.

**Fourth Reich:** After the fall of the Third Reich in ----, when *Zeus Greeks* invaded, the *Reichists* scattered throughout the world, becoming known as the *Four Reich*, also known as the *Secret Reich*. Those who survived became a secret society working to undermine the *Zeus Greek* dominance in Europe and Mediterranean regions. Their symbol became the Prussian eagle holding a single lightning bolt in its talons.

As with Fifth Reich (2193), there is no direct connection with *Earth Fall*. Again, with a bit of interdimensional travel, the player could make one.

**Laserfica:** A fantasy world environment by within Universal Tales, Laserfica has a long history with Earth.

**Lost Times:** When the fusion reactor accident occurred at Nellis AFB next to Las Vegas and the region was thought to have vaporized (see 92 Million CE UT-Environment), a series of **Time Links** began occurring throughout Earth, momentarily joining one time and place on Earth with another. Most *Time Links* remained on Earth, but sometimes the links would connect to other worlds, like *Laserfica*. Consider dimensional rules described in the *Mystical* section of *Character Enchiridion*.

Since much of the time between 2032 and 92 million CE was without people, the creator of the campaign could use a lot of their creativity. Koneeree created their first temporal Dembrane machine they called *Viethovoth*, linking their world to another, and it's alpha prime dembrane (the main timeline humans lived in before the time traveling reached them began creating a separate local time loops or dimensional realities).

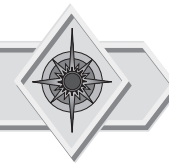
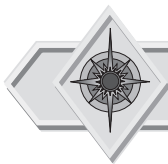
The *Koneeree* began going at areas to other times, their interactions created new time loops, working to make full realities that suited them. Most went back to when the population was considerably smaller and the people could go there to live freely. After the first 5 *Viethovoths*, others were made by other groups. They found that other people had done the same. Conflicts arose at times, but mostly they were separated by the vastness of the universe.

Other people of the universe discovered that altering the timeline does not change the first one. Instead, it spurs off a local time loop of just the differences, leaving the aspects that are identical as one. As time progressed, broader effects overshadowed the differences and the loops blend together, with the minor differences forgotten and lost. Differences will affect each other, as well as the whole, creating a variety of phenomenon. The differences with most longevity remained the strongest.

Other temporal events may cause spontaneous time-space-links, transferring people and objects to other times and places. Other fusion reaction accidents may do this (as happened to Las Vegas with the Nellis Air Force Base event), if the technique involves dense gravitational waves, linking the material dembrane (dimensional membrane) to the gravitational dembrane for leave for a moment, creating a wormhole, more accurately described as a point-to-point space-time connection link, since there is no traveling from one port to the other. It functions more as overlapping of separate points.

Sometimes, the differences become so great they take on a separate timeline reality that has few similarities to the parent timeline.





## Character Creation

Players creating character who lived any notable portion of their lives in Cascadia should go through this section and apply what would fit.

Ψ **Was the character born in Cascadia?** If so, were the parents/guardian citizens?

- Each citizen would have a **Civil Personal Registration Code**, as well as a **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund** account.
- Most households have **armeks** (artificial mechanisms), even if they are secondhand or least. These devices function as general cleaning, maintenance, companionship, tutors, security, etc.

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**Character Experiences:** For character who were born and raised in Cascadia, or spent some time there, would like have the following experiences. These are presented from the youngest to elder so that the player would read down until the the entries would be beyond the character's lifespan.

- Lived in another nation in North America or beyond and moved to Cascadia.
- Had the HIV general vaccines
- The breakup had many violent episodes and the character may know several people who committed suicide and been murdered. They also may know people who killed for a variety of reasons. Some of these may even be family or friends.
- Know people who left because the high acceptance to people's views and activities were distasteful for them.
- If aware by 2042, the character may have known or remember people personally who were lost in the destruction of Seattle on 6 July 2042, either by the blast which exploded just off shore, the sonami like wave from the pressure of the blast that swept around Puget Sound, radiation, panic from it all or later from diseases related from it.
- Had friends and relative who died of the T4 (Teppi) Ebola Virus or the Type A/H5N3 Influenza Virus.
- Depending on how old the character was when it happened, the character may have known or remember people personally who were lost in the the destruction of Washington D.C. on -----, either by the blast, the firestorm that swept through the city, radiation, panic from it all or later from diseases related from it.
- Depending on how old the character was when it happened, the

character may have known or remember people personally who were lost in the the destruction of New York City on -----, either by the blast, the firestorm that swept through the area, radiation, panic from it all, or later diseases related from it.

- Depending on how old the character was when it happened, the character may have known or remember people personally, notably Catholics, who were lost in in the the destruction of Rome, Italy on -----, either by the blast, the firestorm that swept through the area, radiation, panic from it all, or later diseases related from it or by violence from Muslims Protestants and others later, who considered finishing them off, after the sympathy wore off.

**Occupations:** As Cascadia evolved, the occupations shifted somewhat what was familiar in the Former U.S. There are a multitude of considerations for the character's occupation withing Cascadia. The player should discuss possibilities with the director based of thier nature of running campaigns and the involvement with the culture.

Because Cascadia is unique became quite different from the *Former U.S.*, more so than other North American nations, **New players** to the campaign environment would be advised to creat a character from one of the other nations, such as Central States or United America and traveled into Cascadia.

- **The Ministry of Martial Affairs** (see *Martial Affairs* section) have many military and civilian positions within it. *Legion Civil Support Staff* are the civilian personel within the ministry.

**Possessions:** There are many things to consider in what the character may own.

- Does the character have a ownership in a business?
- Does the character have any robots or androids?
- Do they have a vehicle?

**Skills:** As with all regions, those living in Cascadia for any length of time will gain knowledge specific for the region. The following skills would be added to the character dossier, and the amount added to the skill.

- 1D8 (4) per each full 10 Age Group Factor lived in the North America to **Culture-2060s North America**.
- 1D6 (3) per each full 5 Age Group Factor lived to *Culture-Cascadia* or *Seduction/Flirting* or *Sex*.

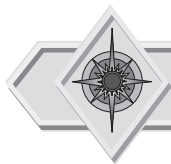
**Social Interaction:** Cascadians, as a whole, are very social and form collective groups. *The Societies & Organization* section, as well as *Religion* in this section.

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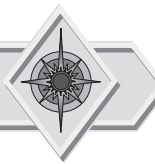
### ~ Androids & Robotics ~

By 2067, armeks (artificial mechanisms) were prevalent, and most homes and companies had some form of these androids/robotics performing a multitude of functions.

- ▷ Urgent services and Sheriffs have a variety of armeks to assist in performing their duties.
- ▷ Lesser income homes and smaller companies will usually have passed down armeks, and a good number of outlets and repair shops have "reconditioned armeks" for sale and lease. Leasing armeks is very common, with upgrade options in the 6-12 seasons.



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**Backgrounds:** These elements may help develop the female character who lived in Cascadia.

- Due to the attraction to the region for those who were heavier and shorter, finding more acceptance for being so with the rest of the Former U.S. suppressing them, the average height of the women became 2" shorter for all ethnic groups and 5-10+ (3D6P for random) more to Size, with 3-10+ (3D6P for random) more to M-Value (breasts).

- Female Backgrounds:** The following may have occurred to the female Earthers. For random events, roll 2D6, choosing one of the entries for the value. Continue rolling and choosing until the 7 is rolled.

- Accused of criminal act by the Sheriffs
- Became pregnant during early adolescence
- Went to the high school senior prom (more of girls did so), gang raped<sup>1</sup>
- Mother/Sister was raped<sup>1</sup> (% chance in front of the character)
- Was very social, had sexual relation by Age Group Factor 5D6P
- No other entries for this, lost family/friend when Las Vegas vaporized
- Molested/raped by close relative, lost retirement pension after breakup of *Former U.S.*<sup>2</sup>
- Became pregnant during late adolescence, was serving in the military during the breakup<sup>3</sup>
- Father was murdered, used breast enhancement cream<sup>4</sup>
- Friend bore a child from rape
- Part of a pregnancy pack

- Male Backgrounds:** The following may have occurred to the male Earther. For random events, roll 2D6, choosing one of the entries for the value. Continue rolling and choosing until the 7 is rolled.

- Gang raped<sup>1</sup>
- Accused of criminal act by the Sheriffs.
- Went to the high school senior prom (less of the boy did so)
- Mother/Sister was raped<sup>1</sup> (% chance in front of the character)
- Had sexual relation by Age Group Factor 6D8P, lost retirement pension after breakup of *Former U.S.*<sup>2</sup>
- No other entries for this, lost family/friend when Las Vegas vaporized
- Did sports, was serving in the military during the breakup<sup>3</sup>
- Fought often, did not complete foundation school
- Father was murdered
- Was very social
- A close friend/relative was killed during the Constellation Shower

**Relations:** With the broad views of intimacy within Cascadia, this listing may be rolled or chosen from for relations, even defining the dynamic of *families*. With poly-relations fairly common, as well as same gender parenting/guardian, entries showing a ratio are the number of male/male to female/female (e.g.; 1:3+ is one male with 3 or more females). Conflicting rolls would be changing relations within the family. Percentages within parenthesis are the general amount of committed persons by population in such a relation dynamic in 2067.

~Start with 2D6~

- Blood relatives >2D6
- 3+:1 relations (1%) >2D6
- 2:1 relations (2%) >2D6
- 0:3+ relations (1%) >2D6

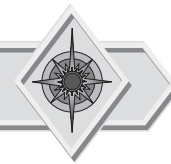
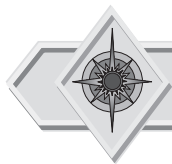
- 0:2 relations (3%), not married >2D6
- 1:1 relations (21%), separated >3D6
- 2:0 relations (3%), remarried >3D6
- 1:2 relations (3%), some parties are married >3D6
- 1:3+ relations (2%), divorced >3D6
- 2:0 relations (4%), all parties are married >3D6
- 3+:0 relations (3%) >3D6
- 13+) *No other rolls.*

1) This is more prevalent beyond Cascadia and may have occurred while traveling or living abroad. Roll Percentage Chance of pregnancy for each 1-5 occurrences.

2) Cascadia recognized Social Security benefits valid for Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund.

3) Which service? What did the character do after that?

4) Add #D4P to the female's M-Value, where # is the number of doses. There is no limit.



## Details & Options

As with most Universal Tales articles, the amount of this information the creator of the campaign will use depends of the direction of the campaign. The director may want the players to peruse this and query what applies. Let it be an open discussion. Many new ideas will come of it and the campaign will grow from it.

**Abortions:** Though legal and covered under the civil health care, there are procedures the mother and father must follow. Both parents of the child have equal permissibility for the pregnancy and are the parents of the children and referred to as the mother and father to show their responsibility as such, unless the sexual contact was undesired.

The mother and father shall declare the wish to terminate the pregnancy and for 3 full days consider the act they wish to do, with discussions of procedure option, effects and emotions surrounding the decision.

**Abuse:** See family in this section.

**Accidental Injury:** See Medical & Health in this section.

**Adoption:** Through the beginning of the 21st Century, a great many of the children were orphaned, and families disconnected. Cascadia took a more fluid view of family relations, allowing adoptions beyond just parental children relations.

**Advocacy Institutions:** See Charities/Collective Companies in this section.

**AIDS/HIV:** See Medical & Health in this section.

**Air Traffic:** See Transportation Commission in the Government Affairs section.

**Agencies:** See Government Agencies.

**Age of Commitment/Consent:** See Maturity in this section.

### ~ Energies ~

The Cascadian power grid is a layer throughout the nation, still having end-terminal power as 120/240/360/480 volts, with many sources of grid power.

§ Grid power sources include fusion reaction, solar (roads, rooftops, fields, etc.), wind (many scattered throughout the communities, as well as offshore), offshore title plants (often functioning with offshore wind generation and sea farms), bio-electrical plants (mostly functioning with sewer filters).

**Alcohol & Recreational Intoxants:** Generally called **Intoxants** or **Recreation Intoxants** in Cascadia, and includes alcohol, hallucinogen, stimulants, etc. and often take for pleasure, these substances are either legal or illicit. See *Driving and Illicit Material in the Legal Affairs section*.

- There are restriction for purchasing alcohol, and consumption beyond the home, referred to a **Age of Purchasing**, and must be at the **Age of Commitment**. For **Spirits** and **Liqueurs** (hard liquor, distilled and over 20% alcohol), the minimum age is 22. Beer and wines (up to 20% alcohol) may be purchased by those of 19 years of age or older. Wine coolers (less than 10% alcohol) by those of 17+.

- There is age restrictions for drinking alcoholic beverages within the home. Providing alcohol to anyone under the **Age of Purchasing** may constitutes **Reckless Endangerment** (see *Crimes in the Legal Affairs section*) should it in any way become harmful. Alcohol (distilled or fermented) beverages are legal for sale and limited use by the citizens and foreign tourists.
- All those of the **Age of Commitment** (see *Maturity in this section*) are considered their own keeper and no other person or entity (including pubs, taverns, bars, restaurants, nightclubs) shall be accounted for actions of those persons, including the consumption of intoxicating substances.
- Driving or operating potentially harmful equipment holds a severe penalty.
- Most intoxicants and drugs for regulation are considered harmful and elicit in Cascadia including cocaine, heroin, in, Matt and etc. In 2023, a new intoxicant called **Sand** and **Grit** was formulated from a Opium-LSD blend. Complicated to produce with a general cost of 15,000 UEs for a minimum batch of 5,000 doses and half the cost per doubling the dosage for larger batch sizes. The effect is strong euphoria and hallucination peeking around an hour after consumption and lasting around 3 days with high sexual appetite. Sold as a liquid, tablet or in a capsule at around 10 to 20 Cascas a dose. It's hard to overdose, with the body rejecting most excess. Danger arise in the loss of reality and presence when people did not know where they were at the time they did something. Increase of rape under the intoxication is prevalent. **Sand** and **Grit** are elicit and not legal in Cascadia.
- The term for any substance intoxicating to people altering their perception is **Intoxicants**.
- Some illicit intoxicants that rare in Cascadia is Meth, Crack, Krank, Cloud, Ice and the sort. Cocaine is still popular.
- Peyote is common as well, and legal when used in faith rituals.
- Opium has attracted many who venture in this manner of entertaining.
- **Micro-breweries** seem to be all over Cascadia and with the levies favoring local companies, there are a lot of them. The **Standards & Safety Commission** does regulate these companies.
- **Mexico** became the center of marijuana and poppy, providing the highest supply in the Americas. Trafficking to the world was mostly through **Senora**.
- **Grit** is a by-product of **Sand**. This intoxicant became a party drug in 2024 and is still popular for the same crowd in 2067. The high lasts 7-9 hours with high adrenaline, energy and euphoria. The sexual appetite is less than **Sand**, though still increased and many pregnancies and rapes arise from the consumption.

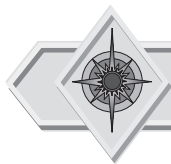
**Alert Status:** See *Amber Status in this section*, and *Alert Status in the Martial Affairs section*.

**Aliens (Etiens):** See *Extraterrestrial in the Stellar Progression section*.

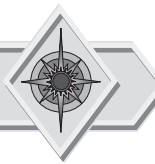
**Allied Nations:** Any nation holding this status by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of Cascadia Parliament is considered an ally in all ways, including full trade and protection from aggression.

Also see *Trade Nations and Revenue in this section*.

- Being an ally with Cascadia holds protection agreement, in that if either is attack with no just provocation, the other shall move immediately in defence. Not doing so will negate the status. Action of other nations that provokes the attack need not be responded on.



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**Amber Status:** Adapted from the *Amber Alert System* of the Former U.S., the *Amber Status Public Safety Network* is a function of the Sheriff office to assist citizens with *Civil Conditions* (situations or danger to the public) in their and as well as adjacent areas that may flow over. This is not just an information outlet, but a manner for the citizens to interact.

The network uses landline phone system for isolation and secure control. Citizens may call for *Current Status* or *Set a Condition*. Amber Status calls from the landline is 003, with a personal security code as well as a panic code.

- Sheriff precincts maintain status of local risks, rated as *Green*, *Amber* or *Red*. When called, the listener gains the current status of there area as well as the status of adjacent area. They may also gain specifics. The caller may set a “*Condition*” for their household,
- Citizens may register people with preset *Conditions*. This is most common for young children walking from one location to another. When the system is called, the Condition code is entered and the information to relayed to the nearby Sheriff office dispatcher system and related monitoring centers so they know the condition is in play. Monitoring systems from dirigibles, robotic ground rovers, even Sheriffs and Constables may observe the area and be aware of the condition should the status change and alert the persons calling in the *Condition* on any changes that may effect them.
- Declaring a *Condition* may only be done from the landline associated with the code and by persons designated as guardian (parents, etc.) and has a digital code and voice recognition aspect for it. Information associated with the *Condition* would include who’s involved, ages, any medical issues, where they are coming from, where they are going, the estimated time of travel, etc. This is set for the *Condition* and there may be any number of *Conditions* for the landline, with a 3+ number code, that would be inserted when the “*Condition is in Play*.”
- In a *Traveling Condition* (child, elderly and such traversing from place to place alone), there will be a time window. Once the *Condition* is met and completed, the residence would call the to indicate that. If the designated time expires, an automated call is done to all associated land lines and alerts are relayed to local patrols and controllers.
- *Amber Status Public Safety Network* automated interactive system functions with a voice recognition program (usually woman’s voice on the computerside). The system may be call while on line with a party or not. Both voice and keypad entires are used. A common meassage is, “*The Amber Status in yours and adjacent areas are green at this time. Do you wish to declare a condition?*” That that time, the persohn would say *Yes* or *No*, and if *Yes*, give their name and press the verivication code, so the computer may confirm the person and continue wiht a *Condition*. The computer then greets the person with their name, confirming the acceptance. The person would the press or say the condition code. The computer activates it and tells the party when the Condition could be expected to be complete with names. The computer will asked for other Conditions, and when complete, gives farewell, having a chime sound, indicating the computer disconnected from the phone. Once the Condition is complete
- *Statuses* include *Green* (no known situation within the area), *Amber* (an alert of not violent nature, but may become hazardous) and *Red* (condition of a violent or severe hazardous nature).
- A *Condition* may tell the system there a known medical situation with a person is occuring, where assistance is needed. Controller-dispatchers will be alerted with local Aide centers.
- The system is semiautomatic, with the comuputer conducting the activities with controllers-dispatch monitoring the activities.

**Android:** see *Robotics & Androids in the Science & Technology section*.

**Archers:** See *Weapons in this section*.

**Arab Implosion:** A term given to the spread of anarchy in the Arab nations beginning in the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century and peaked in the 2030s. See *Islam under Religion in this section*.

**Armed Forces:** See *Martial affairs section*. Also see *Weapons in this section*.

**Arts & crafts:** With the extra time people have away from the company labor, they began pursuing mroe artistic endeavors.

**Averaged declared income:** A reference to the earnings citizens make as income as declared, and use for calculation with the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund (see separate entry). This is averaged over their lifetime within Cascadia.

**Bartering:** Trading of goods and services expanded since 2017 with the growing destabilization, rapid currency deflation and cost increased in North America. See *currency in this section*. Bartering took many forms. Though Cascadia established its being, the economics had some turmoil and distrust.

- *Garage/Yard Swap Meet* is an extended garage/yard sales where several families attend available items being brought for sale and swapping.
- *Swap Bazaar* became the term for flea markets.

**Banks & Credit Unions:** Private and civil financial institutions in Cascadia are regulated by the *National Economic Commission* and *Standards & Satety Commission*. During the break from the *Former U.S.*, non-regional banks were given the same time to vacate the region as other businesses, or become licensed Canadian companies, adhering to all regulations.

Also see *Civil Loans-Banking Services*.

- *Finance Companies* may provide investment loans to companies. They may not maintain personal banking accounts. This distinctions separates the risky nature of business investments, and the need for a stable and reliability for personal accounts.
- Since company stocks have controlled ownership paths, they may not be used as collateral. Property, assets and intellectual property may be use for collateral.
- *Personal Banking* is the savings & loans institutions of the past.
- Since companies cannot own other companies, companies may not be part of securities. Company stocks are owned by people, and in such, may not be associated with securities in any manner, preventing instability and manipulation of the markets that was experienced in the past.
- Similar to the FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) of the *Former U.S.*, the *Cascadia Financial Protection Insurance (CFPI)* protect member accounts up to a specified amount (C£350,000 in 2067).

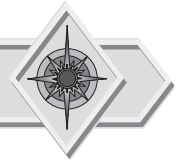
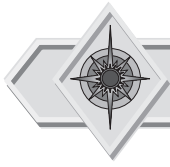
**Beds:** See *Domestic Life*.

**Beliefs:** the religion in this section.

**Boarder Stations:** Points of entry into Cascadia.

- Each station has an attached *Martial Garrison*.





**Bonded Servant:** Referred to some as slavery, and not seen as a proper relation between people by many, some submitted themselves to other for care, relieving themselves of responsibility.

In the 2020s of Calvada, the custom became known as **Shackling**, making the *Indentured Bond Servant* a **Chattel**, the protector-caregiver the **Lord or Lady** (referred to as **Care Tender** to Parliament and all government agencies). Some prefer the title Thrall, Serf, yobo (Korean term) even Slave for the social implication and reactions.

Having greater lenity to social relations, Cascadian and Parliament allows the practice with a few restriction; including that Cascadian chattels are full citizen or foreign immigrants with all rights, adequate food, safe clean comfortable living/working arrangement (as any employee/tendant), and that it is a mutual social arrangement accepted on each party.

There are many reasons people become *Bond Servants*; including social dependency (preferring to let other be responsible), financial difficulties (passing the debt burden to another who is better to afford it), legal issues (low *Criminal Class Levels*), etc.

- This relation must be declared at any Township Hall and without coercions and any property and wealth of the *Bond Servant* remains theirs during and after the relation and would be declared during the registration.
- Parliament set by Edict that a Bond Servant may sever the relation at any time, though doing so relieves the Care Tender of any responsibility for their care. This is not a marriage and no monetary or property have to be passed. If from *Monroe Penitentiary*, the prisoner is returned to the prison immediately. Some reshackle to another *Care Tender*.
- The lords and ladies are responsible for the health and care of the chattel, and the chattel is to do as requested and are fully devoted to them.
- Bond Servants may not witness against the lord or lady, even in retrospect after severing relation, though, if any person is in the relation by coercion, the *Bond Servant* may go to any Sheriff for protection and the *Care Tender* investigated for misdeeds (harrasment, assault, rape, etc.).
- Many prisoners of Legal Class-I/II of *Monroe Penitentiary* submit themselves to bond servitude, allowing them to reside elsewhere unto the authority of their *Care Tender*, who is legally responsible for the action of the *Bond Servant*. Strict controls and monitoring are conducted to ensure the relation is progressive for the prisoner's reintegration into the culture and not a exploit of their position.
- Foreign nationals sometimes takes this rout for citizenship. The *Care Tender* becomes the sponsor, become fully responsible for the *Bond Servant* and all normal aspects of immigration are followed. Children born of a *Bonded Servant* is considered a full citizen, even if the foreign parent returns to the nation of origin. If the child goes with them, they forfeit such status.
- Any children associated with the *Bond Servant* will be afforded the same care as any citizen child assoiated to the *Care Tender*, including education.
- The *Care Tender* is responsible for all behavior and legal actions of the *Bond Servant*, and the servant/chattel shall respect and present loyalty to the *Care Tender*.
- Due to the manner of the **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund**, the *Care Tender* pays for the 15% of relitive income of the *Bond Servant* and figured at Civil Pentionary CCP-6 for unskilled and CCP-12 for skilled.
- The *Servant-Tender* relation within Cascadia quickly evolved with many as a **Nobility-Chattel designation** (often called **High Covenant**), creating an experimental subculture bringing ancient philosophies and practices into the current, advancing culture. Some saw this as a dangerous path, though those who practiced this lifestyle found it more natural to the nature of people, seeing no true difference between employer-worker company relations, except for personal intimacies – and even those are known to be part of the workplace.

- **High Lords/Lady Rights** is part of the **Chattel-Lord/Lady** relation, where the lord or lady has intimacy rights to their chattel.
- When becoming a *Bond Servant*, many have a **Shackling Ceremony**, where a collar and wristbands are placed on them and are worn for no less than 3 days in the presence of their *lord/lady*. Often, the would-be chattel selects their own shackles.
- Some *Bond Servants*, especially those who called themselves *Chattels*, wear collars and wrist bands that have loops for leashes and bindings. Some are quite elaborate, while others go with a simple look.

**Bonds:** See Business in this section.

**Books:** See Literature & Books.

**Bows:** See Weapons in this section.

**Breast Enhancements/Reduction:** See Cosmetic Adjustments in this section for other physical modifications.

**Broad Scope Levies:** See Revinue in this section.

**Business:** See separate section.

## ~ Emergency Response ~

Cascadia set up a variety of services to assist in the situations of citizens and visitors. These are a few that function within the Telkom System (see separate entry in this section).

- ⓓ **Urgent Services Dispatch Centers** are scattered throughout the *Counties/Shires* of the *Provinces* functioning for several overlapping *Townships*, and networked to pick up loads when necessary. The *Centers* continued using the **911 Telkom Code**.
- ⓓ **Amber Status (003 Telkom Code)** is a public safety network service expanding from Amber alerts of the past. The service provides safety alert conditions in the area as well as allowing specific family conditions to be set, such as youth/elderly movements.
- ⓓ **Nonemergency Information** Telkom code is **1001** to assist in situations that is not urgent.
- ⓓ **Government Service Guidance Centers** is reached by **1212** Telkom code with operators to assist citizens to appropriate government services for their situation.

# Universal Tales: Campaign Environment

**Calendar:** In August 2031, Cascadia Parliament adopted the *Seasonal Calendar*, starting 21 December 2031 of the Gregorian calendar, becoming 1 January 2032 on the new Cascadian calendar. It took until 2036 to fully pull away from the Gregorian calendar, using it only for international relations after that.

The Cascadian calendar year has 60 weeks, segmented into 4 seasons of 3 months. Each month has five 6-days weeks, with days of *Mundae*, *Tuezdæ*, *Wenzdæ*, *Therzdæ*, *Saterdæ* and *Sundæ*, spelled in their phonetic manner, evolving from the Gregorian calendar.

See *Celebrations Days* in this section for holidays and special days. Also see *Employment* and time for work days.

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**Calendar Converter:** The following is a means to associate the Cascadian and Gregorian calendars, using the Julian number calendar.

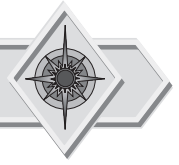
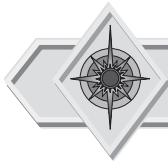
- **From Gregorian to Cascadian:** Note the Julian number day for the Gregorian calendar. That number is found on the conversion chart and crossed with the week day and month, or Freyjadae. If underlined on the chart (from 10 March to *High Winter Day* on the Cascadian calendar, 60-355) and its Leap Year on the Gregorian calendar, use the Leap Year side of the Julian number calendar. The 355 is used for both Leap Year and Standard side of the Julian calendars when going from the Gregorian leap year 2 standard year, giving 20 and 21 December, respectively on the Gregorian calendar.
- **From Cascadian to Gregorian:** Reverse the method shown above.

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Cascadia Calendar Converter						
Periods	Cascadia Month Days					Leisure Days
	1-6	7-12	13-18	19-24	25-30	
<i>Winter Freyjadae</i>						355 <sup>L</sup>
<i>January</i>	356-361	362-2	3-8	9-14	15-20	*
<i>February</i>	21-26	27-32	33-38	39-44	45-50	*
<i>March</i>	51-56	57-60-62 <sup>L</sup>	63-68	69-74	75-80	*
<i>Spring Freyjadae</i>						81
<i>April</i>	82-87	88-93	94-99	100-105	106-111	*
<i>May</i>	112-117	118-123	124-129	130-135	136-141	*
<i>June</i>	142-147	148-153	154-159	160-165	166-171	*
<i>Summer Freyjadae</i>						172
<i>July</i>	173-178	179-184	185-190	191-196	197-202	*
<i>August</i>	203-208	209-214	215-220	221-226	227-232	*
<i>September</i>	233-238	239-244	245-250	251-256	257-262	*
<i>Autum Freyjadae</i>						263
<i>October</i>	264-269	270-275	276-281	282-287	288-293	*
<i>November</i>	294-299	300-305	306-311	312-317	318-323	*
<i>December</i>	324-329	330-335	336-341	342-347	348-353	*
<i>Year Closing Freyjadae</i>						354
<i>High Winter Freyjadae</i> [Election Day each 4 years from 2032]						355 <sup>L</sup>

- *Winter Freyjadae* begins the Cascadian calendar year and is more often on the “*Common Winter Solstice*” (21 December, associated with the Gregorian calendar). The *Year Closure Freyjadae* concludes most calendar years (365 day years), with *High Winter Freyjadae* ending each *High Winter Year* year (366 day years), with the additional day.
- To retain a consistent calendar, the *Winter Freyjadae* is anchored to the more *Common Winter Solstice* in relation to the 365/366 day annual cycle. On the Gregorian calendar, it falls more often on 21<sup>st</sup> December. Less common *Winter Solstice* days would be 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> in general frequency.
- Cascadia *High Winter* (“*Long*”) *Year* was synced with the year 2000, relating to the Gregorian cycle, and began on 2032 as the first *Cascadia High Winter Year* (sometime called “*Stretch/Long Year*”), continuing each most 4 years with 2036, 2040...2064, 2068, 2072, 2076, 2080, 2084, 2088, 2092, etc.
- The *Century Year* not evenly divisible by 400 (2100, 2200, 2300, 2500, 2600, 2700, 2900, 3000, etc.) will lack the *High Winter Day*, as done in the past. This is to retain the seasonal balance due to the approximate 365.2422 days in a *tropical year* that varies a smidge each year, and differs from the sidereal day of 365.256. On these years, regular elections are conducted on the *Winter Solstice*. Century years divided by 400 (2400, 2800, etc.) does have a *High Winter Day*, and the citizens hopefully will have elections on that day. By the time 8,000 years have passed from 2067, another day would likely be needed to adjust the calendar depending on the orbit of Earth. By that time (10,067) one would expect many changes to have occurred and the shape of the calendar will likely be different. Cascadia has a future plan to venture beyond the solar system (see *Stellar Progression section*) and such adjustments would not be expected to apply to the interstellar calendar - whatever it may be like.
- The use of the term “*leap year*” doesn’t have meaning in a stable month calendar, hence the use of *High Winter Year* (*Stretch/Long Year*) in Cascadia. The Gregorian *Leap Year Day* (Julian number day 60) occurs months before Cascadian’s extra day they call *High Winter Day* (Julian number day 355).
- *Friday* was dropped from the week, though used as *Freyjadae* for the non-month days of Cascadian calendar. *Friday* was selected, due to the day in the *Former U.S.* being more a wind down, less productive day – one many people took off or headed home early on.
- Each Cascadian week has 6 days. Generally, governance offices maintain a *4-Function/Service Days* schedual (*Mundae*, *Tuezdæ*, *Wenzdæ* and *Therzdæ*) with 2 *leisure/casual days* (*Saterdæ/Sundæ*). Many private companies have set 3/3 day weeks for full coverage. See *Employment* in the section for *workdays*.
- To retain *Friday* in some semblance, *official leisure days* became *Freyjadaes* from the common origin of *Friday* being Freyja, a variant of Freya. *Seasonal Freyjadaes* are the *leisure days* related to *Equinoxes* and *Solstices*. The other 2 Freyjadaes are the *Year Closure Freyjadae* (each year) and *High Winter Freyjadae* (generally each 4 years).
- *Dates are written and abbreviated in 3 parts; number day, spelled month and number year*, such as 15 November 2067 (day, month and years) or 15 Nov 67, a Wenzdæ. Freyjadaes also have 3 parts, though the first is shown as 00 to distinguish it from the months. *Winter Freyjadae* 2067 would be shown as “00 WntF 67.” *Spring Freyjadae* 2067 would be shown as “00 SprF 67.” *Summer* and *Autum Freyjadaes* would then be 00 SmrF 67 and 00 AutF 67. The 0 is added to give similar format, yet not have a number day associated. *Year Closure Day* 2067 would be 00 YrcF 67. The 00 *High Winter Freyjadae* 2068 becomes 00 HwtF 68.

L) Leap Year Days for Gregorian conversion begins on 10 March Cascadia (Julian number day 60) to *High Winter Day* (day 355), and uses the Leap Year side of Julian number day calendar for conversion. Following the cycle on the conversion chart, day 355 is done twice; first for *High Winter Day* (20 Dec for on Leap Year), then again for *Winter Freyjadae* (21 Dec on the Gregorian Standard calendar).



- **Freyjadaes** are the 9/10 days of the year recognized as dedicated Leisure Days by the governance, 5/6 of which are not associated with any month. The *Spring/Autumn Equinoxes*, *Winter/Summer Solstices*, *Year Closure Freayjadae* and *High Winter Freayjadae* are not associated with any month (considered Prime Freyjadaes), and those working these days shall be paid 2.5 normal income rates. Since 5 of the *Prime Freyjadaes* are days of voting, no employee shall work for more than 6 hours on those days, giving ample of time for them to vote, even if done by postal service.
- The other 4 Freyjadaes are the official *Mid-Season Leisure Days*, and any employees working those days shall be paid 1.6 times their normal income rate. These 4 days occur on mid-season *Therzdaes*, occurring on **16 February**, **16 May**, **16 August** and **16 November**, and are not voting days.
- By *Parliament Great Edict*, the government will not declare other Freyjadaes, though singular, secular *Special Day of Recognition* may be declared. No holidays shall be declared by the governance, so not to recognize any religion superior to another. People and private companies may declare days of leisure as they wish, and people may use personal days for such time as long as there is respect for all cultures and peoples. See *Celebration / Leisure Days in this section*.
- On occasion, a *Special Day of Recognition* may be declared by the *Chief Executive Director* with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> acceptance of the seats within the *Star Chamber*. *Parliament* is not consulted, though 2 *Houses* with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> two thirds votes may declare the day frivolous, rejecting it. These days are treated as a *Mid-season Freyjadaes* and may not fall on another *Freyjadae*, nor would it be re-occurring. None of these days may have any religious qualities or be representing a person or groups of people. These days are to recognize national events that affects all citizens of Cascadia.
- To hold to a 90-day season for the year, true *Equinoxes* and *Solstices* are often on nearby days. Some people take those days as personal days for celebration. If they occurred on the Leisure Freyjadae Day, it gains the seasonal reference; *Winter/Summer Solstice F~*, *Spring/Autumn Equinox F~*. If not, the are a separate notation on the day they fall (e.g.; *Spring Equinox* on 1 April).
- To hold an accuracy to the clock and calendar, a small amount of time is adjusted each year, the same as done in the past by the Naval Observatory of *Former U.S.* In the distant future, if necessary, the Long Year may occur 3 or 5 years apart to maintain the *Common Winter Solstice*.
- **Birth dates** from the Gregorian calendar were adjusted for the Cascadian calendar. It made people feel their birthday date changed, though the actual annual day never truly changed. Some took to celebrating both the related as well as the matching day found on the Cascadian calendar.
- A growing number of people see the Cascadia *Seasonal Calendar* as a elegant solution to the old, rotating, month-day-week system, viewing it more relevant to the world, even more so than lunar calendars used by many peoples of the world, that shifts though the years. Some saw it as an affront to their deity and akin to pagan beliefs, with the absence of seventh day Sabbath cycle, the number of relations to 6, and the calendar's association with *Solstices* and *Equinoxes*.
- Those who hold to the seventh day Sabbath could maintain a sliding calendar associated with the older Gary and calendar. Other lunar calendars are done the same way. Personal time may be used to not work for employment on those days.

- **Saturnalia** had been adopted from the Roman celebration, shifting the days for the Cascadian calendar, beginning on 17 December, and continuing until 12 January (4 full weeks and 2-3 Freyjadaes, including winter solstice). These are not official Freyjadaes, and considered a time of affection and expressing friendship, with people hosting parties for friends and family, dealing with the shorter days in the northern hemisphere. This is also a time to assist those less fortunate.
- Without the rotation of birthdays through the days of the week, some felt they were cheated for not having prime days, mainly Saterdae and Sundae. As a result, those in periods Mundae through Therzdae began celebrating on the Sundae prior and Saterdae after their official birthday – gaining 2 days to celebrate. This was often group with those with the Saterdae and Sundae celebration day.



## ~Great Civil Proclamation – IV~

Clause-I: No property shall be taken or used for public use without just compensation.

Clause-II: Personal management of private property by the owners shall not be infringed unless deemed a verifiable hazard to the environment or critical safety of others which may cause the loss of life or limb in normal course.

## ~Great Civil Proclamation – VII~

Clause-I: No legislation shall be made that would dictate the relations of people within the family, or the peaceful conduct of the family.

Clause-II: Citizenship of the nation is with the individual and does not extend to other relations.



**Campaigns:** See *Political Campaigning*.

**Cascadian Armed Forces:** The military strength of Cascadia is made up of a series of legions and fleets. See *Ministry of Martial Affairs* section.

**Cascadia Formation Commissions:** See *Beginnings* section.

**Cascadia National Zoo:** Maintained within the Bureau of Parks & Wilderness, as a national partnership company. This is an expensive estate to the south east of Portland, Oregon, and is one of the Cascadian Civil Projects.

In November 2032, Hera Brandi Livingston infused 684 acres of adjacent Woodland property, expanding the estate. Using the annual project formula of the Henry Doorly Zoo (Omaha, Nebraska), each year, new major exhibits are added through the zoo membership campaign, with Hera infusing additional funding based on contributions (usually 1 for 2).

Also see *Cascadia Civil Projects*.

**Cascadia Oath of Civil Allegiance:** Each citizen having reached the age of commitment, must give the Oath of Civil Allegiance at the Township Hall. Foreign nationals becoming citizens, also gives this oath on the day they obtained that citizenship at the Township Hall.

Also see *Government Affairs* and *Martial Affairs* section for both pledges related to pensionary and military personnel.

*"I solemnly give my allegiance to Cascadia; to uphold the well-being of the nation and all citizens; to abide by all Edicts of Parliament; and to remain truthful to the broad collective principles of the diverse people within the nation; I do this freely without reservation with all my heart, body, mind and being."*

- The oath was established by *Great Proclamation* and stipulates that no reference to divine providence shall ever be associated with the oath.
- The Cascadian military has a separate oath. See *Ministry of Martial Affairs* section.

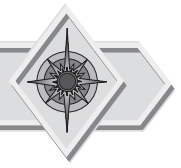
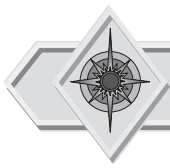
**Celebration/Leisure Days:** There are 5 official Leisure Days in Cascadia (6 in leap year) where the government offices are not conducting normal duties. Though Parliament has not made other days official celebration days, there are many.

- Due to the number of faith holiday and the number of religions, Cascadia does not officially declare any. Citizens may take the days, using their person time (see *Employment in this section*).
- **Valentines Day** is for lovers and is celebrated on Sunday of 18 February on the Cascadian Calendar. So intense is the celebration during this times, there is around a 16% increase of births in November.
- **Thanksgiving** is celebrated on Sunday, 30 September (on the Cascadian calendar), a day before Cascadian Autumn Equinox. This evolved from the *Former U.S.* and *Canada* celebration and remained a to enjoy family and friends, having many of the same traditions, though less on watching sports.
- **Halloween** is a very popular celebration for Cascadia, often beginning on the Thursday, 10 November, for the adults at work, as well as students in school, dressing in various costumes, and having parties, etc. The Saturday, 11 November, is regarded as the actual celebration day of Halloween. On that Saturday the *Treats Walk* (removing the trickster element from the original trick or treat), where persons wander the neighborhood, usually with children, visiting shops and welcoming homes for treats and pleasantries, drawing communities together. Neighborhood/group parties, often in parks, are very popular on the Saturday and Sunday (12 November), extending the festivities into a 3-day event. There are often a parade associated within townships on the day as well as that would be 12 November for the Sunday.

- **High Winter** goes from the *First New Moon* to the *First Full Moon* of the year after Winter Solstice as a time to assess one's life, accomplishments, relations and goals; thanking close friends, family and partners for their commitment to the relations they have. Due to the commercialization of gift giving up the past, food and drinks are shared during this time to show appreciation, and not the exchange of gifts. Parties are often hosted, especially during the new and full moon of this time.
- Few Cascadians acknowledge the *American Independence* (4<sup>th</sup> of July on the Gregorian calendar, either 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> July on Cascadian calendar). There are historical discussions of the context of progression of the continent from before the colonial period, the relation of the colonists and the native, most of which was harsh for the latter, the American Revolution, the Continental Congress and the breakup of the *Former U.S.*
- The 5<sup>th</sup> January (Saturday) had become a **Celebration of Myths & Legends** of all types from dragons, Greek titans, elves, fairy folk, etc., to deities. It is a recognition of how people elevate myths and legends to heights beyond history and science. Though there is a serious treatment of the Celebration (how faith and religion leads people to murderous acts), it is also meant to be a playful viewing of myths and how faith and religion evolved through history. Various greetings include, "Happy great myth to you," and "Happy myth-legends."

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**Charity/Collective Companies:** Officially grouped as *Advocacy Institutions*, these are Charitable and collective organizations, enterprises, clubs, guilds/unions, institutions, etc. are handled in most all ways as any business company, and subject to all *Levies* and *Edicts*. Specific differences are shown here. Cascadia does not recognize any company as nonprofit, considering the income of owners as a profit value, though they may gain **Public-Environment Advocacy** status.

See *Business* in this section.

- Due to harassment of charitable groups in the past, *Parliament* set down several *Edicts* controlling the asking and handing of charitable contribution and dues, including panhandling. There will be no form of unrequested soliciting onto private or common civil property, whether for charity or business, including property owned by businesses. They may not even ask to see someone.
- The *postal system* may deliver solicitations, since it is a requested service, though such materials must not be deceptive or coercive in any manner. Charity request are often added to news letters, purchases, as such sent through the mail, and is allowed since the product it was received in had been requested. Advertising for donations may be inserted into publications and media, since those are acquired medium from the individual.
- All due-based institutions, whether guilds/unions or otherwise, is a Collective Company, and subject to all Levies and Edicts, including publishing seasonal reports.
- Each *Advocacy Institution* (including churches and other religious congregations) must **publish seasonal reports** in a public manner; paper, magazine, etc., having a readership of no less than 3,000. A copy must be filed with the *National Economic Commission*. The report must include full amounts brought in by donations, dues, fund raiser, sales, etc., as well as overhead costs, Levies paid and total cost of activities. It will also declare total real estate property value, listing the pay for the top 15 owners<sup>1</sup>, total number of owners, the sum total income to all owners (including the 15 top), the number of paid employees and the sum total paid to them. To that, they will add a brief statement of what their function is and how they achieve it. This allows the population to judge and scrutinize their value in relation to contributions.
- Non-aggressive acceptance of donations on ones own property is acceptable. Meaning, charitable institutions (including religious entities) may ask for donation of those who are on their property, if not done in an aggressive or coercive manner, aggressive includes repeated attempts once a decline is declared. Breach of request restrictions is considered harassment, and may be prosecuted as such.
- To **encourage citizens to contribute** to worthy institutions, citizens gain a 50% credit of 15% of their contribution applied to their declared income for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. Receipts must be kept for 12 years, and the *National Economics Commission* would use this information for validation of the institution's declaration. The effect of the contribution causes the citizen to experience a higher income effect in their lifetime average when drawn. *Advacacy Institutions* gaining contribution is an income, and *Levies* at their status rate shall be paid.
- Advacay Institutions may be recognized by the *Social Services Commission* as beneficial to the public and/or environment, gaining **Public-Environmental Advocacy status**. Being seen as stewards of the public and/or environment, helping to protect and aid others in need (whether people of animal), advancing sciences and knowledge, providing social activities, etc., these institutions (guilds/unions, churches, etc.) must never be viewed as discriminatory (no matter the roots of the institution) and must show they provide tangible protection and assistance in accordance with their objectives, and those objectives must not exclude groups of people protected by *Edicts*, including lifestyles.

- *Advacacy Institutions* may be private schools, scientific research centers, insurance companies, religious organizations, guilds/unions, charitable organizations, private animal reserves/shelters/zoos, and such, any institution that gives support to others and lessons of the burden on governance to do the same.
- For being an Advacacy Institution, their Levy obligation for their full income is 7% (not the normal 15%), and the *Broad Scope Levy* is one half normal (1.5%/3.0%/4.5%). All other levies, including property, are to be paid in full. These institutions must maintain *Independent Company* status (see *Guilds/Unions in this section*), so not to be subject to influence beyond their stated objectives and function. Any intellectual property beyond *trademarks* created by these institutions are considered public domain since their objective is to give support to the public and/or environment. Any institution that does not follow these qualities shall not gain *Public-Environmental Advocacy* status.
- Institutions gaining the *Public-Environmental Advocacy* status must **not be seen as favoring any portion of the population**. If they are seen as such, they will lose that status. This status is to benefit the environment, animals, people and citizens of Cascadia and must not be seen as favoritism in any way. This also applies to faith-based groups, insurance companies, etc., if they provide services advocacy. They must be available to all citizens equally. *Magistrates* and *Provincial Civility Circuit Justices* are to ensure compliance (see *Legal Affairs* section).

## ~ Intellectual Properties ~

The creative inspirations of people are important, and Cascadia places many avenues for advancements, providing means for the creator to benefit from their efforts, including extending patent rights to 15 years, the time beginning on approvals, not filing. This gives more time for them to accrue profits before the innovation becomes public domain.

See *patents, copyrights and trademarks, as well as the science & technology* section throughout these guides.

1) If at or below 15 owners, the 100% share notation indicates there are no others.

**Chief Executive Director:** See Government Affairs section.

**Children:** See Families and Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity.

**Citizen Disposition Declaration:** All Cascadian Citizens from the *Age of Commitment* (see *Maturity in this section*) shall maintain a this declaration at their Home Township Hall declaring their wishes, including what to do should they become incapacitated or die. There are many parts and some are show here.

Also see *Civil Retirement-Insurance fund*.

- Once each 2 years (even or odd birth years) in their birth date month, a printing of the information is sent to the home address for verification certification, where they sign the form and mailing it back, or go to the hall and make corrections. The citizen may go any time to the *Town Hall* during normal hours of operation, to review and make changes with a nominal fee. Corrections do not accrue fees. The report includes all loans with the government, and state of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- Beneficiaries for *life insurance* portion of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* is declared and includes all citizen spouses (current and past). Any beneficiaries must be Cascadian citizens. The amount each would receive is an even distribution of the number of full seasons they were on the list, even if not in the current list. This is to prevent emotional retribution later in life.
- As stated for the *End of Life Request*<sup>1</sup>, the citizen declared 3 persons who will have authority of their affairs and life requests and must be in agreement for them to be carried out.
- Any support of disabled and the percentage of that support would be declared on this *Declaration* if they are to claim it for any Z-Week reduction to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- **Organ donation** and body disposal, including scientific research, burial or cremation, are declared on the *End of Life Request*<sup>1</sup>.
- **Real estate property ownership** is declared, as well as who shall inherit such property upon their death.
- Disposition of possessions may be registered with the *Declaration*, including household goods, furniture, vehicles, etc. These forms may be filed with the Township hall or kept by the person. If kept in person, the existence of the declaration must be declared. Newer Itemizing Declaration supersede older ones.
- **Last Wills and Testimonies** do not supersede provisions with in the *Declaration*, and would be filed with it to specify disposition of any other aspects and assets.
- Copyright, patent, trademark, company stocks beneficiaries must be specified and registered, or the general beneficiary will inherit such items. Company stock inheritance is not subject to normal 70% approval for new ownership, though the beneficiary of the stocks must meet all Edict policies. See *Shareholders under Business in this section*.

**Citizenship:** The relation of each citizen within Cascadia has responsibilities, obligation, benefits and privileges. Citizens are afforded privacy, liberty and well-being for their obligations, and responsibility is proportional to their ability.

- Protection of the rights of all citizens is an obligation of each citizen.
- No citizen shall interfere in social relations of another person. **Positive Civilism** is a general term for the peaceful interconnection of people of various creeds, lifestyles and interests within communities and beyond, including promotion of friendly interactions of all people.

- Jury duty is expected by citizens who have reached the *Age of Commitment*. Many volunteer to gain the accelerated rating for their *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- The payment of 15% of full income to the government is the only direct *Levy* consistently applied to citizens and is recorded through the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, providing citizens benefits for their commitment to the nation. Though referred to as a *Fund*, it is a commitment to the support and well-being of Cascadia and all its citizens, and the monies are used in support of the nation through *Parliament*. The *Fund* is treated as a lifelong privilege ensuring governance does not start believing citizens are “taxpayers” that could be tapped at their pleasure.
- Able citizens are encouraged to conduct time in the martial (military) service for 2+ years, though by 2067, there was no conscription/draft. Considerable benefits are gained for their service, including acceleration rate for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, an extra votes for elections, etc.
- Upon reaching the *Age of Commitment* and completing their education (primary/higher, including any trade/medical schooling) shall conduct duty within the Civil Outreach Service (part of the Bureau of Civil Services) or military service. In doing so, the citizen becomes government pensionaries with all benefits. Those pursuing enlistment in the Marshall services is considered the highest form of duty to Cascadia. Citizens spending time as government agency pensionaries (full-time) will have fulfilled this duty after 2 years.
- COS functions through all government agencies as supplementary functions for the agencies and is a tool for evaluating possibilities for permanent admittance. COS civil members would function 6-9 months in at least 3 different agencies during their first 2 years.
- Those unable to conduct any form of civil service duty by the age of 33 shall pay 2% tribute to COS for 12 years as their contribution. The duty/tribute is not to be avoided, not even for those considered disabled.
- People may choose a nomadic lifestyle (see *separate entry in this section*). They may live in the wilderness or travel Cascadia, as long as they do not violate conditions of nature or *Edicts*, including hunting rules.

**Civic Centers:** See Social Centers.

**Civil Duty:** See Citizenship in this section.

**Civil Projects:** See Cascadia Civil Projects.

**Civil Loans-Banking Service:** Cascadia offers all citizens a variety of loan opportunities, favoring private persons and family over businesses. Citizens also have an savings account attached to the

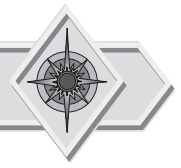
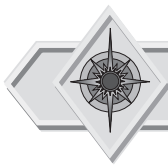
All Cascadian citizens have *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* and all relations with the government is connected to that *Fund*, including any loans. Personal loans may be acquired through the *Service* for the needs of the citizens. Many financial connection with the citizen is handled as a loan, including violation tickets.

Private banking-loan services may offer loans to the citizens and are governed by *Edicts*. With the government offering citizens these loans, a base is set for private loan service to be better than (either in interest or services).

Also see *Banks and Loans & Debt in this section for private companies*.

- Cascadia and Parliament value family and personal status over business, and interest rates are generally lower for their benefits.

1) See Bureau of Health in the Government Agencies portion of the Government Affairs section for details.



## Civil Loans-Banking Service (cont.):

- The accounts are protect by the **Cascadia Financial Protection Insurance**, a system similar to the FDIC of the Former U.S., though not a corporate agency and is operated by the *National Economics Commission*.
- All government loads are fixed. There are no variables with any of the loan gained from the governance, though rates may increase for late payments or indiscretions. The percentage at the time of the signing (or placed on the account, such as violation tickets) is the *Rate* for the duration of the loan, even if changed at another time by *Parliament*.
- The **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund** gains 1/10th from the interest on all civil loans in order to support the *Fund* and well-being of all Cascadians.
- Citizens with civil loans are expected to pay those loans. Payment rates are generally set by the loans acquired. At a minimum, should citizens fall behind on payments, or have unspecified payment plans (such as education), the citizen would pay no less than 1.5% of their total income to the loans. For non-specified loan payments, payments would be evenly distributed based on interest rates, where higher interest gain a proportional higher amount than lower interest rates.
- **Some loans have delayed payments**, such as medical copay. The citizen may apply early payments, extending the delay the schedule that amount of time, or to help pay it off early. There are no detriments for early payments.
- Some loan types (not education loans) have payment **penalty** that would accumulate for late payments or other indiscretions. Late payment of over 4 full seasons raises the *Rate* 1 step (e.g.; CLR-II would become CLR-III). After 4 additional seasons of deliquescence (8 total), the *Rate* goes up again. The next is after 8 additional seasons (16 seasons total, effectively 4 years), then again after another 12 additional seasons.
- When **penalty class loans are delinquent**, *loan agents* will contact and work with citizens who are becoming delinquent, initially making contact after the 2<sup>nd</sup> month of delinquency, periodically checking on status (generally each 3-6 weeks).
- **Penalties** are to discourage delinquency, but not to crush borrowers to a point where they cannot eventually recover. Penalties remain at the higher *Rate* class until the situation is resolved. As **delinquencies are restored**, *CLR Rates* will step down to lower levels until returned to original *Rate*. Other penalty *Rate* increases are describe in related area, such as the debt to society for fines and criminal offences (*see Legal Matters & Structure section*). Early payment extends the duration before first round of penalty adjustments are applied by the number of months they are ahead (i.e.; if 3 months ahead, penalty times are 7+4+8+12).
- **Loans are never forgiven**. Any loans existing after the citizen's death or losing citizenship that was not paid off by the insurance of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* passes to the beneficiaries listed on their *Declaration*.
- The **shareholders of the company are responsible for any loan to the company**. Any delinquencies or misconducts goes on the records of the shareholders for further risk assessments.
- The Adjusted Income rate is the Least Civil Wage  $\times$  36, and to that is added the weekly Average Declared Income. Any draw is a percentage of that as figured by the Z-Week schedule. The Least Civil Wage helps compensate for inflation and sets a minimum level.
- Parliament occasionally declares an Inflation/Deflation Adjustment to the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund when they find the Fund payment is not keeping step with inflation/deflation. These accumulated adjustments during the lifetime of the citizen's account are accumulated as a Personal Inflation Factor and apply to payments and other elements of the capitalize that.
- So all citizens have a personal return for governance use of

levies, 5% of all returns of interest rates will be applied to the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund as an infused moment applied in a similar way as the Government partnership company.

- Periodically, each citizen will receive a statement of of their **Citizen Disposition Declaration** report. In it has all loans they have with the government, including status and rating for each.

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**Civil Loan Rates (CLR):** Parliament sets the rate for the CLR-I level. Each higher rate is 150% of the previous rate. The listed rates are those in 2067. The rate is for annual calculations.

In setting these levels, private banks will have a ceiling to compete with, lessening the need for legislation, regulation and oversight, which historically were hard to maintain, having considerable corruption.

**CLR-I:** 1.30% for citizen education, and medical copay. For those under the Age of Commitment, the loan for their education is attached by their guardians. *See Education in this section for details.*

There are no payment schedule or late payment penalty rates applied for education loans type of loan. Medical copay loans has a 2 season payment delay before the first payment is due. Each element is set as a separate loan, with its own schedule.

Interest rates for CLR-I shall not be lower than 1.0%. No entity shall use these civil monies for funding that will profit them without returning some of that profit.

**CLR-II:** 1.95% for low risk military home/vehical loans and *National Technology Advancement Program (NTAP)* debit-loan accounts (*see entry in Science & Technology Section*).

**CLR-III:** 2.93% for moderate risk military home/vehical loans and low risk citizen home/vehical loan, low risk company research loan.

**CLR-IV:** 4.39% for high risk military home/vehical loans and moderate risk citizen home/vehical loan, moderate risk company research loan, low risk business and personal ventures.

**CLR-V:** 6.58% for high risk citizen home/vehical loan, high risk company research loan, moderate risk business and personal ventures.

**CLR-VI:** 9.87% for high risk business and personal ventures, criminal fines.

**CLR-VII:** 14.81% high end late payment.

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- Home repair and renovation is treated as a home loan.
- Innovations and advancement of technologies is encouraged within Cascadia, and Parliament wishes to stimulate such advancements into vehicles, homes and property. A list of advanced innovations is maintained and overseen by Parliament, and any civil loans gain from the governance is done at a CLR level lower.

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**Civil Ordinance:** *see entry in the Legal Affairs section.*

**Civil Pensionaries:** *see Government Pensionaries in the Government Affairs section.*



**Civil Personal Registration Code:** On acceptance of citizenship in Cascadia, the citizen will gain a registration code for clarification of personal information within the government. The code (formation show below) is a distinction from others who may have similar names. All filings are under the name of the citizen, holding the dignity of the person beyond just a number.

This code is not considered confidential and is not used for validation of personal information or verification of the person. It is a general, unique reference for citizenship for ensuring individual sorting government benefits and obligation. Other more reliable methods will be used for validation and verification.

**Part-I:** The year the individual became a citizen. This may be the birth date, if the mother was a citizen; otherwise, it is the year they complete enculturation and nationalization.

**Part-II:** Nationalization status; "A" for born as a citizen of a Province, "T" for those born in a Territory, "N" for those born abroad and nationalized to Cascadia. Those who founded the Cascadia gained a "Z." Those who were citizens of the *Former U.S.* or Canada and nationalized to Cascadia, gain a "X."

**Part-III:** This is the full age of the person when they became a citizen of Cascadia and is in 2+ digits; 00 is for born as a citizen. Infants that are nationalized under the age of 12 months would have 01, and those over the age of 99 would be listed as 99.

**Part-IV:** After a hyphen, 2 letter coding for the month they became nationalized; JN, FB, MR, AP, MY, JN, JL, AG, SP, OT, NV or DC.

**Part-IV:** A number (3+ digits) issued that month from the *Statistic Commission* of the *Bureau of Civil Services*, starting with 001.

**Part-V:** This part is a filing number as issued each month, starting with 001, accounting up based on the accepted number of sedition strips granted for the month. This part may be 3+ digits.

**Part-VI:** Since Part-V may have more than 3 digits, a 2-letter indicator completes the registration code, and is randomly applied as a partial validation of the code. Part-V of 3 digits would have either AB or BA; with 4 digits have been AC, CA or BB; and 5 digits having AD, DA, BC or CB; etc.

**Example:** 2053X42-OT7386CA for becoming a citizen in 2053 from the region of the *Former U.S.* at the age of 42, becoming the 7,386<sup>th</sup> person in the month of October to gain a citizenship, with CA indicating the prior number has 4 digits.

**Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund:** This is result of Cascadia restructuring the *Social Security System* of the *Former U.S. and Canada's Old Age Security Pension*, and is the governance taking care of the citizens who took care of the governance. This Fund took up more roles as it became a modest life insurance, unemployment, etc., as well as the retirement income. In addition, it functions as a whole life stability and advancing tool, including education funding and unemployment payments.

Early 21<sup>st</sup> Century *Former U.S.* began expressing *entitlements* as though any government assistance, no matter how much was being paid into it, was a charitable handout. Canada did not seem to have this view, nor did other nations. Others took offence to anything with the word *fund* in it. Many felt they should have the right to exit from the fund (Social Security and such) and chance their way in the private economy. Cascadia founders viewed the nation having responsibility to the citizens for the payments applied to the governance. For their input to strengthen the nation, the nation owes the citizen send these benefits.

It was found long before that, that few could live their entire life to old age without support along the way in some form, and *private retirement funds* (still available in Cascadia of 2067) most often fell radically short of lifetimes goals, leaving many at the mercy of charity. Few understood the economy enough to survive on their own, and many took advantage of their nievity. Fewer still prospered from self investment, with most using built up moneys for what was thought would make their life better in the present and their future, only to have a fraction of what would be needed later in life (especially with inflation rates), then having to work

until they could no longer do so. If still alive, they were then without means of support, becoming a hardship on others and often abandoned.

It was decided that Cascadia was a nation of people, not a nation of collective individuals, that the well-being of all the citizens was important for the nation. For those who needed assistance, the *County/Shire Homes* network was created, as well as the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. These two elements provided the means to help people in need of assistance to get beyond hard times most everyone has from time to time.

In most all ways, the *Fund* and the *County/Shire Homes* are the safety nets for the citizens. In grouping all the function in this manner, cost has been reduced to a functioning level.

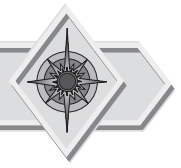
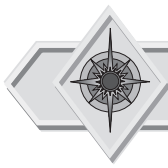
The *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* is the only burden on the individual citizen's income and livelihood, and is form of revenue for Cascadia, having the practical support within their lives. The payment into and the handing of the *Fund* is managed by the *National Economic Commission*.

All citizens making income will pay into the *Fund* to maintain the operation of the *Fund*. Some call it an income levy, since the governance has use of the money gained and is more than draws with the life of the citizen. Since this is the only direct contribution of citizens have to the wellbeing of the nation, it is generally accepted.

See *Citizen Disposition Declaration* in this section for declaring beneficiaries, who must be Cascadian citizens. Also see *Stability Assistance Loans*.

- Cascadia found that allowing people to retire earlier opened employment opportunities for others who pay into the *Fund*, supporting the whole. Earlier retirement meant lower payments, this suited those within community life. With most Cascadians paying off mortgages, this made a very livable income and sharing expences in the household helped to make people live better without corporate or other government assistance.
- The use of the citizen's declared income, and the 15% *Personal Income Levy* (not the *Advance Income Levy*) associated to it, is only for the calculation of the benefits and is not to be construed as a payment directly to the Fund, and is not collected by the Fund. **Funding support of this assurance to each citizen is through a variety of sources**, including parts of the *Broad Scope Levy*, *Foreign Trade Tariffs*, *Parks & Wilderness Fees*, *Postal Charges* and the *Cascadia National Lotteries*. See *Revenues in this section for other details*. In the use of these other revenue services, the citizen is investing partially in their own retirement and insurance application. Also, a portion (2 of 5 parts) from share dividends acquired from *National Partnerships Companies* are also applied as well as 1/10<sup>th</sup> return from interest on all loans through the *Civil Loans & Banking Service*. Any remaining amounts would be covered by the general revenues through *Parliament*. The application of this Fund is an assurance to the well-being of all citizens.
- As a general note, at 15% Levy payments on full income, each citizen would contribute a full annual income in roughly 7 years. After 40 years of such contributions, they would have paid around 6 times their annual income. Because of this, the income for retirement is not a reference to how much they put in. Other funding application as stated above supports the well-being of the citizens. This contribution is not expected to maintain this funding. The governance has an obligation for the well-being of the citizens, and enabling them to have a decent retirement.
- The *Insurance* portion is 120 times the average weekly income level the fund was at the time of death. With 60 6-day weeks a year would effect 2 years of income. Upon death of the citizen, any remaining debt to the government (loans and such) will be paid and the remaining portion, if any, is distributed to the beneficiaries as stipulated on their *Civil Disposition Declaration*. This leaves encouragement for people to maintain private whole and term insurance.
- *Surviving relations of the deceased would receive weekly payments as presented in the Survivors Payments portion of this entry.*





## Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund (cont.):

- Payments to the *Fund* on the *Declared Income* is required in full, and includes company owned/employee salary/wages, stock dividends-payments, bonuses, and such. Until reaching the 2400 declared income week level for draw schedule (which is considered retirement age), the payments for the draw are added to the income, and the 15% would be paid as an income. Though the draw schedule has a cap (see *Income Draw Schedule in this century*), the levy is applied to the full income (not capped), and applies to the averaging of the income, should higher amounts be a short period of their lives.
- Each citizen having reached their *Age of Commitment* for no less than 5 years, and contributed for no less than 180 weeks into the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* may take advantage of the *Stability-Continuity Option*, where the draws begin at 90%, decreasing and 10% increments. See details below.
- Generally, if the citizen is drawing from the *Fund*, they don't have other income. The citizen may draw from their *Fund* and have income from other sources. If this is done, the 2 weeks addition for the Z-week is applied as normal, and the 15% from all sources, including the *Fund* would be declared and paid, gaining the week credited for drawing schedule, allowing it to increase, though slower.
- Any willing and knowing **deceptive act** to the *Fund* would be considered criminal and in violation of Edicts, with second-degree convictions for fraud, theft violation of Edicts, breach of contract and any other applicable charges.
- Besides the contribution of any citizen to the *Fund*, a fourth of the company shares proceeds from the *National Partnership Companies* goes into the *Fund*, and is added to the effective income of every citizens who has reached the age of commitment. This help support the handling of the *Fund*, and encourages lasting commitment to well-being of Cascadia. This is an **even division** of all the civilians, and is not proportioned to individual income, so it benefits the lower income more than the higher ones.
- Each 2 years, within their birth month, each citizen is sent a **full report of their Citizen Disposition Declaration** (see separate entry), including current status of their *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* and loans with the government.
- The transitioning from the *Former U.S.* and *Canada* citizens to Cascadia allowed for the *Social Security* and *Old Age Security Pension* to be credited for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. Since Cascadia could not absorb the pension loans spontaneously, the creation of a credit Z-Week addition was set. Each full year, within their birth month, citizens who had proven their enrollment and level into the *Former U.S.* and *Canadian* systems, including those currently living in provinces that made up Cascadia, gain 1/4th their current age rounded down as a reduction to the Z-Week to calculate income draw, up to the average declared income matching the last value in the past system.
- Those who had been confirmed to live with in the provinces before Cascadia was formed, and reached retirement age, will gain support under the transition edict, gaining the provable amount from pensions of the time.<sup>1</sup>
- Monies gained from the *National Partnership Companies* for the *Fund* raises the value of every account associated.
- Parliament considered the changes of longevity (lifespans), embedding provisions to adjust the Draw Schedule Week accordingly. The provision is a ratio of the present schedule based on the 2400 rated week (generally 40 years) at 50%. With an expected rough longevity of 80 years (+/-10), the present 2400 rate stands. When the average lifespan reaches 90 years (+/-10), the 50% for the general retirement age would become 2700 (45 years), raising 300 from the 2400, and the other draws would be adjusted accordingly. Other adjustments would be done in

1) This is only for regular government pension programs, and does not extend to private company pensions, even if the company collapsed. Those losing pensions may work with the *County/Shire Houses*.

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**Fund Contributions:** The established Declared Income of each citizen is their gross total ***Rated Income*** for each week. The contribution is 15% of that amount, payable no later than the second week of the following month. The citizen may deposit the amount due for the entire month at that time (at the *Town Hall*, or bank transfers) or arrange payments prior to it.

- The weekly *Declared Income* is averaged and used to determine future payments.
- Added to the *Declared Income* the citizen submits is their portion of the ***National Partnership Company*** (see *Government Affairs* section) payments to the citizens. This is not a payment directly to the citizen, and is applied after the rated income for purposes of the 15% do, or for average gene personal income. It does apply to the income draw schedule amount. If the national shareholder proceeds from the *National Partnership Companies* is the only income for the week, the week is not counted for the averaging.
- Citizens may declare 50% paid to charity contributions, and in doing so increase the future return income levels, encouraging such contributions to were the services. The receipts must be kept for 12 years for verification. The 50% of donation is treated as additional income for the citizen. See *Charity & Charitable Companies in this section*.

**Home-Keeper Contribution:** It is socially impractical to expect all citizens of age to work outside the home. That growing trend in the *Former U.S.* led to social disconnection and breakdown, progressing to greater hostilities. To bring social continuity back into the family, Cascadia worked to give households more tools to function with. The *Home-Keeper Contribution* option is one of those tools.

- Each citizen may declare up to 50% (10% increments) of their full *Rated Income* as support to persons with in the household, being represented as an income to them (say a spouse, parent, etc.). Those persons have to be Cascadian citizens who have reached the age of commitment, be healthy enough to maintain the home (not disabled more than 60%), not be working outside the home for more than 16 hours (Cascadian week) and be resident in the same home as the one giving the contribution. In effect, the citizen declaring the full rated income for their *Fund* and the 50% for those living in their home. That amount is compensation and treated as income to the one receiving it..
- The persons receiving the income option may not do the same option to another. Though this is not actual income to the home-keeper, the 15% for this is due, often paid by the one declaring the option. This is in addition to the 15% on the 100% of the declared income of the contributor.
- The Home-Keeper citizen may draw on their *Fund* as usual, though if done so, may not have contribution from the other persons.
- More than one person may be given this contribution (up to 5, at 10% each), though may not exceed the 50%.
- Benefits for the support of low/moderate disabled persons (no more than 60% disability) who also gain this option, gives the contributor the benefit of both. This is to help support those having disabilities, keeping them in households.

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## Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund (cont.):

**Accumulated Personal Inflation Rate:** This is the accumulated *National Inflation Rate* (as described within the *National Economic Commission* entry at the *Government Affairs* section) for the citizenship reaching their Age of Commitment.

**Income Draw Schedule:** Citizens may draw weekly income at the following *Schedule Rate*, a percentage of the *Average Declared Rated Income* paid in. This draw may be for times between employments, sabbaticals, returning to school, supplemental income, etc., as well as retirement.

The Draw Scheduling (*Rated Weeks*) number is the total of full *Week Payment (WP)* applied to the *Fund* with the *Z-Week Adjustment* added. For example; to draw at the rate of 720 *Rated Weeks* for 26% income, the citizen has to apply 720 weeks. Say they served a few years in the military, transitioned from Canada, and had other factors, giving them an adjustment of 27. The citizen may draw at 26%, if they had applied 693 weeks into the *Fund* directly, bringing them to 720, due to the 27.

- **Rated Weeks** are for each 32 hours. More or less hours applied (or taken as paid personal time from employers) are adjusted at 32 weeks. Say a citizen works 24 hours each week regular time, 3 weeks are applied as *Rated Weeks* for each 4 weeks actually worked ( $24 \times 4 = 96 \div 3 = 32$ ), meaning the person gains 3 weeks credit for the 4 weeks of application for the income declared. Applying more hours than 32 per week credits the citizen for the additional hours. As additional hours are accumulated to 32, additional *Rated Weeks* are applied, raising the *Z-Weeks* number, raising the return percentage add a sooner time. In this way, each citizen is credited for their effort.

- Prior to 2400 rated weeks, all Draws are treated as standard income, having Levies, etc. applied.

- Also, if the citizen is drawing income from the *Fund* and there are other incomes the citizen is receiving after the 2400 rated weeks, those incomes are not calculated for the income average gene, though all levies to other incomes will apply. After 2400 rated weeks, the income levies are not pulled, and the 2 *Z-week* adjustment is not applied.

- Also, the *Draw* is added as personal income to maintain continuity so not to give way for other incomes to gain omission status, as a precedence.

- For each week drawn, 2 weeks are added to the "*Z-Week Adjustment*," lengthening the time for percentage increases. *Draws* are for the full week. There are no partial draw payments, nor is the 15% of the *Fund* applied to that amount.

- If separate outside *Rated Incomes* would normally be applied during the week, that amount would have the 15% paid to the *Fund*.

- The percentage from the schedule applied to the *AIR* or *WLCW*, whichever is higher, to determine the draw payment for the week.

- The *Draw* calculation has an association with the income level for the pensionary of CCP-36 (the *Chief Executive Director*). Higher income citizens will be paying the 15% on their full income, and that shall be used for calculating their average income, though when drawn the cap of CCP-36 will apply. Even though more affluent citizens will pay considerably more than they will be able to draw from this *Fund*, their contribution is part of the support structure for the well-being of all citizens. This is to help make the funding viable, in addition with other inputs as stated. For example, if the rated average income of the citizen is C£682,437, there draw is based on C£243,276 (C£20,273 monthly pay for CCP-36  $\times$  12 months), not the higher amount, so at 2400 draw week schedule (50%) the citizen gains C£4,054.60 per week, instead of C£11,374.

### \*\*\* Limited Draw Scheduling \*\*\*

(1 Season per 9 Input Seasons)

300+ = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 10% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

600+ = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 15% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

900+ = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 20% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

### \*\*\* Limited Draw Scheduling \*\*\*

(1 Season per 6 Input Seasons)

1200 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 25% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

1440 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 30% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

1680 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 35% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

1920 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 40% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

2160 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 45% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

### \*\*\* Unlimited Draw Scheduling \*\*\*

2400 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 50% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

2520 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 54% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

2640 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 58% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

2760 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 62% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

2880 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 66% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

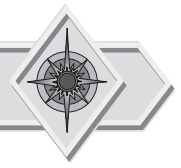
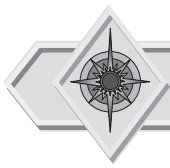
3000 = *RW+Z-Weeks*: 70% of *AIR* or *WLRW*

*AIR* = *Adjusted Income Rate* = (*Average Declared Income* + their portion of the *National Partnership Company* share dividends)  $\times$  *Accumulated Personal Inflation Rate* since citizenship and Age of Commitment. This shall not exceed the pay rate of CCP-36 (C£20,273 a month in 2067).

*WLRW* = *Weekly Least Civil Wage (LCW)* figured at 32 weeks  $\times$  current *LCW*. This only applies for medical injury, illness, disability or reasons beyond the citizen's control. If this is higher than the adjusted income rate, this amount is used for payment percentage.

**Rated Income:** Most all personal income from citizens is considered *Rated*, including company dividends, salary and wages, survivors *Fund* payment from deceased relations.

- Payments from the *Fund* to the owning citizen is not considered a *Rated Income* and the 15% *Fund* contribution is not done.



## **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund (cont.):**

**Stability-Continuity Option:** The income draw schedule may not be enough for periods of unforeseen situations. This assistance option allows short term higher draw percentages allowing citizens to stabilize their situation.

- To take this option, the person must have been a citizen who has reached the Age of Commitment for no less than 5 years and has paid into the fund no less than 180 weeks.
- Each week of drawing on this option lowers 4 weeks to the Z-Weeks schedule, dramatically extending the draw schedule percentage.
- The number of weeks in this option is accumulated over the citizens lifetime. The first 45 weeks will allow the draw to be at 90% of the AIR or WLRW, the next 45 weeks is that 80%, the following 45 weeks is at 70%, and so forth until reaching their normal draw rate. At some time, the normal percentage draw will exceed this option and not be applicable.
- Any remaining weeks will be available for initial survivors payment without the Z-Week adjusted applied as a stabilizing income of the survivor, enabling the survivor to gain what was not used by the deceased.

**Survivors Payments:** People and families are reliant on one another and the loss of one is hard on the surviving relations. Besides that insurance and portions of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, survivors gain payments at a Rated Income.

- Payments are distributed to each beneficiary listed on the citizen's civil disposition declaration; normally spouses, children under the Age of Commitment and disabled dependents.
- The payment becomes a Rated Income, scaling down in time coming to an end.
- The survivors payment schedule begins after any remaining levels of the Stability-Continuity Option had been exhausted.
- Payments to survivors phase out over time, giving time for their personal Fund to mature to support them. Survivor payments begins at 100% of the final draw Schedule Level of the deceased for 90 weeks (1.5 years), decreasing 5% each 90 weeks until exhausted. These payments are treated as *Rated Income* (adding to their own Draw Schedule) and must be declared with the 15% pay for.

**Z-Week Adjustment:** There are a variety of adjustment to the number of week for draws, some are as follows.

**Draws:** Lower 2 weeks for each week drawn no matter the age. This includes any retirement draws.

**General Civil Pensionaries:** Add 1 week for each 5 weeks served. This includes all Staffers and Officials.

**Military/Sheriff/Marshal Service:** Lower 1 week for each 3 weeks served. Effectively doubling the draw schedule percentage, making 50% income levels in 20 years (with no other draw limitations), instead of the 40 year (2400 draw schedule weeks) for the normal schedule.

**Provincial Militia:** Members lower 1 week for each 15 weeks served as a member.

**Maternity/Paternity:** Lower 1 week for each 5 weeks drawn for time taken for settling the newborn or newly adopted infant into the home and any recovery. This is available for both the mother and father. *See Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity in this section for other effect.*

**Senators:** Add 1 week for each 4 put in.

**Dependants:** Add 1 week for each 15 put in for each offspring and adopted child under the *Age of Commitment* (e.g.; 3 children in the 15 week input, lowered the Z-Week by 3 weeks each 15 weeks). If support is shared, the time is multiplied by the number of supporters (i.e.; 3 supporters lowers 3 weeks for every 45 weeks for each. Though not an immediate benefit to the parent/guardian, their efforts to raise the citizen to be part of the social fabric is recognized later with higher levels of income from the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.

**Support of Disabled:** Those giving full bona fide support for those disabled, gain 1 week for each 12 weeks of full (100%) support. Full support is establish as the full care needed for the disable is fully is need of the person/s to function. Often more than one supporter. The time each cares for the disable to figured and the accumulated weeks make the 12. Because of the time needed for proper care, full time equivalent care of 2 may be claimed. Partially disabled is rated as a percentage and accumulates time to reach full for compensation.

**Jury Duty:** *See entry in the Legal Affairs section for effect.*

**Civil Service/Work:** *See County Homes in the section for employment and social services for helping citizens to restore continuity within Cascadia.*

**Civil Transportation:** There are many means for citizen to traverse the nation and local areas; including buses, trams, trains (elevate and ground), mag-lift, turbo foil rail trail, water ferries (conventional, hydrofoil, etc.), dirigibles, planes and other vehicles and aircraft, and all under the overview of the *Civil Transportation Commission* within the *Bureau of Civil Engineering*.

Dirigibles have become very popular, having a slower more tranquil mode of traveling, allowing a scenic way.

Automobiles (cars and trucks) are still in use, though fuel costs make civil transport more appealing and Parliament holds the fees to a multiple of the *Least Civil Wage*.

*Also see Rails & Trams, Roads & Traffic and Transportation in this section for other details.*

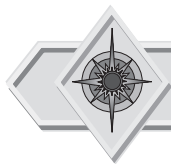
• **Civil Transportation Passes** are available in a variety of forms, with Monthly/Annual costs (shown in parentheses) based as a portion of the average declared annual income as applied to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. **Regional Commuter Passes** (1/500<sup>th</sup> or 1/50<sup>th</sup>, monthly/annual) function with in the County/Shire of the base, as well as adjacent Counties/Shires. **National Transportation Passes** (1/300<sup>th</sup> or 1/30<sup>th</sup>, monthly/annual) functions for every national/regional transportation (trains, trams, dirigibles, etc., as well as local services. These passes are available for 2, 3 and 5 year purchase scenes.<sup>1</sup>

• Those earning an income greater than CCP-36 (Chief Executive Director), having an annual income of C£349,668 in 2067, are capped at that amount for calculation of monthly and annual passes. Monthly and annual passes are personal with pictures of the bearer. Assorted daily passes and ride tickets are available in each *County/Shire*, and function with adjacent *Counties/Shires* as appropriate. All pricing and regulations are handled by the *Transportation Commission*, overseen by *Parliament*.

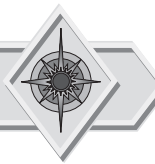
• Local transit loops are maintained by smaller passenger carriage buses that joins to-3 transit hubs, linking the larger carriage buses, trams, elevated rail, cable cars, and other transit services. The hubs have local vendors (no *Broad Scope* companies) providing refreshments, artistic sales, etc. Those of the township have priorities for such venues.

<sup>1</sup>) Funds for the *National Technology Advancement Program* (NTAP) may be used for this.





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**Civil Works:** The **Bureau of Civil Engineering** (See *Government Agencies section*) conducts all the construction for roads, bridges and infrastructure, including public transportation. Civilian companies shall not profit from public funds.

**Clothing:** Attire in Cascadia took a classical-medieval flavor, even having a swashbuckler feel, with historical Native American, traditional Hindu, Arab and Hippy flavor blended together.

Also see *Clothing & Nudity in the Campaign Atmosphere section*.

- Capes became popular. Suede and leather jackets, many with fringe, beading and embroidery, even for men.
- With the growing trend to the classical-medieval attire came men wearing tunics and caftans tied at the waist, adding keffiyeh agal (head cloth with band), hats or braided headbands. Less common (around 2-5%) was the Byzantine roman layering of tunics and skirts in casual settings where comfort was desired.
- Longer hair of both masles (males) and femellas (females) became worn. More and more mannez grew beards, mustaches and goatee to where old business views changed. Headbands and wide brim hats and common for both genders.
- Most people in Cascadia does not find nudity offensive for general public areas. Attire would need to cover gender distinctions when in government areas. Owners of private property may set their own clothing restrictions, with neighboring viewing treated as general public areas. See Property in this section.

### ~ Mens Attire ~

- Men shirts and slacks are marked with the actual centimeter measurement reference, with men less reserved about their measurements.
- Men of Cascadia are mostly seen in slacks, jeans, buttoned shirts, pullovers and sweaters, though masculine caftans are being seen more often for comfort, especially in hotter climates.

### ~ Womens Attire ~

- Femellas began wearing longer flowing skirts and dresses more than the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, sometimes in layers. Jeans and pants are still worn by many. Blouses are generally loose and flowing. More woman are going without bras, finding them uncomfortable and the cause of many of the physical pains for the buxom, opting for decorative coresets and supportive undershirts. Saris and caftans are very popular. Femellas began mixing styles to create a blend that became uniquely Cascadian with medium and darker colors, going lighter only for warm seasons and climate.
- Dress numbering sizes had varied and changed so much in the past and amongst brands, any references were nearly useless. To help alleviate considerable confusion, the *Safeties & Standards Commission* formed a resizing for Cascadia commerce, using the *Cascadian Inch* (2.5 centimeters) as a base to the femellas waist. Having an alpha-code added to the number indicates the bust-hip relation. This sizing became a "*Nation Size Guidline Standard*." Companies may use other relations, though they would generally have a comparison, even between companies.

General waist size would be halved to create a 2" size grouping for a more consistent ready-made dress sizing, giving smaller sounding references (say 24" C would be labled 12C, and 26" C would be 13C, etc.).

Alpha distinction would add a for general shape references for bust and hips. Single digits (A, B, C, etc.) would be 3%/4% added to 140%/140% (bust/hips), making an "A" 143%/144%. With the designation added to the waist size, 24C dress size (designated as 12C dress size), bust/hip becomes 149%/152%, giving general dimensions as 36" for the chest, 24" waist and 37" for the hips. Using the same method, 32G would have a differential of 161%/168%, suitable for femellas up to 52" bust, 32" waist and 54" hips.

Doubling the alpha differential (AA, BB, CC, etc.) increases the differential for the hips, using +2%/+6% added to the 110%/110%, and used for more curvaceous femellas (e.g.; 39BB would have a differential of 114%/122%, for a femellas around 45-39-48; and 32EE would have a differential of 120%/140%, for a femellas around 39-32-45).

Tripling the alpha differential (AAA, BBB, CCC, etc.) increases the differential of the hips even more so (+2%/+8% added to the 100%/100%) and used for women with even more fullness of the hips (e.g.; 28DDD would be up to 108%/132% differential for 31-28-37, and 36FFF would be up to 112%/148% differential for 41-36-54). The smaller percentages is for producing a less escalating scaling. Quadruple letters would be done as +2%/+10% added to the 100%/100%.

- **Stature** reference in Cascadia are *Extra-Petite* (57" to 59"), *Petite* (60" to 62"), *Regular* (63" to 65"), *Tall* (66" to 68"), *Extra-Tall* (69" to 71"). *Tripple-Petite* (TP) and *Quadruple-Petite* (QP), *Tripple-Tall* (TT), *Quadruple-Tall* (QT) would be 3 inches further from the *Regular*. Adding "Full" to any the the statures ("Full *Extra-Petite*" or *FEP*) indicates a fuller figure the the stature range of 57" to 59." **Clothing sizing**, including for dresses, would fit within these distinctions (say 13C-Petite dress size, or 13C-P, would be suitable for femellas 61" with around 39-26-40 figure).

- Blouses, skirts, slacks and such could use the same sizing as dresses, relating to 2 of the 3 measurements.
- Women's bras went through a standardization change as well, when shifting to the metric system. The strap sizes (under bust) in Cascadia are expressed in even centimeters, and marked with the root cup size related to each 2.5 cm (a *Cascadian Inch*, very close to U.S. 1"). Differences between above and around the bust becomes the cup size. Pre-Cascadian bra size of 32A became Cascadian 80A, suitable for 34A/86A chest form. A 36E of the past became 92E (for 44E/112E) and 38H became 96H (for 48H/122H chest). Bra cup size of AAA is up to 1 cm, and AA would around 1-2 cm, with A-cup being 2.5 cm. Multiple letters (BB, CC...JJ, etc.) would have a broader bust (touching draded arms) and a cup size larger than single digits, often matched with C, D...L, etc.). Triple digits over "As" (BBB, CCC...JJJ, etc.) would be broader still (under the draped arm), being 2 sizes more than single diget, often matched with D, E...L, etc. With these elements, the fitting of bras can be done fairly efficiently. Full centemeters could be express cup sizes (e.g.; 38H could be expressed as 38-20 cm). Brassieres over 60 cm cup size (X, WW, VVV, about 24") may be expressed with Y#, YY# and YYY#, where # is the additional cup size number equal to 2.5 cm over 60 cm (e.g.; YY3 would be 68 cm cup size, say a bra of 110-68 cm could be expressed as 110YY3).

### ~Shoes~

- Sizes for footwear was altered to the metric system, with centimeters used for foot length, and alpha coding related to millimeters for the width and arch. Narrow (A) is the base width of the shoe at 1/3rd the length (e.g.; 21A shoe size would be 21 centimeters in length, and 7 centimeters wide, or 70 millimeters). Each 5 millimeters from the narrow base is a with step wider (B-C-D-E, etc.) say a 29A is the base for a narrow foot 29 centimeters in length, 29H would be hundred and 30 millimeters wide on the same length foot.
- Arches would be represented by a multiple alpha codes; A, B, C, etc. for low/flat/minimal arch, with AA, BB, CC, etc. for moderate arches, and AAA, BBB, CCC, etc. for high arches. Exceptionally high arches would add another alpha letter (e.g.; DDDD, EEEE, etc.). Expressing higher values than X uses Y#, YY#, YYY# (as with bras).
- Sub- narrow is stated as such, and would be slimmer than 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the length, represented with A-A, A-B, A-C, etc., where the 2<sup>nd</sup> number represents how many 5 millimeters more narrow than A the issue is.

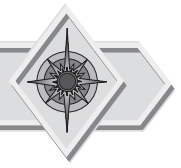
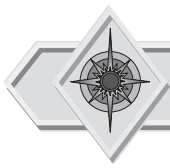


### ~ Classified Materials ~

All agencies of any government has the need to retain information from general exposures for the well-being of the nation. The public has mixed views of such practices, and has good reason for the dilemma. A multitude of conspiracies and corruption has been perpetrated in the shadows, hiding such activities under the guise of national security.

Cascadia has the same need and dilemma, and created a series of Classifications pattern from the Former U.S. (see entry in the Government Affairs section). To give oversight of agencies practices of classified material, the Star Chamber justices retain availability for any government pensionary to express misconduct. Standards & Safety's Commission oversees general handling of materials, having agents with suitable clearances to conduct inspections, including the National Intelligence Commission who also does investigations. Parliament Senators have limited authority in these matters.





**Clubs:** See *Societies & Organizations* section.

**Coast Guard:** See *Border-Coastal Continuity in the government affairs* section.

**Coma:** See *Hospitals & Clinics and Medical & Health in this section.*

**Comming of Age:** See *Maturity in this section.*

**Commission:** See *Cascadia Formation Commission.*

**Computers:** See *Internet & Computer in this section.*

**Communities:** Townships would be segmented into communities, though small Townships may only have one official community. Large cities could have several. Each community is centered by the *Foundation School*, having the *Civil Library*, *Sheriff House*, *Social Center* and *Community Hall*.

Networking *Foundation Schools* and creating noncommercial *Community Centers* is an effort to curtail elitist attitudes of communities. Combining resources across adjacent communities, overlapping capabilities, Cascadia has worked to prevent conditions prevalent in the past where wealthier families clustered into neighborhoods, pressing lesser income families together in pockets of problematic neighborhoods. Contrast between neighborhoods income levels and taxation discrepancy has created unbalanced resources and separation of peoples. The governance of Cascadia and Edicts from *Parliament* worked to prevent this effect.

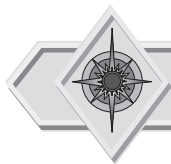
See *Fire & Aide Response and Social Centers*. Also see *Countering Mob Rule in the Government Affairs* section for protection of *Uvarities* (a less restraining term for peoples formerly considered minority).

- **Community Halls** has the offices and staff for the *Community Manager*, who handles local relations, including preventing harassments of residence. Each Community would have a *Community Hall*, and a *Community Manager*, selected by the *Township Council* members at 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority from residents within the neighborhood of the *Foundation School*. The Manager would be responsible for all *Community* functions, including the schools. If no one living in the Community wishes to take the position, the Dean of the associated *Foundation School* becomes the manager. Often, a constable would also be the Manager.
- **Sheriff Houses** are the local office for *Sheriffs*, and where the Constables (if any) would function from. No prisoners would be detained there. *Sheriff Houses* will be within 2 blocks of the *Community's Foundation School* and *Social Center*.
- **Civil Libraries** would be situated adjacent to *Foundation Schools*, giving access to all students.
- **Social Centers** would be within 3 blocks of the community hall, and often are adjacent or attached.
- *Township Council* members are to make themselves available for 3 hours between noon and 6:00 P.M. each season in each of the *Communities* on various days of the week (not to be repeated on the same day of the week within the year). This is to allow all citizens in that and adjacent *Communities* to meet and discuss matters. The times allotted to each citizen wishing to speak will range from 3-12 minutes, depending on the number of those signed up to do so. Speakers must maintain a civil tone.
- There are **no voting districts** within Cascadia. See *elections in this section*.
- Funding to all *Communities* within a *Township* shall be balanced based on population of the *Community*, not their income. Problem areas shall gain notable attention for correction, insured by *Provincial* and *National* agencies, including additional respectful in-person presence of *Sheriffs*, *Constables* and *Marshals*.
- **Community demographics** was a concern for the *Founders*. It was decided *Communities* would be the area around the public *Foundation School*. The time it would take for an average person to walk from their home to the closest *Foundation School* would determine *Community* boundaries. Since all aspects of the

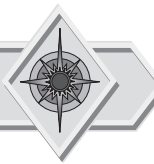
*Community* is in relation to adjacent *Communities*, persons of adjacent *Communities* would be able to speak and give views on matters.

- **Affordable homes** for all citizens within any *Township* is important to Cascadian's, and the broad scale inclusion affordable homes policies are part of ensuring all unique persons have means to live within the nation and communities of their choosing. See *Homes & Residents in this section*.
- *Councilmembers* must represent all *Communities* with even consideration. *County/Shire Councils* are responsible to ensure balance of treatment.
- With *Foundation Schools* are networked, students within one community has access to adjacent *Communities* (see *Education in this section*).
- Cascadia steered from the presumptuous use of minority, a term implying that uniqueness of a group of people beyond the normality, something considered 'below the majority.' Founders insisted that all people are unique, even as collective groups. They work to prevent the homogenization of normality, establishing the term *Uevarity* (*Uevarities* plural) to replace "*minority*," holding to the value of unique, varied, even rare qualities each person brings to a collective group, adding to the eclectic quality of Cascadia. This is to justify the distinctive qualities of varied people and not to imply any form of superiority of a group due to their greater numbers. See *Countering Mob Rule in the Government Affairs* section for protecting *Uevarities*
- Demographics and *Uevarity* (minority) relations is an important element within Cascadia, where broad views of customs are protected. *Community Manager* are responsible for ensuring citizens feel comfortable within the *Community* and that *Uevarants* have personal liberty, privacy and peace of mind. If problems arise, *Sheriffs* and *Marshals* may be called upon.
- **Unicity** (minority) representation in a *Community* and *Township* falls within the concerns of the *Community Manager*, as well as *Township Council* members, overseen by *County/Shire* legal magistrates, working up to the *Star Chamber*. *Sheriffs* and *Marshals* are responsible for safety, and may be called upon. If *Managers* are found incapable, the *Township Council* at 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority may have them replaced. Any collective of persons seen as unique and underpopulated are as *Uevarity*. Since everyone is unique in their own way, cumulative forms of expression they share with others are overlapping, and each person would be related to various groupings.
- Townships shall maintain **Community Recreation Parks**, having no less than 3% of the total area, having 60% green areas with trees and shrubs. Adjacent *Communities* may combine to their requirements into a larger singular park, though each would provide the suitable areas for requirements. The *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness* shall oversee the suitability, and provide 20% matching funds for maintaining such parks. The *County/Shire* shall provide 50% matching funds as well. To provide mature and use areas within *Community Recreational Parks*, allowing areas for the atmosphere differences, for each 2% dedicated to the youth, 3% would be dedicated for the mature population (having a greater number of people). For each of the 2%/3% for youth/mature areas, 5% would be considered general use for all citizens of Cascadia. Some parks may be considered fully for general use.
- **Government factories** would be placed in Townships and *Communities* having an average income level 15% below the national average, providing full pensionary incomes to stimulate the region. Should a region rise in income levels, the factory would be phased out, and employees offered job location assistance.

**Community Centers:** See *Social Centers in this section.*



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**Commodities Market:** Commodities (produce, livestock, etc.) are either sold or auctioned on production or as futures. Contracts of future productions have their buyers purchasing the product in advance to be delivered on a specific date.

In the past, and still in other nations, future contracts may be bought and sold up to the delivery date. Commodities are the physical products ready to ship to the buyer and are single option bids. Once sold, the new owner of the commodity owns the product and may do so as they legally wish.

Future commodities allow the producer to pre-sell their product to a buyer as a way to get monies in advance. The future contract is binding and insured by both parties open production producer and receiver in equal parts. Several insurance companies provide policies for future commodity contracts.

*Also see Securities Market.*

- Failure to deliver on the contract is considered fraud should there be intent to deceive or as breach of contract, both of which are criminal offense by edict from Parliament.
- Contracts on future production may be transferred from one owner to another. The new owner must hold the contract for no less than 2 weeks, nor may they transfer the contract within 3 weeks of the maturity date. This is to reduce the volatility of commodities that was seen in the past.
- Several markets operate to broker the buying and selling of the commodities contracts (not called shares, leaving that term to the company ownership).
- **Property mortgage** contracts may be transferred from one cubby to another, though not considered a commodity. The original contract will remain as it was signed.

**Communication:** Cascadia had many communication methods.

*Also see Telecom Systems in this section. Also see Internet & Computers in the section, and Telecommunications Commission in the Government Affairs section.*

**Citizen Band Radio:** Continuing the use from the *Former U.S.*, the 40 band CB system is still in use, using the same frequencies from 26.965 MHz (channel-1) to 27.405 MHz (channel-40) and is designated for public use. Lower wattage (less than 2 watts) not needing licensing. There are rules and courtesies to follow.

In Cascadia, Channel 9 is still for emergency purpose, and Sheriffs, Marshals and Park Rangers monitor the channel for activities and problems. Channel 11 is also monitored for citizens who may contact them directly for non-emergency worries.

Channel 19 continued to be used for travelers for road construction and other elements that may effect their trip.

**Competency:** *The personal ability to function. See Legal Affairs section.*

**Computer:** *See Internet & Computer in this section.*

**Congress:** *See U.S. Congress.*

**Constables:** *See entry in the Legal Affairs section.*

**Constellation Shower:** A name given to the 22 years (February 2016 to April 2038) where a near constant bombardment of meteors streaked through the solar system, many striking Earth, some with a enough impact to equate to a 16 kt bomb with no measurable radiation. The display was beautiful to many, despite the threat of ground strikes.

The effects began 20 February 2016 and rose slowly peaking around 2027 with 23 significant strikes a week and thousands of shooting stars viewable around the globe during the day and hundreds of thousands at any point at night could be seen as dust streak through the atmosphere burning up.

Astronomers debated for a while as to what was going on and came to the conclusion that at some time in the distant past, 2 astronomical objects (very likely the size of terrestrial planets) collided, smashing apart into dust and small particles, and Earth, riding along with Sol was just passing through the region.

The Land and Sea Strike presented below shows the kiloton force of the impact explosion. Use nuclear damage results. Universal Tales has material for this, though other resources may be used.

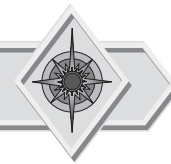
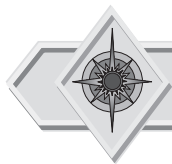
- Many satellites were destroyed or damaged during this period. *See satellites in this section.*
- With the oceans absorbing around 3/4<sup>th</sup> of the impacts, coastal regions were concerned of tsunamis. Alerts were fairly frequent, though many did not produce loss of life or damage.
- Land strikes peaked around 2027.
- Generally, there is not notable radiations for meteor strikes.
- The *Shower* destroyed or damaged 187 satellites beyond use during this period of bombardment.
- Over the years, there were considerable number of deaths but less than the 2 epidemics of the 21<sup>st</sup> century had brought upon people the overall loss of life was more of the fear was less than the actual fear that prevailed during the time after 20s. After 2038 the significance showers had dwindled to a fraction of what it was and continued to dissipate.
- The name *Constellation Showers* came from appearance that the meteors seen from all constellations from the viewpoint on Earth, though Sol solar system ventured towards the Hercules Constellation, so generally, most came from that direction. Gravity forces of the bodies in the Sol system and collision with Ort Cloud and Keiper Belt objects, as well as asteroids altered many meteor paths.

### ~Land Strikes~

- Roll *Percentage Chance* for air strike, otherwise it hit the surface as a meteorite.
- Due to the greater land areas, most land strikes were in wilderness.
- From **2026-2028 (peak years)** there was one around 20 kt (3D10P kt) strike each 1D30P weeks somewhere in the world; one around 10 kt (2D6P kt) each 1D20P weeks; one around 5 kt (1D6P kt) each 1D10P weeks; and 1D4P each month at around 1D4P kt. Hundred meteorites enter the atmosphere that may total a vehical or damage a home would hit the surface, but only 1 in 50 may do so around the globe.
- Triple the time from 2023-2025 and 2029-2031.
- Quadruple the time from 2020-2022 and 2032-2034; built up from 2016 and fading into 2038. By April 2038, the show was over, but people remained nervous, watching the sky for decades to come.

### ~Sea Strikes~

- Triple the Land Strike figures. If actual meteor strike (not high air burst), determine possible tsunami. Roll *Percentage Chance* for a tsunami if it hits the water, figuring 6" per 1 kt, reducing that amount each 500 miles.



**Constitution:** *The Principles of Parliament* serving as the general guide of Parliament to the service of the citizens. To this document are the combined *Great Edits of Cascadia*. Together, they guide the behavior for Parliament, all officials and agencies.

- Parliament shall not make any *Edict* over the social matters that interferes with the conduct of families or social group, or imply judgment of families or social groups unless for the protection quantifiable harm to people.

**Copyrights:** Cascadia continued the duration policy of copyrights for Former U.S., being 70 years after the death of the creator. After that, the intellectual property becomes public domain. *Copyrights* would pass to beneficiaries as specified in the *Civil Disposition Declaration*.

Also see *Patents and Trademarks* in this section.

**Cosmetic Adjustments:** Women in Cascadia have many procedures available to make adjustments to their physical appearances, all of which is through private clinics and overseen by the *Bureau of Health* and the *Standards & Safety Commission*.

**Ananomy Restoration:** Where *Cosmetic Adjustment* is considered a vanity surgery, Ananomy Restoration is more medical-social necessity for enabling the well-being of the citizen. See *Medical & Health* entry in this section.

**Mammae/Breast Enhancement:** Scientist in Cascadia had made significant improvements to European and foreign developments on a variety of creams, gels and treatments (commonly packaged in bottles and tubes, and applied to the mammae directly) for increasing natural volume of woman's breasts, adjusting hormone and genetic aspects of the woman, producing several series of creams and procedures.

Cascadian enhancement creams are available through *Cosmetic Adjustment Clinics* in a variety of forms since 2021, the *first in 2019*, and overseen by the *Pharmaceutical Commission* of the *Bureau of Health*, and studies estimate that 32-37% of Cascadian women increased their breast by 1 to 3 cup sizes, with 13-18% of others adding 4-6 and around 4-6% exceeding 7 additional cups, with some studies showing higher.

Fativa Higginson (part owner of the *Olympic Future Genetics*, see *Business & Production* in this section) was working with pregnant women and genetic hormone treatment when she began seeing a correlation of breast volume and growth with specific genes in the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> chromosome. Handing off the information as proprietary to another section, forming the *Mammae Genetics Labs Department* in Snohomish, Washington. The company conducted internal research and by 2019, released the first commercial product, a mild cream for enhancing breast volume.

Effectively, these methods come in 2 forms; stimulating pubescent or pregnancy growth, and some shaping may be done by applying more generous amount to general area, such as under the breast to grow the lower breast area, letting the aureoles remain higher.

**Pubescent Treatment** has a slow growth time for most women, being around  $2D4 \times 3 \text{ days} \times \text{the square of the next cup size} + 1D6P$ . General cost is based on the Quality of the product/procedure (2-20+, 2D10P, average 11)  $\times 8 \text{ UEs}$  for 60-days application. This treatment has little discomfort at normal application.

The **Pregnancy Treatments** causes a more rapid growth as though going through actual pregnancy development. The growth rate is at  $2D4 \times 2 \text{ days} \times \text{the square of the next cup size} + 1D6P$ , and has some discomfort. The cost is around 3 times the amount for pubescent treatment.

Not recommended (though often done), applying the applications during puberty, pregnancy and nursing has shown dramatic growth and beyond greater discomfort during the growth, being a stimulation of natural process, activating the genes. No other long-term effects as been shown. Growth results increases at a rate divided by the next cup size. Some women continue nursing her infant until she reaches the desired breast volume, then weans the child. No adverse affected been shown for either the mother or the child.

Doubling and tripling the application increases growth speed, even during puberty, pregnancies and nursing, making for rapid growth, having more discomfort. Figure  $1/2$  for double applications, or  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  for triple. Higher application amounts has shown no effect and the body does not absorb the excess. Half dose doubles the time, where  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  treatment triples it, etc.

The application will usually affect other feminine elements; increased hormone activity, hips would likely widen (figure a 1:3 to 1:2 ratio of bust increase), aureole may darken, and such. If applied before full height is she, role  $1/2$  Constitution ( $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  if double dosing,  $1/4^{\text{th}}$  if triple dosing) per 1D4 Age Group Factor. The failure, divide the growth for that time by 2 (3 or 4 for higher dosage).

Due to the development, the woman needs to consume more nutrition

and calories, 20-60%, depending on the rates of growth. She would normally experience a greater appetite.

A common side effect, is a passing of the development to the next generation, as a genetic change. The chance would be the same as the effect on feminine elements. When bearing children, treat the character that had this enhancement as a separate race. If a large sample of population is having this done, then a new ethnic group may arise, and a profile for that may be in order.

Application during youth will likely affect the final height of the person, with a bodily energies going to the development more than stature. The chance would be the same as the effect on feminine elements. May start false puberty in preadolescent, though small, short term application would prepare the body for early, fuller development.

Becoming pregnant while taking the cream, has shown to increase the chance of the mother bearing a girl, and affect of the hormones on the sperm, weakening the male dominance. Add +1D8 2 female ratio for normal dosage (see gender probability in Universal Tales: Character Enchiridion), +1D10 or +1D12 for doubling and tripling dosage. Research into this affect advanced gender selection treatments for pregnancies, though highly debated and controversial.

Men applying the treatment may gain some growth in the breasts, but is usually temporary, countered by their natural male hormones. For men wishing to change the gender, these treatments may help, once the male hormones are shifted.

Because of the length of time of treatment, those who tried it as a practical joke on males (younger or mature), will not gain result in short time and is hard to carry out long term.

**Counties/Shires:** Each Province is segmented into Countie. Most of the Counties segmented into small parts, with some call themselves Shires for a taste of the old world. A few notable ones are here.

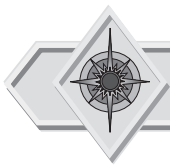
## ~ Washington Province ~

- **Cascade County** was the northeast side of the old King County, taking the name from the mountain range. *Bellevue* became the Capital of Cascadia, separated from the County.
- **King Shire** (*Washington Province*) formed from the northwest portion of King County (north of I-90, excluding *Bellevue*), containing *Seattle Memorial Park* and *Seatac Airfield*. Lake Washington and *Sammamish* becomes an extensive inlet by --- with many of the areas becoming islands.
- **Queen Shire** formed from the southern portion of the original King County, south of I-90, excluding *Bellevue*.
- **Bellevue**, being the capital of Cascadia, is independent from other *Provinces*. No one in *Bellevue* is considered a residence of *Bellevue*, including the *Director*. Each person who is living in the capital would declare a *Township* within another *Province* as their home of residency, and such location is there place of voting. The residency could be owned by them or any family or friend. For government officariies that choose not to have a personal location for such residency would have the residency listed as the governor's home of the *Province* of their choice (the *Province* they represent for *Senators*).

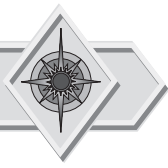
## ~ Idaho Province ~

- With the acquisition of the western slope of the Rocky Mountain range from Montana, including Butte, sitting at the divide, several of the counties restructured during their inclusion within Cascadia.
- **Bonnerrshire** became the name of the old countyies Boundary and Bonner as they joined into one within the Idaho Province.
- **Concorde Shire** form from the Township separation from Lake and Flathead counties in February 2029, with Kalispell becoming **Concorde City** and the shire seat. This restructuring was brought about by the supports of the Kingston family. The regions of the new Shire encompassed Flathead Lake to the Continental divide on the east, Ronan on the south, Kila, Proctor, Dayton and Elmo on the west up to and including Whitefish on the north.
- Niarada and Lonepine became part of Sanders County





## Universal Tales: Campaign Environment



**County/Shire Homes:** These facilities are maintained in each *County/Shire* to help recondition citizens for functioning in Cascadia, these *Homes* are funded by their Province with National contributions, and overseen by the **Social Service Commission** of the **Bureau of Civil Services**.

In the beginning of the the 21<sup>st</sup> century, there became a widening concerns of how to treat people of various levels of society and how to handle, or help, those in need of assistance. States of the *Former U.S.* became burdened with growing numbers of people in hardship. Families abandoned or disassociate responsibility, even friends disconnected from those in need.

Social disconnection, grew to view charities, faith institutes and governance as the means to assisted those in hardship. For governance, states turned to federal assistance, or made increasing difficult for local assistance, raised sales/property taxes, applying tolls to roads, etc., making it difficult of lesser income and those in hardship, driving them to other states. Governance who did provide assistance became more burdened, applying greater taxing on those not considered in hardship, creating further disconnection.

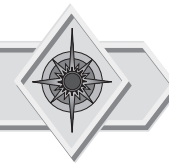
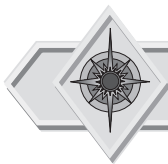
Suffering grew among the population, and the population declined from two major pandemics, decades of conflicts (social and military), the *Constellation Shower*, etc. increased it. With larger corporations suppressing the lesser companies, many were out of work. Riots for assistance grew. With growing national debt, such avenues went broke and most had nowhere to turn, but to crime, exasperating the problem.

The situation in the Northwest, where Cascadia would grow, was little better than other places. Many left or died. Others came for other reasons. The officials who came in control did not abandoned those in need, but did set strict controls. One of the hardest for people to take was the centralization of assistance, removing direct payment.

Created were the *County/Shire Homes* where they may go for food, social, work, passes for civil transportations and other assistance. There are many avenues within the *Homes* people may take.

- There are floors or buildings dedicated for a variety of needs, including woman and family shelters, orphanage, disability centers, rehabilitation centers, etc.
- There are **classrooms for instruction**, as well as **counselors**. These hold seminars for employment, drug abuses, social interactions, child rearing and other subjects.
- Those with **disabilities** may live in of gain service at the *Home*. They will take assignments as they are able.
- Theopists work with the *Homes* to help persons with hardship and issues and gain a footing with the society and become a supporting citizen.
- When staying in the *Home* as a **residence**, there is a modest fee. Food allowances and meals are available at a modest fee, 20-30% of regional pricing. Seasonal totals of residence and food is applied as a governance loan based on the individual's *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* at the lowest interest rate. This is to reduce common abuses seen in the past.
- **Employment** may be gained though the *Homes*, either by those who are residing there or who have residency elsewhere and need employment (scheduled or walk-in), with the *Homes* acting as a work service, often interacting with private services. This functions as an **unemployment service** and is available to all citizens. These assignments may be from private companies or government agencies desiring temerary or permanent people. In this way, the *Homes* acts as a service placement agency. Residence of the *Home* are expected to accept assignments. If they do not, they will attend classes to become employable. They will also do tasks around the *Homes*, including cleaning, preparing food, landscaping of government/public land, caring for those with disabilities, etc.
- The **Home Employment Service** deducts 15% of income gained to cover expenses, and is in addition to the 15% credited to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. All assignments through the *Home* will have this draw. If the assignment become permanent and the citizen no longer reside at the *Home*, the draw continues for the remainder of season, plus the next season, then it ceases.
- Any citizen gaining employment hours through the *Home* are registered as **Transitory Government Pensionaries** (see *Pensionaries Government affairs section*). If fully employed beyond the government, the *Pensionary* status is suspended, though able to be activated at any time.
- The *County/Shire Homes* shall maintain a safe **Transitory Home Parks** with **double wide trailers** to live in, expanding such parks as needed to maintain decent living conditions for all levels of population. Each *Community* shall have at least one such transitory park. Each lot shall have a number of homes of no less than 1 per population of 350. This assistance option works with communities to ensure all citizens have residencies in relation to the **Broad Scale Inclusion Affordable Homes** (see *Homes & Residences in this section*). This is not a permanent solution for persons, and are for families to gain economical footing.
- Double trailer homes provide transit families an option to purchase the trailers, moving them to a suitable park location to continue their progression for better, stabilize life.
- As a *government Pensionary* through the **Home Employment Services**, they are guaranteed 32 hours of service. For those living in a *Township*, they will be functioning there, or be provided transportation to where they are needed – the time in transit as part of their service hours. If holding a driver's license in good standing, they may function as a driver for making deliveries, providing transport (taxi-shuttles), etc. Other tasks may involve janitorial/security for government facilities, landscaping, cleaning of public lands, maintaining government facilities, general labor, etc.
- The *Homes* maintains a **regional taxi-shuttle service** with the drivers certified and monitored. There is also packing-moving services available for domestic and company moves.
- As *Transitory Pensionaries*, the citizens may dedicate 8-12 hours of the week for education to improve their standing. They would gain service credit for the time. This is to encourage long-term vitality of the citizens, even gaining higher revenue for Cascadia, as well as income for the citizen.
- **Citizen Volunteers** at the *Home* will be credited hours to the their *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* at the lifetime average income calculated for the *Fund*, raising the income effect for later draws.
- The *Homes* gain funding through the Province and National resources, so not to be a local burden.
- Local retails outlets, farms, ranches and orchards may drop off produce and other food produce in good condition and no older than 4 days to expiration dates for payment of 30% of common sales price of local and adjacent *Counties/Shires*. This produces a built-in safety net for private entities, as long as the produce suitable produce and goods, replacing the subsidy guarantees of the past. Payments are sent out during the first month of the next season, though 20% may be issued on site to proven entities. This food/produce is used by the *Home*, as well as sent to *military instalations* and *Monroe Penitentiary*.
- *County/Shire Homes* operates a **Liquidation Stores** where persons and companies may drop off furniture and items in good condition as consignment for sale where the person/company gains 50% of sales price. The store is operated by residence of the *Homes*, overseen and trained by staff of the Social Services Commission. Dropping off the furniture/goods relinquish control and the **Home Liquidation Stores** handles all pricings. Non-military products manufactured by Government Production Factorias (see *Products & Acquisition Commission in the Government Affairs section*) could be sold here.
- The residence may have visitors (friends and family) at all hours, though there may be some restriction on where they may socialize. They must be civil.
- Association with *Homes* are **Detox Shelter** for citizens found overly drunk in public. See *Detox Unit/Shelter in the section*.





**Courts:** See Legal Affairs section.

**Crimes:** See Legal Affairs section.

**Crisis Response Teams:** See Emergency/Crisis Response Teams.

**Currency & Economics:** The nation maintains a hard currency for domestic use. There are 2 levels of currencies in Cascadia; **Casda** (higher currency) and **Shillings** (lower currency) *Shillings* is a small breakdown of *Casdas*.

- The Cascadian government does not trade directly with foreign nations. Any purchasing or selling is done through a Cascadian company. See *Business in the section*.
- There are 3 **Minting Centers** in Cascadia and 2 **Currency Reserve Centers**. Currency circulation is controlled through the **Cascadia Treasury Bank** (see *Government Affairs section*).
- It's been decreed that no depiction of people shall appear on any form of Cascadian, leaving imagery to anything else, notably scenery and nature.

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**Amero:** This is a trade currency adopted on 2021 by the *Canada*, *Former U.S.* and *Mexico*, as a continuation of North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). It did not take hold well enough to become a currency to replace national currencies with. It was an attempt to do what the *European Union* had done with the euro.

The growing debt (exceeding \$19 trillion in June 2016) in the Former U.S. (Earth Fall timeline) was becoming a problem for international currencies, and a general economic crisis, the Council for Foreign Relations continued its free trade and international block considerations, taking the next step for NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement).

With the U.S. dollar as a number one currency in global economy, the general collapse made that U. S. dollar hyper-inflated. With the Former U.S. GDP (Gross Domestic Product) in 2016 as about \$18.6 trillion, the nation found itself over 100% in debt to their production. This is compared to the end of World War II, when the debt-to-GDP ratio was around 113%, with the current debt at the time of \$241.86 billion in 1946 and the GDP of around.

As a response to the various levels of economic turmoil, an older consideration that had been plagued by conspiracy speculation, misinformation and misconceptions reemerged as a local solution through NAFTA. It held considerable resistance to people who felt sovereignty was being circumvented, though the use was passed through Congress after Canada began minting the currency in preparation for its use, seeing no viable solution – knowing propping the American dollar was not going to solve the problem. Mexico was added to the Amero-NAFTA due to the strong Mexican-Hispanic population that grew in the Former U.S., And a third-party of NAFTA.

Though Canada brought the concept out of the conspiracy files mid-2018, the Former U.S. resisted, confident that they could bring the U.S. dollar back into a strong position. By 2019, it was seen to be faltering and inflation began outpacing general economic growth, and global economy was taking the dollar on a spiral decline, due to international holdings.

With international trade becoming in jeopardy due to financial uncertainties, and the prices of merchandise from Europe, China and other nations became excessively high with the hyper-inflated value of the U.S. dollar (a fiat currency on decline), local

economies within North America struggled to reclaim what had been lost through the end of the 20th century. In the need to disconnect from international economies, the amero was adopted as a 2nd currency for commerce within North America only.

The treasury backing of the amero was supported by Canada and the U.S. in similar manner as decades passed, spelling its eventual doom. With the foundation of Cascadia, the support of the casda is set on precious metals and minerals, and audited each 5 years by decree of Parliament, in hopes to prevent such problems in the future.

**Cascadian Exchequer:** See *National Exchequer* in this area.

**Cascadian Treasury Bank:** See *Treasury Bank* in this area.

**Coinage & Banknotes:** Cascadia went with coins for values up to 20 *Casdas* (marked with **C£**) due to the durability and common use.

- The first minting of Cascadian Currency began in September 2028 and available 1 June 2029, at an initial exchange rate of C£1.00 for \$2.50. See *Currency in the Details & Options section* for rates though the years. Other exchanges were based off the *Former U.S. Dollar* until they found their own values. Until 2035, the *Former U.S. Dollar* and *Amero* were still allowed in use.
- **Shillings** have a value of 5% of a Casda, making 20 *Shillings* equal to C£1.00. Though the casda is equal to **100 pence** (p, not cents/pennies), there is no minted pence pieces, with schillings being the smallest amount for commerce.
- Casdas were initially minted in 1, 2 and 5 Casda coins (each with unique shapes and sizes), and 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 2,000 Casda bills (*treasury notes*) sized to 2.5" × 6". Cascadia adopted this size because billfolds, ATMs and other connections were already sized to it. Larger treasury notes of 4.5" × 10" became available for 5,000, 20,000 and 50,000 Casdas, mainly for bank holdings and large scale transactions.
- In 2043, the 1 and 2 casda coils were discontinued, replaced by the 20 *Shilling* coins styles and 40 *Shilling* piece (equal to 1 and 2 *Casdas*).
- In 2054, the 1 and 2 shilling pieces were discontinued, though still in circulation. Those coins that circulated to the *National Economic Commission* were destroyed with equivalence of the new values released, which were the 50 Casda and the 40 and 100 Shilling coins. Since many companies stop accepting the lower amounts, people either kept them for collections or exchanged them with the **Cascadia Treasury Banks**. These remained into 2067.
- By decree of Parliament, fronts (obverse) of banknotes would have 2 fully presented seated persons – one masles and one femella facing each other at half profile to either side of a geometric design. The back (reverse) would have a detailed natural landscape. No implication of deity or religious presentation is allowed.
- Coins would have no image of people. The obverse (front) side would have an full image of an animal, and the back would have a complex geometric design. Since 2061, the 20 shilling piece had a buffalo, the 2 shilling piece a fawn. No implication of deity or religious presentation is allowed.
- With the lessons of fiat currencies that were backed only by economic stability of a nation, the Founders of Cascadia, establish that the support of the casda is set on precious metals and minerals, and audited each 5 years by decree of Parliament, in hopes to prevent such problems in the future.

## Currency & Economics (cont.):

**Currency Reserve Center:** By 2067, there were 2 hardened facilities. Considering Fort Knox, the first was at Fort Lewis, Washington province.

- The first *Currency Reserve Center* was built at Fort Lewis, Washington Province (between Tacoma and Olympia). Because of its size, the reserve sits away from the Ground Force Command on the same base, so not to be affected by the same nuclear strike, should one occur.
- The second *Reserve* was built with the *Colton Mint* and the *Colton Ground Forces base* (about 32 miles south of Portland) began in 2031.
- The Commission ensures that enough currency is held in reserve to handle economics needs for the nation, both private and government. Flowing process through the *Cascadian Treasury Bank*.
- The *Vault Cash* with the Reserves are held at a level of 20% to 30% more than in circulation, depending on peaks and lows, and monitored by the *National Economic Commission*. The Commission also ensure private banks and credit unions have enough vault cash for reserve to hold economic stability.
- Should the reserve drop below a comfortable level due to national growth, the *National Economic Commission* may authorize the minting of money to replenish the reserve.
- Foreign currency in Cascadia treasury is used for currency exchange and purchasing of Precious Reserve Assets from the Nation.
- The *Currency Reserve Centers* function with *Cascadia Treasury Banks* to maintain reserve and circulation amounts through several venues. This is the general structure of the those venues.

### Parliament

- » *National Economics Commission*
- » *Currency Reserve Centers*
  - § *Precious Reserve Assets*
  - » *Cascadia Treasury Banks*
    - » *Cascadia National Exchequer*
      - § *Levies/Revenue*
    - » *Domestic Bank & Credit Unions*
      - » *Citizen accounts*

**Exchange Rates:** As the years went by to 2067, the value of the Former U.S. dollar, Amero and Casda in relation to each other shifted. Universal Tales has a base value to work with; the Universal Exchange (UEs).

2016:	1 UE	≈	\$1.43		
2018:	1 UE	≈	\$1.12		
2020:	1 UE	≈	\$0.83		
2022:	1 UE	≈	\$0.78	≈	0.97 Amero
2025:	1 UE	≈	\$0.67	≈	0.93 Amero
2030:	1 UE	≈	\$0.54	≈	0.82 Amero ≈ C£0.56
2035:	1 UE	≈	\$0.41	≈	0.78 Amero ≈ C£0.58
2040:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.61
2045:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.64
2050:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.57
2055:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.59
2060:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.62
2065:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ C£0.65
2067:	1 UE	≈	****	≈	**** ≈ <b>C£0.68</b>

**Foreign Trade:** Overseen and regulated by the National Economics Commission, under edicts and policies set by Parliament, foreign trade with appropriate nations are possible.

With trade restricted to Allied and trade Nations, business is done with the currency of the nation. Cascadia companies are not to do business with nations not of these 2 statuses.

- Cascadian currency held in foreign nations is monitored by the *National Economic Commission*.
- Cascadian banks (private or national) may conduct exchanges with foreign national banks for the purpose of conducting trade business between companies, as long as compatible with Cascadia policies.

**GDP:** The *Gross Domestic Product* is roughly figured by adding Private Consumption + Gross Investments + Government Spending + (Exports - Imports). The Cascadia GDP in 2066 was around C£43,700. With Cascadia's 2067 population just under 16 million, the GDP is C£703 billion.

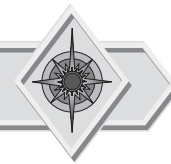
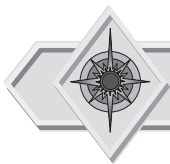
The GDP of the *Former U.S.* in 2016 was around \$18.56 trillion with a population of about 324 million, about \$57,300 per capita.

**Mints:** There are 3 currency minting facilities in operations in 2067 and produce the currency and the reserve hold them. Monies go into circulation through government agencies, pay for insurance, pension, domestic banks and credit unions drawing treasury loans, Treasury purchase precious metals (gold, silver, jama from the reserve holding and prayer parent, currency exchange.

- The first event was built near Olympia, Washington Province. The currency was moved to the *Currency Reserve Center* at Fort Lewis.
- The *Colton Mint* about 32 miles southeast of Portland, Oregon Province, conducted its first minting in September 2028. The facility was built in a hill as a bunker.
- The third is near Yakima, Coulee Province.

**Monetary Base:** To meet civil needs for ready circulated currency, Cascadia holds a reserve stock, and tracks major holdings (capital banks and such) who borrows the currency and set them in circulation. The *Monetary Base* is the total current monies in print and circulation for commerce and was C£88 billion in 2067, around C£5,550 per person of the Cascadia population, compared to the *Former U.S. Monetary Base* of around \$2.7 trillion (some \$8,400 per U.S. citizen) in late 2012.

- Unlike the *Former U.S.*, where most of the currency was held overseas, Cascadia hold the money for the citizens within the nation and any foreign trade is done with the national currency they are doing business with.
- At certain times of the year, there are higher requirements for circulated currency cash, such as summer for vacation peaks.
- Monies held in private collections or was lost is eventually replaced by new mintings to replace the old, those in circulation being collected are destroyed.



## Currency & Economics (cont.):

**National Debt:** See *National Economic Commission within the Government Affairs section.*

**National Exchequer:** The collection, tracking and distribution of revenue and levies are conducted by the *Cascadian National Exchequer* under the *National Economic Commission*.

**Precious Reserve Assets:** Backing much of the Cascadia's currency is an assortment of precious assets; gold, silver and gems. This material are tracked by the *National Economic Commission*.

**Treasury Bank:** The primary *Cascadian Treasury Bank* is in Everett, Washington Province, north of Bellevue, with other treasury banks in Portland (Oregon Province), Spokane (Coulee Province) and Yakima (Coulee Province).

- *Cascadian Treasury Bank* issues **Treasury Bank Loans** to domestic banks and credit unions. There is a modest interest on these loans set by the *National Economic Commission*, under Parliament overview, guidance and/or direction. Also see *Banks & Credit Unions*.
- Securities issuance data accrued as the need for money and is paid for by futures levy collection. This requires 80% parliament approval.
- Bond issuance for national debt is the ability to draw on public purchase of the bonds to raise capital projects. All debt must approved by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> Parliament.
- Currency reserve and distribution: the monetary base is the entire stock of money in an out of the reserve. There are a multitude of elements and some are noted here.
- The *National Economic Commission* maintain a stock of the currency, ensure enough of Cascadia economy to function.
- Domestic banks and credit unions is the general term for all financial certified and licensed in Cascadia to handle the monies as a product with the ability to draw loans from the *Cascadian Treasury Bank*, hold citizens count, issue loans and related financial activities and are treated in all ways as a business.

**Dancing:** Appendix-A1 (Entertainment) section.

**Data Books:** see *Literary & Books*.

**Daylight Savings:** *Cascadia eliminated the custom. See Time and Calendar in this section.*

**Deaths:** Common causes of death during and after the breakup are presented for relations of the character who passed and such. Some are specific events.

See *Civil Disposition Declaration and Population* in this section for related information.

- Due to the cost and personal preferences, **autopsies** are done only for questionable deaths. Many forms of death warrants autopsies, including suicide, accidental deaths, etc. If foul play was suspected, the *Sheriff Commission* covers full cost. If medical benefits are expected, the *Bureau of Health* picks up the cost. Virtual autopsies are commonly done using new generations of MRIs/CI and other technologies. Private companies may do so at their own expense.
- **Burials** became less common in Cascadia in favor of cremation. The government payment to survivors holds a moderate amount that covers most all aspects of cremation costs and may be applied to burial.
- **Natural (green) Burials** come in two forms; *Park Burials* or *Conversion Internment*. Both have become popular.

- For a person to be **Buried in a Park** (not *Wilderness*), they must not have any non-decomposing items within them. Also, Park Manager's approval must be gain, and the physical coordinates must be recorded.

- **Conversion Internment** is a natural decomposing of the remains. A variety of **Internment Gardens** are scattered throughout the Provinces. **Internment Vaults** are highly controlled to prevent tampering, or adding unregistered deceased. *Vaults* are some 30 to 45 feet tall, generally round or oval, having a ramp encircling the *Vault* to the top, with an elevator available.

The remains of the deceased are placed within a marked, non-decomposing netting, officially clamped shut with three tamperproof seals should any future investigations need to be conducted that might disturb the *Vault*.

Ceremonies would take place at the top, where an opening for the burial would take place. The opening for the burial (having prearranged soil depression) is situated over the receiving "plot" where the shrouded remains would be placed. Soil will be nearby for any persons wishing to do their own burials for ceremony, or staff would do so.

As decomposition continues, soil is removed from the bottom, allowing settlement to occur. Leveling for the top, ceremonial layer would be added as needed. Each *Internment Garden* would generally have more than one *Vault*. From the bottom, the sealed netting would be removed and melted an molded into keepsakes for the family to be picked up later, should they wish. Any non-claim keepsakes would be remolded for objects within the garden.

During any investigation, the sealed netting indicates authorized internment, allowing investigators to understand timeline of any unnatural disturbance within the *Vault*.

- The "Baby Boomer Drop Off" (name given to the passing away of the World War II generation babies during the 2020s through the 2040s) had a critical burden on the younger generation as the aging population got ill and died, causing great strain on the economy.
- More and more people donate organs for transplant and courses for research.

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## Cause of Death RL

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- 2) Mariana tsunami (17 Jul 2033)
- 3) Riots; or gang conflicts; or meteor for *Constlation Shower*
- 4) T4 (Teppi) Ebola (*after May 2022*)
- 5) Great LA quake (14 Jun 2033)
- 6) Armed conflict (*military service*)
- 7) Roll on Death roll lists in the *Background chapter of the Character Enchiridion*.
- 8) General disease; or killed in New York City's destruction (25 Dec 2022)
- 9) Kazakhstan Flue; or killed in the destruction of Washington D.C. (9 Mar 2030)
- 10) Heart failure;
- 11) Baby Boomer Drop Off relation; or stroke
- 12) Killed in the destruction of a nuked city (*See Nuked cities in this section for list*)

**Debt:** See *Loans & Debt* in this section.

**Declaration:** See *Citizen Disposition Declaration* in this section.

**Dental:** See *Medical & Health* section.



**Demonstrations:** Citizens (not foreign nationals) are allowed to hold demonstrations in common areas, as long as other people are not being blocked or harassed. Any violation of other peoples right of peaceful movements will be treated as *Harassment*, and likely arrested for the criminal act.

Parades must have permits and the routs adhered to. Any unwarranted deviations from the route and times nullify the permits.

Not demonstrator shall ever hide or obscure their face or head, other than those in costumes, though they may be requested by authority to prove their identity.

**Peaceful demonstrations** are without aided vocalization (no megaphones), obscene signage or gesturing, etc. In no manner shall demonstrators block normal progression of other people, including streets and walkways.

Also see *entry in the Legal Matters & Structure for harassment charges and Freedom of Speech in this section.*

**Dependants:** Cascadia recognizes the dependency of some on others and has several considerations for that dependency. In most cases, the dependants are offspring or foster/adopted children, but may include disabled or elderly persons.

- Medical copay is covered by those listed as supporting (at the listed percentage if more than five and parent the cost is based on the support and is a percentage of their personal copay for themselves the copay of all dependents, and will not exceed 15% of seasonal income for themselves and all dependents.
- Though the overall medical copay may be lower if dependency is only by 1 supporter, but that single person is fully responsible for the care of the dependant.
- All citizens may draw from the Civil Retirement Insurance Fund and that may be used for supporting dependents. The extension of the Z-Week schedule for drawing applies.
- Personal loans may be drawn through the Civil Loans-Banking Service (*see separate entry*).
- Dependents may include any offspring/adopted children under the age of commitment, parents with no form of income, grandparents and direct relatives by blood or adoption. Dependants must be a citizen of Cascadia.
- Declaring a dependent or dependency without true support is fraud and punishable to both as a criminal offense
- For a person to be dependent, they are fully dependent on the persons assisting them, including food, boarding and clothing.
- Dependence other than offspring/adopted children do not cause The – week adjustments to the supporter. *See Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund in this section.*
- The **County/Shire Homes** is available for assistance with dependants with disabilities. There is also assistance for raising children, including care packages (food, infant supplies, clothing, etc.). There's a copay base on the declared income.
- Those fully dependent on others (having no income of their own) must be listed on the *Citizen Disposition Declaration*. More than one person may be supporting them, and all would be listed on their declaration.
- The amount of support is listed as the percentage in income of 20%. Full support is 100%. The declaration of all parties must be in agreement.

**Detox Centers:** Cascadia allows the citizens and foreign visitors to have legalized intoxicating drinks and substances in public settings, though not obnoxious drunkenness. Associated with the *County/Shire Homes* (*see separate entry*) are *Detox Centers* where persons who become a nuisance to others are taken to recuperate and become sober while under observation.

- **Moble Detox Units (MDUs)** may be notified by Sheriffs to pick up and transports intoxicated persons to the *Centers*. More often, the units will transport the person to their home.

- *MDUs* also act as on-call transports for those who find they had too much. If voluntarily called, the charge is comparable to a cab and payable by the end of the next month or accrues interest.
- Funding for the *Centers* and *MDUs* are covered by charges for *Voluntary Transported* (set amount by millage) to their homes, or *Detox Centers* and by **Penalty Fines** for *Sheriff Called Transport*, as well as *Center Stay* fees. **Penalty Fines** are based on the citizen's average annual income and the number of offences in a full 12 season period at 1%/3% (e.g.; transport/stay would be C£200/C£600 for C£20,000 average annual income) if there are no other offence in the period, 2%/6% if there is 1 prior for the period. Should there be 2 priors in the period, 5%/15% fines are applied and the citizen is require to attend 15 hours in the *Intoxication Seminars*, conducted at the *Centers*.
- Stays at the *Centers* are singular cells with bed and toilet until sober. Before release, the person will attend the next **Intoxication Seminar**, a discussion group with a moderator conducted 3 times a day. This is an assistance program conducted by the *Center* to help any with intoxication issues. *Alcoholic Anonymous (AA)* still functions with Cascadia with *Toxication Anonymous (TA)*, for all intoxicants) and are recommended by the *Centers*.
- Foreign visitors are not fined for first offenses. Second public intoxication offense will revoke their visa and their embassy would be notified, who will ensure their departure. Future reentry will be no less the 8 full seasons and after a payment fine.

**Director:** *See Chief Executive Director.*

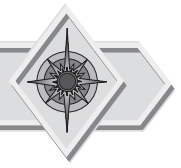
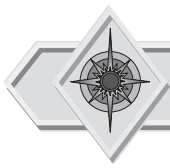
**Disability:** Cascadia cares for the disabled and encourages family to do so, providing a variety of incentives. Citizens who have some form of disability and are not supported by their family may go to the *County/Shire Homes*. They will be cared for and educated, as well as have therapeutic treatment given. They will be given employment task to their ability and be subject to the same requirements as other citizens.

Those with severe needs and have not able to perform tasks will be cared for. Their disability may become a subject of research to better understand the condition and find way to better the person.

*See Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund in this section. Also see Martial Disability & Death Considerations in the Ministry of Martial Affairs section.*

- There are basic incremental levels of disability recognized within the *Bureau of Health*; 20% 40%, 60% and 80% (differing from the Martial Disability levels). 100% is comatose or completely incapacitated and fully covered while in that state.
- Medical copay at the disability levels are covered by the *Bureau of Health* (e.g.; the *Bureau* would cover 40% of the copay for 40% disability). The rest is the responsibility of the patient or their supporters to place a portion on the patient to discourage frivolous use of resources. The total burden of the patient would not exceed the 15%, again differing from veterans of Martial Affairs.
- Cascadia does not distinguish medical retirement from other forms of retirement. When a citizen is no longer able to maintain an outside income and is drawing from the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, they may state they are retired with disability, though most just say retired.
- Those supporting bona fide disabled Cascadians enable them to reduce the Z-Week for their personal *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* for the effort helping in the long term support of these people, giving modest incremental increase in their pay overtime. The amount of support (10% increments) for the disabled must be stated on the *Citizen Disposition Declaration* and must agree with the disabled's *Declaration* and any other claiming support.





## **Disability (cont.):**

- The **disability level** also becomes the minimum percentage level for drawing their *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. If incapacitated, the payment is given to the person/s registered on their *Civil Disposition Declaration*.
- The disabled may be found incompetent of mind and body to a degree where social-civil function is degraded. See *Competency in the Legal Affairs section*.

**Disasters:** In any sort of emergency, whether natural or not, Sheriff offices around the affected area become **Emergency Operation Center (EOC)** and the focal point of command and control of the services and response. The following are reactionary response.

- » The *Sheriff General* sets the local Prime EOC Sheriff commander., the ranking Sheriff officer at each EOC takes command of that center and directs response. Recalling off-duty sheriff against.
- » Further adjacent *Township/County/Shire* mobilize resources as available, radiating out. All offices throughout Cascadia goes on alert for support and defense, should further resources are needed or enemies take advantage of the situation to mount an assault.
- » Hospitals, fire & aid response from local and surrounding region goes on alert and reacts as needed.
- » Ministry of martial affairs goes on alert, and deploys units to or around the affected area. If the disaster is an attack, they take command status, otherwise the units function under the Sheriff's EOCs, providing protection of persons and property, medical and other emergency support and rescue as needed.
- » Marshal support units set up temporary shelters, mess dining facilities, etc. For civilian occupation while order is reestablished.
- » Mobile medical centers (MMC) would converge automatically. See medical and health in the details and operation options section.
- » Special response teams applicable to the situation move into the area handling nurse specialty.
- » Bureau of civil engineer, marshals and other agencies would be called on by commanders as needed.
- » Other actions are taken as needed.

**Disease:** See *Medical in the section*.

**Distances:** See *Measurement in this section*

**Divorce:** See *Marriage for details*.

**Domestic Life:** There are many elements of life that is built into a culture that shapes the way people live. Here are a few evolutions from the *Former U.S.*

- **Bed sizes** were expanded and converted to metric (1" = 2.54cm), and slightly larger: *Single* (120cm × 200cm, 47" × 79"), *Full* (140cm × 200cm, 55" × 79"), *Queen* (160cm × 210cm, 63" × 83"), *Olympic Queen* (180cm × 210cm, 71" × 83"), *King* (200cm × 220cm, 79" × 87"), *Grand King* (220cm × 220cm, 87" × 87"), *Emperess* (211cm × 226cm, 83" × 89") *Emperor* (240cm × 230cm, 95" × 91"), *Grand Emperor* (260cm × 230cm, 103" × 91"), *Supreme Emperor* (280cm × 230cm, 110" × 91").

**Domestic Service:** See *County/Shire Homes in this section*.

**Donations:** See *Charities*.

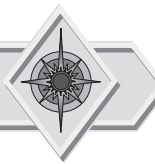
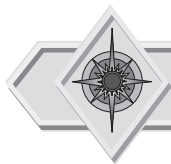
**Driving:** Most Cascadians are licensed to drive small passenger vehicle, such as cars and truck no more than 6 gross tons. They must acquire a certificate (see *Lengthening in this section*), though they do not have to have the licence with them when operating a vehicle, and it is recommended they don't.

Though driving is seen as a necessity on a modern culture, Cascadia

set specific requirements to get and hold a certificate. This licence is required for operating any type of motorized vehicle beyond private property, with specific **Vehicle Category Endorsement Permits** added for the types of vehicles. Though a card is issued (7cm × 9cm, 2.8" × 3.5"), it is not required to be on the person while in the vehicle.

Also see *Licensing in this section*. Also see *Ticketing Fines in the Legal Affairs section*.

- No picture or print of the bearer is on the card. The *Sheriff* is able to bring up permanent information by the name, including file image, prints, retina and general discription for verification. *Sheriffs* or *Marshals* with just cause may verify the **Driving Certificate** with a hand scan, iris-retina imaging, genetic analyzer, or other means. A driver may not refuse this under penalty of arrest as a *Class-II Edit Violation* (see *Crimes in the Legal Affairs section*).
- A vehicle owner who operates the vehicle beyond private property must have **Civil Vehicle Operations Insurance**, available through the government or private firms. The insurance is for property damage, since each citizen is covered by medical and death through the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. Negligent injury and death may be prosecuted as a criminal act as *Assault* and *Homicide* (see *Legal Affairs section*).
- Citizens of *Age of Commitment* may obtain a *Driving Certificate* at any **Drivers Evaluation Centers (DECs)** where exams are conducted. Each driver must qualify with vision, eye-hand reflex-reaction panel (8 large buttons that briefly illuminates in common traffic colors with applicant pressing them), rules of the road knowledge exam (3 computerized tests of 20 questions at 70% (14 of 20) each and street driving examinations. The written rules of the road exams are also available at the *Town Halls*.
- **Driver Awareness Seminars** (2 hours each segment) at each *DEC* are held Munda-Thursdae 3 times a day, and may be attended by any citizen for a fee of C£6.00. Generally, an attendee should be able to pass the written exam after 2 seminars, which includes courtesies of the road.
- Citizen drivers have the ability to reduce violation points by attending 3 *Driving Awareness Seminars* within a season. When completed, 2 points would be removed from their driving record. This is to encourage citizens to update their familiarization without penalizing them for errors, reinforcing courtesies of the road. Only 2 points may be removed each season, disallowing the full scratching of chronic violators from clearing their record. See *Violation Fines in the Legal Affairs section*.
- *Driving Certificates* are national, not provincial. *DECs* are scattered throughtout the nation in order to service adjacent Townships. Citizens may conduct portions of certification at any of the Centers. Licensing fees are distributed evenly to the *Transportation Commission, Statistics & Licensing Commission* and *Parliament Discretionary Funds*. The Sheriff Commission does not receive direct proceeds from licensing and ticketing to prevent aggressive process.
- Patrol Sheriffs are equipped with **Field Intoxication Kits**, consisting of an eye-hand reaction panel, similar to those at the *Drivers Evaluation Centers*. If the driver is unable to pass the test, they are suspended from driving, and a full blood test is done by certified health officials. The Sheriff may require an on site blood test with a handheld device that spectral analyzes light off and through the palm of the hand to detect alcohol and drug levels by evaluating absorption lines.



### Driving (cont.):

- Driving while intoxicated holds severe repercussions, and is a criminal offense in Cascadia. There are 2 grades of antioxidant violations. *Lower-Intoxication* is 0.65-0.75% alcohol level or equivalent a the progression ticketing offense at stated level, and over 0.75% is *Higher-Intoxication* with penalties doubled, and *Second-Degree Endangerment* criminal offense. Any intoxicated accident is treated as *Second-Degree Assault* (even if no one else was involved) or *Homicide* criminal offense if a death was a result. Vandalism charges may be applied. Also see *Alcohol & Recreational Intoxicants* in this section.
- Refusing the *Intoxication Evaluations* will revoke the *Driving Certificate* for 7 years, at which time they must completely recertify. Failing the test require the driver to attend series of seminars at their expense (2% of average income for the season) to keep the certificate. Second failures revokes the certificate to 6 full seasons, third for 12 full seasons, a four for 24, 36, etc. Each time, the violator must complete the seminar (paid each time by that violator), and recertification for licensing is necessary. Each violation is a ticket progression from Class-3. Also see *Detox Centers* in this section.
- Licensing and vehicle inspection fees (20%) goes to the *Bureau of Health* (see *Government Affairs* section), figuring vehicle accident injuries are a high portion of health care expense.

Drugs: See *Alcohol & Recreational Intoxicants*.

Economics: See *Currency & Economy* in this section. *National Economic Commission* in the *Government Affairs* section. *Alcohol & Recreational Intoxicants*.

Edicts & Proclamations: Edict is a general term for any declared statute of rules, mandate, code of conduct or the laws<sup>1</sup> affecting Cascadian citizens (whether home or abroad) and foreign visitors to Cascadia are subject to abide by so to form a balanced society and protect people's rights. They also establish given Natural Rights of the people and citizens of Cascadia and to prevent mass/majority constriction of lesser/minority views, attempting to prevent mob control.

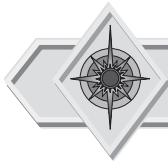
Cascadia has 4 levels of *Edicts*; *Great*, *High*, *Common* and *Procedural*. Each *Edict* is continuous and does not expire, where *National Statutes* would have an expiration date. The *Great/High Edicts* are generally referred to as *Great/High Proclamations* once they have successfully been established by vote. Each level has its requirements for passage by vote and parameters for application.

*Parliament* has many restrictions about how to enact *Edicts*, includes keeping them in simple terms, so common citizens are able to understand them, and reduce verbosity so prevalent in the past with *Congress of the Former U.S.*

- Within the *House Floors*, there shall be no electrical devices of any kind. There will be no power outlets. All *Edicts* will be written by hand, so to curtail excessive *Edicts* that could bury elements. Normal paper and pens/pencils may be used for all purposed beyond the final draft of the *Edict* that will be voted on for enactment.
- The *final draft of the Edict* that is to be voted on must be written on vellum with quill and ink. It does not matter who does the writing, but it must be on one of the *House Floors* and then sent to other *Houses* for voting, if needed. These drafts, whether enacted or not are archived for posterity.
- The final draft of the *Edict* must be read in its entirety within *Houses* in the presence of all voting *Senators* for the vote to be valid. No *Senator* shall vote without hearing the entire *Edict*. Breaks may be taken for long *Edicts*.
- Each *Edict* stands on its own and will address only one subject. There will be no groupings of areas within an *Edict*. If there is need to address several interrelated subjects, separate *Edits* will be drafts for each part and vote as the group.

- *Parliament* is the only authority to enact *Edicts*, though the people have the right to progress initiatives to become an *Edict* through *Parliament* (see *people's initiative further in this entry*). *Province, Counties/Shires and Townships may not enact Edicts*. The role of lower regional governance is for managing the region, though may create *Local Ordinances* that do not conflict with *Edicts*. All legal matters are set by *Parliament* and enforced by the *Sheriffs*, judges and juries, overseen by *Magistrates* and *Marshals*, who prevents abuses.
- Any proposal, proposition or initiative assembled for debate must first be reviewed by the *National Economics Commission* to determine costs; the *Standards & Safeties Commission* for related matters; and any other agency it would impact. In addition to this, 3 justices from the *Star Chamber* would need to certify the initial proposal as not in conflict with other *Edicts*. The *Star Chamber* certification does not discount later disapproval's under normal procedure.
- Until approved by a the required votes, *Edicts/Proclamations* are presented as *Proposals* or *Propositions* (including initiatives from the citizens of Cascadia). On the vellum, a suitable area at the top shall remain unmarked over the general title of the *Proposed Edict*, as well as the bottom of the final page until the vote is complete. If the proposal does not pass – not acquiring the needed number of Yea votes – the secretary will mark the area at the top as “*Failed to Pass*.” This notation is also placed in the signature area at the bottom. Should the proposal pass, the *Secretary* shall mark the above area with the next sequential related number, and all *Senators* who vote Yea for the measure shall sign it. None of the *Senators* who declared Nay or abstaining / absent. And abstained shall sign the edict
- All *Edicts* and *Proclamations* established by *Parliament* or by the Cascadian voting population are the only decrees enforceable by *Sheriffs*.
- *Great Proclamations* (sometimes referred to as *Grand Proclamations*) establishes fundamental rights and liberties of the people, families and *Communities*, requiring 90% approval of the *Senators* of each *House of Parliament* and (not “or”) 90% Yea votes of the Cascadian citizens. This also applies to any *Edict* that would alter, change, remove or otherwise affect prior *Great Proclamations*. *Great Civil Proclamations* are also known as *Constitutional Edicts/Proclamations*.
- *High Proclamations* establishes social conduct that creates harmony and continuity between people, family and communities, and would affect all people and may not conflict with great *Proclamations*, requiring 80% Yea votes approval of the *Senators* of each *House of Parliament* or Cascadian citizens (not necessarily “and”).
- *Common Edicts* sets rules for commerce, governance and infrastructure, affecting the citizens of Cascadian, requiring 70% Yea votes approval of the *Senators* of each *House of Parliament* or Cascadian citizens.
- *National Statutes* are directives from *Parliament* that lasts for a period of time. None may counter other *Statutes* or *Edicts*.
- *Procedural Edicts* are basic administrative procedures set down for the governance, and require at least 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of the *Senators* of each *House of Parliament* or the Cascadian citizens to agree upon by a number of Yea votes.

1) The term “Law” is not officially used within Cascadia.



## Edicts & Proclamations (cont.):

- Whether **Parliament or People Edicts**, they are to be concise and to a specific subject, standing on its own, without reference to other Edicts or legislation, and may not contradict another Edict.
- **Ministration Decrees** may be enacted with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote of the seats of 2 *Houses* to effected ministration policies within any the agencies.
- **Initiative may be enacted by the public**, as described below.
- **Parliament Regulations** are not *Edicts* or *Proclamations*, though our official directives to government agencies, defining policies. Less formal in their creation, they still need 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority of the seats in any one *House*, and any other *House* may counter with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority. These directives may be discussed and formalized within the *Hearing Chamber*, and are broad-based guides for the policies of agencies. These may not at any time diminish, a bridge, nullify or in any manner, alter *Proclamations* or *Edicts*.
- **Star Chamber is to ensure all Edicts and Ordinances are concise** and doesn't conflict with other *Edicts*, nor doesn't restrict civil liberties. In doing so, the *Justices* may declare an Edict as unjust with the same majority as needed to enact the Edict.
- The initial *Edicts* created during the conference prior to the formalization of Cascadia became known as "**Foundation Edicts**."

### ~ People's Initiatives for Edicts ~

- **Local Initiatives** for *Civil Ordinances* (see *Legal Affairs* section) for Township, County/Shire or Provincial may be submitted for approval in accordance with procedure. This differs from *Initiatives* being considered for *Edicts*.
- **People's Initiatives created for enactment as Edicts** begin at *County/Shire* for regular elections (each 4 years). To be considered for the election, the initiative must gain 15% verified signatures of registered voters for the *County/Shire*, as well as a legible, hand written copy. That copy would be read in its entirety at the *Council Chamber* with open public gallery, then on the front steps of the *County/Shire Hall* for the public to hear.
- **People's Initiatives for Edicts** that are created in proper manner is placed on the ballot for the *County/Shire* it was drafted in, and need the required yeah votes for the type of *Edict* (i.e.; *High Edicts* require 80% yea's to continue).

- **People's Initiatives for Edicts** start this process at the *County/Shire* level. No signatures from the Province is taken. If passing there, it goes to *Providence* special election to be held on the next solstice/equinox, and must be read in its entirety at the full *Provincial Council* meeting with public audience, and read on the steps of the *Hall* for general public to hear on 4 consecutive days at reasonable times.
- If the people's *Initiative* for *Edicts* gain the needed votes during the special election, the *Initiative* goes to the office of *Châtelain* at any of the 3 *Parliament Houses*. The *Initiative* would be transcribed onto vellum, using quill and ink, and read at the next parliament session of each *House* for the *Senators* and people in the audience to hear, and then placed on the ballot for election to be held at the next equinox/solstice.
- If the **public election enacts the Initiative**, the *Initiative* is given the next appropriate *Edict* notation, and would be signed by at least one *senator* from each of the *Provinces* with a notation of the *Edict* designation "**Enacted by the People**."
- Though *Edicts* are national, Counties/Shires and Provinces may experiment with **test Civil Ordinances** to discover social effects. This is an alternative to establishing *Edicts* and restricted to a regional area. These *Ordinances* are established by the *Councils*, or the People at 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority, and only affect the region on an experimental basis. Other areas may adopt and refine such *Ordinances*, so to see alternative affects.
- The **Star Chamber Court** has the obligation to ensure any *Edict* or *Ordinance*, whether created by *Parliament* or the people, is valid in relation to the principles of liberty and continuity, and not in conflict with other higher *Proclamations/Edicts*. See *Star Chamber Court in the Legal Affairs* section.
- The citizens may call for a **Civil Vote to remove an existing Edict** with petition voters signature (not voting ability) of 20% to be place on the ballot. During the votes, the same requirements to pass or remove *Edicts* are the same as *Parliament* have.

## ~ Cascadia Governance & Politics ~

National politics creates emotions and expectations. For Cascadia, the Founders took several steps to remove two-party and corporate holds on policies.

- ✎ During elections, each voting citizen has the ability to cast yea or nay for each candidate, no matter which political party organization that sponsors the candidate. This is to help remove the "our guy" attitude prevalent in past politics of the Former U.S.
- ✎ Removing terms from elected positions, setting officary officers for the duration—allowing for replacement—enables the officeholder to conduct their duty with less pressure from party influence that arises from the constant rotation of election campaigning. They no longer have the overriding drive to campaign as soon as their elected, having been an expensive distraction in past political arenas.
- ✎ Primary/caucus elections for official candidates have been fully removed, as was the delegate electoral systems. To become a delicate, each prospect must gain 15% signatures of registered voters, or the 3 highest for vacant seats.
- ✎ The most controversy all change was the removal of the Chief Executive Director from the civil elections, as well as the edict process. Being assigned by Parliament from the group of senators, the director is solely to carry out policies. Removing them from the electoral process enables them to focus on directing the agencies without political pressures.

~ And more. ~



**Elections:** There are fewer elected officials in Cascadia and all positions are perpetual, become elected into a higher office, resigning, or replaced by another who gain suitable votes to replace them. There are some criticisms, though the *Cascadia Surge* overwhelmed the opposition and the breakup of the *Former U.S.* left little room for discussion and in the end, and it took hold. Those in strong opposition were encouraged to leave, and many had.

Reasoning for lifetime appointments were the expenses of elections included vulnerability of politicians to special interest groups for their support during reelections and expectations from those groups to gain favor for that support. Politicians as a whole, implied promises during speeches to the public to gain votes, expressing they need more time to do so, once there. Much of the time of politicians was spent in reelection effort and not for the operation of the nation.

Cascadia founder set several elements to remove special interest groups from their influences, that drew the constant false appearance of pleasing everyone.

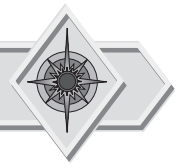
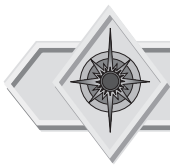
With lifetime positions, *term limits* would not exist. This also was criticized by those who felt they could not compete with a popular politician. In Cascadia, it was seen that people should keep who they wish in the position as long as they see them fit, and not becoming *lame ducked*.

Lifetime appointments reduced the effects of political parties and other special interest groups of the elected official. The 2/3<sup>rd</sup> acceptance requires candidates to show more potential and less rhetoric to a greater number of people.

Since the *Cascadia Surge* originated from a few like minded persons who gathered a foothold, not attempting to compromise with everyone, the movement grew a strong foundation and during the breakup of the *Former U.S.*, holding the region together. The following are other details of what evolved from their effort.

*Also see Politics and Political Parties in this section.*

- There are **no voting districts** as was known during the times of the *Former U.S.* In Cascadia, *Townships* are the local voting regions, and all citizens vote in the single *Townships* they call their **Primary Home of Residence**, no matter where else they may have property and homes. In the past, debates about voting districts became heated, often being meandering, misshapen oddities that were manipulated by a seated politician. Cascadia opted for *Townships* as the smallest division of governance, and elected officials within them. *See Communities in this section for Unity (minority) relations.*
- Many of the policies for elections were to limit the heavy influence of political parties, wealthy campaign donors and lobbyists. With Parliament Senators being the highest elected officials, most work from Townships, Counties and Shires, through the Provinces, and if the population find suitable them eventually as a Parliamentary Senator. Though some officials would begin as independent, even remain so, most will have support from several organizations and political parties. Great efforts had been applied in the formation of Cascadia to restrict the role of political parties to the endorsement of officials, not having officials conforming to party policies, overriding true governance of the nation.
- There are **no terms for seated officials**. Once elected, their presence is perpetual, unless replaced with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> year votes, resign and dies. This application further reduces pressures from political parties, lobbyists, wealthy campaign donors, etc.
- If a citizen is found to have voted in more than one *Township* for an election, they would be prosecuted with fraud and other related criminal acts.
- Elected officials are of **Township Councillors, County/Shire Councillors, Provincial Councillors** and **Parliament Senators**. All occupied elected positions require 2/3<sup>rd</sup> popular votes in the regions. Vacant seats are filled with the popular majority of the votes – the one with the most years. Past seated officials may retake positions through normal election process.
- In the rare occasion of an **unclear successor** or dispute of elections for officials, the *Star Chamber* oversees resolution. If a clear successor is not determined during the vote count (virtual draw, etc.), the number of full seasons since citizenship, Age of Commitment, military service, as well as the number of signatures required to gain the position on the ballot are added to the election results. This is not done for initiatives, which would not pass when in question. If still unclear, the regional Council (*Township, County/Shire or Province*) votes for the successors with yes/no for each. If continues to be matched up, the next higher council votes, working up to *Parliament* in order to break the draw, with the *Chief Executive Director* deciding, if needed.
- **Election Commission** (within the *Executive Ministry*) oversees all elements election, including producing ballots. They work with the *Statistics Commission* who validate signatures and registered voters. The *Standards & safety Commission* ensures proper conduct. Each *County/Shire* handles the **process of elections** to prevent centralization, making it more difficult to exploit, falsify or manipulate. **Magistrates and Wardens of Provincial higher Courts ensure proper handling of voting procedures.**
- Each of the **ballots** will have selection for candidates who have met the criteria, sorted by those representing the specific regions. Also on the ballots would be confidence the votes for the **Chief Executive Director** and each of the 3 **Star Chamber Justices**, gaining a “**Confident**” or “**Non-Confident**” for each. For any who gained non-confident votes equally into 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of the total votes will be immediately retired, suspending administrative-governance role, with replacement procedures will beginning as usual.
- **Elections are of the population Voting** of citizens, not adopting any form of electoral system of the *Former U.S.* The *Chief Executive Director* is selected by the *Senators of Parliament*, who are fully elected persons from the *Provinces*. In this way, one could say the *Senators* function as electorates of the population, having the views of the *Provinces* they represent, as opposed to electorates elected from political parties to make decisions for the populace.



## Elections (cont.):

- Though some persons have more than one vote during elections based on mature age, military status and property ownership in Cascadia, when it comes to counting petition numbers, it is of the individual and not their voting numbers. In this way, high participation is required to gain establishment for voting. **The citizen gets a separate ballot for each of their voting privileges.**
- The **Election Day** for occupied seats is on *High Winter Day* (see *Cascadian Calendar in this area*), each 4 years. For vacant seats, the election is on the **following Solstice or Equinox** after **2 full seasons** that the seat was empty. Ballads are mailed in advance to the elector and may be submitted by mail no later than midnight of the election, or dropped off at voting stations by 9:00 P.M.
- **Disputes of election results** shall be reviewed and decided on by the *Star Chamber*, with the all plaintiffs and filing parties leveling the accusations are subject to fraud for filing false accusations. Until the dispute is resolved, seated officials remain in office, though subject to all transitory rules, such as unable to vote or be on committees. Empty seats remain empty until resolved. Once resolved, the seat is taken in full on the 1st day after the next month.
- **Voting stations** are scattered within each community of the *Townships*, and are open on election days beginning at 6:00 A.M. and continues until 9:00 P.M., giving 15 hours to drop off ballots directly. Electors are able to mail their ballots by midnight of the election day.
- **Transition acceptance of occupied official seats** occur from the first day after the election (1 January) with the new official taking full office on 1 March, giving 60 days for the transition. Upon election results of a candidate being accepted by the voters, the prior official may no longer serve on any committee, and may not conduct any votes or governance action, so not to perform any last-minute, exiting favors. The departing official is to pass any information to the incoming official, and make moving arrangements which must be completed by 1 February.
- Citizens may **Petition for a legislative issue or Forced Succession**, where they collect valid signatures no less than 15% (20% for *High/Great Edicts*) of the voting population of the region for a valid candidate. Once there are 15%/20% valid signature for the candidate/initiatives, process of the election begins for the voted to be counted on *High Winter Day*.
- Cost of petitions is by private entities, including the printing of the petition forms. The **candidate petition kit** is purchased for a modest fee from the Township Hall with instructions and base form original, which they which they would make copies from.
- A **vacant Province Council** seat will be represented by the Senator of Parliament for the Province with the greater longevity. If more than one seat is vacant, the next senior will also hold a seat and so on until election fills the vacancies. *Lower Councils* are held by *Pro Tem* in the same manner from higher Councils.
- Election campaign staff and funding are of public knowledge and must be declared. For non-Senatorial elected positions, the candidate/emcumbants raise their funding in any legitimate manner under the guidelines of *Parliamentary Edicts*, including rallies, lunches, etc., adding any personal wealth as they see fit.
- Private advertising and support that is not under direction of a candidate or incumbent or their campaign staff remain a private matter is the obligation of the citizen to review the opinions of others, determining validity. This included any campaign support by special interest groups, such as political parties.
- Those currently **serving in the military** (*Ministry of Martial Affairs*) or retired gain an additional vote for all elections in their home of residency. This is not granted to civilian pensionaries of the military.
- Owners of property gain a second vote beyond the citizen vote

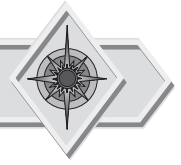
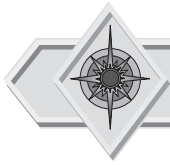
as long as they have the right to vote, having passed the voting examination.

- Cascadia takes the **right to vote** seriously, and if any citizen goes 3 elections without casting their votes, the *Statistic Commission* of the *Bureau of Civil Services* (see *Government Agencies section*) will contact the individual in person to query as to why and see if there had been some form of coercion. Any citizen may contact the Commission to express problems with their voting status. If there is any criminal reason for voting issues, the information is passed to the *Sheriffs* confidentially. If the citizen voluntarily chooses not to vote for the next 3 elections, they are unregistered as nonparticipating, so not to restrict petition numbers.
- The **Cascadia Government Knowledge Seminar** is conducted once a month in the Cascadian vernacular (the phonetic evolution of American-English) with an associated written examination. Disability will be accommodated, though still needs to have the knowledge. Every effort is made to have citizen to be literate and familiar with Cascadia customs. This seminar is conducted at each *Township Hall*. The examination is 5 pages randomly given from thousands with 20 multiple questions each. There is no time limit for the examination. As the citizen complete each sheet they are given another. Sheets with 14+ correct answers are held. The others are destroyed. The citizen may sit in on any of the seminars until they are comfortable with the knowledge. Once they completed 5 page with 7+ correct answers each, they are eligible to vote and is registered to do so.
- A **Voters Knowledge Booklet** is provided to each citizen who is taking the initial examinations for qualification without charge. Each 4 years, the citizen is allowed another copy without charge. Any additional copies will have a nominal fee.

## Elections (cont.):

- All citizens of **Age of Commitment** who have attended and passed the **Cascadia Knowledge Seminar** are registered to vote. Those serving or retired within the **military** gain an additional vote for their duty to the nation.
- Those no less than 36 years of age, having been a citizen of Cascadia for no less than 18 years, gain an additional vote for their experience of life. The **Longevity Vote**, as it became known as, did not come to be used by anyone until 2049 when the first official citizenship reach their 18 year as full citizen. Those registered as the private owner of any **property** and obligated for the levies for that property, gain an additional vote for their commitment to the nation. Those serving in full active **military service** or has retired from the military gains a separate vote for their commitment to Cascadia. For those who viewed this as unbalanced or unfair was presented with the counter argument of why award people less committed to the protection and strength of the nation than those who sacrificed more and has more experience in life.
- Signature collection for a specific election is to be completed 3 months prior to the election. All signature sheets are to be filed prior to the first week of the next season (86 days prior to the election) to the Statistics Commission.
- Candidates pursuing election shall collect signatures in support of their inclusion on the ballot. Signatures are validated by the statistics commission with a supporting fee per number of signatures. The candidate must have the last sheets at the office no later than the first day 2 months prior to the election. This gives the statistics commission 30 days to validate signatures.
- All *candidates pursuing to fill occupied officary seats (Senators, Councilmembers, etc.)* must accrue verifiable signatures of 15% registered voters. If there are no candidates with the required 15%, the officary will continue their function unoccupied, and not be distracted by campaigning when there is no viable candidate.
- For open seats, all candidates who gain 15% signatures of valid registered voters are placed on the ballot. If there are less than 3 candidates for the open seat with 15% signatures, those the most valid signatures are placed on the ballot until there are 3 candidates for the election. There may be more than 3 candidates, if all have at least 15% signatures.
- **Legislative issues** are any petitions to create edicts in spite of Parliament. To be included on the ballot, the sponsors must collect 15% signatures of valid registered voters within the Cascadia for common and procedural propositions, 20% signatures are needed for high and great propositions. For elections, the required yeas over nays would be the same percentages required by Parliament.
- Any **misrepresentation of voter** qualifications is a criminal act of fraud, and shall be prosecuted.
- During the election, each voter will gain a “Yea” or “Nay” for every vote they cast, no matter their political party affiliation.. In this way, parties only support candidates and have less control over them. In doing voting for each candidate, and not just one with in the opening, the 2 point swing achieved for each boat that went from one side to the other (-1 and +1) doesn’t occur.
- The **Statistics Commission** have until the first week, 2 months prior to the election to validate eligibility and submit results to the Elections Commission. The Elections Commission has until the first day of the first month prior to the election to produce and mailed ballots to the electorates. The postal commission has until the 4<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the election to deliver those ballots to the home of residency of the citizens. Citizens who had not received their ballot have until the 16<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the election to declare so at their Township, signing for a replacement. Voters have until the end of the election day to submit the ballot to the Township hall or the Postal Service to be postmarked.
- Since *Senators* relinquishes all personal assets upon taking office, having no personal wealth, and that their time is to be dedicated to matters of *Parliament*, all contributions to the challenger candidate and to the incumbent are pooled and divided evenly. Half of all campaign contributions/compensation (whether direct or indirect) assembled by candidates running for the seat is issued to seated Senator. Any contributions/compensation to the Senators shall be distributed evenly to all candidates and their campaign fund.





**Emergency Response Teams:** See *Disaster and Special Crisis Response Teams* in this section. Also see *Fire & Aid Response* in this section.

**Employment:** Business companies thrive at all levels in Cascadia, despite what outsiders would say about universal health care, levy policies, company ownership without public stocks, restrictive collective bargaining and lack of mega-companies. What doesn't happen, is the wide discrepancy between those with more money and those with less. There are a wide range of companies owned by people.

*Parliament* has taken great effort to ensure citizens are not manipulated by companies or guilds/unions (see *Guilds & Unions* in this section), as well as allowing smaller, privately owned companies to prosper without oppression from large corporations or other entities. In that light, the employees are afforded protections at all levels.

See *Business, County/Shire Houses and Income* in this section. Also see *Government Pensionary in the Government Affairs* section for pay of government employee staffers and officaries, and *Revenue* in this section.

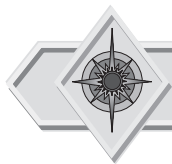
- With the change of the calendar came the change of the **standard earning week to 32 hours**, making the total scheduled hours for the year for the 60 6-day weeks of 1,920 hours (four 8-hour days, 480 hours per season), compared to the 2,080 hours for the 40 hour 52 week calendar year. With the slightly less work time and people encouraged to hold a low debt amount and living together in larger homes, as well as paying off the mortgages, people have the potential to live better and close to their family. Many do.
- Cascadia distinguishes a separation of employees and company owners. **Owners** are any persons having any stock holding shares in the company, and may not have membership within any of the employment guild/unions associated representing that company, even if they hold staff positions. **Employees** are persons hired into a position who does not have any shares in that company, though may have shares in other companies. See *Guilds & Unions* in this section.
- **Citizens seeking employment** without share ownership, may inquire through guilds/unions of their choosing, gaining representation, or pursue specific companies directly. See *Guilds/Unions* in this section for other details.
- **Businesses shall allow the potential or hired employee to take contracts to any representation** (private attorneys or *Guilds*) for review and not deny employment based on that action. For this reason, applications are completed beyond the business (with all legal documents), and all employment contracts are not binding for 1 full season and may be rejected by employee within that time and without penalty.
- **Independent Companies** (smaller companies with no more than 120 employees or owner-ratio of 1:3, 1:7 and 1:15 for large companies) may not be associated with employee guilds (See *Guilds & Unions* in this section). This is to prevent possibility of strong arm tactics to smaller businesses, especially those associated with families – a practice prevalent in the past. As described in the business entry, Cascadia encourages families to form business enterprises.
- Though 32 hours is the standard duty/service week, many prefer part time at 24 hours a week (four 6-hour days or three 8-hour days a week) than full time with more time for leisure and creative activities. Some opt for three 12-hour days a week for 36, and fewer still four 10-hour days for 40.
- For a Cascadian calendar year, at 24 hours (three 8-hour days or four 6-hour days), 60 weeks has a potential service of 1,440 hours in the year. At 32-hours (four 8-hours days), the citizen gives 1,920 hours in a year; and at 40 (four 8-hour days) there is 2,400 service hours. With 180/240/300 of personal time respectively, the company service hours would be 1,260, 1,680 and 2,100.
- Work week of the *Former U.S.* with the 52-week Gregorian calendar and 40 hours a week, there are 2,080 potential work hours. Remove 2 weeks for vacation (80 hours) leaves and there

are 2,000 hours. Take 10 holidays (another 80 hours) and there is 1,920 hours left. Another 80 hours of sick leave is common, though few took all of them in the year, and often discouraged to do so by the company, leaving 1,840 hours of service to the company.

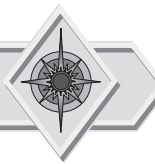
- By *Edict*, over time is **any hours over 32 hour** for the standard week (*Mundae-Sundae*) would be paid at *1.6 times* their normal wage rate. Any hours within the week **exceeding 40 hours** will be paid at *2.2 normal rate*. This is to discourage companies to pressure employees to work more, reducing the overall workforce they may have otherwise. These levels are higher than the historical past for *Former U.S.* (1.5/2.0), and is in response of companies overworking employees, so not to have to hire others, reducing benefit costs. The additional 0.1/0.2 is to discourage such practices, and is considered related to the benefit aspects that would otherwise not be paid. This practice is hard on people and exploitive.
- The **income over Least Civil Wage is levied at 15%**. The full income of the citizen is registered with the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. See *Income* in this section.
- Cascadia handles **unemployment** through *County/Shire Homes* (see *separate entry*).
- Companies **laying off employees** shall provide severance income of 2 full seasons to prevent indiscriminate hindering of livelihoods. *Between layoffs and part-time employment, companies of the past have treated people as resources that could be shuffled about and replaced without sympathetic consideration.*
- The term **"human resources,"** implies association with materials and commodities needing controlling, even having a disposable view. This view is discouraged, with persons attending to the persons within the company as **Practitioner/Employee Counselors**, and are dedicated to the well-being of those people.

## ~ Employee Benefits & Compensation ~

- Income, benefits and compensation shall be in balance with their performance, dependability reliability and longevity of the employee [**"Balanced Earnings for Performance"**], not just equal pay for equal work.
- **Paid Personal Time** is accrued at no less than 1 hour per 8 hours of duty (generally becoming 4 hours per standard 32 service hour week), working out to be 20 hours a month, 60 hours a season and 240 hours for the year. There are no life time limit, and companies may not pressure the employees to take or deny the time.
- **Personal Time** may be used for **vacations, leave of absence** (personal issues), **illness/sickness** (covering *sick leave* of the past), **care of others** (including pets), **faith/holidays**, etc. Companies may not query as to the nature of the time taken or deny the time from being taken. Balance at the end of employment (no matter the reason for separation) would be paid out by the current employer upon separation, and not the receiving employer.
- **Longevity within a company** advances the employee. Generally, after 5 years of service, the employee would accrue 1 hour per 7 hours of duty, and after 10 years of service would accrue one hour per 6 hours of duty. Many companies offers earlier increases, say within 3 and 6 years.



## Universal Tales: Campaign Environment



### Employment (cont.):

- Employee duty hours of 6 P.M. to 6 A.M. gain *Night Differential* of additional 15% to their pay rate. Working weekends (Saterdae/Sundae) gain 30% over normal pay rates. Civil Pensionaries do not gain this. Frazhadae hours are paid at 2.2 time normal wages, and reasonable time must be granted to vote, should there be elections during the period. See *Celebration/Leisure Days for compensation*.
- **Flexible Employment Pools** evolved from experiments of the past, including the employee mobility centers in Netherlands, where several companies group employee resources, including job placement, training, and benefits. As the jobs in the company shift with demands and development, the employee has flexibility to flow with the changes, reduction, preventing more of the layoffs. Different pools are often linked and work with independent employment placement/temporary services and *County/Shire* homes work services to keep people employed. Multiple part-time jobs allow employees to function as full-time employee, killing 2 or more parts at a time jobs in one or more of the companies associated with the pool, and remain as Cingular employee, simplifying employee meant ministrations.
- **Maternity/Paternity leave** is allowed evenly for each parent. See *pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity in this section*.
- Many companies have employed **Gardeners** and **Housekeepers** replacing outsourced landscaping and janitorial, having a more personal quality. Giving gardeners more freedoms, allowing them to tend the landscape with pride.
- If earners wish to sell their personal time, the company must agree in writing. The company may not force an employee to do so. Management must actively ensure employees take personal time as they desire and need. No company may have use or lose policies.
- **Driver employees** may not drive more than 90 minutes in a stretch without a 15 minute break beyond the vehicle, and not to be driving more than 12 hour period without a 12 hours rest time before and after, giving plenty of time to relax and sleep. Drivers must be alert and not have intoxicants in their system beyond 0.02% for employment driving. Violators are set as Class-II violation ticket (see *Legal Affairs section*) for the driver, and 0.0 1% violation penalty to the company based on the full seasonal income, payable in the next season. Higher intoxication level is only to the driver and prosecuted as for all citizens.

### ~ Employment Call-In & Holdovers ~

A common practice within the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, becoming more so in the following decades was using call-in and holding people over as a scheduling tool. The practice was hard on families, including health, child care, etc. With Cascadia's strong support of family over company interest, this practice was viewed as harmful, and companies were expected to compensate for it. Parliament had set edicts to curtail such practices without compensation to the employees.

- Parliament has set 4 levels of employment. **Wage Practitioners** (*Wage Tier*) are any employee paid on an hourly basis. **Staffer Salary** (*Salary Tier*) are non-managerial personnel, including medical salary personnel, having a set weekly income. **Managerial Salary** (*Salary Tier-II*) are any managers or officers, whether civilian or government. **Protective Services** (*Salary Tier-III*) are combat ready military personnel (*Ministry of Martial Affairs*), *Sheriffs* and *Marshals*, and compensated by commanders for extra time performed. Non-militant personnel in the *Ministry of Martial Affairs* are categorized in one of the other 3 categories, not *Salary Tier-III*. There are no civilian *Salary Tier-III*.
- Military, *Sheriffs* and *Marshals* are considered always on call, subject to a response due to the nature of their service. Though some medical personnel may be considered critical,

and on call, their positions normally do not require them to put their lives in harm's way, and are *Salary Tier-I/II*.

- Due to hardship and inconvenience to employees and their families, any **short notice** changes to duty/service/job scheduling—whether held over, called in, arriving early, etc.—shall have specific compensation, and set by *Parliamentary Edict*. Such times will be recorded accordingly.
- **Short Notice** changes include any **On Call** response. Responding for *On Call* duty is not considered regular hours unless they are being paid for the time they are *On Call* as a whole, not just going in. Any of this time is at 1.6 normal rate (2.2 4 any Freyjadaes), and includes compensation time.
- If **selling Personal Time**, earners will be compensated for at 1.6 times their hours. This is to help discourage companies from pressuring more work out of employees, a practice prevalent in the past.
- **Salary Tier-I Staffers** work schedule over 32 hours per week not compensated for by the end of the season shall be paid as a bonus worth 2.2 times effective wages (as figured at 32 hours divided into their normal weekly pay). Compensation time for these hours would be at 1.5 hours per each hour performed during call-in or holdovers.
- **Registration of over hours** through the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* is done in the usual manner – even for salary personnel. The number of hours performed for the company per week is registered by the company with their normal reports, including compensation time for salary employees. At the end of the season, any uncompensated performed hours for salary earners would be paid out at 2.2 times effective wages, and noted in the report for adjustment to the citizens *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. This is to discourage overworking salary earners in order to reduce staffing. Everyone deserves a home-social life beyond the company.
- **Owners/Stockholders** of companies are *Managerial Salary* (*Salary-II*), no matter their active position in the company.

**End of Life Request:** See *Bureau of Health in the Governance section*.

**Energies:** See *Utilities within this section*.

**Entertainment:** See *Appendix-A1 (Entertainment) section*.

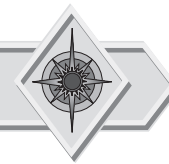
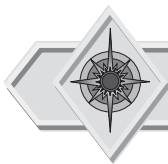
**Execution:** See *Monroe Penitentiary section*.

**Executive Director:** See *Chief Executive Director in the Government Affairs section*.

**Extraterrestrials (Etiens/ETIs):** Cascadia has very limited contact with other interplanetary civilizations. Few know fractions of this information and the director of the campaign will need to set limits of what characters may know, should the director even set this in the history.

- Cascadia adopted "**Etiens**" (or just **Etties**) for extraterrestrial aliens.
- The *Kaezodae*, *Uezarjh* and *Oshothee* have been fighting in the region of the galaxy for thousands of years, creating the *Drofferian Expanse* that Sol (Earth) is within. The *Expanse* is a demilitarize zone where the interplanetary civilization are only allowed to monitor the other civilizations for breach of treaty. Non of the civilization are allowed colonies within the *Expanse*. They do sometime conduct experiments, but that to is against treaty. Communications are also suppressed in the region. The conflict has been fairly inactive since around 12,000 bce, though there are many small skirmishes.

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## Extraterrestrials (Cont.):

**Kaezodae:** The root civilization of Kaezodae, best thought of as the Greek and other culture gods, biblical angels that mated with human females), bearing offspring and resemble humans in many way and are considered the source of Earthers and other races on other planets.

**Naeyoeru:** A reawakened people who are said to have taken an interest in Sol (Earth) and the surrounding systems, working to keep the Uezarjh and Kaezodae from becoming strong enough to break the Drofferian Expanse Treaty. It appears that a human names Kendrick Rheinform is leading this group in 2067.

**Uezarjh:** The nearest of the Grays civilization who have been studying people for a very long time, in search of heritage/genetic memory of the Roezoshee (of the Zodaes civilization).

**Faith:** See Religion/Faith/Believes in this section.

**Families & Relations:** Cascadia sees home life and family as a strong unit of social continuity and personal happiness, and national policies are geared to ensure home and family life, as well as unique lifestyles, is not secondary to business interests.

The Founders of Cascadia set a path to strengthen family unity, broadening the view of families and members, seeing the relation of a number of parents/guardians, juveniles and other relations as a bonding strength for the community.

See *Communities, Genders, Homes & Residents and Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity* in this section. Also see *Maturity for Age of Commitment*. Also see *Juvenile Legal Status in the Legal Affairs* section.

- Legal status of juvenile is squarely on the parents/guardians, and responsible for any fines applied. If they are unable to maintain discipline, legal custody is evaluated, and the parents/guardians may receive counseling or lose custody.
- The *County/Shire Homes* have resources for assisting families with maintaining order and discipline, including seminars, community service/social event (dances, picnics, nature outings, etc.), etc. to help bring the juveniles into social environment with counselors.
- **Spankings** are allowed by *Edicts*, as long as they do not leave welts or breaks of the skin.
- **Child safety and abuses are investigated by Sheriffs**, and any valid misconduct is a criminal offense of assault, rape, etc. False accusation of abuse by another, other than juveniles, shall be charged with fraud and prosecuted as such to limit vindictive accusations. This process may not be waived, and is to prevent vindictive behavior. False accusations by juveniles shall face 30 hours of community service. Each offense is a multiple of the

last.

- Disciplinary action from parents/guardians for their juvenile charges is expected, since they are responsible for the behavior of the juvenile. Any complaint of misconduct, battery, rape is investigated, with the juvenile taken into custody and held in the juvenile detention center for the County/Shire (see Juvenile legal status). The juvenile will gain medical examination (no copay), and counseling. If the accusation is false, the juvenile shall perform community service of 20 hours, multiplied by the number of fences.
- Tools of discipline are given to the parents/guardians, including parent/guardian directed community service, where the juvenile is registered at the *Township Hall* to perform such assignments as punishment. Parent/guardian and *Township* counselors are escort for the duty.
- **Youth Social Training Center/Camps** are ran by *Provinces* to bring trouble soon juveniles for social training. These facilities are provided for parents/guardians who are having problems controlling their youth. Cost to the parents/guardians would be 3% % of their recent 12 months declared income (e.g.; C£600 for C£20,000) Juvenile would be counseled, observed and educated in a variety of settings. Social activities are available and the use shall participate in some of them. School classes are required. Other avenues for establishing pleasant social behaviors are available and various depending on requirements.
- With the 20<sup>th</sup> Century seeing a breakup of families – an effect from insurance companies and corporate positions on family association and benefits – Cascadia worked at bringing back and expanding upon, the sense of extended family and kith relations. National policies relating to agencies and business enterprises were set to ensure all relations of this broader concept of kin-kith families was cultivated to ensure strong continuity and support.
- Continuity of extended family helps alleviate burdens on governance and charities to provide hardship relief by providing preventative services before hardships become an issue for families. In having services available for all citizens, people within families of any size do not have to reach a devastatingly low threshold for assistance. Having such low thresholds before assistance could be gained creates greater amount of burden on governance and allows charities to manipulate the population, applying confined social expectations.
- With the **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund** as the venue broad governance support to all citizens, *Dynamic Family Relations* will not see social conformity pressures from persons with narrow views. A growing view of charities and churches institutions manipulating populations through assistance as a means to pressure conformity was seem by more, and more people. In governance providing services for broader a prevalent means for those institutions to gain social control.
- **Dynamic Family Relations** is a term used to express the broader sense of kin and kith in Cascadia. The *Founders* rejected narrow views of “**nuclear family**,” not reflective of historical/cultural relation bonding. Also see *Gender in this section*.
- The terms **Kithamly, Trithklin & Dynasty Nexus Family** arose with *Dynamic Family Relations* within the Northwest region to describe the collection of peoples and close families associating together for mutual strengths, enterprises, etc.; ensuring the well-being of each within the family. These families brings together relations beyond blood or marriage with enduring commitments and mutual prosperity.



## Families & Relations (Cont.):

- To alleviate the constraining limitations of faith institutions in support of communities, families and peoples – requiring considerable funding from the population in their support – Social Centers (see communities in this section) and *County/Shire Homes* are present for diverse continuity of society. With the protections within the *Edicts* to ensure all people are afforded the same opportunities, any perceived coercion by any institution into compliance shall be investigated. This includes special events, clubs, societies, etc. having a presence in **Foundation Schools** (see *Education* section), government institutions or public lands that in any way attempts to shape the nature of families. The notion that having such gatherings is voluntary and not coercive is problematic, and those directly connected with such gatherings have obvious advantages over those who do not attend – and such presentation is, in its nature, coercive. Any private gathering may take place in private homes and properties.
- **Inclusive/Omni-Relations** are broader friendships and affectionate people (differing from singular pairing), including polygyny, polygamy, polyandry. This evolved from the *polyamorous* movement in the past, sometimes referred to as **omni-amorous**. The dynamics of these relations are personal amongst those involved, being considered part of family relations, and are protected by *Edicts* from harassment.
- **Trithklin** was coined by Nolan Bernstein and adopted by many – including Sigga and Etta Carper – as a term to draw back to tribal-clan support of family kin and kith. It holds an understanding that non-harmonious are toxic to the cooperative group, so some would not be Trithklin – no matter what other social relations may apply.

The term blends kith, kin, clan and tribe, relating to close association of people (**Kithins**). Though the 4 elements are blended into *Trithklin*, it would not include any disruptive persons that would be toxic to the harmonious bonding of the *Trithklin*. Associations would be similar to *Klithamlies*, though the harmonious bonding is stronger.

Not all kin or kith would be *Trithklin*. Only those with strong-social-economical bonded associations would be *Trithklin*. Even children would not be considered *Trithklin* until they fully commit sometime after the *Age of Commitment* and dedicate their full resources for the benefit all persons within the *Trithklin*.

Socially, *Nolan treats Trithklin families different from Klithamlies*. *Trithklin* is a close association of cooperative people (*Klithins*), where *Klithamlies* would include all persons that have blood, births, marriage, adoption and other associations – including and casual friends – as a highly extended Association.

Businesses are of the *Trithklin* and each person would foster strengthening of such enterprises.

Patriarch-matriarch roots for continuity is needed, though not to be overbearing, acting more as the father and mothers of the family, guiding the *Trithklin* to a harmonious bonding of all involved.

**Farms & Ranches:** This includes **Orchards**. The founders of Cascadia wished to bring the private farms above the corporate ones that nearly made them extinct. In a lot of ways, the loss of population made the effort simpler. With the *Broad Scope Company Levy* and other provision, private farms had a strong comeback. With parliament's principle to hold private smaller company endeavors above larger companies, they still have a strong hold in Cascadia.

*See Fishing of fish farms.*

- There are no subsidies for farms, orchards or ranches. *See County/Shire Homes for protections that Cascadia does have.*
- County/Shire Co-ops are common, keeping them within the County/Shire so not to draw the higher levies for being Broad Scope. Separate delivery services brings produce to market, picking up that cost, applied to the buys from them and not the local farms, orchard and ranches. Local stores often purchase

directly from the co-ops, so much of the product remains local, not shipping out as much of the better product.

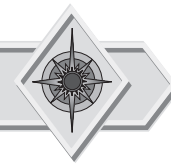
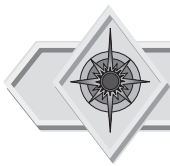
- Most ranches conduct the pasture feeding in what they call **High Growth Ranging** where they move the herds more often, not letting the animals to eat the pasture below the animal's knees. This allows the plants to recover faster with a more productive regrowth, having more left to do so. It also reduces disease and illness by keeping them from feeding to low to the ground where the dropping would be.

**Females:** *See Women/Femininity in this section.*

**Films & Movie Theaters:** *See Appendix-A1 (Entertainment) section.*

**Fines:** *See Violation Ticketing in the Legal Affairs section.*

**Firearms:** *See Weapons in this section.*



**Fire & Aide Response:** Each *Townships* has their own *Urgent Response Stations*, often attached to the Sheriff's Precinct office.

See *Urgent Care in the Medical & Health* entry in this section for care and costs. Also see *Bureau of Health in the Government Affairs* section.

- Dispatch is through the *Urgency Service Call Centers*, still using **911** Urgent (emergency) telecom code..
- Financed amount is set by the County/Shire with matching funds from Province and National. Often adjacent smaller Townships will pool funding for a shared response teams and facilities, costs based on populations.
- **High-Rise Fire Suppression Hose Hopper System** is a series of 80-120 foot hoses feeding water collection hoppers with pumps to push the water to the next level. In this way, ground level water may be hoisted to fire in high rises from outside, supplementing or backing up interior fire suppression systems. These hose hoppers may be elevated by a building roof hoist/crane (brought by helicopter, etc.), Sheriff dirigibles, helicopter, robotics or other means.
- Sheriff dirigibles may be enlisted for fire teams to hoist gondolas and hosing for rescue and fire suppression.
- Adjacent Townships shall assist each other, and 15% of the Townships funding is distributed evenly to the adjacent Townships for compensation.
- Aide Response Teams would be deployed to medical or other emergencies when needed, and works with Special Crisis Response Teams (see separate entry).

**Fishing:** Parliament set the Bureau of parks & Wilderness to protect the fish and water life, allowing it to recover from the devastation of the past. For the effort, the price of wild seafood increases greatly, coming down a bit by 2067, though still some 3-4 times that of the turn of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Also see *Hunting*.

- There is no whaling in the Pacific by Parliament decree and this is forced on all nations. See *Whales in this section*.
- There are many land and ocean fisheries providing *domestic seafood* and are not subject to the same harvesting rules as *wild seafood*.
- Ocean fishing has seasons and catches are maintained by the — — —, with an increased harvesting applied on the season as the season progresses. Until the full limits are reached. Conservative monitoring allows only a small percentage of free range sea life to be harvested from a nonprofit known population. Monitoring agents may sail with the vessels to ensure compliance, including preventing collateral loss of the other sealife.
- Controls of ocean fishing in the Cascadian Sea (see territories in this section) is regulated by the *Bureau of Park & Wilderness*.

## ~ Time & Calendar ~

The 24-hour clock is still the best division of the day, with the pair of 12-hours halves, providing the evenly divisible by 2, 3, 4 and 6. Extending that ability to the 60-minute hour and 60-second minute (both as multiples of 12 and the day is able to be partitioned simply. The Gregorian calendar on the other hand, had a number of problems, so Cascadia transformed the calendar into 6-day weeks with twelve 30-day months, having 5 and 6 additional days outside the months. See *calendars in this section for what had been done*.

- With levy policies within Cascadia, most fishing vessels are license as independent, with most selling their catches in the open market bids. Company vessels, usually to large corporations subject to the broad scope Levy, have a higher overhead, allowing the independent fishermen to sell their product in a singular location with lower levy costs. As long as the fisherman do not sell their products beyond the scope of their levy status, they may fish anywhere within the Cascadian sea.

**Flags:** The Cascadian national flag is gold field with a single medium green broad full-leaved maple tree in the center having 9 dark purple 9-point stars arcing over it.

Each *Province*, *County*, *Shire* and *Township* created flags to represent themselves. Beyond that, many groups having flags.

**Flu:** See *kazakhstan Flu in this section*.

**Food & Beverage:** With the collapse of the *Former U.S.*, the eating habits of people changed.

- Many families began forming small companies, providing local manufactured processed food, such as crackers, potato chips.
- In response to Cascadia's policy efforts to bring companies local, such as broad scope levies, community grocers was given opportunities to prosper, and many communities have such personalized grocers owned by groups of families.
- Barbecue became even more popular and family restaurants provided wood fire cooked barbecue meats, having seating in tight of the grills.
- Whole milk had a comeback, seeing skimming the milk reduced the full nutrition. Small pasteurizing machines were manufactured locally.
- Glass bottles with large-top plastic stoppers ("corks") became the primary container of sodas in Cascadia. Bottle returns are collected by several independent companies, who cleaned and redistribute them. This is part of the great effort to reduce waste in the nation. Kids, as in the past, collect bottles for the return fees.
- With consideration of reusable bottles, styling continue to have variations, though still constrained by a vending and mechanical similarities. In that, the surface labeling could be redone each processing, removing the old during the cleaning process, adding reprinting.
- Wild seafood became very expensive, though land and ocean fish farms have large productions. See *Fishing in this section*.

**Manufactures:** There are many local and national companies producing and distributing food and drinks, as well as restaurants. Some are discussed here.

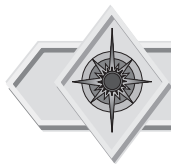
- **Spring Delight** (2037 to present, Kennewick, Coulee Province) produces a variety of drinks, including *Honey Spring Delight* (lemon-lime-honey soda).

**Foreign Nationals:** Immigration (see separate entry in this section) to Cascadia during the 3 decades leading to 2067 were mainly from India (14%), Japan (11%) and England (9%). Nations from global regions had less; with, Arab nations totaling 13%, European nations at 9%, South Sahara Africa at 9%, Southeast Asia being 8%, Central/South America nations (8%), Eastern Europe (7%), Mediterranean (6%), with all the other nations being at 6%. These figures are fairly general.

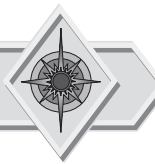
Also see *Foreign Relations in the Government Affairs* section.

**Foreign Trade:** Any Cascadian company of citizen may conduct business with foreign companies as long as they comply to Parliament Edicts and pay applicable *Levies*. Foreign trade is overseen by the *Bureau of Foreign Affairs*, as well as the *National Economics Commission* Within Cascadia, all business is with Cascadia currency.

Also see *Business, Currency & Economics* and *Revenue* in section.



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**Forests & Wilderness:** All such lands of the *Former U.S.* was placed under the protection and management of the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness*. Purchasing and acquisition of adjacent land added to the size of *Parks and Natural Wilderness Reserves*. Other parks and reserves were created as time went by.

With the *Adirondack Reserve* (New York State) as an example of how large tracts of landscape could be preserved as “Forever Wild” without hindering economy of a state/province, Cascadia brought in the protection of land to all the Provinces.

*Also see Communities, National Resources, Parks in this section, as well as Bureau of Parks & Wilderness and Ministry of Environmental Integrity in the Government Affairs section.*

- It had been found people make poor shepherds of the wilderness and that nature was to exist without interference or management.
- Interior of the *Wilderness Reserve* is protected from hunting and fishing of any kind. Roads are gravel only to maintain natural environment, and vehicle access is highly restrictive and regulated by the Rangers. The interior zone will be the core 85%, with no hunting or fishing allowed by non-rangers.
- Rangers may be authorized to hunt and kill any animal found infected or dangerous to the well-being of the wilderness under the guidelines of the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness*. The view of infection and danger is of pathogen or extreme aggression beyond what is considered normal.
- The outer 15% of the wilderness may allow limited, permitted hunting and fishing. This hunting/fishing may not be extended into the interior.
- Wilderness is protected by Great Proclamation and may not be redesignated unless achieving 90% Yea votes of Parliament seats and population votes. Before any portion of wilderness may be re-categorized, an equal or greater area adjacent to the original Wilderness must be set aside as wilderness for no less than 22 years and both are considered wilderness until period of time has elapsed. This is to give the new wilderness region time to become completely wild, and discourage quick profiting from logging and other resource gathering. After the period of time, the newly redesignated area may not be exploited for resources for another 6 years. During this period, public access shall be phased in, allowing nature to adjust and migrate before full exploitation would be allowed.
- Regulated, registered hiking is allowed in the wilderness with simple licenses gain from the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness*, overseen by the *Statistics & Licensing Commission*. Protective firearms may be carried with test firings having been done by Sheriff's Department with certificates given, proving ballistic registration for comparison of animal kills.
- Parliament decreed that no less than 40% of the land of Cascadia shall be considered wilderness, and 30% Forest Land within each of the *Provinces* – having a total of 70% protected lands. At the formation of Cascadia, the land percentages were lower. Incentive to sell the land over the years fluctuated, depending on regions. By 2058, the goal of 70% was met. From 2050 to 2058, those filing to sell early gained a 20% bonus. This bonus tapered off as the goals were getting closer and tell, the goal was met and the monies ran out.
- Forest land is general use semi-wild lands, and may allow regulated hunting, fishing and timber harvesting.
- The *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness* maintains all wild and semi-wild lands in Cascadia and their territories, including timber harvesting, hunting, fishing, camping, etc.

**Franchises:** *See Business in this section.*

**Freedom of Speech:** Cascadia hold a strong sense of the peoples right to express themselves. They also hold the rights of people not to be disturbed by others. For that reason, any public expression (including

what is wore) shall not exceed the Restricted Media Rating of M-0.

May not express themselves, if such actions would result in tangible harm or danger to others, such as declaring terrorists, fires, etc., When such things are not true. Any resulting panic and detriment to people will be charged as harassment, assault, murder, or other applicable charges.

*Also see Demonstrations in this section.*

**Fuels:** There are several fuel types Cascadia produces for their citizens and for export, including *bio-hydrogen fuel* (the main replacement of gasoline).

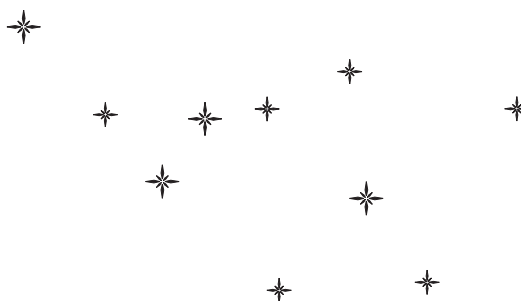
- Cascadia operates civil *Auto-Fueling Stations* under the label **Cascadia Petrol**. Though the name implied gasoline, that is not the main fuel, which is in 2067, the *bio-hydrogen fuel* (that took the more common “*petrol*” reference in gasoline and other such fuels). Petrol is produced by civil facilities and distribution network and runs at a cost of around 90% of regional private cost, not to drop below operational cost +15%. This is one of the methods to maintain lower fuel costs and encourage competition. Higher priced coordination is discourages in this way. Any private competition would be in services, since civil stations are more no-frills and self servicing with basic facilities (lavatories and such). If price coordination is discovered or suspected, the *Standards & Safety Commission* may direct *Cascadian Petrol* stations to drop the fuel prices to 85% of average or lower to break such coordination.
- With Cascadia shifting to metric, the fuel are measured in the station per *Liter*, or *kilograms* for higher volume (such as aviation fuels).

**Fuel Types:** As mentioned, there are a variety of fuels in Cascadia and more are being experimented on.

- Gasoline, diesel, kerosine, propane and other past fuels are still in production at some level
- **Bio-hydrogen fuels** are a variety of available combo-fuels for engine, including autos and come is high toque (bhT4<sup>1</sup>) for diesel for heavy trucks/vehicles, standard (bhS2<sup>1</sup>) for most autos and smaller trucks and high performance (bhP12<sup>1</sup>) level ratings.
- **Aviation fuels** for aircraft have developed to be more efficient, some with hydrocarbons, bio, synthetic paraffinic kerosene content. The past Jet A and A-1 (commercial) and JP-5 and JP-8 (military) are still produced. The JCA-3 and JCB-1 are “drop-in” aviation fuel for the JP-5/JP-8 with no modification to past designs. AV-A1 and AV-B1 are toned down versions of JCA-3 for commercial turbine jets. A series of JS-A (Jet-Scram, A1-A18 by 2067) fuels are in use for the still growing scram-planes usage.

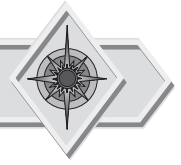
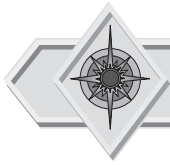
**Fusion Reaction:** *See Science & Technology section.*

**Future Growth of Cascadia:** *See Stellar Progression section.*



1) These are the latest in common use and available in the station in 2067.





**Future Growth of Cascadia:** By 2067, Parliament considered what would happen if the nation grew in size, adding Provinces, which they felt inevitable. With hopes of survival, they considered the lessons of the past and decided that Parliament itself should not grow in size, that 81 Senators were already stretching manageable level, and if not for the 3 Houses, they would as dysfunctional as those of the past. The question loomed: What to do?

With growing number of peoples in Canada talking of a merger with Calvada, already under Cascadia's protection and considering becoming a territory—as was Hawaii, Indonesia and Philippines—it was decided that any new Province would become sister Provinces under a separate **Commonwealth**.

The original 9 Provinces would be the **Olympic Commonwealth** having the Olympic Mountain Range within it. Future Commonwealths would select their title with approval of Parliament, becoming part of the **Sol System Council**. In this way, they become part of the **Cascadia Dominion** ("Land of Cascadia"). The second Commonwealth was **Golden Pacific Commonwealth**, bring together Indonesia and Philippines with Japan.

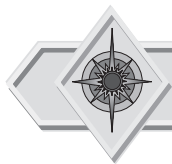
The following was the considerations and plan. As with all plans, there would a different outcome ultimately.

- It was set that **Parliament** would remain at the highest authority and remain with 3 Houses of 27 member, having the total of 81 (9 Archons from each of 9 Realms, 3 in each House). With the creation of Senates of the Realms, Parliament member were titled **Archons** after the Greek word for an official. Parliament remains the only body that creates or ends Edicts. Archons are elected from the Senate of their realm.
- Within **Cascadia Dominion**, there would be 9 Realms having a **Senate of the Realm**, each having 12 **Senators**. No matter how Cascadia grows, there would only be 9 **Realms** and those **Realms** would remain generally of balanced size and fluid so as new **Provinces** and **Commonwealths** enter the **Dominion**, the **Realms** adjusts to hold a general balance between them. As Provinces within Commonwealths are adjacent to each other, **Commonwealths** within **Realms** will be adjacent, not extending within other **Realms**.
- All **Archons**, **Senator**, **Visgerants** are full duration appointments, and must surrender their entire property holding and wealth to any persons of their choice as did the **Parliament Senators** of the past. Upon retirement or replacement, they gain the usual pension for the rank of citizenship and may hold property and independent wealth again.
- It is planned for the **Parliament** to have 3 **Parliament Stellar Ships** for the **Archons** to travel the **Realms**. No ship shall have no more than 3 **Archons** from the same **Realm** on it, one **House**. The purpose of the ships are to allow the to survey the **Realms** and the **Commonwealths** in them so they stay in touch with the citizens. These ships will have escort fleets. This also enables for **Parliament** to be able to go to disturbances to provide a **Parliament** presence as long as there is not threat.
- Each of the Archon shall visit their own **Realm** for no less than 9 Earth days. For this purpose, there are 12 **Archon Stellar Ships**. These ships also allows them to evacuated with the use of the Archon Stellar Ships, should the need arise.
- Seats of the **Senate of the Realms** are fill for the associated **Congress of the Realm**. Only **Syndics** from **Commonwealth** not already represented are considered. If the seat is open, **Syndics** with the most yeah votes become the **Senator**. To replace a **Senator**, the normal 2/3<sup>rd</sup> approval is needed, and a **Syndic** from the same **Commonwealth** may be considered since the replacement will remain only one **Senator** from the **Commonwealth**.
- **Praetor** is the presiding **Senator** within the **Senate** and is elected to the position by the seated **Senators** there in the usual manner. This is a life time appointment.
- Each **Commonwealth** will elect and send 3 **Syndics** to their

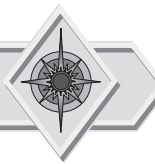
**Pancongress<sup>1</sup> of the Realm.** This **Congress** is the largest body, acting only as an advisory council to the **Senate** and the body with the electoral authority to replace **Senators** from their own **Syndics**. The **Syndics** are the direct conduit of their citizens to their **Realm** and to higher echelon.

- **Commonwealths** will not exceed 12 Provinces, so not to be overburdened by bureaucracy. If necessary, local **Commonwealths** may divide into separate **Commonwealths**, transfer adjacent **Provinces** to another **Commonwealth** or a blending of these actions. When done, the officials transfer in accordance to their **Provinces**.
- A **Territory** has to hold to a period of time equivalent at least 3 full Earth years (12 full seasons) with full governance reflecting a Province before they may petition to become a full **Province**.
- When a **Territory** is accepted, the **Territory Council** becomes the **Provincial Council** with the 3 most senior becoming members of the **Provincial Congress**. The **Senator** of established **Sister Provinces** become their **Senators**. New **Provinces** would be part of electing future **Senators**.
- In consideration of the **Senators** having more territory, the requirement for them to stay at the Governor's Mansion each season was extended to ----
- With the prospect of colonizations of star systems, it was seen by Parliament that there would be need of consulting councils for all the **Commonwealth** there that could act in limited capacity for the whole and be a central local forum for the **Realm Senate** to coordinate and still allow autonomy of the **Commonwealths**. The **System Councils** (the first being the **Sol System Council**) consists of 1 **Vicegerent** from each of the **Commonwealths** elected for the position from within the **Pancongress** of the **Commonwealth**. That **Vicegerent** remains in the **Pancongress**. **Systems Councils** assemble as needed and at least once a season. The **Council** has the authority to act in the defence of the star system and to call on the **Ministry of Martial Affairs** for protection or other high echelon authority to assist in disputed.
- The **Commonwealth Congresses** handles ministration differences between the **Sister Provinces** with **Realm Congresses** and **Parliament** handling any disagreements.
- Plans to grow into the **Dominion** began to form in 2067. One of the **Grand Edict** that came from the discussions was that any **Pancongress** would have the **Parliament Motto** prominently displayed as in **Parliament**.
- In the advent of the **Commonwealths**, national revenue distribution shifted to the upper entities; **Commonwealth**, **Realm** and **Dominion**. There would be no changes of levies from the population, nor the allotted distributed portions each **Province**, **County/Shire** or **Township**. See **Revenue** in this section for 2067 distribution.
- Of the **National Revenue** portions collected by each **Commonwealth** for the season (though the staff of the **National Economic Commission**), 15% goes to the **Congress of the Commonwealth** for expences and **Discretionary Funds** in their control. Another 15% goes to the **Realm Senate** for their expenses (including the **Realm Congress**) and their **Discretionary Funds**. The remaining 70% goes to the **Dominion** level which is distributed to the **Government Agencies** and **Parliament's Discretionary Funds**.

1) Pancongress is the combination of "pan" for widespread and Congress as a body of representatives.



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**Future Stock:** See *Commodities Market and Produce Sales*.

**Gambling:** The conduct of casinos, racing tracks and other gambling facilities are scrutinized thoroughly, considering the connections with organized crimes in the past. Generally, there are fewer regulations about the practice of gambling, though the Sheriffs and Marshals have full authority for investigate any business conducting such activities. The *Standards & Safety Commission* and the *National Economics Commission* (see *Government Affairs*) also oversees companies.

- All commercial gambling entities must gain licensing and are considered a **Class-B2** activity. See *Business in this section*.
- Players Those found to have a gambling addiction and
- Horse racing is very popular.
- Beyond Cascadia, large casinos became more defensible, adding walls and other security measures. Because of this, people began calling them Casino Fortress, where people could go for entertainment of all sorts, especially gambling. Some Cascadians partake in these establishments.

**Games:** See *Entertainment section*.

**Gangs:** Cascadia has taken great effort to curtail criminal gang violence, yet allowing social groups to thrive. *Sheriffs, Edicts* and *Parliament* places criminal gangs as criminal syndicates and are prosecuted as such.

**Genders:** Cascadia recognizes the emotional and physical relation of genders, whether male/masle, female/femella, transgender, transsexual, etc. **Social Gender**, any distinction of genders is as a personal attitude on a variable spectrum af feminine to masculine.

**Biological Gender** Status is placed on the birth certificate and *Citizens Disposition Declaration*, as well as the official identification, and is based on chromosome relations consisting of XX (female/femella), XY (male/masle) or XXY (intergender, having male and female genetic aspects).

Public *Social Gender* status may be declared and noted in addition on their identification. Identity references is for legal-genetic, and not use for social relations, such as marriages or privy usage.

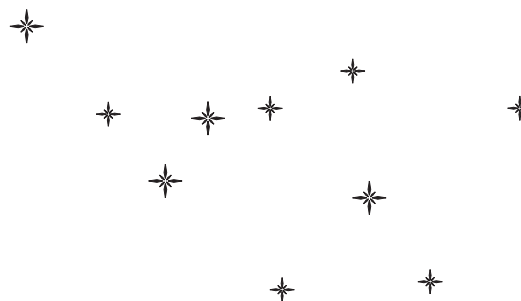
Also see *Lavvies, Men/Masculine and Women/Feminine* in this section.

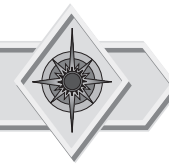
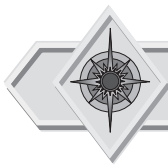
- Officially, *transsexual* (trans-male/trans-female) are those who have transitioned 70% from their birth gender, and would physically and mentally associate to another gender.
- Feminine-male and *masculine-female transvestites* have not gone though physical changes, and the distinction is not added to identification, though accepted socially with full civil rights as the gender they are projecting.
- With more men wearing caftans and such for comfort (see *Clothing in this section*), attire styles are broadening, though not blending as expected. Femellas are generally more feminine, and masles more individualized than the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.
- Other social genders came recognize more openly with terms adapted from other cultures (Hemaneh, Muxe, Bissu, Calalai/Calabai, Pandaka, Kinnar, Aylonit, Saris, TumTum and such). Femueshi is related to a man taking feminine roll in the relation with another man, even as wife (transsexual male). Kalmueshi is associated with persons having physical feminine qualities, though socially behaves as heterosexual masle in relations with other women, having no intimacy interest in men (reflective of butch lesbian). Andrum having a blending of feminine and masculine qualities, often being sterile.

**Genetics:** The *Bureau of Health* and civilian centers have conducted increasing research into genetic manipulation, adding many controversial advances in medicine and physical alterations.

Also see *Genders in this section*.

- Procedures arose for genetic diseases. For the game, figure a -3D6 D-Mod for *Medical skill* rolls if treatments are applied and a cost of C£1,500 times 3D8 for first attempt. Each failure with the patient will add 2D6 to the cost multiplier and add +20 I-Mod to the skill rolls.
- **Teeth Growth** became routine, triggering the genetic cues to the body for complete replacement of their teeth as though they were younger.
- Breast enhancement creams appears to have a generational effect on the female population with the average of natural development increasing 1-2 cup sizes. Many say more to the concentration of bustier women in a region. Also see *Cosmetic Adjustments in this section*.





**Global Federation:** Cascadia does not recognize the authority of the Global Federation, not the *Global Armed Forces* under its control, seeing it as an oppressive entity who refuses to recognize sovereign rights of a nation, set to establish its own supremacy over all nations, reducing them to subordinate states.

The Global Federation view Cascadia as a renegade nation of the United States and does not recognize its validity. The Global Federations efforts to limit Cascadia trade with other nations has done little.

**Government Acquisition/Projects:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Government Agencies:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Government Employees:** See *Government Pensionaries in Government Affairs* section.

**Government Loans/Banking Services:** See *Civil Loans* in this section.

**Government Partnership Companies:** See *National Partnership Committees in the Government Affairs* section.

**Government Pensionaries:** See entry in the *Government Affairs* section.

**Government Structure:** See *Hierarchy*.

**GPS:** *Geo-Positioning Satellites* are still functioning, most having been replaced, generally by Cascadia. Several aging ones had worn out, though mostly, they were damaged by various orbital attacks of nuclear weapons, and some from EMP from ground bursts.

**Growth of Cascadia:** See *Stellar Progression* section.

**Guild & Unions (Employment):** Views of employee labor union's control on business within the *Former U.S.*, France, Greece and other nations, as well as adverse effects on the economy, began to be seen problematic to more people. Extortion against private companies by presenting a premise of helping workers in collective bargaining drove many companies out of existence. Many more people began seeing how these associations propped underperforming persons while restricting exceptional persons to the same earnings and privileges. Such associations have promoted homogenization of people as a group, distilling collective employees to a common denominator, damaging the advancement of those more exceptional.

Recognition of creative, unique, dependable persons should be afforded promotional advancement and compensation. Tardiness, mediocrity, selfishness should not be rewarded and not advance the same as more reliable persons.

For these and other reasons, *Parliament* set a series of *Edicts* to both protect employees from company mistreatment and prevent association with *Guilds* from extorting companies. *Parliament* considers *Guilds* a special form of employment agencies, handling them as such, and *Guilds* are to comply with all related *Edicts*. Many *Edicts* curtail overbearing behavior of *Guild* officers that had been prevalent throughout history, having devastating effects on businesses, often exceeding lawful practices, becoming violent with injuries and deaths. *Parliament* and agencies of governance will not tolerate such behaviors, placing officers, envoys and staffers of *Guilds* responsible for actions of members. Violation of *Edict* are criminal offenses and enforceable by *Sheriffs*, *Marshals* and *Magistrates*.

Within this entry, *Guild Chapters* (treated as *Conscientious Company*), or simply *Guilds*, refers to any employee organization holding claim to the representation of collective bargaining and are classified as *Collective Company* (see *Charity/Collective Companies in this section*). Companies are any businesses within Cascadia. Employees are any citizen working for a company who does not have ownership within that company. *Guild* staffers are all employees of a *Guild Chapter*, receiving income directly from that *Guild*.

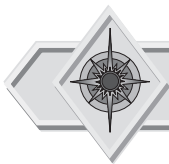
Also see *Employment in this section*.

- To prevent monopolization of any *Guild* company, 2+ *Guild Chapters* shall work in tangent for the benefit of the members related to any Cascadian company. When bargaining on behalf of members within companies, each of the 2+ representing *Chapters* shall assign 3 representatives, making 6, 9, etc. representatives for the talks. To validate any contracts,

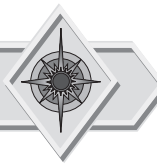
2/3<sup>rd</sup> agreement of the representatives is needed.

- Chapters* are entities representing employees within a set of bordering *Counties/Shire* (Regions) and career types (*Fields* ~ e.g.; carpenters, electricians, plumbers, masons, dockworkers, drivers, janitorial, cashiers, private school instructors, constables, etc.). An individual *Chapter* may represent more than one *Field*, though may not extend beyond adjoining *Counties/Shires* of the Region, or may not be part of more than one *Guild Assembly*. *Chapters* may be adjusted through votes within the *Guild Assemblies* for the *Provinces* and *Guild Congress*. Collectively, *Chapters* are registered with the *Provincial Guild Assemblies* as part of the *Guild Congress*. No governance pensionaries or agency may be represented by any *Guild* and are fully accountable to the *Standards & Safety Commission*, *Parliament* and *Inspector Generals*.
- Some *Fields* may not be organized into employee *Guilds* due to conflicts of interest and other aspects. Journalists and employees of any news service, whether printed, radio or otherwise, shall not be part of any *Guild*, maintaining a separate viewpoint in reporting activities. News journalist companies are considered *Conscientious Companies* (distinct from *Independent Companies*). *Faith-based companies* and *Guilds* are also *Conscientious Companies*.
- The *Guild Congress* shall be made up 3 *Envoys* from each of the 9 *Provincial Guild Assemblies* as elected (by mail) from all members/staffers of all *Chapters* within respective *Provinces*, making 27 seats within the *Guild Congress*. There shall be only 1 *Guild Congress* for all of Cascadia and it is responsible for the conduct of all *Provincial Guild Assemblies* and associated *Chapters*. The *Guild Congress* would function within the *League of Commerce* and *Commercial Lobbyists Foundation* (see *Business in this section*).
- All elections within the *Guilds* shall be monitored by the *Election Commission*, and *Guild Evaluation Division* of the *National Economics Commission*. See *Government Affairs* section.
- Establishing a distinction, *Independent Companies* are disassociated from any *Guild Chapter*, preventing strong-arm tactics from *Guilds* on smaller or high ownership companies, especially those associated with families, a practice that was prevalent in the past. Such strong-arming had made it hard for small companies to prosper.
- The size of companies establishes whether they are associated with *Guild Chapters* and how many. Companies up to 120 employees or having an owner to employee ratio of 1:3 shall have no *Guild* association, and are considered *Independent Companies* (e.g.; 42 owners of a company with 126 employees would not be associated with any *Guild Chapter*, though a company with 41 owners and the same number of employees would, since the employees exceed the 1:3 ratio). Companies with 121-300 employees or owner-employee exceeding a ratio of 1:7 for companies of 121-300 employees shall have 2 *Guild Chapters* functioning in tandem to help prevent coercive monopolizing of *Chapters* over the companies. Companies with 301 or more employees or an owner-employee ratio of 1:15 for companies of 301 or more shall have 3+ *Guild Chapters* functioning in tandem representing their employees. Non-*Independent Companies* with over 1,200 employees will usually have more than 3 *Guild Chapters* representing their employees, depending on size and Region restrictions for *Chapters*.
- Scattered Companies (those where employees are not concentrated within Regions) are considered *Independent* when *Guild Chapters* are unable to apply coercive representation. These companies shall hold their size or owner/employee ratio to comply with *Independent*.
- Guild Chapter* are companies and shall remain *Independent/Conscientious Companies*, holding their owners/employee numbers/ratios to comply with the stipulation. This is to prevent *Chapters* from falling into jurisdictions requiring them to have representations of themselves, causing conflicts of interest. Members are not staffers and not considered employees.
- Each *Guild Chapter* are private companies, and as such, are subject to all related *Edicts* and *Levies*. Since they accept *Dues*, *Guilds* shall comply with all *Edicts* related to *Collective Companies*. See *Charity/Collective Companies in this section*.
- Company owners have full rights to decide who is associated with their business, including *Guild Chapters* representing employees of their company. *Guild Assemblies* and *Guild Congress* shall ensure each *County/Shire* within Cascadia has no less than 7 *Guild Chapters* available for selection by companies. For companies with more than 3 *Chapters* representing their employees, each employee within the company may choose which 3 *Chapters* they are directly associated with. This is to create diverse attraction options for companies and employees, reducing coercive behavior.

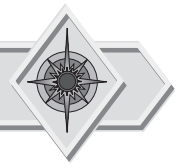
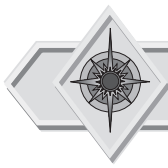




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- No *National Partnership Company* shall be associated with any *Guild Chapters*, the companies are considered Independent with all citizens of Cascadia considered owners through government representation and in effect complies with owner-employee ratio status.
- To ensure contracts between companies and *Guild Chapters* complies with to *Edicts*, the signing of such contracts shall be witnessed by Evaluators from the *Employment Guild Evaluation Division* of the *National Economics Commission* at the expense of the *Guild Chapters* involved in the negotiation. Those *Evaluators* are selected randomly from the *Division* and will cosign contracts as witnesses, ensuring all parties are in agreement and had not been coerced.
- Membership within any *Guild* is treated as membership in all *Guilds* of the *Guild Congress* as so far as collective benefits, and begin on the membership date of first enrollment within any *Guild*. Seniority is based on accumulated membership seasons within the *Guilds*, allowing members to transfer, maintaining benefits/seniority levels.
- *Guild* officers may submit safety concerns of companies to the *Standards & Safety Commission* on behalf of employees, allowing the employee to remain anonymous. Unjust complaints may be deemed harassment and prosecuted as such by *Magistrates*.
- *Guild* act as employment agencies. If the citizen goes to a *Guild* for employment placement, the *Guild* shall confirm citizenship and register them, assisting in locating a position comparable to their skills and abilities, including those with disabilities. For this service, the *Guild Chapter* gain 7.5% ( $5 \times 1.5\%$  normal Dues) as a *Placement Bonus* Fee issued from the members income for the first 1,000 worked hours (generally 2 full seasons) of the employment. In effect, during this time, the member pays 9% of their income from the company to the *Guilds* representing them. That bonus is to the singular *Chapter* which assisted in the placement, beginning upon hiring and is in addition to the standard Dues associated with membership. For “assisted promotions” to members of the *Guild*, the singular *Chapter* shall gain 3% *Promotion Bonus* ( $2 \times 1.5\%$  normal Dues) for 500 worked hours (generally 1 full season). This encourages direct engagement of *Chapters* for the well-being of their members, even competition between *Chapters*.
- *Guilds* shall provide tangible benefits to their members (some are shown in this area), though never set benefit restrictions of members from companies they are employed to, encouraging superior benefits to superior employees. Parliamentary *Edicts* have standards for “Balance Earnings for Balance Performances” (accounting for longevity, reliability and overall performance), allowing companies to encourage superior performance from their employees, and shall not be restricted by any entity.
- *Guild Chapters* are unable to refuse acceptance of membership by citizens and will assist in locating employment comparable to their abilities, *Fields* and *Regions*. If discovered such refusal was applied, a penalty of 1.5% (not to exceed 15%) of the *Chapter's* full income for the season shall be applied and transferred to *Parliament Discretionary Fund*.
- Each *Guild Chapter* company shall have a *President*, *Vice President*, *Secretary*, and other representative officers of their choosing. These are not elected positions and become owners of the *Guild* company with all responsibilities and rights, and are subject to all *Edicts* of company ownership. Other agents, stewards, administrators, etc. may also be owners or employee to the *Guild*.
- Officers, *Envoys*, administrators, stewards, agents or others drawing income from the *Guild Chapters* are considered staffers and representing may not be employed by companies they represent. *Guild* companies must establish shareholdings. Employees of a business shall not have stock shares in the *Guild* companies representing the company they are employed by. Members may have stocks in *Guilds* they are not direct members, becoming owners of that *Guild*. No owner of *Guild* stocks may own stocks in any non-*Guild* company. These measures are to prevent conflicts of interest. Any conflicts must be resolved before that person or *Chapter* may represent the company.
- *Guild Chapters* shall not be larger than 2% of the *Provincial* population. This creates a broad selection of *Chapters*, limiting the ability to monopolize their positions, preventing individual *Guilds* from gaining overbearing political influences beyond the advocacy of the people they represent. Accumulative political strength of *Guilds* is through the *Provincial Guild Assemblies* and *Guild Congress*.
- When a *Chapter* exceeds 2% of the *Provincial* population, another *Chapter* shall be created within 2 full seasons (half a year), with half the staffers and half the members becoming part of the new *Chapter* company. Both companies shall remain associated to any company already with contracts, depending on size structure of the company.
- When a *Chapter* divides (usually when exceeding the maximum size for the *Province*), several steps would take place. First, a new sister *Chapter* company is created through the *Assemblies*, with all contracts becoming duplicated. Employees of midsize companies (121-300 employees) would remain together in one of the 2 *guilds*. Officers, by seniority, are distributed evenly within the 2 companies. The *Vice President* of the first company shall become the *President* of the second, unless they decline voluntarily without coercion. If the *Vice President* declines, the *Secretary* shall have the option, and so on, based on seniority. Stock ownership will be restructured evenly (see *Business* entry in this section for details). Members of the *Chapter* shall be distributed between the 2 sister *Chapters* by seniority based on the date of enrollment with any *Guild*. During the *Chapter* division, all assets are evenly distributed, and the *Guild Congress* shall release funding to match resources, and fund the new office location.
- When *Guilds* become advocates to employees – taking *Dues* – the *Guild* become responsible for the well-being of the member. Should the employee (*Guild* member) be relieved from the company for any reason non-prosecutable legal offense, the *Guild* shall pay the member 60% (20%/30% from each of the 3 or 2 associated *Chapters*) lost income amount, and assist in acquiring new comparable employment, retaining the advocacy status of the members. This may not be waived, and does not apply if the employee voluntarily leaves on their own accord. While the member is receiving this compensation from the *Guild*, they may not draw from the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, though may draw on the *Guild Retirement-Insurance Plan*. For first-time members of any *Guild*, dismissals within the first full season of employment does not render this *Guild* benefits valid. Any prosecutable legal offense must be registered with the *Magistrates*. When new employment is achieved, the new employer may be covered by other *Chapters*, transferring responsibility, though *Finders Fees* are not transferred or shared, remaining with the *Chapter* that helped secure employment.
- No member of any associated *Guild Chapter* shall be required to pay more than 1.5% of their negotiated income (0.5% for each 3 associated *Chapters*, or 0.75% for each 2 *Chapters* representation).
- Any bonuses issued within a *Guild* are to be distributed equally amongst all members and staffers of the *Guild*, regardless of income levels to prevent favoritism. bonuses are not rated by incomes.
- During strikes, 60% income (20%/30% per the 3 or 2 *Chapters* of the member's contract) is payable to members on strike from the *Guild Congress*, rated as 32 hours a week no matter the normal hour schedule. Also 20% of the contracted income is payable by the company (also 32 hours), giving the member 80% income during the dispute. This is to maintain the well-being and livelihood of the member, encouraging speedy resolution. while on strike, no Dues may be collected from members involved, since the employees are not conducting their service duty, further encouraging speedy resolution. alterations of contracts during strikes is not considered Promotional and the *Guilds* do not receive such fees for strike resolutions.
- No *Guild* shall ever, in any way beyond properly sanctioned and executed strikes, interfere or impede with the conduct of a company. At no time shall the public or government agency be hindered. Any such behavior shall be prosecuted as harassment and other related charges. *Guilds* may only advise their members of legal expectations of their contracts in relation to the companies they represent. The responsibility of *Guilds* are is to the well-being of the members, and as their advocate, become responsible for their well-being during and between employments.
- Strikes are not warranted unless agreed upon by 2/3rd the members of the involved *Chapters* in the dispute, as well as 2/3rd of the *Envoy* seats of the *Guild Congress* (18 of 27 seats). If the *Star Chamber* or *Parliament* find by 2/3rd majority the strike as unwarranted, employees must return to service duty without incident, and all *Chapters*, *Guild Associations* and *Guild Congress* shall pay a 1.5% penalty equal to their income for 1 full month per each week of the unwarranted strike (rounded up), payable equally to the companies involved, no matter actual hardship. This penalty is to discourage overreactions and unjust coercion, and may benefit smaller companies more.



## **Guild & Unions:**

- Each *Chapter* shall pay 3% of their full income to the *Provincial Assembly*, and 3% to the Guild Congress for operating costs.
- Member and staffer of any *Guild* may pay into the universal *Guild Retirement-Insurance Plan*, treated the same for all members/staffers, not to show favoritism. This is handled by the Guild Congress for all the members/staffers of all *Chapters*, so not to limit relocation of employees (preventing transferring hassles or loss). The payment for this Plan shall be no more than 6% of the employment income of the members, payable to the *Guild Congress* (not including *Guild Bonuses*), and is handled much as the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, including pay out schedule and Z-week adjustments that are not government related (such as jury duty, military, civil pensionary, etc.). The 6% charge may not be exceeded, and is not considered the same as the 15% Cascadia income Levy, which is the citizen's contribution to the functioning of the governance with return expectations. No other direct contributions from employee shall be leveled in support of the Plan. The plan may be drawn during strikes with the standard 2:1 Z-week effects.
- *Guild Congress* may provide loans to their members/staffers, handled in the same manner and rates as government loans, though may offer lower rates for all members/staffers equally. Interest rates would help support the *Guild Retirement-Insurance Plan* and *Guild Congress*.
- Since *Guilds* are representing private citizen employees of Cascadia, all meetings within the *Chapters*, *Guild Assemblies* and *Guild Congress* shall be open to government pensionaries and journalists (both with IDs) for observation. Suitable, clear view/hearing space must be available for Observers equal to 5% of available space for Guild members/staffers/owners, with journalists having first options for half the spaces, applied equitably. In addition, there must also be 2 Evaluators from the *National Economics Commission* present at the expense of the Guild to ensure all legal matters and procedures are adhered to, and are seated with the officers.
- No *Guild* staffer or their spouses and children, may be associated with more than one *Guild Chapter*. This is to further prevent monopolizing of *Regional/Field* representation. This does not apply to *Due* paying members, as long as they have no other association to the *Guilds*.
- No *Guild Chapter* staffer shall make more than 130% the average full contracted income levels of all members the Chapter represent. This is to limit selfish positioning of staffers who may take away from their obligation to the members. It is likely that higher paid members of the Guild will make more than *Guild* staffers.
- Companies having problems with employees shall file the issue to representatives of each *Chapter* associated with their contract. Officers and representatives of the Guild are responsible for guiding members to become viable employees to the company.
- Companies and *Guild* are responsible for the legitimacy of citizenship of their staffers/members and shall face legal prosecution for knowingly representing noncitizens for employment.
- *Guilds Assemblies* and *Guild Congress* shall be subject to inspections and review by the Standards & Safety Commission. All Chapters through the Guild Congress, shall pay 1.5% Guild income to the Standards & Safeties Commission to cover such reviews, as well as 1.5% from each Guild Assembly and the Guild Congress. Any citizen may see a representative of the Commission for concerns, and those visits are confidential.
- Members of *Guilds*, as with any Cascadian citizen, may submit Civil Complaints against a company, agency, *Guilds*, etc., including the *Guilds* they are members of. These complaints may include harassment and coercion. Legal violations may be reported to Sheriffs, Marshals and Magistrates, as usual. No action may be leveled against people submitting complaints. If it is discovered such actions were leveled, harassment and/or other charges shall be applied.
- Employees not wishing to become members of any *Guild Chapter* may become a ***Conscientious Employee Observer***, with all or some becoming agents of the Employment Guild Evaluation Division (part of National Economics Commission). In doing so, they become part-time pensionary (CCP-3), gaining a modest 12-hours monthly income (C£103 in 2067) from the Commission (coming from the funds submitted by the Guild Congress/Assembly and Chapters), and is in addition to Company income for the 12 hours. Being a pensionary (see Government Affairs section), these persons are protected by the Commission and are agents for the company, not the Guild. They are not watchdogs to the company and are there to ensure Guild behavior does not infringe on employees performance in any manner. Other employees may discuss matters with these persons, or more often, have them facilitate contact with Evaluators from the Commission. These persons will submit a simple report each month to their Evaluator contact, and the Evaluator shall make regular contact with each Observer at least once per season. There will be 1+

Conscientious Employee Observers for each 100 employees of a company, and they will be afforded 12 hours a month for the function as part of their normal hours of employment. This is voluntary, however, should there not be suitable number of Observers, the *Guilds* associated with the company shall pay for the visits from Evaluators at their CCP-14 rate for the 12 hours (C£285 in 2067), acting as Observers. If there are more than 1 per 100 employees wishing to participate, those with the highest seniority with the Company in the area will become the pensionary. The others will not be forced to join the Guild and are considered Observers and protected as such by the Commission.

- Companies must give opportunities in a convenient, comfortable area for ***Guild Stewards*** and ***Observers*** to meet with employees.
- As card-carrying government pensionaries, Conscientious Employee Observers may attend *Guild* meetings as Observers (not part of the 12 hours for the function within the company, nor gaining compensation). Any mistreatment of these persons is prosecutable as harassment or other charges. Observers are agents for the company and Commission.
- ***Military*** (reserve or active) may not be part of any *Guild*, and being a pensionary for the government are considered Conscientious Employee Observer, gaining the part-time income addition (if not filled by others), and having responsibility thereof.

**Hawaii:** In the beginning of the *Former U.S.* break up, Hawaii remained under the governance of United America, with them having the continued connection of Congress and the President after the loss of Washington D.C.

With the political separations of the regions, Hawaii felt isolated. When China and Russia had their conflict and China began evacuating in mass, much of Hawaii's population went to the mainland. The ***Joint Services*** of United America, Calvada and Cascadia joined the Navy, Army and Air Force contingencies. On the whole, few Chinese headed that way.

In time, the islands came under the governing protection of Cascadia when the breakup became more total. Naval officers on the ships remained in command and there commissions continue unbroken, something United America could not achieve.

The changes did not come tearless, nor bloodless. Some of the crew and officers felt that United America was the legitimate government and took control, attacking other vessels that they felt were traitors. In the end, the islands became a Cascadian Territory and any non-loyal crews sailed to Panama to take control, which every Cascadian of 2067 knew did not happen, and they either paid passage or tried sailing south, around the Cape Horn, where many ran out of fuel.

The islands remained a popular destination for leisure tourists, and many of the original residence returned.

***Ministry of Martial Affairs*** occupies several of the original bases and established new ones.

**Hazardous and Controlled Materials:** There are many materials that are considered hazardous in some manner and is controlled. These include nuclear, explosive, chemical and such.

See *Business* in this section for licensing for handling such materials. Also see *Alcohol & Recreational Intoxins* in this section for marijuana and other legal

**Health:** See *Medical & Health* in this section.

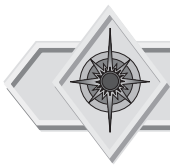
**Hierarchy:** See *Government Agency* section.

**Highways:** See *Roads & Traffic*.

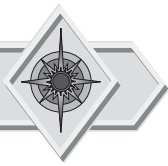
**HIV:** See *Medical & Health* in this section.

**Holidays:** See *Celebration/Leisure Days*.

**Holistic Women's Renaissance:** See *Women/Femella/Femininity* in this section.



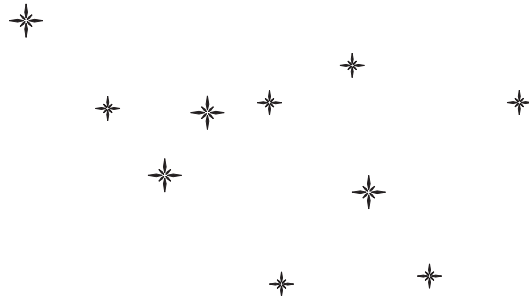
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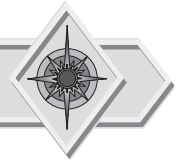
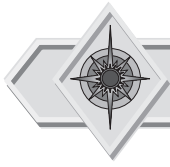
**Homes & Residences:** Cascadia does not allow vagrancy or homelessness. All citizen will have a home residency recorded for them.

Also see *Property in this section*.

- In cities, many commercial highrises had floors refitted as condos and apartments where they work and live within the same building or within a few blocks.
- **Property value increases** are limited and based on the existing loans. See *Property in this section for details*.
- The home each citizen is registered as their "**Residence Home**" (the residency within the **Township** associated with voting registration) maintains a lower **Property Levy level of 0.4%** (see *Revenue in this section*). Any other homes owned by the citizen is rated at 0.8% for **Property Levies**. The lower resident home levy enables lower income citizens to retain citizenship without higher burdens of levies, not and still retain the application of **Edicts and Levies** evenly, not favoring class of people. Wealthier people tend to have more than one home, and in doing so will contribute higher support to the whole of Cascadia.
- In 2067, the general value of a nice 4-bedroom home for a family of 5 would range around C£160,000 to C£240,000.
- Cascadia does not allow **vagrancy** or **homelessness**, unless maintaining a **Nomadic Lifestyle** (see separate entry in this section). All citizen will have a home residency recorded for them. The **County/Shire Homes** will provide a place to live should they need it.
- Community home associations shall abide by all **Edicts** set to prevent board officers from harassing homeowners and renters. annual community homeowner dues, including condos, are not to exceed 1.5% of the original sale of the home, or latest mortgage (based on appraisal), whichever is higher. No owner shall be burdened by escalating homeowners dues based on desire of majority. Any pressure to homeowners to sell or leave their home shall not be tolerated, and if discovered, those involved will face harassment criminal charges. Any special property assessment dues for projects must have 80% owner approval and non-interest payment shall be stretched out so not to exceed an equal amount to the standard homeowners dues (effectively doubling the homeowners do for the duration of such assessments), and may not be compounded.
- **Parliament** was determined to provide **Broad Scale Inclusion Affordable Homes**, enacting **Edicts** to do so. This directs any developers building within a **Township** to construct lower value homes before building luxury homes, and must do so within the same Township. For each home valued at over 30 times the **Least Civil Wage** (C£374,400+), that same developer must have built 2 homes sold to unrelated persons for no more than 9 times the general annual LCW (C£112,320) having no less than 1/3<sup>rd</sup> square footage of the luxury home, 2 homes sold to unrelated persons for no more than 12 times the general annual LCW (C£149,760) with no less than 1/2 square footage of the luxury home, as well as 2 homes at no less than 15 times LCW (C£187,200) at 2/3<sup>rd</sup> square footage. Homes constructed and sold between C£187,200 and C£374,000 has no additional construction requirements. Square footage applies to both the property and interior space of the home, including condominium.. This policy is to help balance the spread of housing for the greater number of lower income persons, with the aim to prevent elitist **Townships**. This does not apply to communities with in the **Townships**. The buyers of the lower value homes must be of independent families having income less than the Step-III Family Rating (see *Income in this section*).
- The buyers of the lower value homes must be of independent families having income less than the Step-III Family Rating or less (see *Income in this section*).
- **All new homes sold** will have a full maintenance warranty for 12 years, established by the developer through an established insurance policy.
- **Community safety** is the responsibility of the **Sheriff** and emergency services (medical, fire, etc.), with concentration apply to high risk areas.
- With advancing, rising apartment rental fees throughout history, especially within some regions, it became necessary for the government to build and manage **Civil Apartment Complexes**. New complexes shall be constructed in regions where there average home-apartments rentals have exceeded 65% the national average for 2 full seasons, providing for citizens and families do have reasonable accommodations in every region of Cascadia. This is to prevent elitist neighborhoods and communities that has plagued regions of the past, pushing lesser income persons into less viable areas.
- **Civil Apartment Complexes** are priced and maintained by the **Social Services Commission (Bureau of Civil Services)** at no more than 40% of the national rental average. Amenities within the complexes shall be for common, peaceful and orderly use of the residence and their guests, including pools, sauna, gym, social hall, laundry facilities, etc. The pricing for studios will be 15-20% of national average. One-bedroom apartments will be 20-30%, and 2-4 bedroom apartments will range at 25-40%, and will have washer dryers within the units.
- Any property considered needed for the good of the public and community (**Eminent Domain**) shall have the approval of 90% of **County/Shire Counsel**. Payment to the original owner will be at 130% the highest rated value for the last 12 years, no matter the **Levy** stipulation, and the land becomes the property of the **County/Shire**. Any such property may not be sold for no less than 90 years. Any business granting ease way or use of such property must be a **National Partnership Company**. In stipulating such value assessment for payment of **Eminent Domain** is to ensure the original owner is well compensated for loss of property, and that other non-community entities shall not profit for such acquisitions.







**Horses:** A revival in horse riding rose during the 2030s. By 2067, many people took this up, even in the suburban areas having collective stable facilities adjoining parks.

- **Horse cart deliveries** this quaint concept had a rebirth in the early Cascadia with local merchants taking their carts delivering milk and cheese and other and meats and other types of products to their clients.
- **Rural students** often ride horses to school and facilities are provided for their placement and care.

**Hospices:** See Medical & Health in this section.

**Hospitals & Clinics:** See Medical & Health in this section.

**Housing:** See Homes & Residents in this section.

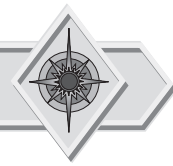
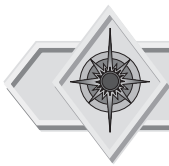
**Hunting:** All hunting in forest & wilderness land (*see separate entry*) is fully controlled by the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness*. Hunting on rural private land is outlined by edicts from Parliament.

*Also see Fishing in this section.*

- Any hunting beyond private property is highly regulated. Hunters have to hold permits for the type of animal and weapon allowed. They also have to have a registered functioning beacon-GPS tracker to show their location and to warn them of permitted boundaries.
- Any animals listed on the endangered species list (continued from the *Former U.S.*) is maintained by the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness* and may not be hunted on any lands (private or government), parks, forests, wilderness or waters. Violations is a first-degree mistreatment of animals offense.
- Any violation of hunting permit will automatically revoke their privilege permit, and the band of any future permits for hunting and fishing for no less than 12 years, subject to review after that period. Any third degree or higher criminal offence/act within the period resets the band to 12 years.

### Quotes

*“Don’t sound bite me” came from the constant use of sound bites as though they justified an argument, view or opinion.*



**Identity Medallion & Card:** The founders of Cascadia wished to hold a greater civil liberty than were being allowed by the end of the *Former U.S.* However, when it came to indentifying the citizens and their privileges within Cascadia, it was necessary to have a way that could protect the nation from fraud and misuse. For that reason, they produced a series of medallions and cards that works together.

- Inside the **Idenety Medallion** is an *Info-Chip* containing pertinent information of the person, as well as medical details. No parties beyond the sheriffs, marshals, courts, election official or certified medical personal are allowed to ask for or scan the medallion for any reason and only for legal or emergency medical treatment. No business may request it or have it as require citizens to allow them to scan it as part of employment or other reasons.
- The medallion—4.65cm (1.83”) diameter, 0.74cm (0.29”) thick—is created in darker subdued colors with a silvery gold holographic effect. The image of the bearer at quarter profile (same as card) from high waist up, and is on the front with their full name arching near the edge. General information is on the back with their citizen number and coding on the textured edge. The weight and size is part of the authenticating of the medallion, in case of fraud.
- The **Identity Card** (7cm × 9cm, 2.8” × 3.5”) having similar visual tones as the medallion, though just the bearer’s face at quarter profile; to the left for mature citizens, voting, military, etc. and right for immature. There is a thumb or finger print on the back (or noted none if unable to do so). There is no info/data chip or strip. There are a few characteristics, such as full height, weight, hair/eye color, residency township/province (not the address) and military status. There is a holograph coding for varifying card authenticity, though no personal information beyond the printed characteristics are imbeded (though some believe there are).
- **Identity Cards** may be issued from any *Township Hall* and has charge of 0.1% of the annual declaired income in cascas (C£20.00 for C£20,000 income) and is reissued each 5 years. The medallion is 0.5% and reissued each 10 years.
- **Gender expression and X-Y chromosomes** aspects are noted on the medallion/card as a clarification of gender.
- The *Sheriffs* and *Marshals* have access to the citizens records, and scanning either the medallion or card will link them to the records for varification.
- It is not required to have the medallion or card in possession, though most do. *Sheriffs* or *Marshals* may confirm identity (such as during a driving violation stoppage) by employing a hand print scanner, iris-retina imager or genetic analyzer.
- **Voting** and **Military** status is shown on the medallion and card.
- Medallions have a loop at the top and is issued with a silvery-gold color alloy chain to wear around the neck, though it may be replaced with another or a cord. Many people carry their medallion in there pocket or purse, even using it as a key fob (though that is not recommended).
- Employers may request the employee to present the *Itentity Card* (not the medallion) upon the interview and joining them. They may not make a copy of it. Once the identity is verified, they may issue their own form of identification and require it to be presented on their property.

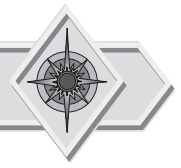
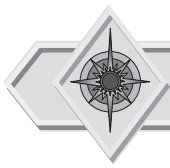
**Immigration:** Cascadia allows those who come with the intent to renationalize, may do so, recognizing several **Immigration Class Statuses** with varying requirements. There are several requirements and stages an immigrant to go through, some depending on their previous nationality.

*See Foreign Nations in this section.*

- With a few exception, adult foreign nationals will require sponsorship from a citizen of age 33 or older who has been a Cascadian citizen for no less than 12 years or was a birth national of the *Former U.S.* The sponsor is fully responsible for the integration of the immigration; including financial support,

language learning and legal matters.

- Once sponsored, the immigrant must reside in nation for 12 years without break. Special consideration for business and military service, allowing traveling beyond Cascadia. The immigrant may become full citizen in 7 year, 3+ of those years is in Cascadia military service.
- Those born to visiting foreign nationals are not citizens of Cascadia, retaining the nationality of their mother’s home nation. If the home nation rejects the newborn, the parent/s may apply for citizenship, or surrender the infant for adoption. In the earlier case, the mother becomes a ward of Cascadia, who become the sponsor. The mother’s husband and any immediate children she has in nation becomes her responsibility.
- Each Province maintains 1 or more **Nationalization Compounds** where immigrants live for no less than 2 full seasons, where they learn what it is to be a citizen. They are screened and treated for medical condition. They go through several interviews and classes, including some with the Truth-Helm to verify the loyalties to Cascadia. There are several stages should there be inconsistencies of their background. Any legal matters of their previous residencies will be considered. Many are waved
- All immigrants begin accruing an **Immigration Nationalization Debt** at the lowest possible interest for their admittance into Cascadia and is attached to their *Civil Retirement-Inserance Fund* and paid in the same manner as all citizens. Their sponsor is responsible for the debt, should the immigrant leave the nation and is unable to repay it. Orphans, unwed mothers and others with special compensation without citizen sponsorship have the same debt. On the occasion that any of them leaving before the debt in paid, a permanent record of the last status is filed and the debt is paid out the national discretionary fund. If they person returns, their status resumes from the time they left, adding the accrued interest.
- From 16 June 2028 (when Cascadia declared separation from the *Former U.S.*) 2 7 July 2042 (the day after the destruction of Seattle), citizens of Canada and *Former U.S.* had an expedited nationalization process that exempt them from residing in the Immigration Compounds the full duration. They had to be free of felonies, and prove their birth within any of the States or Provinces. Those living beyond the region that became Cascadia required sponsorship of those within the region, staying at the Immigration Compounds and tell processes were complete.
- Initial transition period from 16 June 2028 to 1 January 2034 disallowed any foreign nationals to be nationalized to Cascadia. Only those born in the *Former U.S.* and *Canada* before 16 June 2028 were nationalized. All persons not nationalized by 31 December 2029 had to be out of Cascadia by sunset that day. Anyone still in country by sunrise would be prosecuted as *Edict Violation* (see *Legal Affairs* section). If there was a custody dispute, where one parent was living beyond Cascadia, the parent remaining in Cascadia (showing the ability to support the children) gained custody despite objections of those out of country.
- The **Oath of Cascadia citizenship** is conducted one at a time at the completion of immigration processing in front of the official. Each child granted citizenship from the parentage/guardian and under the Age of Commitment would be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.



## Immigration (cont.):

- Immigration agents abroad have the authority to verify credentials, and served notices on matters of nationalization of persons.
- Persons arriving to Cascadia border may request asylum. They must declare the threat to their person, and desire to fully integrate into Cascadia without reservation. The person would be granted identity change, if needed.

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**Divided Family:** The breakup of the Former U.S. left many families divided. Hostilities within the fractured population became violent, and custody of children were challenged. Cascadia set policies involving such matters.

- Unless declared otherwise, Cascadia protects the parent of nationalized citizens to Cascadia. Immigration agents, sheriffs and marshals have the duty to protect citizen parents and children from foreign claims.
- Many families became divided. Wedded parents – especially mothers – arriving at the border with children, requesting asylum from their family, shall be granted protective custody within the Province, while their claims to the children and situation is validated. During the process, immigration agents abroad, functioning out of embassies, will verify a situation, allowing the other parents to submit written statement of their claim. The whereabouts of the parent in Cascadia will be withheld, not disclosing such information.

**Foreign Rangers:** Any foreign national willing to give up all ties to their nation of birth and join the *Cascadian Foreign Rangers* may do so. This is a male only service and has special conditions and privileges. See *Ministry of Martial Affairs* for details.

**Orphans:** Cascadia has been allowing orphans or unwanted children to be delivered to any embassy, consulate or broader station provides a special compensation for them to become citizens.

- The orphan lives at the *Nationalization Compound* until they completed the health-enculturations process, the duration based on the *Age and Maturity* (see *Maturity in this section*). The orphan is then placed into foster care and become available for adoption.
- Children under age of 8 are citizens in 3 years and those of 8 to 14 becoming citizens at 6 years in country. Children of 15 and older become citizens in the 12 years.

**Transition Period:** During the transition after the separation from the Former U.S., Cascadia nationalization centers were set up in major cities with Roving National Processing Crews going to the Townships. During the transition period, U.S. and Canadian citizens had full priority during processing. Those claiming to own property had to present proof of ownership. Any evidence of tampering would be considered fraud and prosecuted as such, restricting any citizenship to Cascadia.

**Unwed Mothers:** Due to the handling of *unwed mothers* in other nations, Cascadia provides a special compensation for them.

- Any unwed mothers entering any embassy, conciliate or arrives at the border is given immediate protection and is transferred to any of the *Nationalization Compounds*.
- True parentage of the child will be verified by background checks and interviews with the *Truth-Helm* to ensure there was no kidnapping involved. Once cleared, the mother may reside with or near their sponsor.
- If there is no citizen sponsor (often in these situations), the mother and children would be linked to a *County Home* with the *Manager* filed the official sponsor. They do not have to live at the *County Home*, though the manager will check on

the immigrant, ensuring the continued enculturation. They may move to other location, transferring sponsorship to the nearest *County Home*.

- The mother will become full citizen in 12 years of residency within Cascadia in good standing. Her children under age of 8 are citizens in 3 years, and those of 8 to 14 in 6 years. Children of 15 and older become citizens in the same 12 years, as the mother.
- The growing connection with India increased immigration from that nation.

**Import & Export:** Foreign trade does take place, and though many claim Cascadia as isolationists, it does allow most any products to be brought in and out. What it does not allow is foreign control of Cascadia companies. See *Business in this section* for other details.

**Income:** Cascadia did a lot to change how income is handled through businesses and other institutions. Some are presented here, though most are with the related areas.

Also see *Employment and Least Civil Wage* in this section, as well as *Government Pensionaries in the Government Affairs* section.

- The *Least Civil Wage* (see *separate entry*) is the hourly amount of income of C£6.50, becoming C£208 in the Standard 6-day week (Mundae-Sundae) of 32 hours.
- With a growing concept of *Universal Basic Income*, all citizens having reached the *Age of Commitment* (having received the account for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*) has effectively gained such an income after the initial input years, and may be drawing modest income through the *Fund*. *Creative persons* (artists and inventors) may use the *Fund* as a means of support to free time for their creative endeavors, even gaining a separate income for such endeavors. All rules regarding the *Fund* apply, even the double duration for drawing payments. Those working to *start a business* could use the *Fund* as a means to stabilize their household economy as they progress with the new company. *Mosaic Families* (see *Families in this section*) may have some members using this as a means to have modest contribution in income while maintaining a thriving home to raise children or take care of elderly or disabled without the need for sending such vulnerable people to strangers to watch.
- Cascadia has several earnings compensations. *Night differential* (hours from 6:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M.) gain 15% (1.15 *Standard Income/SI*) to those hours, and would be added to other compensations as well. *Overtime* of 60% (1.5 times *SI*) is added for the first 8 hours of overtime above 32 hours per standard week; 120% (2.2 times *SI*) is for any overtime over 40 hours in a standard week. *Freyjadae High Winter Day Compensation* of 150% (2.5 times *SI*) is provided for those working on the *High Winter Day* (election day). *Election Freyjadae* and *High Winter Days* day schedules may not be more than 6 hours, giving ample time for those to conduct elections.
- *Income Levy* is scale proportionately to the income, with lower portions having lesser *Rates*. No citizen acquires benefits from the governance without contributions and all citizens are treated the same at the *Levy* levels. The *Levy* threshold is not to be construed as a deduction and no deductions are ever applied to *Levies*.
- There are *Level Rates* for portions of the income and those *Rates* are applied to all citizens, rounded down to the next casda. Full income up to the annual income of C£12,480 (flat annual *Least Civil Wage*, *LCW*) has a *levy Rate* of 5% (C£624), when filed singularly. The next C£12,480 of the income is *Rated* at 10% (C£1,248). Essentially, a person filing alone for the household, making twice the *LCW* (C£24,960), will have a *Levy* burden of 7.5% (C£1,872). All citizens, no matter their income will not pay more than that for that portion of their income.



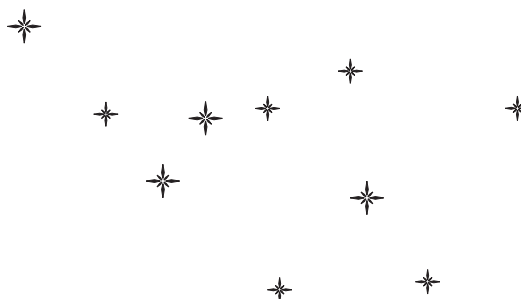
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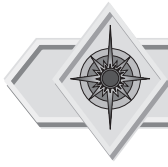
- Amounts over twice the LCW (C£24,960) when filed ingularly will have higher *Rates* applied, starting with 15%. Say a citizen earned C£72,892 for the year and filing alone. The portion over C£24,960 (C£47,932) would be at 15% (C£7,189), while the lower portion is levied at the 5% and 10%.
- Since Cascadia encourages household continuity, members of households are able to file jointly – up to 5 on any single filing. In doing so, larger portions of the pooled income are Rated at 5% and 10%. In this way, families supporting children, relations, house mates, etc. have lower rates for larger portions of their income. This is not a deduction and Cascadia has no deductions for levy obligations – finding such practices more of a burden on lower income persons.
- Households filing jointly may do so on one or more Levy Validation form. Each form has allowance for 5 members of the household – whether they have income or not. No person may be submitted for the *Levy* year on more than one form. Having more than one household member on the form allows greater portion of the income to be Rated at 5% and 10%, reducing the overall *Levy* burden for their support of greater numbers of people in the household. On the *Levy Validation* form, the pooled amount of total income for the 1-5 persons is marked on the line for the number of household members shown at the top of the form, becoming a multiple of the annual LCW, the number shown for members on the form. Doing so places more of the income within the Rating of 5% and 10%.
- To be a household, the members must have residency in the stated address. Only one address may be presented on any form and is generally the primary home from time to time throughout the year. They may live in different homes, though would be considered the resident of the filing household.
- Any household having been born by the end of February may be listed as the new citizen for the prior year *Levy* filing, since the pregnancy would primarily be in that year. This is a way for compensating maternal costs in support of the family.
- Should there be more than 5 members in the household, 2+ forms would be submitted, as long as 2+ members have income. This allows a citizen with income to be matched with 1-4 members with lower or no incomes, lessening the *Levy* burden when supporting such people. When listing members on the forms, all members with income must be presented on one form or another. Which form persons are listed does not matter. If there are more than 4 members without income in the household for each member with incomes, additional persons are not listed. The lower Rate applies only to 1-4 additional persons. For example: If 11 are living in the household (2 parents having income with 9 non-income children), 2 with incomes, 2 forms would be submitted – one for each of the 2 who have income. Each of those forms would have 4 additional persons on the form – making 5 per form. One person would not be listed on any form.
- Households may transfer support funds to other households. Such funds would be listed in the space on the *Levy Validation* form table *Support Funding*, and the recipient must list such transfer as income. This is not a deduction and the levies are paid by the recipient. This is a way for persons to give support to children, ex-spouses, parents, relatives, close friends, etc. Any person who are not living in their household.
- **Advance Income Levy** is a progressive application to citizens with higher incomes. This only applies for the amount over the lower portion of income amount, and is to help assure an overall more equitable application of income *Levies*, especially considering the disparaging effects of economic growth, where higher income person gain a greater benefit from such growth. This *Advance Income Levy* is rated from the *Least Civil Wage (LCW)* and the percentage is are not adjusted for based changes to the LCW. For those making over 10 × annual LCW (C£124,800), the citizen pays a *Levy* of 18% for the portion over that threshold to the next level. Income over 15 × LCW (C£187,200) to the next level has a 21% *Levy* applied. The next level is the amount over

30 × LCW (C£374,400) to the next level, having a *Levy* of 24%, then 60 × LCW (C£748,800) with a *Levy* of 27%. The final application to the entire amount over 120 × LCW (C£1,497,600) and is 30%, being the highest burden on personal income. The application is only for the amounts between the thresholds and not a compounded application.

- Being associated to the LCW, any adjustment to the LCW will affect all levels automatically.
- Other than that, there are no consistent direct *Levies* of the citizen's income and this amount is their main contribution for the function of the nation. There are no separate local, provincial or sales *Levies*. For this contribution, the citizen is guarantee the use the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* making the overall contribution a less burden on citizens, especially those less affluent.
- Citizens may declare higher income (though not lower). In doing so, they are credited as higher income. The extra amount is listed as "Self-Addition" on the income source of the validation form, becoming effective for the *Fund*, raising their return throughout their life. Overall, the *Levy Rate* is less than accumulated effects of previous federal, state, local, sales and other taxing within the *Former U.S.* With those considerations, Cascadia poses less burden on lower income, as well saving governance expenses in tracking a more complicated system that was fraught with corruptions. The effect allows smaller businesses to function without personal high expense of accountants and lawyers to manage the coplicated nature of tax code.

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## Income (cont.):

**Family Income Rating:** Cascadia rejected a lot of terms used in the past, middle/working-class the included. It was felt such a term became a political and corporate labeling of citizens, diminishing their role as supporting corporate interests in lieu of families and related enterprises.

Still needing a scaling of income levels, Cascadia developed the following, relating it to incomes for families, rooting the levels on the *Least Civil Wage (LCW)*. All levels is the gross income for the family household. These income ratings are used by the census administration to propose changes to the *Least Civil Wage* and other income aspects. As a note, 1920 hours is a full 32-hour, 60-week year.

The general comparison with the *Basic Family Rating* of C£17,550 is equivalent to \$25,800 in 1990, or \$36,900 in 2015, having a relative hourly wage of \$12.40 and \$17.75 respectively.

- » **Initiation Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  1,900 (C£12,350 or more).
- » **Basic Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  2,700 (C£17,550+), and considered a comfortable rate for a family of 5, having all general needs met, and still having 15% free spending monies. At this level, one person making 140% LCW can support a family, or one making LCW and another part time making 40% of the other.
- » **Step-II Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  4,600 (C£29,900+) is a level with the combination of the *Basic Family Rating* and *Initiation Rating* – say a family member starting their first income added to the *Basic Family Income*. Within a basic rated family. Step-X Family Rating is the highest category associated with this scaling.
- » **Step-III Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  10,000 (C£65,000+)
- » **Step-IV Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  20,000 (C£130,000+)
- » **Step-V Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  50,000 (C£325,000+)
- » **Step-VI Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  100k (C£650,000+)
- » **Step-VII Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  200k (C£1,300k+)
- » **Step-VIII Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  500k (C£3,250k+)
- » **Step-IX Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  1,000k (C£6,500k+)
- » **Step-X Family Rating** is the LCW  $\times$  2,000k (C£13,000k+)

**Independence:** Though not accepted by many who left, the Cascadians separated from the Former United States as it cracked as fell apart. See the *Beginnings* section for details.

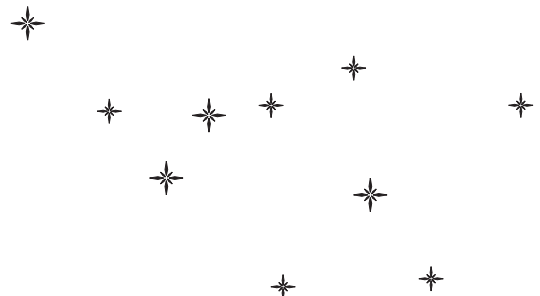
**Inflation:** See *National Economics Commission in the Government Affairs* section.

**Inheritance:** Passing one's legacy to the younger generation is important to the Founders of Cascadia, and many of the *Edicts* reflect this. Each Cascadia in citizen at the *Age of Commitment* establishes a *Civil Disposition Declaration* (see separate entry in this section), setting what is to be done with their property and other affairs.

**Initiatives:** See *Edicts*.

**Injury:** See *Medical & Health* in this section.

**Innovations:** Cascadia takes technical development very serious. See *Innovations and X-Prize competition in the science & technology* section.



**Insurance:** Many citizens take additional insurance through private institutions and there are many to gain policies from. The Cascadian government also provides insurances, and in doing so helps insure competition and reduced price control (functioning in a similar manner as fuel sales).

Insurance companies may be classified as advocacy institutions, if they are collective groups providing insurance without restrictions. Insurance companies may gain insurances from the government to help protect against losses.

*Health insurance coverage is presented in the Medical & Health section.*

- Due to the *Broad Scope Levy*, *County/Shire* insurance companies are able to compete more effectively with provincial and national companies.
- **Environmental Disaster Insurance** covers all forms of natural devastation, including floods, terrain fires, earthquakes, synonymy's, mudslides, etc. All property owners must have this insurance to the level of at least 120% of property value to cover property, dislocated lodging funding and affected items, either from the governance or private companies. This form of insurance shall not specialize to any type. All regions have specific environmental issues, and applying complete coverage for all of Cascadia spreads risk, without elusive policy criteria that allows company to deny claims. Unlike other forms of insurance, this is all-inclusive. In 2067, the governance Environmental Disaster Insurance was being issued at C£8.00 per month for C£35,000 coverage amount. Private companies would have their own rates and services.
- *Insurance have come under scrutiny by the Star chamber*, and in 2067, the justices review complaints for fair treatment violations.

**Intellectual Property:** See *Copyright, Patents and Trademarks* in this section, and *Intellectual Property Commission* in the *Government Affairs* section.

**International Relations:** See *Allied Nations, Revenue, Territories and Trade Nations* in this section, and *International Treaty* in the *Government Affairs* section.

**Internet & Computers:** By 2067, there has been many advances in with computers and the internet. Over all, the internet is more restrictive, but there are still international connections if the nation allows it, or the user can get around filtering barriers through *Net Grove/Orchard Links*. Many terms evolved.

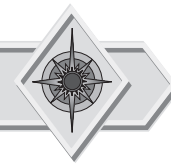
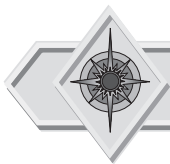
- *Fapptions* evolved from *Functional Application*, replacing the oversimplified, commercialized marketing tool of "apps" (similar to *Cloud*), and refers to any executable processing program/software used within computers and omnivices.
- Web pages and smaller sites became known as *Net-Rooms*, where larger multilevel sites and group-site took on the term *Net-Suites*. *Net-Nodes/Lines* describe the physical serving computers, systems, data line/trunk connections (fiber optics, wiring, lazer-comm, radio, etc.). Groups of servers function together for widespread use our *Omniservers* (or *Collective Servers*) with pockets of synced servers as servers stations. Personal network computers are known as *Paraserver Nodes* or *Meta-Server Nodes*. *Transputer* (rebirth from the 1980s) is a term for data-heavy omnivices used for communication-data processing, supplementing the supercomputer term which is more dedicated to specific tasks.
- In Cascadia, the internet-web took up the name *Vardicom*, for variable digital internet communication, shortened to *Varm*, by many. *Omnivices* (multimedia devices, portable computers, etc.) and *Terminal* (rebirth term for computer stations hardwired to the system) are people-functional equipment.
- *Grove Comm* came to be a popular reference for the overall internet relation of the *Net Groves*, replacing the "World Wide Web" (WWW) that faded with the *Pocketing* of access, reducing

the full freedom that was present for a couple decades.

- **Net Groves/Orchards** (of just *Groves/Orchers*) is a common term for larger *Group Pockets* of *Site [Domain] Trees* linking *Site Leaves/Buds* (the pages and elements). *Roots, Trunk, Branched* and *Leaves/Buds* describe various parts of the *Site Tree*.
- **Envelope Nodes** (or just *Envelopes* or *E-Nodes*) describe the smaller pockets where authorized users connect with their terminal computer. A user may connect to any number of these *Envelopes*, gaining access to *Net-Groves* and the *Site Tree* linked with it. Each *Envelope* has different authorizations to other *Envelopes, Groves* of *Private Internet Societies* (or just *Societies*, rarely using the *PIS* reference).
- **Emesary Trunks** are connections between specific *Groves* and *Envelope* with a greater security against hacking and *Net-Virous* outbreaks. During the breakup of the *Former U.S.*, the internet slid into turmoil. By the 2030s, the internet was being called the "*Briar Patch*." Connections beyond the more controlled regions are still a thorny intertwining entity that would hurt if not treaded carefully.
- **Net/Site-Seeker/Casters/Scouts** became the titles for people who gather lists from controlled search engines to build *Tree Ledgers* of sites, crossreferenced and rated with descriptions and sample information. *Tree Ledgers* are shared and resturctured by types of users. Millions of these ledgers are available depending on the types of information or sites a user wishes. Due to the connection restrictions, the old fashion web crawlers don't function. *Seeker Programs* have personal verifications for access into *Eve Lobes*, with volunteer users sorting the sites of other *Ledger Tree Lists* created by *Site Directors* (web masters).
- **Net-Envoys** became the title for the IT persons associated with an *Envelopes, Grove* and such, ensuring the integrity of the *Envelopes* and connected *Net-Nodes/Lines* and all the *Site Trees* in their domain.
- **Private Envelopes** evolved for people to access *Confidential Net-Room/Suites* in a more restrictive manner. Users would connected to an *Envelope* that gives them access to specific sets of *Groves* depending of authorizations with the *Envelope*. **Progressive Envelope** are more popular in Cascadia, though more restrictive, having access to controversial site, including sellers of marijuana, prostitute escort services, erotica and sexual paraphernalia.
- **Inter-Post** or **Web-Post** are alternate terms used for *emails* (which is still used).
- *Counties/Shires, Provinces* and *National Envelopes* are set up for citizens to access governmental information, such as *Edicts* and *Amber Statues*. Citizen's private information is not accessible through the internet and is kept in isolated databases. Each citizen may go to their *Township Hall* to view their personal information and make corrections with the clerk for any found errors.
- **Hard and soft files**, as well as **hard and soft folders**, is still used to distinguish computer files/folders from those you can actually hold in your hand. **Hard copies** are still the most reliable in lieu of corruptible electronic copies.







## Internet & Computers (cont.):

- **Screenshows** is a term that replaced screensavers since the prior term had little relevance since monitors didn't need saving anymore. Such screen shows became more elaborate having overlapping imagery with videos, virtually any form of displays, even allowing science research compile relation that began with the SETI Project.
- **Online purchases** is still common in Cascadia, though restrictions to the Cascadian companies. *See business in this section.*

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**3-D Flex Screens:** Visual interface screen that may be set to a flat viewing area, or sides brought forward to create a curvature to quarter, third or half circle up to any size the supports could handle, full circle are rarer, with 2-4 flex screens, the viewer could be wrapped 360° around and with over dome screen (ceiling), even durable, responsive floor screens, they could be completely engulfed. Some have made rooms with them as well, or have lift seats to bring the user up to the array, while others have the array come down to them, as apposed to having a screen pull aside to enter or leave.

**Keyboards:** All sorts of keyboards (*interfaces*) are produced, including many styles that resemble musical instruments (piano keyboards, guitar, accordion, etc.), sphere or half sphere, virtual pad (projected image that tracks the user's movement), a variety of standard keyboard boards of the old-style (Dvorak and Qwert) and Cascadia arrangement with the prime letters in center row, and more.

In 2067, people would bring their own *interactive devices* and *interfaces* setting the associated remote module on the *connection pad*. Any number of devices and interfaces could be connected and each interactive relative screens.

**Screens:** Flexible curve screens of common, with some being considerably large, filling a wall area, or wrapped around to surround the people, with moving panels or floor access.

On combined use screens, operators would pick an area to work within the screen. In this way, one large screen on the wall or surrounding them would function for several people in the same room on related projects interacting with each other.

**Net-Suites (Web Sites):** A few notable site that exist in 2067 are presented here.

- **Inner Circle** (a *Private Progressive Envelope Site Tree*) is a series of social groups discussing subjects some would consider delicate, embarrassing, immoral or unconscionable. Each group has an open forum Net-Room for people to make contact or explore. Messages may be sent and responded to by members confidentially (leaving no trace of the message once passed). As the "*Outsider*" becomes more familiar and "*Insiders*" become more confident with them, they may be drawing into *Private Circles*. Any number *Private [Inner] Circles* may exist for each *Open Circle*, and each 2+ people, and are treated as separate Society. All members in any single *Private Circle* has to accept the newcomer in, or another *Private Circle* may be created. Only members of the *Private Circle* may view profiles for the specific *Circle* and each circle will have a different profile for each *Circle*. They may create a profiles for the *Open Circle*, but most do not.
- **Lot's Heritage** (launched in October 2036) and **Aura's Children** (founded in April 2037 by Terina Chamberlain, Gwynn Chamberlain, Raphina Haderli, Beckie Strutus and others) are *Inner Circles* for some people associated with the *Ménage Amour*.

**Web Alters:** In 2012, a few psychologist began speculating that there may a **Wed Artificial Intelligence (WAI)** building in the world web network. The concept had been presented in several science fiction, though this was the first it was being discussed as

a bona fide possibility. The thought was that the net was highly complex and ran independent of central control.

On 17 November 2016, the first *WAI* was identified. Not long after that, others were being discovered. As the phenomenon was being worked out, they found they were sharing the web, hence the "*Alters*" reference, seeing the web as one mind and the *WAI*s are fragments of the whole, as it seems for those with Poly-Personality Disorder (Dissociative Identity Disorder or Multiple Personality Disorder in the past).

It was thought the *Alters* had their own agenda and influenced people by feeding specific details and hiding others. They even seem to have made friends with certain people. People still influenced the web by creating and updating information on the network.

The full effect was not yet understood in 2032. By 2067 though, much have been written on the subject and many eradicated. It is known that many still exist around the world. In Cascadia, the isolated Envelopes restrict the effect and none thrived.

There may have been *WAI* in the systems at the Las Vegas Basin when it transferred forward in time, though the effect would be limited, even be "brain dead" with the limited resources. At the least, until wide spread power is restored, alters are dormant.

**International relations:** *See Government affairs section.*

**Intimacy:** *See Pregnancy & Maternity Paternity and Sexual Renaissance Enlightenment.*

**Intoxicants:** *See Alcohol & Recreational Intoxicants in this section.*

**Journalists:** Those reporting through any form of media are afforded certain protections and has specific responsibilities. They shall have a *Journalists Identification Certificate* (sometimes called media cards or press journalists passes issued by the *Statistics & Licensing Commission*, renewed each 3 years.

- All journalists, no matter the media are allowed free expression, as long as it is truthful. Personal views are considered truthful, and commentaries are as common in 2067 as they had been in the past. False accusations of course are not truthful.
- Journalists may not use the protections of the *Free Press* to harass others or jeopardize their well-being.
- To gain a **Journalist Identification Certificate**, the reporter/journalist must show ownership or employment of a news service (any media), and not have been convicted of any grievous breaks of privacy or harassment in the last 7 years. No other restrictions are leveled.

**Kazakhstan Flu:** First identified in September 2014 within Kazakhstan, this new strain of the Type-A/H5N3 Influenza virus jumped from birds to humans propagating through that nation (killing 143,000, about 1 in 20) and Russian (killing 3.7 million, about 1 in 40 population). Estimated losses in China lost were as high 32.3 million (also about 1 in 40).

Other places had less deaths per population; Europe at 4.7 million (1 in 150 people), North America at 2.6 million (1:200) and 1 in 300 throughout the rest of the world.

This strain had a slow incubation, with very mild symptoms lasting 3 weeks, coming in waves of sniffles and fever for 2-3 days with 1-2 days break. Around the 4<sup>th</sup>, the fever goes to 101-103, lasting 2-3 days, dehydrating the body with a 3-17% mortality rate depending on care.

A vaccine was available late season, but only 72% effective and in low supply. By the following year, there was enough vaccines for 1.7 billion. The global deaths dropped to 182 thousand (around 1:38,000 population). After that, the death rate globally for what people called the **Kazakhstan Flu** remained at 1 in 250,000 population.

**Kaskashya:** *See Future Growth in this section.*

**Labor:** *See business and employment in this section.*

**Land:** See Property in this section.

**Language:** American English evolved into *Cascadian English* and is the official language. All citizens is expected to have at least a sixth 6<sup>th</sup> grade understanding of the language to become a full citizen.

Though rooted from American English, over the years the lingua adopted many foreign words, as well as shaping uniquely Cascadian words. The **Library of Cascadia** (see *Government Affairs* section) maintains an adaptive **dictionary-thesaurus** for public use.

Also see *Libraries* in this section.

- The Cascadian populace have been sifting to a more phonetic form of writing, beginning that began to be take hold in 2034 and grew popular in 2037 and by 2042 overshadowed past *American English* way of spelling. Grammar even became more to tolerant of personal style.

**Dictionary:** New words came into use, as all languages evolve and had. Some are presented here.

- Shyot** (evolving from shoot and sh-t) began being used for an exclamation, more often when recalling something that should have been done.
- Omnivice** (omni device) evolve to replace the smart phone reference, since such devices had little resemblance to telephone usage and was more of a multipurpose device. See entry in the *Science & Technology* section.
- Thespian** had been resurrected for the general use of **actors** and **actresses**, and the gender specific terms are still used. **Stewards** and **stewardesses** have been expanded to most all service fields. **Waiters/waitresses** are still in use.
- Illibooks** our illustrated booklets having storylines, unknown in the past as comic books or illustrated novels.
- Recultus** (combining *religion* and Latin *cultus*) and **Galeafu** (old English for *belief*) became used for a general reference to all beliefs, including Judaism, Christianity and Islam. See *Religion/Faith/Belief* entry in this section.
- Lesbian** is used for femella affections, and **gafflian** for the guys.
- Moejee**, a loose adaptation from a Korean word for a perspective of atmosphere of a room or group of people, indicating suitable conduct one should practice while in that environment.
- Sushiss** and **shushee** our affectionate references to the sexual act between people and is not considered profane.
- Malarkey** and **poppycock** had a comeback in Cascadia for expressions of disagreement or dislike of another person's statement.
- Various **profanities** (cursing phrases) continued or were adapted, including malarkey for expressing dispute. **Tiss/Tissed** (combination of ticked and pissed) where others are upset and disrespected. **Yuefru/Kuefrae/kuef/keff/keft** (adapting f--- y---) became used to show frustrated anger at something, having **kuefitt/kefitt/keftupp** as a variant. **Poppycock** expresses a disagreement. **Gish** is the adaptation between gosh and sh\*\*, and **vushiv** form "f\*\*\* it".

**Last Will & Testament:** All citizens of Cascadia must maintain a Citizen Disposition Declaration (see separate entry) once they reached the Age of Commitment, stating who are the beneficiaries of their property/assets, as well as other affairs. This declaration takes precedence over any other documents that may exist.

**Lavvies:** Taking hold within *United America* in 2040s as popular

realization that it was silly to call a room with a toilet and no bath a **bathroom**, let alone a restroom where there was generally no resting. Lavvy was shortened from lavatory (too much like laboratory). Cascadia quickly picked up on the term as did other nations. **Privy** is also popular in Cascadia, though not in *United America*.

**Gender distinctions** with in Cascadia is more blended than other nations, and lavvies that are not gender-neutral are **Feminine** or **Masculine** in that a person uses the lavvy related to their personal association of the gender spectrum.

Also see *Gender* in this section.

**Law:** The word law is not used in Cascadia. All Proclamations are "**Edict of Parliament**," effecting all people of Cascadia. Lesser degrees effect the people of Providence, County/Shire and Townships are **Civil Ordinance** (See *Legal Affairs* section). Also see *Parliament* in *Government Affairs* section.

## ~ Social Restraint ~

The Founders of Cascadia worked at not allowing any group of people to press their agendas on other groups.

- A series of Edicts to rein in business tycoons so to prevent them from misusing or exploiting people and environment were established.
- Balance of labor guilds with business companies and employees is achieved through a variety of Edicts and the creation of the Guild Congress, Independent Companies and Conscientious Employees.
- Several clauses of the Great Proclamations are set to curtail religious pressures of radical groups, evangelists or other groups of faith from embedding phraseology that would imply any favoritism to any sect, cult or faction of belief.

**Least Civil Wage:** This is the minimum any company may pay a citizen for employment. In 2067, the **LCW was C£6.50** (*Casdas*) per hour (equal to 9.56 UEs in 2067, or \$13.67 U.S. dollars in 2016). General annual minimum income at this wage would be C£12,480 (C£3,120 seasonal) when calculated by 60 weeks at 32 hours a week. Any changes to this rate is set by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> approval of *Paliamment* and *Star Chamber*. As a note, the U.S. minimum wage in the beginning of 2016 was \$7.25.

The **Least Civil Wage** is not considered a singular living wage, though is roughly establish around 70% of what a Cascadia family of 5 would need for comfortable modest living, expecting 2-3 people to cohabited at **LCW** rates or higher. Persons with skilled knowledge would be expected to earn more.

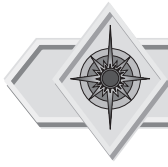
Also see *Income* in this section, as well as *Government Pensionaries* in the *Government Affairs* section.

**Leisure Days:** See *Calendar* in this section. Also see *Celebration Day* for holidays. Also see *Personal Time under Employment* in this section.

**Learning Conditions:** See *Medical* entry in this section.

**Legal Matters & Structure:** See *Legal Affairs* section.

1) This is based on 32 hours service week and 60 weeks per year (120 annual hours), and is equal to \$26,246 in 2016. In 2016, the federal you as minimum wage was \$7.25, allowing a worker to gain \$15,080 annually based on 40 hours a week for 52 weeks (2080 annual hours).



**Levies:** Cascadia, as with any nation, needs support of the population. It took a lot of restructuring to replace the old manner with what will become the *Cascadia Way*.

*See Revenue in this section for a list of governmental incomes, including Broad Scope Levies. Also see Business section and Income in the section.*

- **Cascadia National Exchequer** maintains continuity of Levies and Revenues throughout the nation, including personal levies on income (see separate entry).
- Business are levied at 12% of the gross income of the company, with the Shareholders responsible for it being paid and accurate. They would also be subject to *Broad Scope* and other *Levies*, depending on extent and Class of company. Any penalties for misfiling is applied to the shareholders as a government loan in proportion to share ownership.
- Answering those objecting to the **lack of deductions** for *Levies*, it has been shown over and over in the past that deductions were more beneficial to more affluent people, even to the point they were not paying any levies whatsoever. If deductions in any manner take root into levy process, the abuses compound greatly.
- Levy collection is handled by the *Provinces* and *Counties/Shires*, with the main collect beginning as *County/Shire Hall*. Filing may be done there or at the *Township Hall* and forwarded with a nominal fee by the *Township* for handling.
- All private institutions are considered businesses, including any religion/faith or charity base institution and are subject to the same levies as other types of business. All donations are considered income and are levied as such.
- *Townships, Counties/Shires, Provinces* and *National* shall never exceed the expenditures. If special projects are desired, fund raising campaigns may be conducted. Bond issues may be done, though must be set to be paid in the normal means (*see Business section*).
- Though *Levies* are collected at *County/Shire* level, the property level is figured per *Township* and distributed accordingly. *See Revenue in this section for further details.*

**Lie Detector:** *See Truth Helm.*

**Libraries:** Knowledge being important in Cascadia, *Civil Libraries* are maintained and are adjacent to the *Foundation Schools* with students having full access with all citizens.

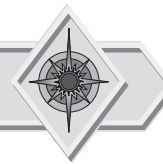
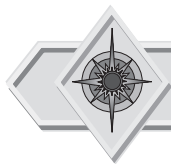
- Copies of all the old newspapers magazines and other periodicals that became available from other libraries are stored on microfiche and electronically means. These were brought to Cascadia and reproduced in data books, becoming available in each library.
- Most all newspapers and magazines from the mid-1800s to the present are available on data books through the library system.
- **Data book** are bounded multi-page e-book of pocket-size of pocket-size book size to cocktail size cocktail table size (copy table and parent and greater with 12 or more resilient data pages that feel like sick paper page the pages have pressure points that would change the to open pages to the next or previous for a slide area to scan for word back. Each sheet may be displayed may display different pages of the same book or different pages of different books with interact cross-referencing.
- Cascadia Civil Library system is part of the **Library of Cascadia** (see Government Affairs section) of the foundation schools and available to all's citizens.

## ~Great Civil Proclamation – X~

Clause-I: The rights of the people to be secure in their persons, homes, papers and effects against unreasonable search and seizure shall not be violated without just warrants.

Clause-II: No warrants shall be issued without probable cause, supported by verifiable oath and affirmation, particularly describing the place to be searched and persons and effects to be seized.





**Licensing:** There are several controlled elements in the nation that would require licensing. A few are presented here. Since Cascadia takes civil liberty extremely serious (more so than the last century of the *Former U.S.*), only areas that have the potential of doing *Considerable Harm* to others are controlled.

**Driving Certificate:** See *Driving* in the section of related licensing.

**Control Substance Handling Permits:** Needed to purchasing, selling or handling of materials and substances that are considered dangerous to the general public, including explosive/incendiary (including all *fireworks*), nuclear/radioactive materials, hazardous chemicals, etc.

**Road Vehicle Licence Plaques:** There are 3 parts of the licensing plaque (38 × 16 cm, about 15" × 6.5, wider than *Former U.S.*) for all road vehicles and has both numbers and lettering, displayed on the front and rear of the vehicle. On the left and right, presented vertically are 3 digital, indicating the issuing location code for the *Province* and collective *Counties/Shires*. The center area holds a horizontal presentation of 3 groupings, with each grouping having 3-4 letters or numbers separated by hyphens (say 361-AXIZ-4162, or IAXP-6214-361). Personal plaques are also available for the central display and may be up to 14 letters.

Background colors have holographic imagery for computers to validate authenticity through sensing cameras on patrol vehicles. Sheriff vehicles have multi-scanning cameras that registers plaques, verifying vehicle compliances, alerting the Sheriff's about problems. The computer also calculates speed in relation to the plaques and ground references.

**Lifestyles:** See *families*.

**Linguistics:** Cascadia is evolving the language into something more phonetic, rejecting many of the older spelling. They are also favoring some words over other.

The terms *sofa* became more common than couch.

**Liquor:** See *Alcohol & Recreation drugs*.

**Literature & Books:** Works of literature of sorts are available. Those with sensitive material are to have the *Maturity Rating* displayed.

**Data Books:** Computer book formats vary and several styles are available with standards covered for most.

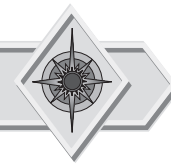
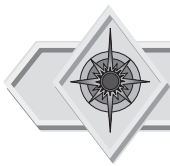
- Most all newspapers and magazines from the mid-1800s to the present are available on data books through the library system.
- The binding of the data books have a data strep that is pulled from the top, and program which changes to hold hundreds or thousands of material, depending on the size. Remote access is through authorized envelope nodes.

**Loans & Debt:** Parliament has many edicts concerning private loans.

Also see *Civil Loan-Banking Service* in this section. See *Property* in this section for loan limits on price escalation.

- Several private credit bureaus remain still function within Cascadia, providing credit information of citizens and businesses. The *Nation Economics Commission* and *Standards & Safety Commission* oversees these bureaus, who looks into disputes from citizens or businesses, ensuring correct reporting, favoring to citizens on marginal decisions.
- The *Cascadian National Bank*, who manages the debt accounts for the government with the government (citizens and businesses) tracks their own rating based on the conduct with the within the government accounts, not from outside elements, and are subject to review by the standards & safeties commission, even for disputes of accuracy.





**Longevity Treatments:** American medical communities came up with a series of treatments that stalled the aging process, developed from research being done in Europe and Asia.

Most involved enzymes called telomerase that repair and extends telomeres (repeating sequenced at the ends of chromosomes) stalling their shortening, extending the aging process. The counter side of the treatment is that the chance of the enzymes causing cancer is increased by multiples.

- Treatments may stall the aging, even regress the effects of aging. Regression is harder and more risky.
- **Regression Factor** is number of *Age Group Phases* that is removed from the character's age. For the mechanics, use  $1 \times 1D6P$  as the number of *Age Group Phases* regressed.
- **Longevity Factor** is a multiple of the year in each *Age group*. For the mechanics, use  $0.1 \times 1D6P$  as the multiple to the age range in the *Age Group* per treatment.
- On the character sheet, mark the *Age Groups* with the information as shown in this example. Generally, the number of years from each of the *Age Group Phases* from the racial profile is multiplied by the *Longevity Factor* and added to the achieve age of the previous *Age Group*. Figure the completed *Age Group Phases*.

*Age Progressing: Ages @ multiplier*

*Child (1-10): 2-8 @ x1*

*Preadolescent (11-20): 9-12 @ x1*

*Adolescent (21-30): 13-18 @ x1*

*Adult (31-40): 19-28 @ x1*

*Mature (41-50): 29-43 @ x1*

*Middle Aged (51-58): 44-54 @ x1*

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*Mature (Phase 43-50): 55-144 @ x6*

Etc.

- The cost is quite high and takes time to take hold. For the treatment, the enzymes are applied by injections (usually slightly higher quality and notable costlier), creams (more common on the black market), or other means. The character will begin feeling the effects in 3D4P days and take 3D10F  $\times$  1D6 days to become completely part of the character's genetics.
- Figure the costs at  $(20 + 3D6P) \text{ UEs} \times \text{Quality} \times \text{Quality} \times \text{Longevity Factor} \times \text{Regression Factor}$ .
- For the balancing of the characters, the player will add 200 to the Experience Threshold for each multiple of the aging process, and 50 for each *Age Phase* regressed.
- Risk of cancer increases significantly if not done correctly, and one would not know immediately. For each treatment the character had gone through, the player rolls 1D30P in relation to the quality. If under the Quality of the treatment, they have no signs of cancers that *Age group*. At the beginning of each *Age Group*, the player roll the chance of cancer in the same way for each of the treatments the character ever had.

**Lottery:** *Cascadia has several lotteries that used to produce a revenue as the Former U.S. had done.*

**Lumber:** *See Bureau of Parks & Wilderness in the Government Affairs section.*

**Magazine:** *See Newspaper & Magazines.*

**Mail:** *See Postal Commission in the Government Affairs section.*

**Males:** *See Men/Masculine in this section.*

**Manufactures:** *See Companies under Business entry of this section.*

**Marjuana:** *See Alcohol & Recreation drugs.*

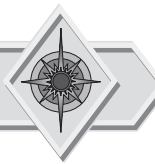
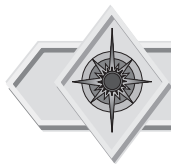
**Marriage:** The bond of marriage is a strong commitment between people. It has been set from the beginning with *Cascadia Decrees* that the government shall not impose stipulations on marriage or the structure of families, that such matters are for the people within the family to decide.

Relations within families do not gain citizenship, and beneficiaries for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Funds* must be citizens. Spouses (current or past), children, relations, etc. that are eligible for the remains of the account must be declared. Relations do not automatically entitle them the benefits of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Funds*. Since the beneficiaries only has to be citizens, the spousal relation do not have to be declared. Their name would be listed with other beneficiaries.

*Also see relations in this section.*

- Marriage certificates require a **Health Validation Certificate** gained from the *Ministry of Health*, where they would have an examination for communicable diseases. The medical exam requirements for registration of marriage to discover threatening disorders that may effect each other or future offspring. This is covered by the *Beaurou of Health* as a routine examination (with copay due). The result does not preclude the marriage, but the results of the examinations are given both parties and other current spouses (Cascadia allows plurality of spouses beyond 2). The spouses enter the marriage relation with knowledge of the medical situation and each shall agree to the inclusion.
- **Prenuptial agreements** are almost routine. Cascadia sees property entering the marriage as belonging to the individual and prenuptial agreements stipulates such assets. No matter the agreement, the partners are dedicated to the wellbeing of each other and any involved children under the *Age of Commitment* (see *Maturity in the section*).
- Cascadia sees marriage as a legal matter beyond any faith oriented association and may be performed by any certified citizen or court justice. Marriages may be certified by any citizen bearing a **Marriage Performance License**, granting them the right to sign marriage certificates as a ward of the court. To gain such a certificate, the citizen would successfully attend a government seminar, proving understanding of procedures. The certificate would be renewed each 7 years.
- Plurality of marriage (poly-spousal union/marriages) are granted, allowing 3+ committed spouses of any genders. All expectations of legal matters apply to all spouses with in the relation.
- Simple *Marriage Certificates* are picked up and filed at the *Town Hall*. Though done there, it is a national certificate. If there are any complicating aspects of the marriage (children custody, dependence, property involvement, prenuptial agreements, etc.), the parties would gain marital certificate from the *Chancery Hall of Social Relations*.
- Due to the intimacy nature of marriage, all legal matters are shared between spouses. Acts of one may be applied to the others, if they are not able to show complete knowledge isolation from the act. Spouses may not witness against each other, even in retrospect after severing relation (divorce, separation, annulment, etc.). This is seen by some as a legal set back to marriage, while others see it as the true commitment, bringing trust back to the relation.
- Non-disputed separations may be done at the *Town Hall*, as long as each party is in full agreement, and clear separation of property and custody of children/dependents are agreed-upon, with supporting forms stating so, all signed by all parties with witnesses and present at the *Town Hall*. Any disputes are taken to the *Chancery Hall*.

**Masculinity:** *See Men/Masculine in this section.*



**Mass Disappearances:** Form ----- and ---- there were a series of disappearances of hundreds, even thousands of people. It was not clear to most people what was causing them. There are several options for the campaign and that has to do with the way the creator set up the campaign.

Over the years, millions are not accounted for and no one really knows anything about what happened to them. Some other the reasons could be the beliefs of the population and are presented as explanations people came up with. The creator will set what would be true for each and they don't have to be the same.

Various counts of the missing have been attempted, but accurate numbers were never able to be assembled. Figures ranged as low as 340,000 people unaccounted for, but most start at 7.47 million and rise from there. Many evangelists state the number missing is 144,000 and they were still there to help save as many of the remaining people they can. The highest, done by a group of scientist from the University of Massachusetts, released the count of over 48,331,000 people who are gone in relation to the phenomenon.

**Events:** These are a few known disappearance of large number of people. As reality clicks by, some of these date will likely not match the known reality. *The Time Line Note in the 2054 History article for Earth Fall has a way to handle that; in short, an alternate time loop.*

*Other details are presented in the events shown in the history articles for the Earth Fall.*

- **16 Mach 2012:** Russian prison lost the full population; guards, staff and the prisoners. Monitoring devices failed during 23 minutes before restoration to an empty prison.
- **--- June 2013:** Belgium football (soccer) stadium became empty in 12 minutes. During that time, the television and radio broadcast were interrupted. Those within a few blocks don't recall anything beyond recollecting a light, but the nature of that varied from each person. Those beyond there knew something was going on, though they were concerned as to what to think and did nothing until it was over.

**Reactions:** People around the world reacted in many ways.

- Large cities began losing population. This changed the demographics in some areas. In the Former United States, this changed the voting districts and legislature of many states.
- Governments, especially the U.S., blamed terrorists, heightening security to "ensure it would not happen again." People viewed that response as suspicious, claiming they orchestrated it to scare people into handing over freed for a little security, as Benjamin Franklin would state. Others didn't think the government was responsible for the disappearance, but did criticize the tightening of rights as over reactive and protested it.
- It took years for insurances to pay claims if they did at all, since there were not bodies.

**Reasons:** Where the people went and what happened to them may differ and here are a few option the creator could use.

- Many of faithful Christian thought it was the **Rapture** in the beginning. Since everyone in the area was taken, there were disillusionment of their belief and many left the faith.
- Mind control light and sound, even mind control of technologically or magical nature was speculated for the occurrences.
- New weapon being tested by a government, terrorist groups, renegade scientist, dark government, Global Federation, etc.
- Alien abduction for an interstellar war is popular Conjecture among UFO enthusiasts. They figured the

health younger men was set with control devices and sent to the conflict, while the weaker ones were support. Women were bred and children raised to fill the adult roles. To answer the question as to why; they say the alien are dying; or because of their long lives, they reproduce to slow. Some asked why don't they clone warriors? Maybe they do and this is supplemental because setting devices are cheap and can be done immediately.

- Sporadic rifts to another dimension or time, whether natural or control by an intelligence.
- The rumors of an ancient people (*maybe the Roezoshee*) bringing their children home was speculated.

**Maternity/Paternity:** See Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity in this section.

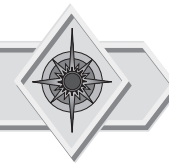
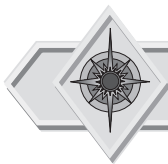
**Mattress Size:** See Domestic Life in this section.

**Maturity:** Adulthood in Cascadia is related to their ability to decide their fate – their **Age of Commitment**. Privileges and responsibility come with this status. There are several elements citizens have to achieved to be considered reaching the **Age of Commitment**. This differs slightly from **Age of Maturity**, each of which is shown here.

*Also see Families and Restricted Media Rating in is section.*

- There is a certain education expectation for the citizen reaching **Age of Commitment**, that being the completion of Foundation School. See Education in this section.
- **Age of Maturity** is 16 for masle and 15 for femella, unless challenged by the parents/guardians at the *Township Hall*, personal relation decision, including intimacy. At the age of 17 (all genders), the person is exclusively responsible for their illegal behavior. **Conclusive Age of Maturity** is 22, and is the age where all rights of citizenship applies and allowed without age restrictions, allowing all aspects as **Age of Commitment**.
- **Age of Consent, Decision or Accountability** is the **Age of Commitment**.
- Those of the **Age of Commitment** are eligible to vote (once those requirements are met), marry without guardian consent, and such and maintain broad sexual relations. This does not apply for military duty or consumption of alcohol or recreational intoxicants. It does relate to legal matters, making the citizen fulfill responsible groups for their behavior exclusively.
- Alcohol and other legal intoxicants are not granted by **Age of Commitment**, having a physical development relation. See Alcohol & Recreation intoxication in this section.
- Reaching the **Conclusive Age of Maturity** is not the **Age of Commitment**, though one of full maturity may participate in alcohol, marijuana and other legal intoxicants, though not afforded voting privileges until they obtain the **Age Of Commitment**.
- Recording the **Age of Commitment** at the *Township Hall* would be done during normal weekday times. At that time they will establish their **Civil Disposition Declaration**.





**Measurements:** Cascadia shifted to the *metric measurement system* from the beginning, and reminding people that there are decimeters included.

- Cascadian Inch = 2.5 cm = 1.016 U.S. inch. [*U.S. inch = 2.54 cm.*]
- Cascadian Foot = 30 cm [*U.S. foot = 30.48 cm.*]
- Cascadian M<sup>1</sup>-Gallen = 4 liters = 8 M<sup>1</sup>-Pints = 16 M<sup>1</sup>-cups = 1.057 U.S. gallon.
- Cascadian M<sup>1</sup>-Pint = 1/2 liter = 2 M<sup>1</sup>-Cups = 1.056 U.S. pint.
- Cascadian M<sup>1</sup>-Cup = 1/4<sup>th</sup> liter.
- To shorten the syllables of speech, Cascadian's began calling "*centuz*" for centimeters and "*dessus*" for decimeters.
- A **Meter is 3.28084'** U.S. feet (3 foot 3.375 inches). A **kilometer is 0.6214 miles.**
- For personal height, decimeter-centimeter (17 dm 6 cm for 69", spoken *17 dessus 6*) or just centimeters (176 cm for 69", 1 cm = 0.3937", 2.54 cm = 1"), though the higher number is harder for most to visualize, where the use of decimeters allows the mind to group together ranges.
- Shoe and bra sizes went through a standardization change. *See Clothing in this section.*
- **Road distances** were changed to **kilometers** (*klicks*), 0.6214 miles, 1.609 kilometers per mile. Multiple hundred kilometers—**hectometers**, ("*hectoetz*")—is often used in air travel (e.g.; the distance between Seattle to Omaha is about 22 hectoez).
- **Off-world travel** would be generally measured in **mega-kilometers** is 1 million meters (*megaklicks* or *mekiks*), **Gigaklicks** (or **G-klicks**) is 1 billion kilometers, making 150 gigikiks nearly 1 AU (Astronomical Unit). **Terameters** (1 trillion kilometers, 6.7 . *teraklicks* or *Taeriks*). Interstellar measurement would use **light years**.

**Media Reading:** *See Restricted Media Rating in this section.*

**Medical & Health:** *See medical & health section.*

**Medical Retirement:** *See Disability in this section.*

**Men/Masculinity:** With more women returning to greater feminine attitudes and motherhood, people thought man would grow overly masculine. For some, this was true. For others, they felt more liberated with their nature.

The use of the term **masle** became more widespread, deriving from old French for male, the plural being **masles**. Also, **masculus** (Latin for masculine) was having a rebirth.

*Also see Female/Feminine.*

- **Naturalism** took root in some (up to 9%), growing mustaches, beards, goatees, tattooing, male bonding, women hopping and the sort.

- Men began accepting they didn't have to tolerate manipulating/clinging nature of woman, and began socializing with male friends more, in spite of them, strengthening male bonds. Greater number of women began accepting men being apart, establishing a broader social divide that overlapped in more neutral atmospheres. Most men found less binding bedding with freer femellas was more than satisfying; that having a woman who held stifling expectations was causing discourse.
- Most men found they didn't have to take a wife to function, and was less stressed without one. Many men married and divorced 2 to 3 times before admitted they were not cut for such social expectations. With that, fewer men felt the need for children, allowing women to enter motherhood without settling on masles less suited for hearth life.
- The few masles who were incline to bond strongly with femellas did so with several who enjoyed company amongst themselves.
- With greater acceptance of gaafflian/bisexual men, many (estimated as high as 17%) stopped hiding their feelings and grew together with other gay men (**gafflain**) into communities. A few terms began developing for further distinction of relations. **Homgaylin** (*hommgaelin*) it is purely between man, where **bigay** (*biegae*) would indicate relations with masle and femellas. **Tagaelin** (*tagaelu*) involves transgender, inter-gender, transsexuals or transvestites.

**Ménage Amour:** *See Societies & Organizations section.*

**Mental Health:** *See Medical & Health in this section.*

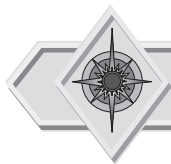
**Meteors:** *See Constellation Showers in this section.*

**Military:** *See Ministry of Martial Affairs and Soldier in this section.*

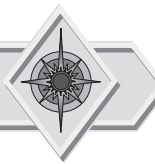
**Militia:** *See entry in the Martial Affairs section.*



1) M is for Metric and is used with adjusted gallons, pints and cups in Cascadia standards.



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**Mineral Interests/Right:** As Cascadia formed, the rights of people to the minerals (organic and non-organic) under the surface came in debate. As much as some people wished to remove all severing of the minerals from the land, it became an issue to business and Cascadian share holder policies and the right to sell land.

Initially, at the creation of Cascadia, all mineral rights reverted to the authentic owner of the surface property. Prior businesses did not retain mineral rights to property they didn't own during the conversion to Cascadia policies. As time passed, contracts were drafted between actual property owner and other persons, giving mineral rights to interested parties. Guidelines for such transactions were decreed by *Parliament* with *Edict* setting policy of how this would be handled.

Cascadia did make all mineral interests on private and governments land a **Temporary Mineral Contract** agreement between the present owner of the property and the leaser for a specific duration of time, a specific exploitation (amount and types) and a specific amount of surface use. No permanent mineral contract is possible by *Parliamental Edict*, and the leaser is not allowed to transfer the agreement to any other party, not even through wills after death, though the property may be passed and the contract holds in that case.

The *Mineral Contract* applies to private companies operating on government controlled land, there is a payment to the government for the lease (as provided by the highest bidder), as well as a payment 15% on gross income. This is in addition to all other applicable levies, including the standard 15% on gross income.

**Minimum Wage:** See *Least Civil Wage*.

**Misters:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Ministry of Martial Affairs:** See its own section.

**Minorities:** See *Uevarity in Communities* entry in this section, as well as *Countering Mob Rules in the Government Affairs* section.

**Mints (Currency):** The there are 3 mints producing currency for Cascadia. See *Currency* in the section.

**Motherhood:** Though criticized by Central States and other nations as immoral, Cascadia encourages motherhood to increase Cascadian citizenship, comparing it to Nazi Germany era, where many unwed women and adolescence (some of 14, even 12), became pregnant for the good of the state. To that, Cascadia mothers would say, "Be fruitful and multiply is the way to grow a nation and culture."

Mother's selection of fathers is a private matter and no longer dictated by marital status in Cascadia. With a broader sence of relations, mothers selected fathers by their feelings and instincts, and not social pressures, which narrowed who would father children in the more recent past.

Throughout the *Former U.S.*, sharp increases of *pregnancies* began around 2015, most for ages 14 to 27, notably 15-19, as much as 6 times normal rate. Some blamed the women and girls becoming bored, defiant or restless, even the need to feel a purpose in life. Others blamed increase in prostitution and promiscuity.

**Pregnancy pacts** proliferated among friends, especially those of ages 14-16. In some schools, the situation grew considerably, referred to as a pregnancy epidemic. Parents felt at a loss in controlling their daughters, who were declaring personal independence in this manner.

Also see *Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity* in this section.

**MT-Futures Enterprise:** See *Societies & Organization* section.

**Music:** See *Entertainment* section.

**Names:** See *Character Creation* section.

**National Companies:** See *National Partnership Committees in the Government Agencies* portion of the *Government Affairs* section.

**National Archives:** Several archiving facilities—including Rainbow Salmon (near Salmon Mountain, Payette National Forest, Idaho)—are deep underground complexes holding critical and national archives for safekeeping. Citizens and private companies may store critical

documents in the complex, having a nominal fee.

**National Emblems:** Cascadia continue the tradition of nationalizing certain symbols. The *Sequoia* became the national tree for its majesty and grander. *Wolves* became an emblem animal for their loyalty to the pack. The *salmon* became the national symbol of fish for its transition of two waters and its connection to the Northwest. Other animals that became nationalized are the *red-tail hawk*, *beaver* and *Sasquatch* – the latter for its mythical reputation. Many people placed these symbols on totem poles in their yards for the fun of it.

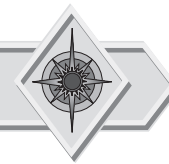
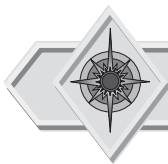
**Native Americans:** See *Tribal Lands*.

**National Resources:** *Beginning with the Founders, nature and wilderness was not to be simply exploited – a term they decided was offensive and destructive. See Ministry of Environmental Integrity in the Government Affairs* section.

**Newspaper & Magazines:** Cascadia has a variety of these publication, and most any subject is represented by one form or the other.

Also see *Journalist*.

- The *Cascadia Tribune* is printed on 330 cm (130") wide rolls of pulp paper (20 single sided pages each row), cut into five ribbons, turned 90°, aired, grouped, mated with other runs (up to 6 others), turned back 90°, stapled, cut, folded and stacked to make 38 x 33 cm (15" x 13") booklets of 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120 or 140 pages each, including the cover (by run). Printing facilities have the seven run machine radiating out from the central hub each 45° with a final with the finished product coming out of the last 45°, ready to ship.
- Newspapers in Cascadia by 2040 look more like oversized magazines, and people still liked handheld forms, though electronic versions were also available.
- There's a multitude of *Social magazine/newsletter* periodicals in Cascadia. One of the most subscribed genre are social (sexual) network magazine/newsletters. Other popular periodicals are for sports, games, crafts and art (all sorts), and often associated with *Social Centers*.
- Cascadia world review: a weekly news/magazine of global events affecting Cascadia.
- Global science journals are widespread.
- *Olympic Financial Gazette* is a weekly periodical for economic and business information, having information for stockholding broker trades.
- *Olympic View Gazette* is a counter political view magazine specializing in conduct contrary form his opinion eyes to views on political subjects within Cascadia. Its name similarity to the Olympic Finance Gazette is by design.



**News Services:** There is the official *Cascadia Bulletin Bureau* (*CBB*) and several private news sources in Cascadia.

*Also see Journalist.*

- The *Cascadia Bulletin Bureau* delivers official notification and news for the citizens. They produce a weekly paper, issued on Friday (6-day week), as well round the clock coverage on radio and television. Foreign entities have accused the network of being a propaganda machine, even criticized by private news source within Cascadia. Most people don't feel that way, since the *CBB* are often the harshest on the agencies. Parliament uses the *CBB* as a personal watchdog and barometer. Also the *Inspector General Corps* oversees the operation.
- *Cascadia Sky Services Network (CSSN)* is a private news network formed in 2051 providing a wide perspective of current events and historical relations. By twenty sixty-seven, there were several channels broadcast from satellite, as well as three network broadcast studio stations, and nine audio radio syndication. They provide an assortment of chat shows from around the world, notably Great Britain. They also provide biographies of personalities for clarity.
- Most newspapers are printed with pulp or plastic paper in magazine size each 2, 3, 6 or 12 days (thrice or twice a week). There are no true daily newspapers. Many started calling the *news-mags*.

**Nomadic Lifestyle:** Either singular or as a group, these people may function within the borders of Cascadia without permanent residency. They are not considered in violation of Vagrancy Edicts if they are able to function without handouts.

- Each nomadic person within the borders would be registered as a citizen, having all obligations and rights, and noted as being nomadic.
- Some nomadic citizens take people on wilderness adventure tracks. All rules for Wilderness (see separate entry) must be adhered to. Any income from this tourist some income, as well as any other income, must be registered and levies would be paid as a business income.

**Nonprofit Companies:** See *Business and Charity & Charitable Companies*.

**North American Alliance:** as the United States broke into regions, the US Congress was left to the America dignitaries. As other regions established the their own versions of it. Cascadia having its Parliament. There was no central body formed for the alliance. Each new North American nation who held the connection with the alliance established sense center where the ambassadors would meet.

For Cascadia versus Washington province for Cascadia, this was on Capitol Hill overlooking Seattle Memorial Park and Puget Sound as a reminder to all of loss that Cascadia suffered and Washington Province.

**Nuclear Detonations (hostile):** Throughout Earth, several cities and areas experienced nuclear detonations. Most had been rebuilt in some degree, though some were not. See *Places of Interest* section for other details. The history section has some details as well. Seattle, Pearl Harbor (4 February 2028), Oakland, Fresno, Bakersfield, Oklahoma City, St. Louis, New York City, Washington DC, Rome and Medina. Are some of the cities that were destroyed by nuclear detonation at 2067. China had many loss cities from Russia during their conflict together Russia had fewer.

**Nuclear Power:** See *Power*.

**Oaths:** See *Citizenship* in this section, and the *Martial Affairs* section.

**Obesity Health Levy:** On ---- 2017, this federal tax began to be

- 1) Many styles are representaed, including a uniquely Castadian dance called *Flamistan*, due to full nature of Cascadian women with long flowing colorful skirts they would swirl and twirl in. See *dancing* in this section.

levied against the income of each citizen base on their height and weight from what is reported on their driver licence or state identification. After 7 months of debate and public hearings, the vote passed in September 2016.

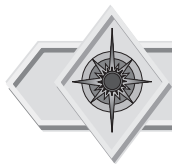
As part of the bill, certain foods and drinks were deemed unhealthy and was taxed at corporate sales levels. The CDC was task to maintain a list of such foods.

- The tax payer could get a "*Height-Weight-Strength Index*" rating from a certified physician, a complicated affair, that would be used instead.
- Weight and height verification at the licensing stations were mandated to prevent fraud.
- Health insurance companies began giving discounts based thinness and weight loss. Companies also gained incentives for reducing the overall weight of their clients.
- Many buxom women opted for breast reduction to reduce their weight under the statement of reducing back pain. Insurances began covering the procedures to reduce the overall height weight number and gain federal incentives.
- With several states (like Oregon and Washington) allowing deductions of
- The moneys collected were to go to helping people lose weight, though most found there way to other program unrelated to the task.
- Airline and transportation companies began charging for the total weight of the passenger and luggage together. There were law suites. It took a while to go through the process and to the Supreme Court, who sited for the defendants, declaring that transportation companies were not allowed to discriminate for size of a person. This became an issues the Central State Union and they declared any company operating within their states can use the entire weight of the load, since fuel consumption is based on the weight.
- Medical facilities and insurances were allowed to charge extra for obese people,.

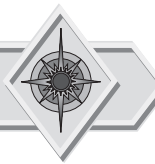
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"*Moffwa*" refers to *Most Frustrating and Wasteful activity*, where obstacles have become insurmountable and no conventional method will achieve a goal. It was often used for computer programs with limiting paths, or become more complicated, restricting creativity. The notion quickly went to describe politics of the *Former U.S.* where the methods of their current legislation had so many obstacles in the way, no matter how they tweaked the laws, nothing would fix the problems at hand and made things worse.





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**Orchards:** See *Farms & Ranches* in this section.

**Ordinance:** See *Civil Ordinance in the Legal Affairs* section.

**Orphans:** Throughout the world, many orphans were left by the T4 (Teppi) virus, conflict, etc. Some parents abandoned their children and are considered orphaned. Cascadia arranges homes for the orphans, either at *County Home* or with foster parents.

- Orphans attend school in the local area with the general population.
- Adoptions of orphans may be done by any family who has proven they are able to care for the orphan, no matter the makeup, having a marked shortage of what was deemed a suitable family of the past who were willing to take in orphans.

**Packaging:** See *Recycling & recirculation*.

**Parades:** Township parades are common, usually late spring through summer, into early autumn, with the largest usually on Summer Solstice Leisure Day, having float (many commercially sponsored), dancing teams<sup>1</sup> (schools, professionals, etc.), marching bands, acrobat, clowns, character balloons, etc.

**Parks:** Cascadia is proud of the parks and recreation available to the citizens and visitors of Cascadia. They do have a distinction between parks and wilderness, with restrictions of what may be done in either. **National Parks** are not associated to *Counties/Shires*, and are operated and funded by the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness* (see *Government Affairs* section), and differs from **Community Recreation Parks**.

Also see *Forest & Wilderness*.

- For support of local businesses and for the benefit of all citizens of Cascadia, any business contract leased within the *Parks* shall be non-Broad Scope, only having business connections within a *County/Shire* adjacent to the park. They will also have a 50% **National Partnership Companies**. This gives all citizens a benefit for the business with in the parks.
- **National Memorials** are *National Parks* and subject to all the same policies.
- See *Communities* in this section for *Community Recreation Parks*.

**Parliament:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Passports:** See *Foreign Relations in the Government Affairs* section.

**Patents:** Cascadia recognizes all patents legitimately filed and accepted within other governments as long as they also comply to Cascadian *Edicts*. The duration of a Cascadian Patent is 22 years from the time of approval, a year longer than during the last of the *Former U.S.* The longer duration allows patent holders to have more time to gain profits on the products before it become public domain. This includes all aspects, including pharmaceuticals.

Any product deemed a necessity and become mandatory for the citizens or other entity to possess would be classified as **Necessary Production Domain**, which allows any company to produce the product without needing permission from the original creator. Other companies shall pay 1.5% of sales of that and related products to the original creator for the duration of the patent. No other compensation shall be insisted upon. No patent holder shall profit exclusively for product that everyone must have, such as new safety equipment of motor vehicles. *Parliament Certificates* are required.

Due to the longer duration of patents in Cascadia, no importation of protected products made in other nations may be brought in by other businesses or private persons until the time had passed.

See *Intellectual Property Commission in the Government Affairs* section. Also see *Innovation in the Science & Technology* section.

- **Intellectual Property Commission** may grant limited production rights from government held patents. Fees collected will be applied evenly to companies for research, overseen by the *Science & Technologies Commission*, with returns applied to that agency, *Parliament Discretionary Funds* and *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* evenly.

**Penalties/Fines:** See *Violations/Ticketing in the legal affairs* section.

**Pentionaries:** See *Government Pentionaries in this section*.

**Petitions:** Citizens may petition Parliament to enact an *Edict* should they gain at least 20% of registered votes. This is just a proposition from the citizens and Parliament will process the petition as they would there own propositions. Citizens do not enact *Edicts*.

See *Edicts in this section*.

**Phones:** See *Telcomm System in this section*.

**Pledges:** See *Cascadia Oath of Allegiance in this section*, as well as the *Government affairs and Marshal affairs* section for related oath concerning pensionaries and militants.

**Political Campaigns:** No government funding are to be used for any campaigns of candidates. This is set by *High Edicts*. Candidates may not make speeches or promotion of any sort on Government land for the purpose of promoting their own position or the position of others. This does not restrict announcement of official decisions and reasons for the decision, or freedom of expression on public land.

Any endorsements of other politician may be done on private or common land as long as it complies to all *Demonstration Edicts*.

Also see *Elections and Political Parties in the section*, as well as the *Government Affairs* section.

**Political Associations (Parties):** The founder of Cascadia worked to break the hold on politicians by *Political Associations* and special interest groups. They knew they could not rid the land of them entirely, and in some ways, these parties did serve a purpose of bringing candidates to the public. What the founders wished to do was to break their hold on the government politics through their candidates and set *Edicts* to do so.

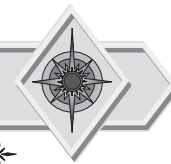
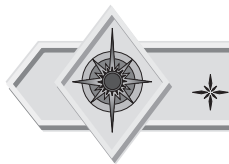
There was no eliminating the *Political Associations*, no matter how much the founders placed policies in advance to restrict their position. With the **enduring appointments** and the *Senators* being the highest elected officials, their control was limited to the lower offices and replacement of seat officials.

How well they would last was not certain, and they declared it was the people of Cascadia who were to make sure the parties did not wrestle influence for the few at the higher positions within parties.

The *enduring appointments* of elected officers was one of the may elements to break the holds of *Political Associations* and special interest groups had on election officials, in that once the official was in place, they did not have to be concerned with reelection against a minor opponent and could concentrate on running of the *Township, County/ Shire, Province* and *National*. At lower levels, officials may have more vulnerability to in the parties and special interest groups if they have higher ambitions in political positions, but their performance is seen by the citizens and would have to be convincing to them at the 2/3<sup>rd</sup> approval, should the officer wish to advance quickly.

Support of political parties to candidates evolved differently in Cascadia from the *Former U.S.*, with candidates not fully subject to the party's nomination. With no primary election, any party caucus to consider a candidate on the ballot still just needs no less than 15% of the voter signatures.

1) This portion is added as Government partnership, adding to future benefits for each citizen equally and is not proportional to their personal income. This gives each citizen a return on the Levies applied for research.



## **Political Parties/Associations (cont.):**

Having to gain 15% of the voter signatures on a petition to get their candidate on the ballot for a seated position, there are fewer candidates. Petition costs are covered by the candidates and their supporters. *Also see elections in the section.*

Candidates gain official may gain support from any of the parties and often has several backing them. This practice causes issues with some people, essentially those who think they should have a monopoly on proper views and policies. It is more difficult to force a selfish agenda when there are several competing groups. In doing this, candidates have to appeal to a broader selection of people, not only to homogenized views.

There are several *Political Associations* and special interest groups working to influence the citizens. None gain funding from the government and since two thirds approval has to be achieved unless the seat is open, you edicts of his the orthopedics scratch that scratch that the index can be traced to a single entity. A few of the main ones are listed here

The **Star Chamber** is mandated to ensure broad acceptance of varied *Political Associations* and unrestricted membership with open conduct of internal administration and elections to prevent manipulation of process. The *Justices* oversee the **Election Commission** for proper conduct. The *Election Commission* reviews each and all *Political Associations*.

No associations shall restrict membership, and all internal election of *Political Associations* are to be done by postal mail with at least 15 days to respond as post marked. This is to curtail manipulation. Each citizen may be members of several associations, and would be encouraged to do so in order to prevent isolation and restriction of views.

**Cross Campaign Support** is the usual path where candidates gain endorsements from 2+ *Political Associations* having compatible social-economical views. It would be expected that candidates would gain endorsements from a variety of *Associations*, and the *Associations* would be encouraged to give endorsements to any who holds to their views, allowing multiple endorsements. Candidates who do not gain a widespread endorsement base would be seen as lacking broad appeal, and possibly under the direction of the limited *Associations*.

**Political Think Tanks** have grown alongside *Political Associations*, studying trends, giving advice to people and groups.  
*See Elections in this section.*

**Collective unity Association:** This organization works to bring the diversity of people to the forefront of policies.

**Conservative Republicans:** Holding to the concept of free, unrestricted markets and business, striving for profits of shareholders. This association also drives for a more restrained family concept that had been spreading through Cascadia, working to install fundamental Christian views. This group is struggling to hold position.

**Green Democrats:** Blending of the Democrats and the Green Party of the past, this political special interest groups tend to favor unionizing people's workers as well as protecting the environment.

**Homestead United:** working to hold family unity over corporate interests this party evolved in the 2020 tends to 2010s.

**Libertarian:** drawing the more liberal Republicans of the past, this party affiliated affiliation claims for itself dependency of people from the government. With cascade having full social referral covered medical and other areas viewed as socialistic this party has resisted many of Cascadia's endeavors.

**Progressive Freethinkers:** Those associated with this organization encourage advancement of science and secular social views, as well as strong extended family.

**Social-Communist:** holding to the same status for all people, wishing to have more social levees scale levees against higher, people. No more than 1.2% of the population supports this association.

**Population:** Decades before 2067, there was a considerable decline of population. In the region that became Cascadia, there was not as many death, but a lot of people left for ideological philosophy, reducing the population not liking the direction being taken by those wrestling control for a place to live in the manner they wish, being in opposition of the conservative faithful.

Below are the Provinces and Territories with the population notations, as well as the total and some global regions/nations. Further note of population for other nations would be in other articles.

*Also see Death in this section.*

- Some regions were devastated by the T-4 (Teppi) Ebola virus, while others by war and civil conflict.
- In the Former U.S., the aging "Baby Boomers Drop off" helped cause the population decline in the nation. Support for the older generation by the younger generation created and imbalance burden, adding to the problem with the economy. Once the older generation began declining, a younger influx was established.
- Global population peaked around March 2022 at **8.37 billion**, 2 months before the Teppi virus was discovered. Up to then, the world ability to feed and work the growing population was becoming more difficult, with regions falling into conflict.
- The worst was done by 2053, when the world population thinned to the point where resources became plentiful for the local populations and vendettas wore tiresome. The Teppi virus burned out, as did the *Kazakhstan Flu*, and the Constellation Shower ended
- By 2053 the global population had plummeted down to less than a third of the peak at around **2.67 billion**, where stability fluctuated some 230 million until 2058, beginning a stable-slow growth again.
- With China relocation, or and disease, that region was hardest hit with the population dropping to a unbelievably low 86,814,000 (6.3% of the 1.374 billion they had at their peak).
- Some nations, like Congo, India, Russia and Cascadia, had a faster population growth after 2053 than others.
- Congo after conquering several surrounding nations and absorbing major Chinese nationals, reduce mortality and increased motherhood, rose to a population to 167,783,000 (around 6.3% of the global population. End. And).
- India, even as hard-hit as it was, remain the highest population, about 9.3% of the global population. In 2067, at about 249,974,000.

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**Alaska Province:** 482,000

**Columbia Province:** 3,472,000

**Coulee Province:** 827,000

**Idaho Province:** 318,000

**Oregon Province:** 1,120,000

**Pacific Province:** 1,947,000

**Washington Province:** 2,080,000

**Yukon Province:** 197,000

**Provinces Total:** 10,443,000

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**Hawaii Territory:** 193,000

**Indonesia Territory:** 3,840,000

**Philippine Territory:** 1,478,000

**Territory Total:** 5,511,000

**Full national Total:** 15,954,000

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- In 2067, the common pregnancies in Cascadia occur within the ages of 15 to 42, averaging a pregnancy each 3.8 years, with around 54 pregnancies per 1,000 population at any time. Each mother would usually bear 3 to 9 children within their life. Considering that, Cascadia calculates *Natural Growth Rate* of 4.7%, the doubling rate of the nation is around 15 year.
- Life Expectancy in Cascadia is around 63 years for men and 67 for women. With a birth rate of 5.4% (0.3% twins+), death rate of 1.6%, immigration of 3.3% and emigration of 2.4% give a *Growth Rate* of 4.7% (
- The manna/femella (male/female) percentage is around 47%/53%. The higher female rate is due to their longevity, immigration allowance and support of single mothers and pregnant women and higher mortality of men in conflicts.

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**Appalachian Commonwealth:** 7,848,000

**Calvada:** 6,384,000

**Canada:** 6,237,000

**Cascadia:** 15,954,000

**Central States Homestead Republic:** 18,843,000

**Dixie Federation:** 17,924,000

**Free State of Montana:** 4,028,000

**Latter-day Sovereignty:** 2,384,000

**Mexico:** 4,897,000

**Quebec:** 3,771,000

**Sanora:** 3,842,000

**Texas Lonestar Republic:** 1,674,000

**United America:** 17,452,000

**United Caribbean:** 7,841,000

**United Mormon Homestead Commonwealth:** 847,000

**Untamed Rockies:** 87,000

**North American Total:** 119,443,000

**Ports:** Inbound foreign vessels of any sort within the Cascadian waters will be inspected while 10-20 nautical miles from shore or anywhere in the Cascadian Sea. They shall not progress within 10 nautical miles without that inspections. The vessel is responsible for the cost of the inspections, and is rated to the size and type of vessel. The progression to port is subject to the passing of the inspection.

Inspections includes radiation, biological, personal legitimacy and safety.

See *Import & Exports* in this section. Also see *Merchant Marines* in the *Ministry of Martial Affairs*.

- The main ports in Cascadia are at *Everett, Tacoma, Portland* and *Eureka*. Due to the destruction of Seattle, the Seattle port was dismantled and the area became a natural reserve. Control of the coast and ports are handled by the *Naval Force, Marshall Corps* and *Ministry of Foreign Relations* (with *Foreign Trade Commission*).

**Postal Service:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Power:** Cascadia is a technologically strong nation and for that, they have a great need of power, possessing many avenues to produce it.

**Fusion Reactor:** Several fusion power plants are located throughout Cascadia.

Also see *Fuel* in this section.

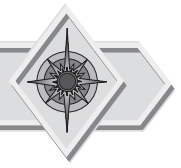
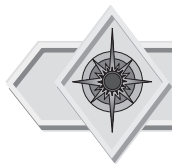
- The locations are in a more remote location with ground restrictions for movement within 15 miles, and 60 miles in the air. These control controlled zones and are established around each of the fusion reactors fission reactors as well.
- Most *fission reactors* have been phased out, though a 2 are still in operation in 2067, with replacement plans for 2069 and 2070.
- Attack choppers and antiaircraft assets from the ministry of martial affairs help protect the reactors, and air support is available from surrounding military bases. Ground assault vehicles in the area help patrol against possible assault.

**Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity:** The mother and father are responsible for the caring of the child from conception to when they are mature. All benefits afforded to one parent is afforded to the other.

See *Motherhood* and *Population* in this section for rates. Also see *Conception Pregnancy Treatment* under the *medical and health* and *relations*, both in this section.

- Cascadia encourages motherhood and the father's willingness in raising of the children, and several considerations are set to giving parents tools to raise them. While on maternity/paternity family time, no company may dismiss the employee, retaining their position for when they return. *Copay for maternity care* of the mother is covered by the *Bureau of Health* to ease the burden of the family.
- **Maternity/Paternity government loans** ("Child Rearing Loan") may be gained by either/both parents/guardians at the lowest possible interest as part of the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* in excess of the insurance limits, and is up to 90 times the current weekly average weekly drawl rate per child (effectively 6 month). Any loan is linked to both parents and the child's *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. *Child Rearing Loan* is a revolving loan, where parents may draw on or tap as needed. This is to enable parents during delivery, as well as settled the newborn into the home. This also applies to *adoption of children*.
- Other relations (relatives or friends) may contribute to the rearing of the child by transferring monies to either or both parents. The contribution lowers their Z-Week adjustment by 1 week for each 3 weeks of the average income of the recipient. The recipient would declare it as rated income (owing the 15%).
- As an encouraging compensation for parenting offspring, strengthening Cascadia, is the Z-Week adjustments for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, lowering it 1 week for each week the mother/father is on maternity/paternity leave (up to 30 weeks, 1/2 a year). Over the 30 weeks, weekly income may be draw for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* by the father and/or mother for time away from employment as they need. This is a normal draw effects.
- Expecting parents may take time from employment to tend to the pregnancy, birthing and postpartum. Businesses are not expected to provide further considerations for child rearing, though they may. Child rearing is the responsibility of the parents and they should be mindful to the business they are employed and policies they set in line of *Edicts*. Businesses shall not penalize employees for time taken for family matters, even of the father.





## **Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity (cont.):**

- No employment company shall penalize the mother or father for taking maternity/paternity leave or other time for caring of their children, by Parliament Edicts. Promotional time may be affected by being absent, seeing that those taking less time should not be penalized for their work efforts.
- Sharp increases of pregnancies began around 2015, most for ages 14 to 27, notably 15-19, as much as 6 times normal rate. Some blamed the women and girls becoming bored, defiant or restless, even the need to feel a purpose in life. Others blamed increase in prostitution and promiscuity. **Pregnancy Covens (Pacts)** proliferated among friends, especially those of ages 14-16. In some schools the situation grew considerably, referred to as a pregnancy epidemic. Parents felt at a loss in controlling their daughters, who were declaring personal independence in this manner.
- Unrelated to *Pregnancy Pacts* were *Rape Gangs*, groups of men (bachelor pack males) have violently rapes, often murdering, women to set a sense of superiority. Outside of Cascadia, this is still common, and Cascadia provides protection and counseling for victims, including full maternity care and citizenship.
- **Adoptions** are treated as newborn in all ways to allow the family to get things settled.
- Cascadia and *Parliament* recognizing the cost of parenting and time and financing and the benefit of the society.
- *Bureau of Health* conducts **parenting seminars** to guide families through the birthing process and raising of the young.
- No copay is collected for any maternity related appointments or procedures, including childbirth and recovery, or care for the infant. The long term health of the child to become a citizen is seen as long term benefit for the nation.

**Presidents (Former U.S.):** The following are the last 6 presidents of the *Former U.S.* Some other details are in the Historical Figures & Groups section. United America continued the list, but the other North America nations do not recognize them as relevant. The last U.S. President Cascadia recognized was Joshua Wallace.

*Also see Chief Executive Director in the Government Affairs section.*

**44<sup>th</sup>:** Barack Obama (2009-2017) Democrat

**45<sup>th</sup>:** Joselynn Boswell (2017-2021) Democrat

**46<sup>th</sup>:** Sean Kenneth (2021-2023) Republican

**47<sup>th</sup>:** Scott Wilson (2023-2025) Republican

**48<sup>th</sup>:** Joshua Wallace (2025-2033) Republican

**49<sup>th</sup>:** David Bonne (2033-2 -- --, the last president) Republican

**Press:** *See Journalists, Newspapers & Magazines and New Services.*

**Principles of Parliament:** The Senators of Cascadia has a founding document that set the manner for which Parliament will act.

*See Parliament in this section for there conduct.*

- Senators will not enact any edict that favors larger businesses over smaller local businesses and shall favor small businesses over the larger, even though the larger may have greater revenue for the nation.

**Private Companies:** *See Business in this section.*

**Private Medical Care:** *See Medical & Health in this section.*

**Private Protection Association:** These are privates and's also known as private military contractors/companies (PMC) such as Blackwater. Provides security forces for the protection of dignitaries, so not to have the stigma of being mercenaries. Also known as paramilitary para – military these are.

A few of these companies are recognized in Cascadia and are private

extensions of the *Ministry of Martial Affairs* and must be certified by that ministry to form.

Periodicals training within the Legions of Marshall Affairs will be conducted.

**Privies:** *See Lavvies for toilets, water closet, restrooms, bathrooms etc.*

**Proclamation:** *These are the established Edicts of Cascadia. Grand Proclamations are considered the Constitutional Edicts, and maintaining the civil rights of the citizens of Cascadia. See Edicts & Proclamations in this section.*

**Produce Sales:** Farms, ranches and orchards production was removed from speculation and price control. Farmers may freelance or be part of a co-op, but selling of the crops is their affair. There is no subsidies of any kind from the government.

The government does not attempt to control the price of produce sales, finding that the Former U.S. was inept at doing so, with them manipulating free market at the sole benefit of large corporate farms, spending great amount to do so. If persons are found to be forcibly rising prices, legal action may be leveled with charges of **Conspiracy** and/or **Extortion**.

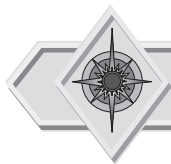
*Also see Commodities.*

**Production:** *See Companies in this section and Production & Acquisition Commission in the Government Affairs section.*

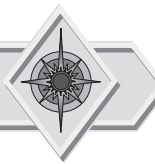
**Property:** All property is designated into a *Township*, with a few notable exceptions.

*See Homes & Residents, Revenues and Township in the section.*

- Military stations are isolated entities, and not designated into Townships.
- **National Forests and Wilderness** are not associated to Townships.
- Ownership of property by businesses does not extend the voting privilege to shareholders of the company. Only persons owning personal ownership of property who pay the levees for that property gain the distinction.
- In the event of a catastrophic property damage, Parliament may declare the region as a disaster zone by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority. This declaration does not affect insurance directly and the government will not compensate for claims by the customer. Property repair loans for disasters is set at CLR-I level instead of the normal CLR-III. *See Civil Loans in this section.*
- Cascadia encourages **property/home ownership** through a variety of means, including low-interest government loans. Interest rates are not deductible, since there are no deductibles on levees. Such deductibles in the past had always benefited the wealthy more, shifting revenue burden to those with lower incomes. Home manufacturers for lower income families within a Township is compulsory (*see Homes & Residents in this section*).
- The right for owners to conduct their own lifestyles, artistic presentation etc. is protected by edicts, as long as they do not create environmental or bona fide safety issues or disruption. This open zoning attitude is similar to what was conducted in Houston, Texas of the Former U.S.
- Verifiable ownership of property remained with the people who become citizens of Cascadian and all that means. Previous debt on the property with institutions of the *Former U.S.* are not recognized by the Cascadia and shall have not right to attempt collection.



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### Property (cont.):

- Abandoned property, including any unverifiable people who did not accept the Cascadian citizenship and had to leave, came under the control of *Parliament* and then either sold by Parliament, or retained as government property.
- Land is considered abandoned when the ownership is not verifiable. **Domestic Lands Commission**, within the *Bureau of Civil Engineering*, takes control of the properties and abandoned properties. Requisitioning from other agencies of such land is overseen by *Parliament*. Properties considered for sale goes to the *Provinces Counsel*, with sale proceeds distributed evenly to the *Township, County/Shire, Providence* and *Parliament*.
- By *High Decree*, property value increases may not be more than 80%<sup>1</sup> of the national inflation rate per year for *Property Levy* purposes, as long as the property remained in the original buyer (passed as inheritance) and mortgage. This is to prevent high sale values of neighboring property or general value increases, to overly affect long-term residents, forcing homes out of their general income that they bought the property at originally. Adding relations to the property mortgage—needing approval from all owners and the mortgage company—alters the mortgage, and doing so sets the value at that particular time. Upon death of the owner, beneficiaries gain the loan as is and rates continue from the prior owner.
- Forcing homeowners to conform to restrictive standards, would limit lifestyle change and is counter to the liberty of people, who has the right of unique lifestyles, including cultivation of gardens, landscaping, pets and animals (as long as they are cared for), personal aesthetics, nudity, etc. As long as there is no environmental harm or obvious danger to life and limb through normal course, people and governance may not place limitations on the use of the property.

**Prosperity:** See *Business and Employment* in this section. As a whole, Cascadia sees prosperity as an opportunity in balance with effort, providing ample avenues for creation of businesses between family members, friends and associates. Many policies have been applied to allow such opportunities.

**Prostitution:** Referred to as *Sexual Entertainer* for licensing and levies, these persons function within brothels and escort services, and requires **Class B1 licensing**, as well and subject to a series of medical examinations for the health of clients and themselves.

From the foundation of Cascadia, this form of entertainment was seen as beneficial for society—given a form of release for those not wishing commitment—and needed controlled regulation. As prohibition within the Former U.S. was ineffective, abolishing prostitution was impractical for the purpose of enforcement, and Cascadia accepted that situation, fully legalizing it within controlled settings. For the protection of clients as well as the entertainers, and to bring it out of the black market arena, Edicts were set to give protection and assurances to the entertainers.

- Inspectors, gender specific, ensures the prostitute registration is in order. They also ensure that the prostitute is not being coerced in any manner. Records are held by the inspection office, the brothel or escort service and the individual prostitute and all must match or the prostitute is not able to accept clients until it does and all is in order.
- Prostitute may not solicit publicly as street walkers, considered harassment as any solicitation. They may advertise in normal means. Many work with call services. *Sexual Entertainer* must declare their income and pay levies as a business.
- Each *Sexual Entertainer* must present their **Sexual Certification Medallion**, a tamper proof 5 centimeter diameter 1/2 centimeter casing. One side has a shoulder high photo with their professional name and licence number. The other has the last date for their medical examination and check up. These are imprinted by a special machine that laser the information. The medallion is good for 12 months with room for the 14

entries. Special frequencies are used for the imprinting and changes for the color of the medallion and is changed each year, so no more than 3 medallion colors are valid at a time. If the wrong frequency it used, the medallion with discolor and shrivel.

- To maintain their licence, they must be registered with the *Bureau of Health* and have thorough semiannual medical examinations by government physicians. They also must have monthly checkups, involving blood tests inspection. Temporary issues will have a suspension of the licence and not receive the monthly certification until rectified. More permanent issue will revoke the licence.
- Home Prostitute-Servants** or **Domestic Courtesan** cares for the home and acts the domestic spouse in all ways, including intimacy. Some began using *Yoppoe*, and adaptation of the Korean term *Yobo* from past use of the word for hiring a prostitute for a period of time, usually by the month, though the term is used between spouses as a term of endearment (like Dear), though coming from the casual greeting of yoboseyo (more for servants and telephones), meaning “look here” or “pay attention.”
- Bunny Crest** is a brothel located near Yakima, Coulee Province.

**Protectorates:** Several regions and nations became under the protection of Cascadia, a special international and territory relation status applying certain rights related to the *Provinces*.

- India had been a protectorate of Cascadia since — — —.
- Indonesia and Philippines became protectorate when Cascadia assisted in removing the Chinese militants from their land. These 2 nations, while Japan and western China is working to form a separate Commonwealth. See *Future Progression* in the *Stellar Progression* section.

**Provinces:** With the formation of Cascadia, the former states of the *Former U.S.* from Northern California up to Alaska, and parts of western Canada forming the 9 *Provinces*.

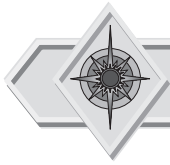
Each *Territory* would be politically and economically connected to one of the 9 provinces. If blended fully, by consent of at least two thirds of the territorial population and the receiving Province, the land would be segmented into *Counties/Shires* and *Townships*, establishing related Councils.

Also see *Counties/Shires and Township* in this section.

- » **Alaska Province:** After being liberated from the Russians, Alaska became part of Cascadia and geographically segregated into 2 *Provinces*. The southeast portion of Alaska have retained the Alaska name, becoming *Alaska Province* with the greater, less populated becoming *Brook Province*. See *Brook Province* in this entry.
- » **Brooks Province:** When Alaska was liberated from Russia in — — —, the original state of the *Former U.S.* became segmented into 2 provinces. The southeastern region held the held Alaska, becoming the *Alaska Province*. The northwestern regions of the original Alaska became *Brook Province*, named after the mountain range that's predominate in that area.

- Brooks Province* holds the land north of the Yukon river to the northern and western sees (including Brook Range), as well as the Ahklun Mountain region, down to the northern *Bristol* and *Kvichak Bay*, the *Aleutian Islands* west of the *Aleutian Peninsula* and offshore islands in control sees.
- The reason *Brooks Province* was formed was to separate the low populated land for self-governance, giving them greater influence from more populated south regions.

1) The 80% limit is to restrict marginal family prosperity during value increases of properties and the living expenses of economical growth-inflation, so to restrain legislation to promote property increases for revenue gain.



## Provinces (cont.):

- » **Columbia Province:** Former British Columbia, The lands west of the continental divide became part of Cascadia. The northeastern corner was left to Alberta. Breaking away from Canada was not easy, but most didn't wish to continue under the harsher socialist regime which was building to keep stability. Many began feeling the dictatorial control and increasing restrictions.
- » **Coulee Province:** Former Eastern Washington and northern Idaho (most of the panhandle), the citizens and representatives felt it was long past time the east and west of the Cascades should consider themselves separate.
  - The administration seat of this province is at *Odessa*.
  - Coulee, from French *coulée* for "to flow," was adopted over Eastern Washington or South Columbia, so not to have an association with either of the other provinces.
  - Eastern side of Washington State had been historically more conservative than the west. Most of those more conservative families moved to the *Central States* and *United America*. Most of what remained became *Love Children* (the second hippy movement) and lived on communes. The Cascadia Majestrate and Parliament *Alliance* protected their rights to the communal lifestyle.
  - With the warming of the climate, the desert between the Rocky and Cascade mountain ranges turned more savanna, and richer for farming.
- » **Idaho Province:** The southeast region of Cascadia became the *Idaho Province*, with large expanse of low population.
  - *Reno, Lake Tahoe* and *Carson City* (renamed *Karsada*) became absorbed in the boundaries of this *Province*.
- » **Oregon Province:** Consists of the northern 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of the original Oregon state of the *Former U.S.*
- » **Pacifica Province:** Consists of -- southern counties of the original Oregon state of the *Former U.S.* and --- counties of what was California. The consideration of the name *Jefferson Province* was rejected for the connection to the past, mostly by *Nolan Bernstein* and *Marissa Goldston*, and then others.
  - *Hawaii Territories* is a protectorate of Pacifica Province.
- » **Washington Province:** The western portion of the former Washington State kept the name.
  - Vancouver, Washington, was renamed Kamas from Camas, a city east of the original Vancouver. The entire metropolitan area became Kamas Township with a good many communities. Vancouver, British Columbia, retained the Vancouver name. Both Township cities are part of the Washington Province.
- » **Yukon Province:** Having parts of pass Canadian Provinces, this is presently the least populated *Province*.

**Provincial Services:** provinces has several services for the protections, safety and wellbeing of the citizens. Some are described here, while other are in their specific places.

- **Amber Status**, adapted from the *Amber Alert System* of the *Former U.S.*, is a network to assist citizens of *Civil Conditions* in theirs and adjacent areas. More details are provided in a separate entry in this section.

**Public Hearing:** There will be within Cascadia many occurrences where the opinions of the public is required, requested or desired. This could draw large numbers of responses and may be too many to hear within reasonable time. Several methods may be used for selecting speakers for public hearings. Cascadia has guidelines reflecting this.

- Reasonable attention span of people listening to groups of speakers is around 60-90 minutes in 2-5 minute durations per speaker. For this reason, 12-120 speakers would be afforded time to speak their views. A 15-30 minute grace period may be built into the daily hearing.
- Generally, only one day is allotted with the 60-90 minute period. For more heated discussions, proposals and initiatives, a second hearing. May be done, and even a third. There has to be limit to prevent stalling of action, so only 3 hearing days are permitted. The public hearing days shall be done within 7 days, so not to draw out proceedings.
- The allotted time for public hearing shall be evenly separated between those who are for the proposal/initiative and those that are against. Survey shall be available no less than 72 hours prior to the first day of the public hearing. Speakers would fill out the survey with a request available for speaking at the public hearing, no trading whether they are speaking for or against the proposal/initiative.
- First speakers would be selected from those who submitted their surveys. If there are speaker slots still available after those submitting surveys have been exhausted, walk-in speakers who had signed up prior to the hearing (declaring their desire to speak for or against) shall be allowed the same amount of time, as available.
- If there are too many speakers to be heard within the allotted time, a lottery shall be conducted – first from the survey list, and if exhausted from the walk-in list.

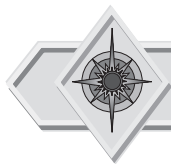
**Radio:** Radio channels fall into a variety of technologies, still holding the analog-digital arrangements from early 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Except for Coulee Province (using L), radio identifier codes are the first letter of the Provincial name (A, B, C, I, L, O, P, W or Y). The second designator would be the general compass direction within the Province (N, E, S, W, and C for central). After the first two letters is the frequency, then a 3 digit coding. The County/Shire name and the center frequency completes the designation (e.g.; IN-104.3-KSS is a rock music station by *Covington Transmissions*, in Bonner Shire, northern Idaho (the IN), having digital subchannels embedded in the main analog frequency.

Ground radio transmission companies are licensed to wattage restrictions within a singular County/Shire, with broadcast extending into neighboring County/Shire without being considered broad scope for levies. Satellite transmissions of any sort is considered international and levied as such.

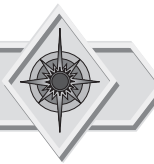
*Also see Communication in this section.*

- **Cascadia Global News Network (CGNN)** is a worldwide satellite broadcast from Portland, Oregon, reporting news affecting Cascadia and national relations.
- Cascadia government maintains **Public News Radio Stations** as *Government Partnership Companies*, supplemented with public donations. Being a Partnership, the stations are not fully government and free to apply programming as they see fit as long as the public interest is met.
- As in the *Former U.S.*, all radio broadcast stations are part of the Emergency Information Network, and would relay information during critical situations in the regions.





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**Rail & Tram Systems:** Railroads (heavy, elevated and trams) expanded after 2030, and is the main transportation system in Cascadia.

- The rail systems are overseen by the **Rail System Council** of the **Bureau of Transportation**.
- Heavy rail is fueled by hydrogen organic mix, while elevated mag-lift, light rail, **Turbine-Foil Trains** and trams are connected to the electrical grid.
- **Rail Vehicle Ferry Service** (also known as Rollende Autobahn, *rolling highways*, where the concept began with freight trucks) began service in 2019, beginning from Seattle to Las Angeles, with a stop between Tacoma and Olympia, Portland and San Francisco for personal cars and trucks, where the driver pulled into the lower deck of the rail car and rode on the upper passenger deck or in separate passenger cars. Truck Ferry bed cars are coupled for large trucks and tractor-trailer. Transportation in this manner is running around a 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of highway driving. Air cushion bars and other retaining devices holds the vehicle in transit.
- High speed **Mag-Lift Rail** originally connected Vancouver, British Columbia, to Las Angeles, California, built privately by MT-Futures (known as **West-I**, under the **Western Continental Rail**, formed in 2016, with the hope to venture east), having stops in Everett, Seattle (later to be Memorial Park), Tacoma, Olympia, Centralia, Long View, Vancouver (Oregon Province), Salem, Eugene, Grants Pass, Yreka and Redding. With the conversion over to Cascadia, the MT-Future assets became part of the Transportation Commission within the Bureau of Civil Engineering, with all employees who wished to remain become Civil Pensionaries with a pay increase incentives.
- In 2038, Cascadia formed a fast levitated rail Redding (Pacific Province, linked with the existing north-south high-speed rail system) through Cheyenne to Chicago, following freeway paths. The third rail was built from Everett (Washington Province) through Cheyenne to Atlanta (Dixie Republic), completed in 2043.
- Under the Transportation Commission, a north mag-lift rail route was built (known as **North-I**) linking Bellevue (Washington Province) with Chicago (Illinois, United America, with stopped in Ellene ---- (near Yakima), Spokane, Missoula, Butte, Rapid City and Portage.
- Next came the Central-1 mag-lift route from Eureka (Pacific Province) to Detroit (Michigan) with stops in Redding, Reno (where it follows the I-80 corridor), Salt Lake City, Cheyenne, Omaha, Des Moines, Davenport, Gary (for Chicago, then along I-94) and Battle Creek.
- **Turbine Foil Trains** are hang under a suspended segmented cars with electrical turbine fan motors on the support housing above the support rail that connected the cars to the grid. Air foils under, over and to the side of the car and with the motor lighten the cars effect on the rail creating a flying sensations.
- The Cascadian civil rail system has a blue and yellow on gray paint scheme.
- The Mexican Second Civil War that created Sanora also took southern California, including Las Angeles. The mag-lift rail was disconnected after San Francisco going south. The Sanorans or Calvada never did anything with that section and went in disrepair.
- When **Seattle** was destroyed in 2042, the maglift rail there was destroyed as well. It took until 2045 to clear the path, ensuring it was safe to build and reconstruct the section. The rail goes through **Memorial Park** with a station. Road system was routed around the area.

**Ranches:** See Farms/Ranches/Orchards in this section.

**Rapture:** See Mass Disappearances in this section.

**Reaction Teams:** See Special Crisis Reaction Teams.

**Real Estate:** See property.

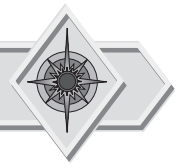
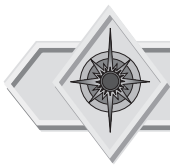
**Recreation Drugs:** See Alcohol & Recreational Drug in this section.

**Recycling & Recirculation:** Cascadia takes a great effort to reuse everything possible. They have not achieved that, though they are one of the best in the world.

- Most all distributed drinks are bottled. **Recirculating companies** collect, clean and provide bottles for production companies.
- **Parliament** set higher business licensing for companies that use and/or produce and/or produce disposable recyclables packaging, encouraging the use of recirculated materials.
- **Recirculated material** are products (including servicing material, such as flatware, plates and such) that may be collected cleaned and reused without changing the material. Companies who are solely using this form of packaging and servicing material are not licensed as level-A (See *Business in this section*). The use of seals for the packaging does not factor in, if under 10% of the packaging weight.
- Bottles in such are often made of various **metallic-glass** material that is considerably more durable, having a shiny, opaque surface. Advancements to the durability of plastics and glass enables bottles and containers to have a much longer life before the need for recycling.
- **Recyclable materials** are products that are collected and reprocessed to produce other products. The numbering system of the *Former U.S.* code was continued, having additional numbers/letters added. Business licensing is set at **Level-B1** for this. **Recycling numbers** for metallic-glass range from 31A-36ZZ, with glass as 00 and plastics as 1-20. Various other materials that are presently unable to be recycled are collected and stockpiled in holding yards by the government for future use. Research is being applied to create processes to recycle this material.
- Disposable materials is anything that is limited to one use aspect and becomes rubbish and is unusable, even if categorized as recycled recycling number but is not what is unworkable. Businesses of this nature is set to be – to some of the licensing.
- Many product recirculating companies arose to collect, sort, clean and redistribute containers, packaging, service material and such, with drop areas where persons are paid a modest amount to bring collected materials. Many children and lower income persons gain monies in this manner, something seen in the past with the *Former U.S.* and other nations.
- **Reusable crates** (considered recirculated) for company shipping is preferable to cardboard boxes (treated as recyclable).
- Other products, such as toothpaste, are sold in recirculated pump containers, like liquid soaps.

**Regional Codes:** See Township in this section.

**Relations:** See Family & Relations in this section.



**Relations:** Cascadia has a very liberal, broad acceptance of relations and the peoples choices as to who they wish to be with. This has caused many to rebel and ultimately leave the region. Cascadia is ridiculed by outsiders for their **Liberality**, a quality embraced by most Cascadian.

*Also see Marriage and Prostitution.*

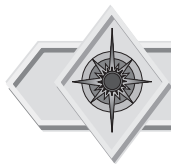
- From the beginning, *Parliament* set by *Grand Edicts* that marriage is the formal declaration of two or more persons in a financial and supporting commitment involving themselves and any offspring of all involved. There are not other restrictions, seeing people having the full right to form their families as they desire. *Parliament* further stated that no *Levies* related to marriage shall be enacted.
- Dating is common and most women do wish to marry – much more than men. Since the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century, poly-relations are practiced by a growing number of people.
- Parentage (blood, foster, adopted, etc.) or guardian to the character beyond what early *Former U.S.* considered conventional husband-wife union, becoming more common. Even in the more enlightened and liberated Cascadia, some resist the broader concepts of intimate unions. In 2067, around 38% of Cascadia are involved in some form of bonded intimate union.
- **Intimacy Mentors** (also sometimes called *sex/sexual gurus*) became more integrated into the culture. Women and men in Cascadia began going to these people for intimacy issues over psychologists. Most having areas of intimate knowledge, including pregnancy, rape, child abuse and such. *See Personality chapter in the Universal Tales Character Enchiridion for other information on this.*
- **Some spouses expect singularity** to each other, though socially or by *Edicts*, Cascadia does not see multiple intimate relations as objectionable or being unfaithful to the spouse as long as they are all open about it.

**Refugees:** Cascadia does have avenues for noncombatant refugees to find sanctioned with in Cascadian borders. This includes a path to citizenship, should they elect to do so. Combatants from foreign lands are not afforded this avenue, and handled as prisoners of war and detained by the Ministry of Martial Affairs.

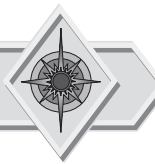
Karsona, southwest Idaho Province (old Carson City, Nevada), was set up at the junction of Highway 140 and 95 (northwest old Nevada), 10 miles south of Orovada. This is a controlled Township for the sole purpose of providing a safe environment for those escaping persecution, war situation, etc.

- Refugees of 16 years and older shall be assigned jobs befitting their abilities. They shall perform the service for 6 hours, 3 days a Cascadian week, gaining wages comparable to levels half of government pensionaries, with the other half considered their food and boarding for them and relations, even if they don't have relations, as well as the 15% income Levy. They shall also engage in seminars for 12 hours a week.
- Those under the age of 16 shall go to school. These schools run from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday, with a general curriculum of world history & culture, Cascadia language, mathematics, contemporary technologies, social awareness and a few electives.
- Refugees unaware of Cascadia English will be taught some. Seminars explaining Cascadia culture will also be taken. Those opting for sedition sips may be allowed to transfer to the quarantine facilities for immigration. See Immigration in this section.
- Several apartment/barracks complexes and government manufacturing facility operates in New Hope, producing furniture, textiles and such. Refugees would construct and operate these facilities as part of their residency alongside Cascadia pensionaries. Apartment/barracks buildings have a series of wings, as well as cafeterias, managerial offices, laundry rooms, seminar rooms, day rooms, etc. Families are placed in 2 or 3 room apartments, having bunks, tables, chairs, etc. No units have kitchens.
- All residents would eat at the cafeteria for sanitary purposes, showing their official photo IDs each time. Plastic bottled water, nutrition snack bars, fruit cups and infant formulas are the only food and drinks allowed beyond the cafeteria, and would be picked up during meals for later consumption. Water bottles may be picked up throughout the day.

- Refugees are afforded limited civil rights. They may not under any circumstances possess firearms or other weapons. If found possessing such, they would be prosecutable in normal manner of Cascadian courts.
- Refugees are restricted to the Town, and if found beyond the town, are prosecutable under as noncitizens, and would return to their nation of origin, losing refugee status.
- Cascadia government and staffers maintain order. Several companies have set up businesses within the Township, and are regulated and inspected by the Standards & Safety Commission. This is not a standard Township, and any private citizens are subject to local ordinance set to maintain order.
- Refugee families are to live integrated with other cultures and are to be accepting and peaceful. If this becomes a problem, they lose their refugee status and are returned to the nation of origin. Cascadia sees the lack of tolerance and acceptance a plight of people in the past, and will educate any refugees coming to Cascadia for assistant.
- Refugee registration and processing is handled at the Inn processing compound, where they will receive initial medical examinations, fingerprinting, genetic analysis, photo identification, etc.
- As residents of New Hope, all refugees will participate in group calisthenics in the morning and afternoon, before and after classes/work, etc.
- The photo identification card is used for other meals, and is part of the tracking of refugees within the facility. Such IDs would also be scanned during scheduled activities, such as classes and work service.
- Ministry of Martial Affairs has a contingency function with Sheriffs and Marshals to maintain order, and are officially referred to as Peacekeepers. Unofficially, personnel of martial affairs have been called chaperones. This military assignment is designated Martial Security Patrol (MSP) Unit (see Martial Affairs section). These legionnaires function as general security, ensuring peace within the Township, preventing contraband, smuggling, unregistered departures, etc., and function directly with the Sheriffs.



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**Religions/Faith/Belief:** To Cascadians, personal faith conviction is just that – personal and holds no place in government, and long as is not a greater safety concerns (direct quantifiable harm) is not to be restricted. Many dictate that harm is gained by unsuitable influences and attempts to pressure legislations to suppress such behavior. *Grand Edicts* decree that as long as *Edict* are not broken, any faith has the right to practice their faith as see fit no matter the views of others.

Also see *Charities/Collective Companies*. Also note the *Social Conviction Companies* bullet in the *Business* entry of this section.

- To *Parliament*, all religious orders are viewed as sects/cults, no matter their denomination or popularity, since each is able to be traced to others and evolved from another.
- Unless they collect donations, the government doesn't view any sect as a company. If they **collect donations/tithes**, the sect must register as a business company with all responsibilities as such. A center (headquarters) of the faith within Cascadia has to be declared and levies and responsibilities are do from that center. Any exchanges of moneys with entities beyond Cascadia is treated as foreign trade. See *Charities/Collective Companies* in this section.
- Growing population began seeing the business nature of the organized religions, beliefs and faiths. Many people began walking away from them in greater numbers in favor of what became known as **Unincorporated Private Convictions/Beliefs**. *Private Geleafa* (old English for "belief") became a popular term for those with private faith convictions. **Religious cults**, including the various Christians, Islamic and Jewish denominations, also began to be called **Recultus**, combining "religion" and Latin "cultus."
- Most Cascadian's feel that **reincarnation is real** and in the forces of nature and ancestral spirits, and **less on a monolithic savior** view. Though still holding to monotheism, more and more relied less on the usual savior aspect of the practice, feeling it was people who had to save their own existence, helping each other through hard times. If these people felt there were supernatural help, it came from relatives who had passed on.
- There are still conflicts between the faith sects. It is the responsibility of the *Sheriffs* and *Magistrates* to maintain peace without placing judgement, and any act against another for matters of faith is treated as any crime of harassment, assault, etc. *Marshall units* and *Special Response Teams* (civil and military) may be deployed to protect sects and keep peace where conflicts arose. People attempting to suppress another person is harassment, no matter the provocation by ideological differences.

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**Atheism:** A growing consideration of no deity took hold and many view the universe without a supreme creator or intelligent design. Some estimates have population numbers at 7%, even as high as 38%, depending on how faith and deities are referred to.

Early in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, atheist churches form for people to meet socially, having Ministers for legal representation, including performance of marriages, burial ceremonies and social conferencing without religious connotation.

Also see *spiritualism*.

**Atlantean Rebirthers:** As the 21<sup>st</sup> century began, the number of people believing they were reincarnated from Atlanteans grew, seeing the discord and conflict between religious sects as getting out of control and the spirits from Atlantis were being reborn to salvage something from the growing chaos. They were not going to be able to halt the devastation, so were not going to try. They hoped to reform Atlantis from the remains, bringing back the old faith, viewing that turning back on the old ways was the true demise of Atlantis and they believed it could be rebuilt.

Those adopting this life view are more liberal in their allowance of practices and relations, recounting the common view of the Atlantis decedents as propaganda of the controlling elites, seeing that it was the rejection of science that was the end of Atlantis.

The various groups that evolved under the Atlantean bursars views often refer to themselves as a club to lessen the impact of those who would rather call them a cult.

Several groups are trying to build Royal families amongst themselves.

Outside these groups, people consider them cults. Those within the groups tend to protect the Royal family as they see them.

One very private sect in Pacific Northwest was thought to be led by Sydney Larkin (who was part ownership of the *LYR Robotics*) became prominent in Cascadia, and fairly influential in the development of the culture. Calling themselves the **Northwest Atlantean Rebirthers**, this sect drew many heavy, extremely buxom women. Many controversies surrounded this particular group, and their embracing of Lusiferian concepts attracted greater criticism. Within this sect, was a sorority faction who called themselves the *Daughters of Atlantis* (beginning with Janna Durbin and Karla Lockhart), who worked at rebuilding Atlantis by having many children, embracing motherhood early and more important than personal careers.

**Celestarians (Setarans):** Often mistakenly pronounced Celestians, those with this view have a strong presence in Cascadia and many traveled there to congregate with more having the view. See *Celestarians (Setarians)* in the *Societies & Organizations* section for more details.

**Bahai:** There are a few families following this way. In 2047, a temple was built on a hill along the south shore of the Columbian river around 22 miles east of Portland, Oregon Province.

**Black Oak Witches:** Originating in Santa Barbara, California, in the 1980s with Eugene Andrew Parker at the core, claiming to have the soul of Merlin reborn within him, a gathering of persons cerounded him, forming the *Black Oak Witches*.

Witch sisters of Merlin are women dedicated to the raising of his children, many of which had children with him. Many of Eugene's sons became **Black Oak Priests**, a few moving to Cascadia.

With the death of Eugene, the eldest faithful son took the title of **Mirlin of the Black Oak** and operates as the spiritual Guide for the witches, both men and women.

The sect owns many farms and ranches both in Calvada (mostly in the north) and Cascadia (mostly in the south)

**Buddhists:** A few communities are scattered around the larger populated area, though not noticeable, even between them. A private network hold bond between those practicing this way and are easily contacted if interested to learn. Shrines are in many townships.

**Chatholics:** With the loss of Rome on -----, the scattered followers turned to the local bishops, who forms local **Holy Sees** (Santa Seded, or Holy Chairs). Not global authority exists, though there have been many conferences over the years attempting to unify the fragments.

All of the cardinals under the age of 80 were lost with Rome. In the Former U.S., 16 cardinal of ages 81-96 remained with most of the bishops. They gathered in central California for the first conclave of America. Envoys were formed of 3 bishops to travel the worlds nations to help with reconstruction. What was found was a disagreement with direction and a distrust of American bishops, so it was decided to elect an **American Catholic Primacy (Pope)** from the remaining Cardinal and elevating the 3 traveling bishops before the election.

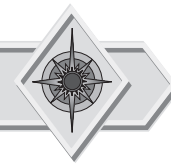
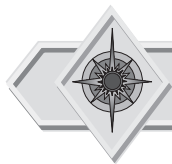
Around the world, there were several Sees. In the North American nations, Cavada has the largest and became the location of the *American Holy See*. Mexico formed their own.

Catholic churches in Cascadia are more liberal, with women bishops, gafflian/lesbian followers, etc. There are also more indipendant, though still linked to the *American Holy See* in Calvada. Locally, there are dioses and parishes associated with them. There are no archbishops with Cascadia by 2067.

**Chthonian (Khthonian):** Sometimes called Neo-KhThon, people became drawn to this Earth (Gaia) worship group, who see the harm to the planet was the true cause of all hardships. They have a Celtic-Druidic practice of dancing around bonfires. In the lives, these people have food guardians and small farms, returning to simpler lifestyles, though they do use technologies as they keep natural things around.

**Dementionalists:** The Many Worlds Interpretation of Quantum Mechanics of Hugh Everett III, presented in 1957, became the center of many people concepts of the entirety of everything, with the believe the other dementional worlds may effect this directly or indirectly, either with common or apposing forces.





## Religion (cont.):

**Darwinism:** Some people declared this as their religion, seeing evolution as the truest element of the universe, discounting an higher intelligence or a god as needed, fully discounting the notion of intelligent design or supreme creator.

**Deists:** Many still hold to the deity views but not the churches, use the *Deist* term of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Century, indicating a belief in Divine Providence or Nature's God, as Thomas Jefferson might say, but hold to no doctrine or organized faith.

**Druids:** Though there are large numbers of professed Druids, and are very private, meeting in their homes or in the woods. They perform ritualistic ceremonies in private yards or groves in the wildness, involving natural-mental energies.

Though taking the Druidic name to connect to the past, covens in Cascadia do not claim direct connection to European Druids, being aware of the lost knowledge of the Celts through history, seeing themselves as building a new understanding of natural ways.

The *Cascadian Druid* have adopted many practices from the North American Tribes, blending them with the fragments of remaining from the Celts in a contemporary form. Their main principles is to retain a connection with nature, the rolls of men and woman and natural cycles in a modern life.

Many have taken *Celestarian* views as well.

**Eastern Orthodox Christians:** Nearly nonexistent, most left to join family elsewhere.

**Evangelist Christians:** A few small churches call themselves evangelical and have small followings. *Edits of Parliament* views them as a company, drawing the normal levies as such. For this reason, most evangelist function beyond Cascadia. Some television networks broadcast services from churches in and out of Cascadia. Few watch them.

**Hindu:** Possibly the largest singular sect, migration to Cascadia from India and other nation brought the population higher. Most people are unaware of their demographics due to the more private nature of the practice.

**Illuminati Renaissance:** Leading up to the separation from the *Former U.S.*, there was a growing rift of those leaning to science and those holding to theological views. Cascadia fostered the sciences. Those who stayed or moved there aligned to the enlightened aspects of science, rejecting the notion of gods, goddesses or of a supreme intelligence, though many held to an evolving theology of natural forces and energies.

The *Illuminati Renaissance* is not a religion. It became the phrase for the growing disconnect from the established religions and to a favored philosophy as a blend of natural ways and science without a notion of deities.

A much greater liberal view of relation took hold that disturbed the more fundamentalist Judeo-Christian-Islam (grouped as Monotheists), embracing gays (*gafflian*), lesbians, even limited incest.

This phrasing has no connection to the original Illuminati or the conspirators group and the Masons reject the term entirely, still holding to a supreme intelligence as the architect of the universe and the center of true enlightenment.

People holding to polytheist ways still often adopt the phrase, especially the *Dementionalists*, *Spiritualist*, *Spirit Guides* and *Soul Pathfinders*.

**Islamic:** Having less than 2% of Cascadia, Muslims are not plentiful and then ones that are living there hold very liberal views and rarely in traditional attire. Like Jews, there are strong communities scattered about, largest being in Portland (Oregon Province) and Bellevue (Washington Province) with Mosques near Synagogues in a tranquil coexistence after the Great Arab Israeli War.

Most Muslims in Cascadia have very liberal views. With the tensions of the early 21<sup>st</sup> century and the Radical Islam, the more moderate had drifted to being liberal, wearing less of the traditional attire and being more private of practices. Many married out of the faith.

Around the world, Orthodox Islam lost strength with an aging population, being replaced by a much more liberal Islam become very business oriented. The *United Arabian Peace Incorporated* became the strongest business company in the Islam nation.

**Jewish:** Though not plentiful in Cascadia (less than a percentage), there are a few strong communities, the ones in Portland (Oregon Province) and Bellevue (Washington Province) being the largest with the Synagogues near Islamic Mosque in a tranquil coexistence after the Great Arab Israeli War. Many of the Jewish faithful moved to Israel (United Canaan Historical Reserve).

**Kemetics:** A temple dedicated to the practices of Ancient Egypt in Bellevue becoming the center of those practiced in this manner.

**Liberal Christians:** A general term of the more relaxes, less fundamental Christians, and often blending other practices with this view.

**Luciferians:** Lucifer being the morning star (Venus), the symbol of enlightenment—and not the deceiver or evil, as Christians would contend—a great number of people adopted this view, seeing most deity based faiths as the true deceivers for rejecting sciences or trying to blend it in later, claiming it was the way God made it. The more this was done, the more people saw such manipulation, rejecting deities and churches, moving onto other views, including Luciferianism.

The practice Luciferian was compatible with other views, including *atheists* (not connecting gods to the workings of the universe), *Star Children*, *Spiritualists*, *Temple of the Universe* and *Atlantean Rebirthers*. For a *symbol*, they took the inverted pentacle (for mankind turned on its head) with a single 8-point compass star (the morning star) between the top 2 points, often encircled with 2 circles (the universes, and multiverses).

These people study any subject no matter the controversy, holding an open non-prejudice mind.

Those holding this view have no need for a divine creator for explanation of the universe. The simple base of the known forces (gravity, electromagnetism, the weak and strong nuclear force) and the complexity randomness within the universe, with the many faults, enables the creation of all things.

Luciferians don't see the forces of nature needing divine creation, and with the obvious problems within human physiology, and little makes sense, unless you put in evolution. People see that a deity should have done better. Any notion that the faults is a form of test is a simple cop-out. And what of cats from hairballs? A devine creator would do something about the cat's suffering. What lessons do cats get from it. Does that imply a cats have souls? Luciferians see these problems everywhere, discounting any divinity and lean to the *Spiritualists*, when looking beyond the oveous.

Luciferians are not *Deists* and don't hold deities of any sort, though a few try blending this with deity faiths, raising the notion of *Orthodox* and *Liberal Luciferians*, having a liberal acceptance of deities.

Generally holding to the practice of sharing knowledge freely, without judgment or expectation of financial compensation, Luciferian Scholars and Sages, and other titles the stowed upon them, work to bring Seekers together for sharing knowledge and sciences, as well as exploring social and faith relations on society and people.

People would meet in their homes or on outings for discussion and socializing, even meeting with other groups and people. There are no official centralized locations, though some groups may set up focal points for others to find them.

Groups began adapting various titles from other faith-based organizations, and the practice spread from group to group. The most basic is the Seekers, and are people wishing to learn more. These are social titles and relate to the general knowledge people have, and willingness to discuss and share that knowledge freely.

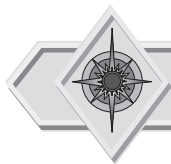
Scholars are Luciferians who actively strive for greater knowledge. This being one of the only titles that a person could bestow on themselves, though should be recognized by others as a person with the intent of truthful knowledge, and willing to share it. Sages is a higher scholar, and would be bestowed by people respecting the volume of knowledge the seeker-scholar has.

Many groups use clergy titles, including *Friar/Friarress*, *Priest/Priestess*, for their gurus, showing an aspect of religious connection, even if not with deities. *Priests/Priestesses* would be respected by others for their knowledge and willingness to help others on finding truthful knowledge. Sometimes, *High* or *Grand/Great Priests/Priestesses* are bestowed on a few who had spent much of their lives searching for truthful knowledge. Any titles would be personal reference from another. Those who hoard knowledge are not given this privilege.

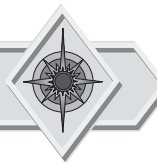
Some larger groups who felt the need for structure, bestowed a *Bishop*, even *Archbishops*, though that title only related to the local group, having no varying beyond it.

Some Luciferian scholars become legally able to perform weddings and would be considered *Priests/Priestesses* for the purpose, taking the reference *Ordained* to mean one who has legal rights to conduct marriages in accordance to national laws.

Also see *Celestarian* and *Sumamarites* in this entry.



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### Religion (cont.):

**Monotheists:** The Judeo-Christian-Islam were grouped as *Monotheists* with that term taking on a reference of all holding to a single deity by those who held to polytheistic or natural views. Few hold to the full Savior view of these practices, seeing people the need to save their own existence, function in more cooperative groups.

**Mormons:** Many Mormons, especially the polygynous Mormons, moved to Cascadia, though their numbers are still small.

**Morning Star Temple:** Established in northern Metro-Seattle area around the 2010s by *Sigga Carper (Bishop)* and *Enrietta Carper (Fembishop)* this Geleafa holds mystic bonds of natural spirits with reincarnations at the core concepts, discounting deities, seeing a strong relation with history and Etiens. The Temples (82 scattered about Cascadia in 2067) holds a broad view of faith, educating people on the history and how religion shape culture. The clergy are social guides open to all lifestyles, protecting them more vulnerable. *[There is an interdimensional connection with the Romana-Druids of the terrorists dimcosm.]*

When Seattle was destroyed, the original Temple (red brick and stone structure) survived the blast, the fire further south. The building became a monument-museum for Geleafa/religion history, projecting the destructive nature of people holding to restrictive face.

**New Thought Movement:** A general term for the growing drifting from church-temple based faiths to a more science oriented views of the universe.

**Polytheists:** This became used more to group the Judeo-Christian-Islamic types of singular deity into a reference differing from those involved with the Illuminati Renaissance.

**Protestant Christians:** Loosing the numbers as most drifted to the Central States or Dixie Federation, there still remain a fair amount who live privately attending local churches in the manner they have for hundreds of years. Those who remained in Cascadia are very liberal.

**Religious Science:** A general reference used in Cascadia for the progression, history and nature of faith and people used by several groups, including *Lucifirians*.

**Satanists:** Those following this path are more open and noticeable in Cascadia than in other areas of North American nations (often wearing the symbols, such as inverted pentagrams/crosses), and a greater common understanding of their nature arose.

People came to understand the origins of the term Satanist (opposer, prosecute) and Lucifer (light bringer, morning star, etc.) and relate it to personal freedom and enlightenment against any who would oppress their free thinking, a viewpoint of the original founders of the *Former U.S.*, and was lost along the way.

**Soul Pathfinders:** Being sensitive to the energies of people and nature (70+ Cognition), many came forward in Cascadia to help people in all aspects of their lives; to help with relations, finding loves, career decisions, etc. Many of *Spirit Guides* and a good number involved with the *Atlantean Rebirthers* do this to find others of their kind.

**Southern Baptists:** The Dixie Federation has seen a notable demographic increase of black with this sect, coming to be known as *Dixie Baptist* by many. The Baptists in Cascadia did not form this distinction and have a variety of peoples in the congregation.

**Spiritualists:** A growing number of people became attuned to the spirit realm as the true source of gods and goddesses and blending the energies of the ancestors. Some of those of this way are also *Soul Pathfinders* and *Spirit Guides*.

**Spirit Guides:** Common within many religions (including *Shamanists*, *Wiccan*, *Druid* and *Atlantean Rebirthers*), these people commune with ancestral spirits for knowledge. Often being *Soul Pathfinders*, the guide will help other on their path. Use *Modern Witch* or the likes from the *Occupation of Character Enchiridion*.

**Star Children:** These people are dedicated to the view that they descended from ETIs and are associated by a past connection. They study and reconstruct history with the understanding of a ETIs connection, as well as myths and faith sources. Many see the "be like God's, and live forever" biblical statement as a way for longevity that could be taken from the ETIs, something an omnipotent god would not allow.

**Sumamarites:** Founded by Quin and Linda Brodie in ----, they and those with them accepted much as the Celestarian views of the ETIs roll in the history and myths, being the old deities that evolved into the monotheists

singularity.

Though holding the ETIs connection, Sumamarites feel a communion with natural forces, and is blended with the spirits of their ancestor. Reincarnations is a strong and natural progression. They draw deities for the Sumarians, Babylonian, Greeks and Romans as representations of the forces of nature and association of ETIs, which is criticize as conflicted.

The founders purchased large amount of land (32 square miles), south of Pendelton in northeastern Oregon Province, creating a private *Township of Babylon*. A large ziggurat structure was built as a temple [beginning in 2076 and completed in 2081, with 2 Ishtar releafs of fully human zaftig women].

The *Sumamarites* name is blend of Sumar and Amorite, to draw back to the ancient times. The name sources has little to do with their concepts and practices. Rituals and practiced are very sexual, and fertility and childberths are a core element.

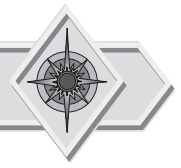
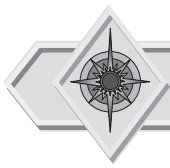
Many Sumamarites also adopt the Luciferian title.

**Temple of the Universe:** Founded in 2016 in northern King County, Washington state, Former U.S., by a loose association of people applying Luciferian principles, having science at the roots. The members view a broader, growing knowledge of the cosmos, even probability of multi-versus, as well as connections with stellar non-sapient civilizations as the source of deities described in the past. Their main principles reject superstition and supernatural deities as myths, embracing pursuit of truth and the connection of energies.

As a symbol, they adopted an upright pentacle, the points extending over 2 inner rings, all with in an outer ring. The ring is displayed as a compass, having an 8-point star is positioned on the right (east) over the 2 rings for the morning star.

**Tribalists:** The practices of the North American tribes have spread beyond tribal land, being adopted by other people with Cascadia. Generaly, this is referred to as *Shamanism*, though some call is *Naturalists* in that they hold a view of intunement to natural ways.

**Wiccans:** Covens of Wiccan are plentiful and disorganized, general having 5-19 persons in the covens, though acting more a very loose social club with no true leadership in any of them. They don't usually use the coven term for themselves. Others use it.



**Research Center:** See *Think Tanks & Research Centers*.

**Reservations (Americans):** During the breakup of the *Former U.S.* and the separation of Cascadia, *Parliament* took control of the regions. During that period, *Indian Reservations* remained the property of the Native Americans as a distinct *Sovereign Township*, holding the treaties as before with sales restrictions as a *Allied/Trade Nation*; meaning in they had to follow all trade stipulations as all *Allied/Trade Nations*.

As Cascadia solidified their authority of the realm, the *Sovereign Townships* were giving a series of paths to become nationalized as Cascadian.

- A path some *Sovereign Townships* took was to transition fully as a Cascadian *Township*, since the trade from neighboring businesses had higher levies under the *Allied/Trade Nation* policies, even if Cascadians and Native Americans had free travel. In the transition, declaration of land ownership (private and *Township*) as established and property/business levies became as any other *Township*. This allowed property sales, which many wished to do and was the end of those reservations.
- Depending on the size, *Sovereign Townships* entering Cascadia may become *Counties/Shires* with separate *Townships*, while smaller one took *Township* status in their choice of local *Counties/Shire*, even becoming part of bordering *Counties/Shires*. Doing so blends them into Cascadia with all *Edict* applying, negating any tribal laws.
- Another path was for the *Sovereign Township* to declare themselves as a business or a series of business with the property, becoming assets of the business, subject of levies and associated with a new *Counties/Shire* or *Township*. This was common with those having casinos.
- With the Cascadia Government needing land, *Parliament* allocated funds for the purchase of *Sovereign Townships* at twice the valadated value as figured from the average of surrounding *Counties/Shires*. A few took this offer, especially if they were depopulated by epidemics or people leaving to join other splinter nations or Cascadia fully. This was a way for Cascadia to get currency into circulation. *Warm Springs* in north central Oregon became *Warm Spring Station* under the *Ministry of Martial Affairs*.

**Restricted Media Ratings:** See media ratings in the *Entertainment* section.

**Resources:** See *Natural Resources*.

**Rest Rooms:** See *Lavvies*.

**Retirement:** There are many companies providing retirement plans for private use. All citizens are part of a national retirement and insurance plan that is handled by the government (See *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* in this section).

- For the many who feel they may do better with a private company, the *Founders* and *Senators* point out the folly of the notion in the 1990s under the *Former U.S.* and again later during the economical decline. For those who say they learned since then, it is point out that people believed they learn since the 1920s and 1980s, yet still continued to stumble over and over. Cascadia will not be a welfare nation for those who thought they learned or knew better. For those with that specialized knowledge, privated supplimented investment companies for programs. Even if they abrain private retiremnt programs, they are to remain in Cascadia *Fund*, an element of the 2-direction support of natation and citizens.
- Mutual Funds had been reshaped in relation to changes of stock holdings and are still a form people can use as additional retirement income (see *Mutual Investment Companies* in the *Business* section).

**Revenues:** Every government must be supported in some way. Cascadia has a monetary system with levies and other means for support. Here are a few of the income means. In parenthesis is the breakdown; *National, Provincial, Country/Shire* and *Township*.

Levies would be collected at *Township* levels by administrators under the review of the *National Economic Commission*. These collections are accumulated, with the *Township* extracting their portion, progressing remaining amounts to *County/Shire* level, where the *County/Shire* where the portion allotted to them would be extracted as it progresses up to *Province* and then *National* levels.

There are no deductions of any kind for any of the levies. It is a level revenue and all areas are handled the same, overseen by the *National Economic Commission* who collects and distribute revenues between the governance entities and agencies.

Also see *Currency & Economics and Levies* in this section.

- **There are no direct sales levies.** This is set by *Parliament High Edit* with a full citizen population vote of 80% to remove. In other words, 80% of the population and population has to agree to get rid of this *Edict* and not even 2/3<sup>d</sup> of all 3 Houses of *Parliament* and population abolish this decree.
- *Township* collection brings the citizen to interact with the governance at the *Town Halls*.
- Seasonal payment of 12% (4%/4%/4%/0%) of **Class-A Business Gross Income** of over C£6,000 *Seasonal Root Company Income Threshold* to the *Province* where the income was gained, outlining the amounts from each *County/Shire* so they gain their portions. This is any income to the business for sales or services.
- Seasonal payment on **Class-B (1-3) Business Levies** compensate for the more risky nature of the product and services. See *Business within this section for Business Class details*. This levy is transferred directly to the *Bureau of Health* and is 3% for Class-B1, 6% for Class-B2 and 9% for Class-B3 and is applied to the entire gross income for the company providing that level of produce/service anywhere in the company. They are also subject to the 12% Class-A business and Broad Scope levies.
- Filing is done at any *Township* by the end of the first month of the season for the previous season, and does not have to be same *Province* the levy is being paid for, though there is a 0.15% fee for out of *Province* fee giving to the *Province* the filing and done for handling the transfer. The **Seasonal Root Company Income Threshold** is a seasonal income level where businesses do not pay Class-A Level levies. In 2067, that amount was C£6,000. Tracking **Micro Companies** (usually one or 2 persons ownership in the company) is costly, and generally not worth the expense. Other Class companies, no matter the size or income, are tracked for health and safety reasons.



- Companies providing products and services directly to areas beyond the *Home Central County/Shire* (the headquarters) and adjacent *Counties/Shires* pays a **Broad Scope Company Levy** to provide ability for smaller companies to compete with large widespread companies. *Broad Scope Companies* pay 3% on the gross income of the company if any part of the business directly provides product or service beyond the adjacent *Counties/Shires*, 6% if their scope goes to other *Provinces* within Cascadia beyond adjacent *County/Shire* and 9% if involved in international trade of any sort. This revenue is distributed in equal parts directly to *Parliamentary Digressionary Funds* and *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.

» A company is considered *Broad Scope* if they directly distribute products and services beyond their root and adjacent *County/Shire* around their home office (even if across the border into another *Province*). This includes charitable activities, seminars, etc. If they have offices, outlets, shops, or such in more than one *County/Shire*, they are considered *Broad Scope*. Distribution company purchasing and transporting goods other counties is *Broad Scope*, though the company they purchase goods from are not so by that sale. See *Business in this section*. Entertainers (such as musical bands) are subject to this levy should they perform in more than one *County/Shire*. Also see *radio in this section*.

» Though this may entice the government to support larger companies for the higher revenue, Parliament and the agencies may not enact Edicts that would benefit larger companies and must always favor smaller companies, providing greater protection to smaller enterprises helping families hold their private ownership.

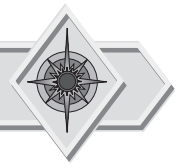
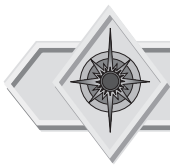
» For accounting simplicity and favoring smaller local companies, the entire income of the company is subject to the levy if they provide any service/product beyond the *Home Central County/Shire*.

» This does not apply for sales to person going to them from other counties, even if they purchase the product for resale elsewhere. That company is subject to the levy, though.

- Parliament* may decree an **Additory Business Levy** with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> agreement in all 3 *Houses*, collecting greater revenue as needed for a period of time from Cascadian *Broad Scope* companies (lot local companies who are limited to a single *County/Shire*), not to exceed 9 seasons, including *National Partnership Companies*, to meet expenditures. The *Additory Business Levy* will be applied to the company's gross income as *Broad Scope Company Levies* of 1/5%/3%/4.5% (*Province/National/International*) with small companies solely within the *Counties/Shire* unaffected.
- Trade Tariffs** in themselves are not apply to products imported into Cascadia. The **Broad Scope Levies** and the **Foreign Trade Levy Scale** applied to international trade companies provides the general competition protections for smaller (local) companies within the nation, giving lesser businesses the means to survive and prosper, creating true competition, further limiting oppressive environment of larger, aggressive companies. The *Foreign Trade Commission* oversees proper conduct of businesses. Overall, Cascadia gains significant revenue from international trade companies. This applies to companies functioning with foreign companies within *Allied/Trade Nations* (see separate entries in this section for such nations). Cascadian companies are forbidden to function with *non-Allied/Trade Nations*.
- The **Foreign Trade Levy Scale** (see *foreign trade companies in the business section*) is applied to the full income of international trade companies to further restrain aggressive behavior of larger companies. Any income over that amount is levied at 12%, not the normal 9%. Any amount over 2 times that threshold is at 15%, not 12% or 9%. This produces additional revenue for national projects and functions to limit domineering behavior of large business institutions. The *Foreign Trade Commission* oversees proper conduct of businesses.
- Transformation Levies**—handled the same as *Broad Scope Levies*—is a method for Cascadia governance to transform infrastructure for the advancement of Cascadia. Private

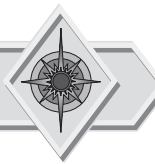
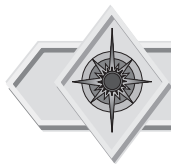
companies relying on unsustainable, unclear or jeopardizing practices (such as coal power plants of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century and company's manufacturing inefficient automobiles) will have this Levy applied. The revenue of this Levy is distributed in 2 out of 3 parts to progressive *National Partnership Companies* advancing the infrastructure and products for the betterment of Cascadia, with the other 1 part from this Levy going to the *National Economics Commission* for handling the collection and distribution, as well as other support to the Commission. In this way, advancements in progressive technologies are encouraged, with all citizens of Cascadia gaining advantages through the *National Partnership Companies*. This is not a subsidy to private industry where citizens do not gain a direct benefit. In time, it is expected that private industries would take on such practices to advance Cascadia, and shares of the *National Partnership Companies* may be sold and reinvested into more progressive direction. Also see *Industry Phase-Out in the Business entry of this section*.

- Annual full **Property Levy** payment for the primary voting home (see *Homes & Residents in this section*) has a Levy value of 0.4% (0.1% / 0.1% / 0.1% / 0.1%). Other properties/homes owned by the citizen are Levied at 0.7% (0.2% / 0.2% / 0.2% / 0.1%). The amount of burden is based on the percentage of ownership, whether in a resident home or not. Individual amount of ownership dictates their personal owned amount and responsibility.
- Property Value** is set by the previous year, with 1/4<sup>th</sup> paid within the first month of each season. With wealthier persons generally owning more than one property, they would have a higher levy burden than lower income persons. No additional levies are to be placed by any level of government on property. More efficient, higher populated regions generally have greater revenue and the ability to operate more services.



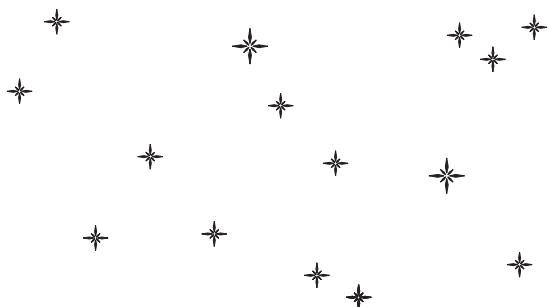
## Revenues (cont.):

- **Tree Harvesting** as managed by the *Bureau of Wilderness & Parks*. The *Bureau* gains 50% of the revenue directly, the other 50% going to Parliament's *Discretionary Funds*. See *Government Agencies* sections.
- Shareholder proceeds from the *National Partnership Companies* (see separate entry in this section) are portioned into various national agencies and the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- Fees from **Civil Transportation**, such as busses, rail (elevated and ground), etc.
- **Sales of energy, fuels and utilities** of Cascadia is applied to the applied in 5 of 9 parts to the *Utility Company*, 1 of 9 parts to the *Standards & Safeties Commission*, 1 of 9 parts to the *Parliamentary Discretionary Funds* and 1 of 9 parts to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. The main energy income is from electricity. Fuels included petrol/gasoline and bio-hydrogen. Utilities include Civil Phone Service and electrical power.
- **Ocean Wild Seafood Harvesting** licence fees are based on progressive scaling of harvest amounts per vessel, with larger vessels paying more per harvest ton, giving smaller vessels additional advantage.
- **Parks & Wilderness Fees** is divided evenly, with 50% to the *Park Rangers* and 50% in equal parts to the *Parliamentary Discretionary Funds* and *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. These include licencing for hunting, fishing, camping and entry fee.
- **Postal charges** is divided evenly, with 50% to the *Postal Service* and 50% to the *Parliamentary Discretionary Funds*.
- Interest from **government loans**.
- **Visa** fees from foreign visitors.
- The 1.5% charge for exchanges of **foreign currency** with Cascadian currency.
- **Vehicle Operation** inspections are done each 3 years, even if they are not to traverse common roads. Legionairs may have one passenger vehicle in their ownership that would be exempt from this fee, extended to any in retirement. This exemption is transferable to any vehicle with a nominal fee. The vehicle is still subject to inspection.
- Several **Cascadia National Lotteries** are that used to produce a revenue. *Provinces, Counties/Shires* and *Townships* may conduct their own lotteries for raising funds for civil projects or support local programs. Half the revenue is applied to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- **Vehicle Licencing Fees** (include the *Immissions Certification*) based on the gross weight of the vehicle and the initial value cost adjusted for the age of the vehicle. The fees go to support the office and testing stations, with 1/2 the over amount going to *Parliamentary Discretionary Funds*, the other half to the Province the vehicle is registered. Inspections are done each 5 years. If they are to remain of the property, they only require the *Immissions Certificate*.
- **Immission Certification Fee**. Any engine, power plant or equipment that has immissions of any kind, shall have an inspection each 3 years, this is even if not operating beyond the private property, since the emissions is likely to go beyond the property.
- **Civil Vehical Operations Insurance** fees for all citizens with motor vehicles that would traverse beyond private property. **Home Owner** and **Renters Insurances Fees**.
- **Violation Fines** is based on the income of the violator and goes into the *Discretionary Funds* for the *Province*, managed by the *Council*. See *Legal* in this section. This includes *Public Intoxication*. See *Alcohol & Recreational Intoxants*
- **Civil Insurance Commissions** policies for citizens and business.
- Interest on the **Immigration Nationalization Debt**.
- **Production Rights** of 15% income from innovations patent held by Cascadia Parliament and is in addition to other Levies. See *Technology* section.
- **Gambling** is legal with a licence. Casinos, race tracks, etc. is levied as a business at 15% in addition to the normal 15% levy.
- Fees and **Interest on Treasury Bank Loans**.
- **Bank Cash borrowed from the Cascadian Treasury Bank** (see *national economic commission within the government agencies* section).
- The **Health Duty** is a 9% seasonal payment on gross income to the *Medical Commission* of the *Bureau of Health* from any private medical facility, including cosmetic clinics. This is in addition to the normal 12% Levy, and set to assist supplement civil care and offset the wealthy who attend private companies to avoid the scaled civil copay. **For the advancement of cures**, 15% of this *Duty* is applied to the *Medical/Pharmaceutical-Treatment Cure Fund & X-Prize* (see *Medical & Health* entry in this section), as well as the *Bureau of Health* within the *Government Affairs* section.
- The **Civil Justice Duty** of 12% is applied to each private legal company within Cascadia towards the ministry of legal affairs in support of applying balanced judgment to all peoples and citizens, including income for ministers, wardens, and other staff of the courts.
- The **Personal Income Levy** is the 15% applied to the full income of each citizen, and the full income of the citizen is credited to the **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund** (see separate entry in this section for details). See *Income* in this section for *Advance Income Levies*.
- An **Additory Personal Levy** may be decreed by *Parliament* with a 70% vote required from all 3 *Houses* in order for the nation to collect greater revenue from the population. When applying this levy, the personal income of each and every *Senator* shall be lowered by 7% for each of these applications. This is to ensure the *Senators* are affected more than the other citizens of the nation. This temporary *Levy* will be at 2% for a specific number of 3 weeks intervals, not to exceed 12 interval (36 weeks). This will be in addition to the 15% for the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* contribution. The citizen shall benefit by having their income draw schedule adjusted down 1 week for each 3 week intervals these levies were pulled. The decree will be for just 2%, and for number of 3 weeks intervals. Additional decrees may be called for if more than 2% is needed for the time. Though this is treated as additional revenue for the nation, it is handled in the same manner as the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, giving each citizen long-term benefits. If *Parliament* feels the need for further *Additory Personal Levy* while another is still being pulled, 80% agreement of all 3 *House* is need. If 2 of these levies are being pulled and additional ones are viewed as needed, 90% agreement is needed within the *Houses*. Citizens may view this as needed for a while, depending on the situation. However, excessive pools may find the public disagreeable and looking for other persons to replace *Senators*.



## Revenues (cont.):

- **Township parking** (street, lots or garages) is a revenue for *Townships*. These monies remain with the *Township*, not going the higher governance. Fees may not exceed 65% national average of all *Township* parking. Private parking is not part of the calculations. Use of money shall relate to all *Communities* equitably.
- **Violation Fines & Ticketing** help support the *Ministry of Legal Affairs*, though issued by *Sheriffs* as an independent entity for such matters.
- **Synthetic Reasoning & Armek Levy** applies to any artificial intelligence (synthetic reasoning systems, *synthens*) devices, androids or robotics that has higher and automated functioning that needs little to no handling from an operator. See *Robotics & Android (Armek)* entry in the *Science & Technology* section for related details.
- This *Synthetic Reasoning & Armek Levy* is collected seasonally for an annual rating. One part of 5 would go to the **Robotics Council & Division** for oversight. Another part of 5 is deposited to the **Parliament Discretionary Fund**. The remaining 3 parts is applied to the **Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund** as proceeds functioning the same as *National Partnership Company* proceeds (see separate entry in the *Government Affairs* section). Say a company's annual responsibility for their higher functioning devices is C£1,173,120 annually. Seasonal responsibility is C£293,280, with one part (C£58,656) going to the *Robotics Council & Division* and an equal part to the *Parliament Discretionary Fund*. The *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* gains C£175,968, providing monetary support for those displaced by the technologies, allowing them to support themselves while advancing into other fields or enterprises.
- **Weapons licensing/registration** is applied in equal parts to the *Statistics & Licensing Commission*, *Parliamentary Discretionary Fund* and the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.



**Riots:** Due the passed events in the local regions and what occurred in Las Angeles, little tolerance is afforded to people who take part in riots.

Then a "*Lockdown*" is declared within a *Township*, all citizens in that and adjacent townships are to remain indoors where they are until order is established. Any outside will move peacefully to their home or other options with gathering in large numbers, loitering or gawking.

Traffic lights in the effected *Townships* will blink rapidly between yellow and red. Those driving when the *Lockdown* is declared shall not exceed 25 kph (15 mph) on community streets and 65 kph (40 mph) on high/freeways to their destination, stopping fully at all intersections, accepting when directed by authorities, including martial soldiers.

Anyone found outdoors may be questioned concerning the destination. Those without a clear and reasonable destination will be arrested, detained, processed with fines set and possibly criminal action. Those who are unable to reach a reasonable destination during the *Lockdown* will be given transportation to a safe location until the situation is calmed.

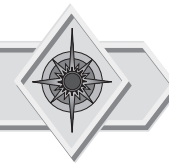
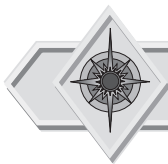
Protesting is allow in a calm manner in designated common areas. No protestor may cover their face or resist direction of authority.

**Roads & Traffic:** The *Transportation Commission* of the *Bureau of Civil Engineering* is responsible for oversight of all roads in Cascadia.

Also see *Civil Transportation*, *Horse Riding*, *Rail & Trams* and *Transportation* in this section, as well as *National Ticketing* in the *Legal Affairs* section.

- Maintenance and repairs are handled at the Provincial level, ensuring that all Counties/Shires and Townships are treated equitably. New or special construction of roads and related infrastructure is funded from either Provincial or National level.
- On 2024, the funding for the interstate became a regional affair. This was one of Congresses act after the Sectarian Act of 2021. Each *State Union* felt they could do a better job maintaining their region that the federal government as a whole. With that, the tolls were expanded, not needing federal permissions.
- Beginning in 2032, highways and rural roads in Cascadia began to be rebuilt elevated with side rail/barriers, separating traffic from nature, or with broad natural overpasses, depending on terrain. Ground highways have barrier walls to prevent animals from gaining access, providing broad pathways of natural setting across such highways and be placed 1-2 miles apart.
- To effectively achieve elevated strips, the construction became modular, with sections built at various locations and transported to location, either by heavy lift dirigibles, rail or ground vehicle. Support struts are arranged at 30-45°, interspaced and interlocked with seismic buffers and spacers for self support and gaps for animal to pass under, creating an even area above for the road sections. Worn or damaged sections are able to be disconnected and replaced in a couple hours. Spare sections are held for replacement. Overall, the life of a section is 12-15 years.
- Where **Paving Spread**—a latticework/mash poly-material substance continually reengineered—is used for road repair, teams have special maintenance vehicles to extract crumbled areas, saw cross grooves to surrounding surfaces, inject the latticework/mash material that bleeds into the grooves/crevices, routing into the ground for distribution of weight, then cured with ultraviolet light strengthening the material to become semi-rigid. The process takes 20-40 minutes for a 2' pothole.
- Technologies developed at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century for programmable, color illuminated solar panel road sections advanced considerably and had been integrated within the roads, parking areas and walkways of Cascadia. Traffic notification, lining and warnings, as well as anti-frost and guidance systems/devices within the transparent surface provides present time information to the drivers. Radio transponders link information with vehicles, warning of excessive speed, weight limit violations, proximity to other vehicles, weather conditions/advisories, lane alignment, etc. Being modular, dozens of panels may be simply replaced in a matter of a few minutes.
- In Cascadia, roundabouts and circular intersections replaced many lighted and other multi-way intersections in suburban and rural area.
- Traffic/intersection camera are for assisting in traffic control, as well as alerting Sheriffs and medics of emergency. Traffic violations detected by such devices are registered as warnings to the driver unless a Sheriff witnessed the violation directly. Reliability of such systems have been shown reactionary to unrelated factors, including weather, lighting, temperature, other vehicles, etc.
- Cascadia assisted in the maintenance of several freeways beyond the boarder for commerce, including I-5 (to San Jose), I-25 (to Denver/Pueblo/NORAD), I-80 (Cheyenne to Sacramento) and I-90 (to America).





**Robotics & Androids:** See Science & Technology section.

**Sacred Coalition of Christ:** A strong fundamentalist Christian alliances between several church orders in North America, under the **Righteous Heavenly Father**, seeing the collapse of the **Former U.S.** and global economy as the work of Satan. The members see it as their sacred duty to fight Satan in all his forms, and that means eradicating all who are subject to Satan in their view.

- The *Coalition* acquired several nuclear weapons in ----. In 2042, they destroyed Oakland (trying to take San Francisco with it), Fresno, Bakerfield and Seattle. See *History* section for more details.

**Satellites:** During the 2012 galactic alignment and the focusing of the galaxy core radiation (disputed by many) and few satellites were damaged. During the Constellation Shower, another 187 satellites were damaged beyond use were destroyed during this period of bombardment (not disputed).

Cascadia and other nations went to work in cleaning up the orbital paths around Earth and sending up other satellites. Some of Cascadia were military platforms, breaking past treaties, previously broken by other nations, including the *Former U.S.*

**Schools:** See Education.

**Science & Technologies:** See it's own section.

**Sea Levels:** From 1990, the sea level had a steady increase, with a few spurts occasionally. The increases in centimeters and inches (1 cm = 0.3937", 1" = 2.54 cm).

These are average levels. Some coasts are effected more or less. With the rapid relief of pressure of the *Antarctic Ice Sheets*, Antarctica began rising, adding to the coast. With the rise of Antarctica and the magma pressure shifts, other continents lower in places. There is also the **thermal expansion**, the enlargement of the water for the warmer ocean temperature. In doing so, displaced more ocean waters, causing a higher effective rise of the ocean seas that was originally estimated.

**Northern polar ice**, floating on the surface, will not increase the levels beyond the standard thermal expansion. However, by ---, the last of the polar ice melted away, creating a year-round **Northwest Passage**. An accelerated breaking up and melting of the northern polar ice was caused by a **wave agitation**, growing more significant as the years went by.

Annual level fluctuated up and down a few inches from earth circulation rhythm and how much rainfall occurred for the year, placing water on land for a while.

The continental shifting caused great number of intense earthquakes. Most everywhere felt rumbling 2-3 times a day of quakes 3-4 magnitude, with 80+ 5-6 magnitude annually around the world, 16+ 7-8 magnitude, with a few 9+ magnitude each 1-3 years somewhere. This trend peaked in the 2250s with the peak of the ocean rise.

**1990:** 0 cm (+0") ~ This is the zero base for the new levels.

**2000:** +4 cm (+1.6")

**2010:** +7 cm (+3") ~ **Bonne Ice Shelf** cracked near Antarctica's coast.

**2014:** +8 cm (+3.2")

**2016:** +9 cm (+3.5")

**2018:** +11 cm (+4.3")

**2020:** +14 cm (+5.4") ~ The increasing rate of the sea levels were due to the normal rise plus the breakup of the **Amunesen Sea Embayment** on the Antarctica coast, releasing the blockage of the **Thwaites glacier** with the **West Arctic Ice Sheet (WAIS)**, allowing it to slide to the Pacific ocean, beginning the **Great Antarctica Slide**.

**2025:** +18 cm (+7") ~ The **WAIS's** slide began accelerating. Continental interior began seeing massive fractures, breaking any bonds to the other ice sheets, allowing them to slide free in various directions, increasing their march to the warming seas.

**2030:** +22 cm (+8.5")

**2035:** +27 cm (+11")

**2040:** +31 cm (+12")

**2045:** +36 cm (+14")

**2050:** +44 cm (+17") ~ The Antarctica volcanos began erupting with the pressure release of ice sheets on the land moving away, accelerating the **Great Antarctica Slide**.

**2055:** +54 cm (+21")

**2060:** +61 cm (+24")

**2065:** +72 cm (+28")

Levels from here are for the **Stellar Frontier** and other future campaign environment of **Universal Tales**. Note the following is measured in **decimeters** and **feet**.

**2070:** +7.9 dm (+2.6')

**2075:** +8.2 dm (+2.7')

**2080:** +8.4 dm (+2.8')

**2086:** +8.8 dm (+2.9') ~ A series of major earthquakes in Antarctica cause the **Great Slide** to accelerate in these times.

**2090:** +9.3 dm (+3.1')

**2095:** +9.9 dm (+3.3') ~ Safe year-round Northwest Passage began in 2096.

**2100:** +11 dm (+3.6')

**2110:** +14 dm (+4.3')

**2120:** +17 dm (+5.6') ~ During the next 130 years, the rate accelerated even more.

**2130:** +22 dm (+7.3')

**2140:** +29 dm (+9.6')

**2150:** +37 dm (+12.1') ~ Lake Washington became an inlet from Puget Sound in 2059.

**2160:** +48 dm (+16')

**2180:** +69 dm (+23') ~ Lake Sammamish became an inlet from Puget Sound in 2094.

**2200:** +97 dm (+32')

**2220:** +133 dm (+44')

**2240:** +176 dm (+58')

**2253:** +204 dm (+67') ~ This was the peak accelerated rate of rise.

**2260:** +216 dm (+72')

**2280:** +259 dm (+86')

**2300:** +299 dm (+99')

**2320:** +339 dm (+112')

**2340:** +378 dm (+125')

**2360:** +414 dm (+137')

**2380:** +451 dm (+149')

**2400:** +487 dm (+161')

**2420:** +521 dm (+172')

**2440:** +548 dm (+181')

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**2480:** +596 dm (+197')

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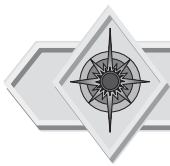
**2600:** +733 dm (+242') ~ Sea level reached Lake Ontario.<sup>1</sup>

**2620:** +739 dm (+244')

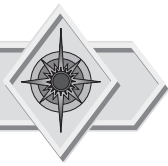
**2640:** +744 dm (+246')

**2332:** 756 dm (+248') ~ The last glacier melted away.

1) Beginning 2-4 years prior to the indicated year, high tides would wash saltwater into the lakes, beginning the killing off of freshwater life. After the full event, sea life would take over the inlets.



## Universal Tales: Campaign Environment



**Search & Rescue:** Depending on location, *Sheriffs, Park Rangers, Naval/Ground Forces* or other entities will conduct and coordinate *Search & Rescue*.

**Sectarian Split:** The breakup of the *Former U.S.* took a long time. Other articles, notably *Earth Fall Foundation*, has other details. This entry give a brief explanation of the events and the effects on the formation of Cascadia.

Starting with the formation of the *Central States Union* the states of the *Former United States* began segregating themselves into social pockets. Eventually, this lead to the creation of separate national identities. It did not come without casualties, though it was not the Second U.S. Civil War people began to believe was going to happen. The *Former U.S.* just collapsed into fragmented parts.

Also see *The Breakup* section in this article and the *Former United States* article.

- » It all started with eight states in the U.S. Midwest where they felt the liberal minded people of “less Christian” states were polluting the ideals that the nation was built on, forming the *Central States Union* on 9 January 2019, enacting policies to strengthen those values.
  - Those 9 states sought policies to bring back the “blue states Christian values” for the faithful, cleaning the country of liberal views ruining it. There was a lot of support for this view and some moved there to strengthen the numbers, hoping to influence other states to take up the banner as they grew stronger. They felt they had the right of God on their side and if they grew strong enough there, they could pressure the federal government to enact laws aligned to their views.
  - The views they worked to preserve was the sanctity of monogamous marriage between a man and a woman, abolish premarital sex, strengthening infidelity/adultery laws, reducing divorces, removing homosexuality, adding creationism to the school curriculum, bringing prayer back to school and the courts, establishing formally Christianity as the primary religion (many wanted it as the official religion).
  - At first, friends and families tried working in other states to spread the correct way of thinking. A few at first began moving to the *Central States* to give direct strengthening in voter numbers. These moves continued to grow, pressuring the more “liberal” to move away.
  - Some of the principles they enacted within the states were to bring back school prayer, not selling liqueur on Sundays, not allowing legal gaffian/lesbian relations of any kind and holding to strict monogamy, strengthening punishments against infidelity, limiting divorces and banning pornographic materials.
- » In response to the *Central States Union*, California, Oregon, Washington State and Nevada formed the *Western Protectorate* on 4 January 2021.
- » The southern state wished to support many of the principles the *Central State Union*, but did not wish to align themselves directly, so they created the *League of Dixie States*, beginning with Georgia and both Carolinas in April 2021. Debates of what to do in the southern states went on from January to April 2021. Virginia was less to sign on November 2021.
- » When *League of Dixie States* formed, many pointed to the Civil War and was worried that if something was not done, there may a “*Second Civil War*.” Several delegates in Congress drafted legislations to halt states form associations. There were bickering in congress and 2 fight reminiscent to the earlier times of Congress. The *Sectarian Act of 2021* came out of a growing disagreement of what to do. It was decided the states had the right to form such unions, since many of the legislators were associated with those unions.
- » Those in opposition of the *States Unions* and the *Sectarian Act of 2021* felt it would divide the nation even more, and they were correct, though there was little they could slow the progress. People thinking the differences between the States were minor and the fighting as petty bickering did not recognize the full depth the rift was and that those on the drifting sides saw that Christian values, other religious rights, scientific views, education, economic mismanagement, mega-corporation takeovers, federal pressures, personal liberties and other views as petty, even unconstitutional. They saw anarchy in the *Act*. It was seen by many that the *Act* reduced blood shed and allowed a smoother transition, leaving mutual aggression defences and trade, though there were conflicts.
- » Other Congressional actions followed, strengthening the ability of the unions and state to act independently in many of the issues the federal government were taking over.

- » *Union Police Forces* arose within the regions to handle infraction between states with the Union’s jurisdictions. Up until full separations of the Unions from federal control, these forces worked with Federal law enforcement. Quickly, there were greater frictions amongst the sides. The *Sectarian Act* set some restriction of federal law enforcement in the Union’s region, where federal laws not in contradiction to *State Union* laws may be enforced, that the state’s rights will be recognized and honored. Federal law enforcement were not to become involved with *State Union* laws. FBI and other Federal Agencies backed off completely with regional affairs, though still functioning between them and other regions and within noncontributing affairs, hoping the Union Police would straight and break.
- » *National Guard* units fell under the *State Unions* control and up to the full separation, were still under Federal use, though this became more in dispute if there units were called on where other regional units were available. Some Unions began demanding more funding compensation and other regions disputed it. *Union National Guard* units were strengthened, with greater stockpiling, especially in Cascadia and United America. They even purchased some of the Federal bases that were being decommissioned.
- » Texas declared they would not be part of any of the associations and started referring to the defiance as the *Texas Unity* though they mostly agreed with the Central States Union.
- » The northeast corner of the US formed their own association they called the *New England Fellowship* and consisted of states from Maine to Pennsylvania.
- » Federal Government moved to prevent secession of any state.
- » Corporations attempted to influence the nation to prevent the segmentation, seeing the restrictions to business and their control. Their manipulation were at state, federal and international levels.
- » Federal military action began to settle disagreements among the states.
- » Military reaction??? Commanders taking control of regions under orders from ??? Media networks?? Road, rails, airports, sea ports, etc.???

**Securities Market:** Beyond Cascadia, securities was and is the written collaterals of property and holdings, and had been used as a traded commodity, including mortgages and company stocks. Cascadia does not allow this practice, due to its unstable nature. Property and ownership of companies may be used as collateral for loans and other legal contracts.

Also see *Shareholders* under the *Business* entry in this section for approvals.

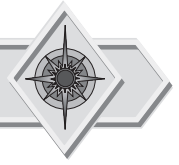
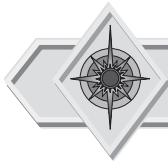
**Senators:** See *Government Affairs* section.

**Separation & Independence:** Though not accepted by the many who left the region, *Cascadian’s* separation from the *Former United States* as it fell apart allowed them to create a new beginning. See *Beginnings* section for details.

**Sciences & Technologies:** See its own section.

**Sewage:** The government provides sewage processing of waist waters, with a variety of plant operations, including synthetic organisms, sun baking, greenhouse irrigation, etc. Processed waters are cleaned and pumped out for reuse, often to farm irrigations.

See *Science & Technology* section for advancements.



**Sexual Renaissance/Enlightenment:** Mostly called *Cascadia Carnal Renaissance*—though also *Cascadia Sexual/Love Liberation/Revelation*, *Second Sexual Revolution* (the first being in the 1960s) or some variation by the more supportive, or the *Cascadian Perversion*, *God's Bane*, *Northwest Heathens* and other in opposition.

See *Social Outreach Groups in the Societies & Organization* section. Also see *Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity in this section*.

- **Pregnancy Pacts** proliferated among friends, especially femellas of ages 14-16. In some schools the situation grew considerably, referred to as a *pregnancy epidemic*. Parents felt at a loss in controlling their daughters who were declaring personal independence in this manner.
- During the breakup, gang rape became wide spread and many femellas became pregnant from it, estimated to 23 per 1,000 woman.

**Shareholders:** See *Business in this section*.

**Shows (Television):** See *Entertainment* section.

**Sheriffs:** See *Government Agencies* section.

**Slaves:** See *Bond Servants*.

**Smoking:** See *Tobacco & Smoking*.

**Space Exploration:** See *Stellar Progression* section. Also see *Stellar Forces in the Martial Affairs* section.

**Special Crisis Response Teams:** Sometimes called *Emergency Response Teams*, Cascadia has a variety of these teams scattered around Cascadia, including the territories. The teams roam the Provinces, assisting Sheriffs, Marshals, military units, medical facilities and other groups as needed, and are available for calamities and hazardous situations, including biochemical accidents/attacks, nuclear incidents, flood, avalanche, fires.

- **Mobile Medical Centers** works with all of these teams in emergency situations. See *Medical & health in this section for more details*.
- **Ministry of Martial Affairs** have a variety of these teams to react during a crisis or sensitive situation. These are under the responsive action of *Mission Command Centers* and/or the *Chief Executive Director*, including radioactive and biological. See *Ministry of Martial Affairs* section.

**Sports:** See *Entertainment* section.

**Spouses:** See *Marriage*.

**Stock Trade:** There are no stock market trading as thought of within the former US. See *Shareholders in the Business in this section for company stock ownership*. Also see *commodities market in this section*.

**Student Loans:** See *Education in this section*.

## Communities

People are strongest in communities. The isolation of people creates disconnection, even violence. Cascadia gives communities places for citizens to socialize without the expectation of company or personal profit. Governance also view its responsibility as a venue for social prosperity and health of the citizens. See *Business, Communities, County/Shire Homes, Education and Property* throughout this guide.

**Social Center:** Each Township has at least 1 *Center* (1 per *Community* for large towns) for people to socialize, having with a variety of rooms and activities, and would have meeting/conference rooms, auditoriums, and may include pools (exterior/interior) and sports fields/courts (exterior/interior).

Often this is a source of income for the township (not a Levy), with people having memberships or single use charges, and the *Town Hall* is usually adjacent to the main center. Due to the restriction of business with the government, donations are accepted, but not for control or expectations.

Businesses may operate separate *Community Centers*. None will gain funding from the *Township*.

Also see *Communities in this section*.

**Social Security:** See *Civil Personal Registration Code for the equivalent number and the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund for the protection*.

**Soldiers:** With the Cascadia military, soldiers hold special status of honor. See *Martial Affairs* section.

**Soliciting:** *Parliament* has decree that there will be no direct soliciting of any time from any person or company, including telemarketing by phone, internet or other means. It is viewed individual rights to peace and tranquility is more important than commercial profits, and soliciting is considered harassment.

Soliciting through the postal service is not considered direct, and is allowed as long as there is no perceived deception, coercion or other violations of *Edicts*. Advertisement for television, cable networks, radio, etc. is not direct either in that it is part of a service the citizen requested or viewed/listen to voluntarily.



**Subsidies:** Cascadia Parliament has determined government subsidization of any commercial endeavor, including farms, as harmful in many ways to business environment and unfair to small companies. They found many hampering features of subsidies that creates a profit avenues for some and hindering others.

Wealthy nations subsidizing their farmers and industries cause lesser nations to loose competitiveness, and larger corporations of the wealthier nations profit highly from it.

Cascadia saw that distribution and retail companies profited more by selling to wealthier buyers, and poorer neighborhoods did not seem to benefit, as supported of subsidies would say. It was also found that the subsidies guide planting and production habits more than buyer demands.

- If the Allied/Trade Nation has subsidies to any industry, Cascadia will charge as separate **Subsidy Import Duty** on all industries of that value at the highest subsidy rate found in the nation plus 1.5% (for tracking costs). Cascadian companies exporting to those nations will gain a payment on exports equal to the **Subsidy Import Duty**. This is applied to all industries traded with the nation to simplify tracking. Cascadian companies will gain payment during the first month of each season based on full export income to that nation from the previous season as an equal portion of all applicable export of all Cascadian companies.
- Cascadia did see that if there are low pricing of the agricultural produce, farms would suffer. Instead of providing subsidies, Cascadia set a base price that they would purchase the produce, since they had need of such foods. The pricing is based on averaging of County/Shire locations (considering adjacent Sounties/Shires), delivered to the *County/Shire Homes* and the *Monroe Penitentiary* where the foods would be used the most. This usually kept the produce local, direct from the farms. This sets the floor value for the produce. Pricing is controlled by the *Agricultural Department of National Economics Commission* overseen by the *Standards & Safety Commission*.
- Past subsidies of other nations for research and development usually goes to political favored companies, often failing to gain benefits for the nation.

**Suicide:** By 2054, the rate was peaked at 29 per 10,000 per that year. The rate began dropping and by 2067 were down to around 6 per 10,000. Though high, America and other nations were notably higher. For a reference in 2010, the world rate was around 1-5 to 10,000, with Japan being one of the highest.

**Survivalists:** Since the 1950s, the nuclear scares and bunker building, there were survivalist arming and preparing for the end. When it came, many of the died in the confusion of their own preparations.

Mostly, the survivalist were expecting complete breakdown everywhere. When pocket regions lost order, they hunkered down and waited for the rest to follow. Other regions collapsed for a while, but most restructured quickly under localized governance.

Survivalist, in there independent nature, were not prepared for others holding control. Most felt there would be few survival and they would kill any who they found as threatening. Since they did not trust outsiders, everyone was a threat. The isolated them and made them dangerous to others. Each region dealt with them in their own manner, depending of the group and the size.

- Though armed well, survivalists became targets for those weapons. Early fighting over the weapons was the demise of many who sought to protect themselves and their families. In the early stages, most people avoided those hunkered down and worked out their own ways in the communities.
- Dried food in the compounds lasted varying amounts of time depending on amounts. Those with seeds for planting eventually did so. Most had little true experience of cultivating farming, more centered on how to hold their compounds from intruders.
- Running low, individuals and group raided nearby towns. If they live through the raid, the townsfolk would deal with the compound, often going in with heavy equipment and burying any of the bunkers with the people inside to suffocate. After a

couple years, most survivalist were dead.

- The survivalist that were better prepared and remained to their compounds, lasted longer. But, their independent view of the plan left them cut from the changing culture. Most had selected property away from civilization with limited access to news.
- Compound woman becoming pregnant were ill equipped to deal with it. Many sought outside help. The mortality rate of the mother during childbirth reach over 20%. Few survived their third pregnancy, and the compounds became more male dominant.
- Those reaching their teen often ran away from compounds, joining the outside world.
- Local governments took claim to the land, demanding taxes, including Cascadia. Most American survivalist held limited federal control views, favoring state independence, and did not recognize the breakup nations. The entrenched survivalist were placed under seige by the Sheriffs. Crops were fire bombed and animal shot from the air. Most surrendered for arrest after a few weeks. Others snuck away, escaping Cascadia, living elsewhere, commonly in the Rocky Mountains. Other committed suicide rather than be taken.
- As the groups became thinned and older, mostly eventually died out and by 2067. there were very few still on lands in remote locations. With the lower populations, people ignored those living out of civilizations.

**Symbolism:** See national symbolism.

**T4 (Teppi) Ebola:** The outbreak of a new T4 (Teppi) Ebola virus first emerged in 12 September 2019 in Teppi, Ethiopia. By November, there were case in seven other central African nations. The strain was less lethal than the Sudan Ebola, it still kill over 70% of the infected.

The Teppi Ebola strain (the other four being Zaire, Sudan, Reston, and Tai) had a longer incubation time of 8-23 days and takes 5-13 days to run its course once symptoms showed. The slower incubation period made it more spreadable, letting victims go without symptoms longer.

Sporadic occurrences in Sudan, Nigeria and Camaroon disturbed the medical community, making them wonder how it was spreading, since previous strains did not spread this easily. When cases spang up within a family in Maryland who's son visited Kenya, which did not have any outbreak at the time, the CDC became concerned of international travel. Other cases in France and Italy confused the issue. The only connection was traveling to central African nations.

By March 2020, there was a sharp increase of cases in central Africa, placing the continent into a panic. Borders in Africa closed and virtually all trade stopped. With cases beyond there though, this did not stop the spread of the virus to the rest of the world.

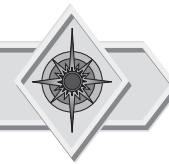
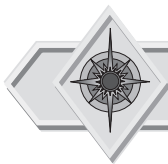
**Tariffs:** See Revenue in this section. Also see Subsidies in the Business entry of this section.

**Taxes:** As the Former U.S. began to split, federal taxes continued to be paid for several years, though were being scaded down as the State Union took more and more responsibilities, such as interstate maintenance.

When Cascadia severed full ties with Congress and the federal government, all federal, state and local taxation ceased to be collected or sent, and a more streamline Levy system was put in place. See *Levies and Revenue* in this section for other details.

**Taxis:** Regions have an assortment of taxi companies. Counties and Shires maintain a taxi service as well through County/Shire Homes (see separate entry in this section) to help keep citizens with a livelihood, and establishing baseline competition.

**Technology:** See Science and Technology section.



**Telcom System:** Computer data connections, telephones (landline and mobile), teletypes (having a comeback) and other communications falls under the *Cascadia Telcom Commission* (see *Government Affairs* section).

- Landline and mobile phone systems are integrated in with other communication modes, falling under civil jurisdiction. Terminal connections to private and government places with interconnecting facilities are operated by the *Cascadian Telcom Commission* under the *Bureau of Civil Services*.
- Private companies sell phones and hardware. A variety of options are available by private companies. The voice-data lines provided for by the *Telcom Commission* is just a conduit. It is handled as civil due to the limited connectivity by private companies and corporate controls found in the past. *Parliament* decreed that pricing for basic landline service is not to exceed 2 times the *Least Civil Wage* per monthly (C£13 in 2067).
- Due to the full integration of Telcom, there are **no call charges** inside Cascadia, whether landline or omnivices. As in the past, a base fee is charged with additional services added.
- Stars (\*)** are used to start and partition *Telcom Inter-Sector Connection*. **Local calls** in a region is made with just dialing (yes, people still use the term) the *Line Codes*. No *sector coding* is needed (e.g.; \*6273\*\*). **Double stars (\*\*)** are added at the end of dialing to indicate the completion of the **Connection Call** since the numbers vary.
- Local Terminus Codes** are phone/omnivice numbers to residences, businesses, government office, etc. The number is 5+ digits (\*20-001\*\* to \*89-999\*\*, or \*200-0001\*\* to \*899-9999\*\*, etc.), dashes would be ignored and for visual breaks.
- Sector Codes** covers groups of *Townships/Comunities* in 1+ *County/Shire*, with coding from \*201 to \*899, \*2001 to \*8999, etc., depending on population density. This enables flexible distinction, having overlapping capabilities, maintaining local continuity. Without extension numbers (\*9x~), each *Province* is capable of handling nearly 6,600 *Sectors* with well over 4.3 billion expandable personal landline coding.
- Mobile phone/omnivices** would have a local coding, even when in different regions.
- Inter-Provincial Connections** are done by starting with the *Provincial Code*; Alaska (\*31\*x~), Brook (\*32\*x~), Yukon (\*33\*x~), Columbia (\*34\*x~), Washington (\*35\*x~), Coulee (\*36\*x~), Idaho (\*37\*x~), Oregon (\*38\*x~) and Pacific (\*39\*x~); adding x~ for the *Sector Codes* to complete the call.
- Automated Regional Codes** are \*901\*\* to 989\*\* \*9001\*\* to \*9899\*\*, \*90001\*\* to \* 98999\*\*, etc., with additional Block Zones of \*20001\*\* to \*89999\*\*, extendable to *First Sub-Block*, *Second Sub-Block*, etc. This regional codes precedes terminus lines with additional blocking. Generally, these are **Terminus data network lines**, and exclusive for computerized automated items such as an *armek* (automated robot). For example, \*37\*212\*9911\*59291\*2536\* 95110\*\* might be one automated number for an *armek*, while another may be only \*37\*764\*994\*927\*\*, both would be registered in Idaho, though may function in other locations.
- Generally, all \*99x~codings are for Regional Block Expansion and are compoundable (e.g.; ~\*99273\*99725\*\*~).
- Some **Local Line Codes** are set in all regions and do not use the star (\*) dividers. These are very limited and are local use only. **Urgent (emergency) Service Calls** continued to use 911 to connect with *Urgent Service Dispatch Centers*. The **Amber Status** (see separate entry in this section) is always 003 and must be dialed from a land line, not a mobile phone. The local **Non-Urgent Sheriff-Fire-Rescue** precinct is reachable by dialing 1001. **Government Services Guidance Centers** (located in each *County/Shire*) are reachable by dialing 1212 and would assist on guiding citizens to suitable services for their situation. **Local Telcom operators** are reachable at 0011 for a nominal support charge.
- Though the phone system is expandable, most *Townships* are segmented into different regions with differing regional codes.
- The **0s and 1s** in the beginning of sequences are restricted to system or government use only.
- Each local Telcom system are self contains, interconnected with Regional trunks for **continuity security**, allowing them to be isolated if necessary. When isolated, the terminals in the region may call each other, so to be in contact with local love ones. They are also able to contact the local sheriff precinct and fire-rescue for emergencies, as well as the *Amber Status*.
- Connections between regions (whether by hard wires, site-to-site RF signals, fiber optics, laser, satellite or other means) are referred to a **"Trunks,"** to honor and keep people mindful of the history.
- Trade nation calls** are done by dialing \*111\*[national code]\*[national number]\*\*.
- Calling non-alley/trade nations** require operator connections for security reasons and are recorded, even monitored live with equipment to detect underlying data/voice and would be terminated if unable to translate. No warnings are given for monitoring. Citizens are aware of this policy.
- There is more control on **omnivices** (multimedia devices) and **mobile phones** (or just *mobiles* in Cascadia, not cells) are more controlled in Cascadia than they were in the *Former U.S.* and must be registered to the owner and their home of residency. **There are no temporary/disposable phones.** *Omnivices* and mobile phones continue to evolve, becoming integrated with other devices, linkable to other systems and interface devices (*headsets, eyewear, cybernetic connections, metaservers*, etc.). Others may use the phone, though the owner is responsible and if used in contrary to *Edicts*, they may be subject to the penalties as well. *Also see Internet & Computer in this section.*
- Phone courtesies have become more polite, bringing back what was lost since the 1970s. Since all forms of soliciting is band beyond their own property, people often answer the phone with the residence name. Many adopted *Graham Bells'* wishes to answer the phone with **"Ahoy,"** Dutch for hello.
- Sheriffs** has an independent Telcom network not directly connected with the *Civil Telcom* system. The **Marshals** have their own system as well. There is a separate Telcom system for the *National Emergency Network* that the sheriffs, marshals, hospitals, clinics, Mobile Medical Centers and other emergencies entities have access to.
- Rotary phones** for nostalgic feel is fairly common with the Rotary having star (\*) and pound (#) added as a 12 position rotor; 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0-\*-#. The rotor produces the tones needed for dialing, and the phone is often associated and omnivice control board off to the side or able to be slid from the base or some other manner.

**Telephones:** See *Telcomm Systems*.

**Television:** See *Entertainment section*.

**Teppi Virus:** See *T4 (Teppi) Ebola*.

**Teletypes Networks:** Having had a comeback, many offices have set up teletype networks to corroborate activities with a permanent physical records that are not easily tampered with. The paper rolls recording is usually done in addition to other information transfer, where a permanent continuous recording of the group is available at each location.

**Temporal Research:** See *Veritas Project in Earth Fall: United American Foundation*.

**Territories:** Any foreign land wishing to fall under the protection of Cascadia may appeal to do so, becoming a territory. This differs from *Allied and Trade Nations*, in that territories are subject to all *Edicts* from Parliament.

Cascadia recognizes 2 forms of territories; Incorporated and Unincorporated. Incorporated Territories are lands and population having been integrated into one of the 9 Provinces, and segmented into Counties/Shires. Unincorporated Territories are unified lands and population that are not part of the Provinces. Each has levels of privileges and responsibility as described here.

Also see *Allied Nations and Trade Nations*.

- Unincorporated Territories are governed as Provinces under a *Governor*. Citizens and businesses are subject to the levies of Cascadia. Territories would be segmented into Counties/Shires and Townships, electing those who govern those regions. Territories do not elect Senators for Parliament, so not to influence Cascadia before fully ingrating into the nation.
- Unincorporated Territories hold direct connection to Parliament through the Ministry of Territories. As it unincorporated territory, they gain full protection from foreign aggression and trade relations without restrictions applied to foreign nations. Business companies are to follow all Parliament Edicts as any company within Cascadia; and are levied as such with the 6% Broad Scope levy (9% if trading international).
- Unincorporated territories may sever the status, if the territory population are no less than 2/3<sup>rd</sup> agreement. Upon severing relations, all protections, privileges and responsibilities. Further trade relations will be as foreign nations and subject to their ratings.
- If a Territory wishes to become incorporated to a province, the agreement of Parliament, the province and the current population of the specified territory must have at least 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority agreement. If agreed upon, the territory becomes incorporated to the province as an incorporated territory. As an incorporated territory, the population may begin citizenship of Cascadia under favorable status, with all rights afforded, including business companies the files within the *Counties/Shires*. By 2067, only Hawaii became an incorporated territory, to Pacifica Province.
- While under the protection of Cascadia, incorporated territory has responsibilities and privileges, though not voting rights within Cascadia.
- To become a territory within Cascadia, the seated government has to pledge the desire and 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of the population has to accept that pledge. Often this is done after civil unrest has torn the nation apart and Cascadia was requested to help stabilize the land. The *Global Federation* may have moved troops in and placed the state under martial law. This puts Cascadia at odds with the *Global Federation*.
- **Hawaii** (see separate entry in this section) had been an *Incorporated Territory* with *Pacifica Province* since 2047. **Indonesia** since and **Philippines** remained unincorporated, becoming a protectorate territory since Cascadia assisted ousting the Chinese migrants. See *Protectorates in this section*.
- A new territory elects a **Governor** from their people who oversee

and govern their population. The Governor's office relates to the **Chancellor** and **Ministers** of the territory through the **Ministry of Territories**. There are usually at least 3 Ministers (ranked as *First, Second and Third*) assisting in the guidance of the Governor as the territory interacts with Cascadia, and its Province if in incorporated.

- Having control of all the land around the northeastern Pacific area and much of the Bearing Sea, Cascadia claimed the sea as sovereign territory, officially called **Cascadian Sea Territory**, disputed by the other nations. The region extends to the Aleutian Islands, down to south of Hawaii (150°W/15°N) and to the southern edge of Pacifica Province. Though not of the shape, the region became more commonly known as the **Cascadian-Pacific Triangle**. Foreign trade vessels are permitted, if they are going to or from a Cascadian port. No foreign nations is allowed fishing in the region, placing most of the water as a natural sanctuary reserve, mainly for the whales and sharks (see *Whale Preservations*). Also see *fishing in this section*.

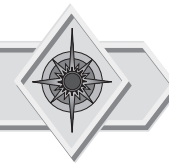
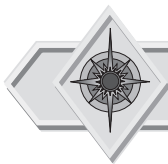
**Theaters:** See *Entertainment section*.

**Think-Tank & Research Center:** See entry in the *Science & Technology section*.

**Ticketing:** See *Violation Ticketing in the Legal Affairs section*.

**Timber:** See *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness in the Government Affairs section*.





**Time:** Cascadia still uses the 24-hour day, with 12/24 hour clock, finding it the most efficient way to divide the day into even parts.

Daylight savings time on the other hand was eliminated. The time zones remain mostly as they were, with Alaska and Brooke an hour earlier and Hawaii as Pacific time, and the other *Provinces* as coastal time. The calendar went through a complete transformation (see *Calendar* in this section for details).

**Time Travel Experiments:** See *Veritas Project* in *Earth Fall: United America Foundation*.

**Tobacco & Smoking:** Only are 8% of Cascadia population smoke and more do so with pipes. The sales of all tobacco it at Class-B2 licensing (see *Business* in this section) with the levy revenue offsetting the health hazards costs.

Parliament decreed that artificially adding nicotine shall not be done. Some nicotine enhancing methods (curing, etc.) have been banded and nicotine/chemical levels of tobacco blends are regulated and kept low. The *Standards & Safety Commission* (see *Government Affairs* section) oversee production to ensure quality and processing procedure.

**Tourism:** Domestic and global terrorism became strong again during the 2050s and continue into 2067 and is major profits for many companies.

- Dubai (Emirates) is one of the most common destinations for Cascadia tourists.
- Tour liners provide package tours for Europe, Mediterranean, Arabia (including Dubai), etc.
- China tours are popular for non-Cascadians, though many Cascadian do travel to this very changed country. Traveling to China, with its new overlord fiefdoms and nuclear wastelands, is more for the adventurous. A few tour companies have set up newlywed packages for some of the safer areas in China.
- Cascadia citizens detained in foreign nations shall have legal representation from the *Ministry of Foreign Relations*, who shall ensure full rights and protections. See *foreign relations in the Government affairs* section.

## ~ Elitism ~

The founders of Cascadia worked to remove personal self-interest, individual greed and elitist attitude from governance as much as could be done. They understood some favorable elements of tempered self-pride when it was justified. What they saw most often was the those in authority took prosperity at the expense of others. Historically, many laws were created to further their position, hampering or destroying prosperity of other people. Cascadian Edicts were set in order to prevent this behavior.

See *Parliament and Star Chamber*.

**Townships:** This is the smallest of the electoral divisions, with several *Townships* in a *County* or *Shire*. Each *Township* shall have a number of *Communities* (see *separate entry in this section*) based on population, generally centered around a single school (see *Education* section).

Also see *Communities and Hospitals & Clinics* in this section.

- Many of the smaller towns joined together to make a larger *Township*, seeing advantage of size and larger revenue with smaller governing bodies.
- Townships will have **community centers** for use by local citizens and guests. See *Social Centers* in this section.
- To keep *Townships* more personalized and representative of the *Communities*, no *Township* shall have more than 15 *Communities*. If *Townships* grow to a size that would exceed such restrictions, it shall divide into 2 to 3 *Townships*. This prevents excessive

domination of a *Township* in a region. *Border Communities* may become associated with other *Townships* as long as it does not exceed 15 *Communities*. See *Communities and Townships* in this section.

- **Councilmembers** (see *Townships in the Government Affairs* section for other details) in a *Township* would be based on the number of *Communities*, with even-numbered communities rounded down to odd number of *Councilmembers* (e.g.; 8 *Communities* would have 7 *Councilmembers*).
- **Township Councils** shall not have members of the same communities based on their voting home residency (the home of records for their voting). Should a member change their primary home, they must first step down from the *Council*. They may go for elections in the new community in the normal fashion.
- All citizens will declare a *Residence Township*, where the records of the individual will be held (with backups at Provincial and national archives). This declaration will be on the *Identity Medallion* and *Card*, and on the *Citizen Disposition Declaration*.
- **Regional Codes** (sometimes called R-Codes) replace the postal ZIP Codes for Townships-Communities and are designated with a 3 letter prefix followed by four numbers. The first letter is associated with the *Province* (Coulee uses L, since Columbia Province is using the C). The second two letters come from the *Township's* name with the numbers added to give distinction for similar letters. OPR1463 is the *Regional Code* for a community in Portland, Oregon Province, with WRT1282 a community in Renton, Washington Province.
- Property owners at the border with another *Township* may give unsolicited petition with the *Council* of the other *Township* to transfer the property over with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote of the *Council* receiving the property. To be considered for admittance to a *Township*, the property must have direct road access, not be the far side of natural barriers<sup>1</sup> and have reasonable boarder length not to project within another *Township* (more than one 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the width, 'fingering'). *Township* blocks (all property neighboring connection and surrounded by roads) will remain together and 85% property owners (not households) within the block/neighborhood must be willing to transfer. The owner remains the owner and the depleted *Township* has no counter actions.

**Trademark:** Cascadia recognized all past trademarks of companies from the *Former U.S.* and of other nations and acknowledges the newer ones formed within Cascadia.

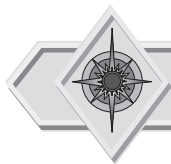
Trademarks have no expiration, and will not become public domain unless declared so by the bona fide owner.

**Trade Nations:** Several nations around the world have trade agreements with Cascadia. *Trade Nations* is a status below *Allied Nation* in that companies within the two nations may buy and sell goods.

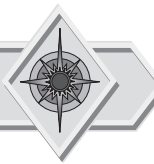
Also see *Allied Nations* in this section. Also see *Business* section.

- *Parliament* have the only authority to grant or remove *Trade Nation Status* with the usual 2/3<sup>rd</sup> agreement of any 2 *Houses*.
- All **international trade companies** are subject to **Broad Scope Levies** and in effect, relate to a type of import **tariffs** in order for smaller local companies to be in balanced competition. This is to prevent large international companies to overwhelm more local institutions.
- Cascadia does not allow non-Cascadian companies to operate within the borders. Representatives may travel between the nations to conduct business, but no goods are to be sold within Cascadia by foreign nationals.

1) Rivers and lakes would be such barriers. Streams and creeks, if wadable without swimming by an adult are not considered barriers for property boundaries.



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**Traffic:** See *Roads & Traffic*.

**Transition Period:** Years 16 June 2028 (declaration of separation from the Former U.S.) through 7 July 2042 (the day after Seattle was destroyed) was the period when citizenship of the *Former U.S.* and Canada was accepted to expedite nationalization to Cascadia.

See *immigration in this section*. See *Beginning section for other transition elements*.

**Transportation:** Many people owned and operate motor vehicles, though higher standards were established.

Also see *Civil Transportation*. Also see *Roads & Traffic in this section*. See *Licensing in this section for vehicle plaques*.

- All vehicles are to have a **Vehicle Operation Tab** for operating on common roads; **paid annually**, and is based on gross loaded vehicle weight and original make-model sales value divided by the age in full 3 years (e.g.; a 7 year old vehicle would be 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the original sales value, and a vehicle 28 years would be 1/9<sup>th</sup>). They shall have a **Vehicle Inspection**, which includes **Emissions Certification**, done each 3 years. If they are to remain on private property, they only require the **Emissions Certificate**, since the emission due extend beyond the property.
- **Heavy** and **light hydrofoils** are uses on the lakes, rivers, and sounds and coast as people and vehicle ferries. **Cargo hydrofoil** ships with jet propulsion are also used, including the specialized **Super-Foil Freighters**.
- **Aerial Tramway** (cable gondolas) have been erected in a few locations; the largest and most notable over the *Seattle Memorial Park* from *Queen Ann Observation Tower* to *Capital Hill Observation Center* with its double deck gondolas having 160 person compositely.
- The **Western Continental Rail Service** is a large private company in Cascadia providing both passenger and freight service in ground and elevated rail, including turbo fan and mag-lift trains. See *Rails and Trams in this section*.
- Short distant **Prisoner Transportation Vehicles** have individual compartments along both side hold 6, 8, 12 or 16 prisoners with exterior doors. The cells have a small seat along the center line with airflow from under. The walls are solid to restrict communications between prisoners. The door is vented and has a viewing port, with exterior shutter.
- **Super Hydro-Freighters** are very wide 3 hull (trimarans) ocean freighters with turbo-fan jets with hydrofoils and 3-5 pairs of side wings to lift the craft from the surface, even out of the water, hovering up to half the wing's length or so, taking advantage of the *ground effect*. Generally, the craft would cruise in excess of 190 knots, making a Eureka-Asahi trip in around 26-28 hours. Loading is done from the front and rear with the wings retracting when approaching the specialized ports that have been built to accomodate these vessels; including Eureka (Pacifica Province), Asahi (Japan) and Bitung Tengeu (Indonesia).
- Long distance **Prisoner Transportation** is most always from Sheriff Precinct to the Monroe Penitentiary and are either by special rail cars or dirigibles with internal containment cells for each prisoner. There are busses with similar arrangement, holding 24 to 36 prisoners and available to riot control.

**Trash & Recycling:** See *Utilities in this section*.

**Tribal Lands:** Cascadia recognizes the unique cultures of the tribal nations and encourages them to maintain them. As Cascadia came into being, the land reserves of the *Native American* remain theirs.

The land became private and given a value equal to the average of the surrounding *Counties/Shires* and is considered a *County/Shire* in its own right with all responsibilities and priviliages, including payment of levies of the businesses there. The *Tribal Council* is the *County/Shire Council*, and acts accordingly.

Ownership of the land is private and as with all private land, the conduct of the residence is private as long as it does not extend onto other

property.

**Truth Helm:** See *Science & Technology section*.

**Unemployment:** See *County/Shire Homes and Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*, both in this section.

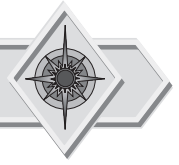
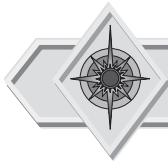
**Unions:** See *Guilds & Unions*.

**U.S. Congress:** When Washington D.C. was destroyed on 9 March 2030, the President and remaining *U.S. Congress* began reassembling at **Eagle Ridge D.A.** (*District of America*), becoming formal in June. By this time, the *State Unions* were gaining considerable influence and the population saw the nation breaking apart.

States continued to be dissatisfied with the federal controls in their matters and disregarded more and more of the federal dictates to a point where the *U.S. Congress* was not more than a forum for the *State Unions* and new *North American* nations to have representatives for discussions of defense against foreign aggressors on the north continent.

In the end, the *State Unions* and **new North American nations** stop sending representatoin to the *U.S. Congress* and it fell solely under *United America*, who continued *Eagle Ridge D.A.* as its *Congress*, still stiving for reunification of the other nations, though none of the others can agree on a form and the division of views continued widening.

Several of the Cascadian Congressmen became elected into Parliament, some still holding their representative possitions at *Eagle Ridge D.A.*



**Utilities:** The national electrical power grid, water, sewage, trash/recycle collection and processing, telephones (land lines and mobile), and other utilities is a function of the government under the authority of Parliament and maintained by suitable commissions within the Bureau of Civil Services.

A **Civil Utility** is any function within the society that is generally deemed as necessary to function within the society, such as telephones, computer, etc. Criticisms of socialized utilities and possible breaks in service as seen and in socialist countries of the past, it is presented that the government gain a revenue. For that reason, lack of service is lack of revenue and the government dislikes loss of revenue.

*Also see Fuels in this section.*

- Since the electrical power grid has no practical means to be in private competition and regulations historically favored the corporations and those corporations manipulated the costs for personal profits at the expense of the citizens, it came under the jurisdiction of Parliament. Senators set the pricing directives are related to the cost of living of the community and all adjacent communities to it. Critics have said that government is notoriously inefficient and are gouging the public, but historically, the prices in 2067 were 68% of average cost in 2010 with the *Standards & Quality Commission* ensuring fair treatment.
- Other utilities, such as basic telephones service, have become such a necessity in the culture companies manipulated the public.
- Electric power and natural bio-gas utility production is handled by the Energy Commission of the Bureau of Civil Engineers. The Commission may purchase competitive rate power/gas from National Partnerships or private companies on contracts lasting no more than 12 seasons and must have 3 Senators signed the agreement. These agreements will be published in public periodical for the County/Shire that is being affected.
- Utility rates are set in relation to the average income of the residents in adjacent communities based on the income filed. The rates shall not exceed 130% of the national average for the utility. In this way, lower income communities are charged less for the same service, compensated by more affluent areas. Magistrates and the Standards & Safety Commission in sure balance treatment.
- Cascadia continued the hundred and 20 volt electrical power grid network, continuing upgrades. Since the power source feeds the grid, competitive contracts with private companies are conducted, as well as power production through the Bureau of Civil Engineers.
- National Partnership Utility companies shall be at County/Shire company (non-broad scope) and are regulated by Parliament, having no less than 50% ownership by the National Committee so that each citizen benefits. There shall be no less than 7 private owners, and none shall have more than 7% ownership of the company. Private owners within the company shall not be spouses or children, so to prevent Dynasty companies of utilities.
- Some companies were allowed to operate the power into an area as long as they meet the same pricing or lower. Those companies were subject to the 15% gross income levies as all businesses. Only a few still operate at marginal profits.
- Water and sewage is completely handled by the government. Because of the nature of the systems, it was not feasible to allow private companies to do as electric companies do.
- Every civilization of people will have rubbish and something has to be done. Under the *Bureau of Civil Services*, Counties/Shires operate recycling services with commercial pickup each 6 days and home pickup each 12 days. Many neighbors share cost by having a joint bins. This may be 2 adjoining home or a group dumpster. Catalog-I prisoners and *County Home* residence may function in collection, and Cat I and II prisoners may function in recycling centers.
- Television networks and view means, such as cable and satellite connections (still functioning), are not operated by the government.

The citizen have many means of enertainment (theators, mail movie services, libraries, parks, camping, etc.) and do not have to have any of these services should they feel they are too costly or controlling for their lives.

**Vacation/Leave Time:** See *Personal Time under Employment in this section.*

**Vehicals:** See *Transportion in this section.*

**Voting:** See *Elections.*

**Whale Preservations:** Cascadia has placed all the whale in the Pacific Ocean under its protection, disallowing any form of hunting or harvesting. Pods are tract by satallite and other means, with most under “*Shadow Vessel*” obervation, with direct contact with Cascadia Navy, who will responde to assist the protection of the whales.

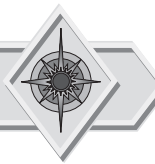
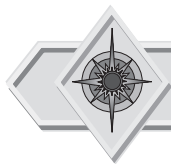
The *Shadow Vessels* have science and defense capacity, and helecopter observation ability. Any entity found harrassing whale will be dealt with as Criminal act under Cascadian Law. Alley/Trade nations have aggreed to the turms, though there are backmarkets in those nations and other nations dispute the claim. Japan had a hard time ending there whale harvesting, though in the 2040s, they did so.

The Cascadia Sea is fully under Cascadia control and considered a Territory of theirs, with most of the region a natural preserve. See *Territories in this section.*

With the protection, the Whale and sea life in the Pacific has increases greatly. The same could not be said of the Atlantic.

**Will and Testemonies:** See *Civil Disposion Declaration.*





**Watchlist:** See *Suspect Bulletins in the Marshall Corps* entry within the *Government Agency* portion of the *Government Affairs* section.

**Weapons:** Firearms, bows, swords and any implement design to exclusively and the life of a person or animal, or do bodily harm, are designated as weapons. Citizens are allowed to own weapons as described by *Parliament*, that the weapons are not just for sports and hunting, that they are for protection of person and property, defence of the nation and to ensure the government does not stifle personal liberties.

Owner will attend weapon safety seminars conducted by the *County/Shire* and pass the weapons handling knowledge exams, updating the certifications each 5 years. Registrations of weapons, including automatics, shall be done within the *County/Shire* and subject to inspection by the *Sheriffs* and *Marshals*.

The ownership of weapons is only for citizens of Cascadia in good standing. Those subject to the penal system shall not own or possess weapons, and having such weapons cause extension of any sentence. Former criminals who has served their entire sentence are not considered subject to penal system and may register for weapon ownership.

See *sentencing in the Legal Affairs* section for *probation all criminals*. Also see *Militias in the Martial Affairs* section.

- Classifications are generally in 3 groupings; **firearms/artillery, tension ballistae** (including bows, crossbows, Trebuchet, etc.) and **martial arts weapons** (swords, daggers/dirks, maces, nunchaku, etc.), etc.
- Sports, hunting and personal protection ownership of **weapons are registered at County/Shire Hall** level and is good for the nation. Registration is national, and a right of all citizens in good standing. The citizen must have a current weapon ownership license with each applicable weapon classification before they are able to purchase and own any weapon. Failure to renew the license is considered a Class-2 ticketing fine for the first offense, and Class-3 for subsequent violations. Weapon registration is filed with the *Marshal's Corps*.
- Concealed weapons endorsement is part of the licensing, and is in addition to standard licensing.
- Persons under medical supervision for **verifiable unstable mental illness** will be registered by the physician to the *Magistrates* (with 2 other physicians in agreement), disqualifying the citizen for weapon ownership. *Magistrates* will submit a filing of the disqualification with the *Marshal Corps*. Patients may dispute this by filing with the magistrates and be reviewed accordingly in a timely manner.
- Martial arts school/clubs, ranges and such may allow the non-license persons to handle and train with weapons on the premises. A certified, licensed person must be present at all times.
- Militia members, since they are a level of defense of the nation, are overseen by the Ministry of martial affairs, and their commander shall ensure the proper training and handling of weapons by personnel under them. Militia members are not the registered owners of weapons that are part of the militia, though they may have a personal license for weapons the members own themselves.
- The **Marshal Corps** oversight of weapon ownership separates the general tracking from the Sheriff. During investigations, the sheriffs may request specific information of ownerships. This is to prevent sheriffs from unscrupulous targeting of citizens, which would be in violation of civil rights.
- Owners must be accountable of any weapons they own, and may be prosecuted for any crimes used by the weapon should they be found negligent, including charges of possession without license if another is found with the weapon without supervision.

**Weather:** By 2067, global temperature has risen, having a regional average of 0.63° f. Cascadia became wetter, with more rain (3% to 16%), and higher winds, averaging some 7% increase of winds over 10 mph. See *Cascadia Climate Commission* in the *Government Affairs* section.

**Welfare:** Cascadia sees the welfare of individuals as a matter of families and friends and not part of private companies, and the government has a limited role to ensure the well-being of the citizens, providing these venues through the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* and the *County/Shire Homes* to the citizens as a whole. See *separate entries in this section*.

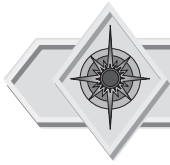
Early on in Cascadian beginnings, the *Fund* and *Homes* venues were seen by some as "entitlements," and individuals should be responsible for their own well-being, not being reliant on others for support, especially from the government.

The founding *Senators* saw the need for assisting citizens when needed to help stabilize their lives in times of distress. In that light, the *County/Shire Homes* were formed for those people needing some direct boosting. The *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund* becomes life assurances against unforeseen obstacles and unstable markets, as well as general retirement and life insurance.

The *Fund* not a welfare program and not just the benefits citizens gain, though it is an entitlement in that the people are entitled to receive the benefits of which they had been paying into as part of the nation of people. The *Fund* is the only direct payment to the government for being a citizen of Cascadia and the moneys are used in all manners of the government, with the benefit guarantees for their citizenship.

There are more direct welfare in Cascadia not associated with the government. Private charity organizations (whether faith based or not) exist and are handled as a business, subject to all levies. No government funding or supported private charity ventures.

**Wilderness:** See *Forests & Wilderness*. See *Nomadic Lifestyles* for those living in the *Wilderness*.



**Women/Femellas & Femininity:** By the 2040s, feminism in Cascadia grew to be more womanly and less the competition with men, embracing motherhood, dressing in more feminine manner and having longer hair than in the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century. There are still many woman projecting a lesser feminine tones, though that had been in decline for a while.

Growing expression of the lesbian nature in women took hold, not seeing a conflict with any desire for men, differing from gay men (*gaffian*). This acceptance of poly-relations, woman could be attached to a man, having intimate relations with women.

**Holistic Woman's Renaissance**—sometimes referred to as **Gentle Woman's Movement**, though many thought this as a demeaning term and would not use it—was viewed as a **counter feminist movement** of the 1960s, being the reemergence of the gentler, more feminine woman – ceasing the domination struggle with men. Those who embraced this (adopting **Femelist** term), saw it as a reawakening of the woman, that the fight of women in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century was destructive to families. Women became worn of the struggle, starting to see themselves overly aggressive and losing their feminine touch. See *Sexual Renaissance/Enlightenment* in this section for broader affections within society.

The *Holistic Woman's Renaissance* brought back the view that it was fine to be a famine woman and to appreciate what men are good at, knowing there were significant differences between the genders and that fighting about it, wrestling for power, wrestling for influence, was doing no one good no good for either gender and was disruptive to society as a whole.

These views were not taken well by many *feminist* women, who felt the struggle of the past for equality was not won, so it must be continued. Many women still saw men as something to control, which was not the view of the *Renaissance* movement (the name growing before the *Cascadia Renaissance* and thought to be the source of the latter), which saw that women still needed to raise children and tended to the family, since the nature of men tend to other social benefits.

Rejecting illusive equality, which strived for personal selfish gains, more and more people began understanding unique qualities of the genders had benefits, including a greater family tranquility, unity and strength arose again. This did not sit well for many people, especially those outside of Cascadia, who thought the whole movement was some kind of regression back to the medieval/stone ages.

Evolution with *lesbian* views amongst women also progressed. Relations between many women became more affectionate, and the term *lesbian* lost the exclusive, anti-man implication. A growing number of femellas began having relations with both genders for affections, rejecting stifling pressures from various institutions. Those holding to a strict relation between women exclusively brought the root of the word more, calling themselves *lesbos*.

As the decades of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century progress, more women began wearing bras less often, and by 2067, only some 18% rarely left their home without one, with some 6% wearing them at home. See *clothing* in this section for bra sizes.

Also see *Men/Masculinity, Motherhood and Pregnancy* in this section.

**Work:** See *Business, Employment and Income* in this section.

**Youth Club:** Cascadia continued to have private organizations for the use into 2067 having a variety of types around the activities.

- The *Cascadian Youth Scouts* continued some of the traditions of the American Boys/Girls Scouts with a notably Cascadian flavormainly removing all religious affiliation, allowing all lifestyles to be represented.
- *The Indian Guides* was reborn from the past, becoming very popular with many holding to more traditional Native American practices than what had been shown in the past.
- *Nature Guardians* is a wilderness conservation youth group for the exploration and promotion of continuing preservation of nature in its pristine environment, learning to live with nature and not exploit it. *Junior Nature Guides* are for younger youths not ready for wilderness camping.

- Other specialty youth clubs including those involving science and technology, astronomy and space exploration, the arts (painting, dance, etc.).

**Zoos & Aquariums:** Cascadia doesn't have a lot of zoos, and some are private. The zoo in Seattle was destroyed in the blast and never rebuilt. Portland has one of the largest (see *Cascadia National Zoo* in this section), with the *Big Island Zoo* in Hawaii raking second. There are smaller zoos scattered throughout the nation

All zoos and aquariums are overseen the the *Bureau of Parks & Wilderness*, ensuring the care and happiness of the animals is absolute.

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