

## Welcome to Sunset Glass

Early in 1954, Tom Cowdin started Sunset Glass in an unused hangar in the old Bellevue airfield, which was on the north side of Sunset Highway (now known as I-90) across from Eastgate, thus the name, Sunset Glass Co., incorporating with the Secretary of State for the State of Washington in 1959. By 1957, the hangar was moving so much glass that the facility became too small, so Tom relocated to a building with a rail siding, so he could buy glass by the boxcar. Tom found an old feed store with that siding on the south side of Northeast 8th Street in Bellevue (where Burger King is now located). And in 1961, Sunset Glass moved to its current location, on the north side of Northeast 8th Street, just across from where it was.

Sunset Glass has provided steady employment for many glaziers from the Glaziers and Glassworkers Union. And as the business grew, many family members were utilized in the office for bookkeeping, sales, etc. Sunset Glass has become a major glass installer for schools, churches, apartment homes, and family residences of the Greater Eastside.

Sunset Glass has been a family owned and operated business since its inception; Tom Cowdin passed away in 1989 leaving the family business to his children, who still run it to this day. Sunset Glass has come to focus on custom work, from cutting custom glass for shelving and tabletops to installation of custom estate shower enclosures and mirrored walls.

Sunset Glass proudly serves the Eastside Community for the wide variety of its glass needs.