

Compass Community Bank Announces New Hires for Astoria Branch, Seaside Promotions

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Staffing for the recently opened Compass Community Bank branch in downtown Astoria has been largely completed, with several recently announced new hires and promotions.

Serving the Astoria branch, new employees include customer service representatives **Kathryn Johnson** and **Kellie Kurns**, and loan coordinator **Laura Sarin**.

Derith Andrew, originally at the Seaside location, has been named assistant vice-president and operations manager of the Astoria branch.

Other promotions at the Seaside location include **Joyce Jensen** to vice-president, and **Nancy Steck** to assistant vice-president and operations manager.

"Having the right team onboard is essential," said Joe Schulte, executive vice-president of the bank.

The position the bank filled most recently is that of business development officer for Compass' Astoria location. The firm named **Dick Powell** to the position; he starts Feb. 2.

Powell's primary responsibilities will be to develop new business for the bank and cultivate strong customer relationships.

"We are excited to have Dick on board," said Schulte. "He has a solid education topped by more than 20 years of business experience, and has also been an entrepreneur. He is well suited to understanding the needs of small business owners."

Compass Community Bank opened in April 2008.

Compass Community Bank is located at 1150 N. Roosevelt Drive in Seaside and now in Astoria at 988 Commercial St.