

August 4, 2026 Primary and Special Election

King County
Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

vote!

 Your ballot will arrive by July 20

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 **King County**
Elections

one thing your **Election Workers** want you to know...



"We're always excited when voters want to understand how elections work, and our technology is built to support that transparency. Every voter deserves a seamless experience, which is why our team of IT and GIS professionals work year-round to keep election systems secure, dependable, and easy to use. We don't just maintain tools — we uphold trust. From the moment a ballot is cast to the moment it returns to our headquarters to be processed by trained staff, our technology keeps that journey secure, efficient, and centered on the voter."

Molly G.
IT Division Director, TECHGIS



"King County Elections is committed to removing language barriers and providing accurate, secure, and accessible elections. Election materials are available in six languages in addition to English. Vote early, return your ballot at one of our 90+ official drop boxes, and don't forget to sign your return envelope. Your voice matters!"

Frank C.
Language Access and Outreach
Coordinator - Chinese Language
Specialist



"Vote with whatever color ink you want! Black, blue, green, red, pencil—just do us a favor and **avoid glitter pens and highlighter**. Thanks!"

Jonathan K.
Elections Lead



"Your primary language should never be a barrier to exercising your right to vote. Here at King County Elections, we are committed to providing comprehensive language access services, including in-person help and translated ballots, ensuring every community member can vote with confidence."

Grace M.
Administrative Specialist II

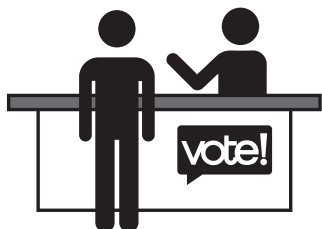


"KCE employs hundreds of temporary workers to support every election. From ballot collection and processing to voter services, temporary staff work around the clock to ensure a smooth and pain-free voting experience! The ballot drop box collection teams can work up to 15 hours on election day to ensure that ballot drop boxes are staffed, accessible, collected, and closed on time!"

Andy H.
GIS Specialist



**We're here
to help!**



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You will not be voting on every item in this voters' pamphlet. Check your ballot for your races and measures.

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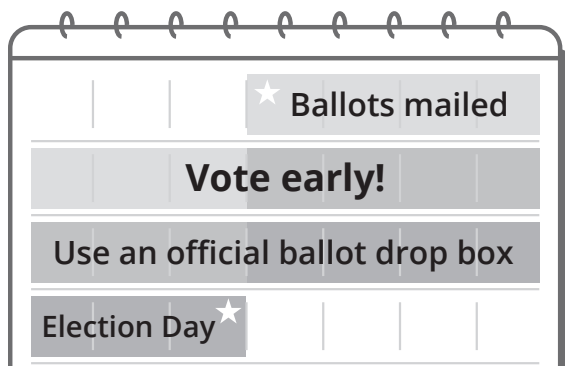
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Your vote is too important to leave until the last minute.

Vote Early!

This voters' pamphlet has information about every issue and race on your ballot. Do your research, make your choices, and return your ballot to your nearest official ballot drop box as soon as possible!

Then, track your ballot every step of the way with ballot alerts via text or email. Sign up at kce.wiki/BallotAlerts



1

Who can register to vote?

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States,
- A legal resident of Washington state,
- At least 18 years old by election day,*
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order,
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections for a Washington felony conviction and,
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.



*If you are 16 or 17, you can sign up as a **Future Voter** and be automatically registered to vote and receive a ballot when you qualify.

2

How can I register to vote?



Online

Visit **VoteWA.gov** to register online. Online registration for this Primary Election is available until **July 27**.



By mail

Download and print a registration form at **kce.wiki/VoterReg**. Mail to King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057. King County Elections must **receive** the form by **July 27**.



In person

Register at a Vote Center until 8 p.m. on Election Day, August 4. Find Vote Center hours and locations on page 11, and at **kce.wiki/votecenters**



Visit a Vote Center

Vote Center staff can help:

- register new voters,
- update information for existing voters,
- print replacement ballots and return envelopes,
- and answer questions.

Vote Centers also have accessible voting units available to help voters with disabilities cast their ballots privately and independently.

Everyone's Voice Matters

People who have been to jail have voting rights.
Your vote is one way to make your voice heard!



I have a misdemeanor conviction. Can I vote?

Yes!

I have a juvenile conviction. Can I vote?

Yes!

I owe court debt (LFOs). Can I vote?

Yes!

I have a felony conviction and I completed my sentence and have been released from DOC.

Can I vote?

Yes!

King County Elections accepts calls from detention centers. Call us at **206-296-VOTE (8683)** and trained staff will assist you. We're here to help!

Before you can vote, you have to be registered.



Register to vote online at **VoteWA.gov** or call King County Elections at **206-296-VOTE (8683)**.



We'll send you a voter registration form. Fill it out and mail it back to **King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057**.

How do I get my ballot?



Ballots are automatically mailed to registered voters around 3 weeks before Election Day.

You can list the detention center address as your mailing address or have a loved one forward your ballot to you. **Need help? Call us at 206-296-VOTE (8683). We will work with you and the detention center to get your ballot to you.**

Get your ballot in on time.



You don't need a stamp! But you do need to vote as early as possible. Get your ballot in the mail at least a week before Election Day.

Voting is as simple as 1-2-3

1. Do your research! This voters' pamphlet has information about every race and issue on your ballot.



2. Fill in the ovals next to your choices on your ballot.



3. Put your ballot in the return envelope, and ***don't forget to sign the back!***

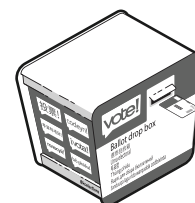


You can track your ballot through every step in the process with automatic ballot alerts. Sign up for email or text alerts at kce.wiki/BallotAlerts.



How do I return my ballot?

King County has over 90 official ballot drop boxes around the county. Drop boxes are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day. Find a convenient drop box near you at kce.wiki/DropBox



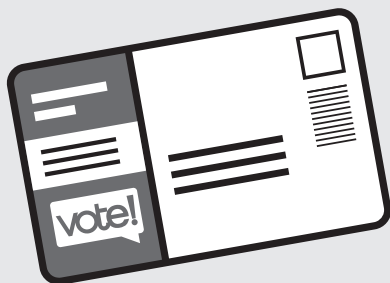
Can I mail my ballot?

Yes! King County has voted by mail since 2009. USPS recommends mailing your ballot at least a week before Election Day.



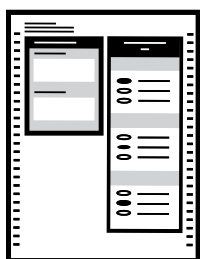
We are here to help!

If you need additional assistance or another way to cast your ballot, please contact our office at 206-296-VOTE (8683).



Where is my ballot?

Visit kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot to track your ballot online or to sign up for ballot alerts via email and/or text.



Need a replacement ballot?

If your ballot is lost or damaged, you can print a replacement from home, the library, or wherever is convenient.

The Online Ballot Marking Program (OBMP) is available for all registered voters. It's designed to enable voters with disabilities, particularly who are blind or low vision, to mark their ballot privately.



How to use the Online Ballot Marking Program

- Go to kce.wiki/obmp
- Enter your information in the form.
- Mark your ballot choices online and then print your completed ballot,
- OR
- print your ballot and mark it by hand.
- Check that your ballot is marked correctly.
- Return your ballot as usual, at a ballot drop box or via USPS.

Make sure to get your ballot into a mailbox at least a week before Election Day. Drop boxes are open 24/7 until 8 pm on Election Day.

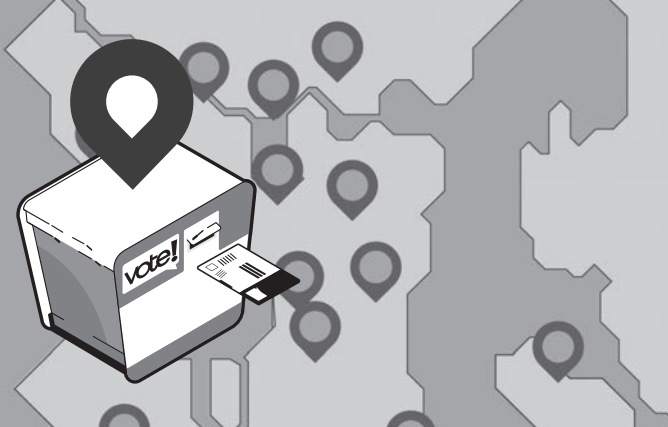


Materials available in 7 languages!



You can receive ballots, voting materials, and correspondence in Chinese, English, Korean, Russian, Somali, Spanish, or Vietnamese.

Fill out the request form online at kce.wiki/languages and you'll receive all materials from our office in your preferred language.



King County Drop Boxes
More than 90 Locations!
 All drop boxes close at 8 p.m. sharp
 on Election Day, August 4th.

Auburn

Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S, 98002
 Auburn Park & Ride, 101 15th St NE, 98002
 * Muckleshoot Community Center, 17432 SE 392nd St, 98092

Bellevue

NEW * Bellevue College (in parking lot 1A), 3000 Landerholm Cir SE, 98007
 Bellevue Library, 1111 110th Ave NE, 98004
 Crossroads Shopping Center (south entrance), 15600 NE 8th St, 98008
 Newport Way Library, 14250 SE Newport Way, 98006
 * North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE, 98007

Black Diamond

Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr, 98010

Bothell

Bothell Library, 18215 98th Ave NE, 98011
 University of Washington - Bothell Campus (by the Activities & Recreation Center), 18220 Campus Way NE, 98011

Burien

Boulevard Park Library, 12015 Roseberg Ave S, 98168
 Burien Town Square Park (corner of 5th Ave SW and SW 152nd St), 480 SW 152nd St, 98166

Carnation

Carnation Library, 4804 Tolt Ave, 98014

Covington

Covington Library, 27100 164th Ave SE, 98042

Des Moines

* Highline College (entrance across from 27th Ave S), 2400 S 240th St, 98198

Duvall

* Duvall Police Department - Depot Park, 26225 NE Burhen Way, 98019

Enumclaw

Enumclaw Library, 1700 1st St, 98022

Fall City

Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024

Federal Way

Federal Way 320th Library, 848 S 320th St, 98003
 Federal Way City Hall, 33325 8th Ave S, 98003
 * Safeway Star Lake, 28810 Military Rd S, 98003

Issaquah

Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, 98027

Kenmore

Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028

Kent

Kent Panther Lake Library, 20500 108th Ave SE, 98031
 Kent YMCA, 10828 SE 248th St, 98030
 Regional Justice Center (near parking garage entrance), 401 4th Ave N, 98032

NEW Safeway Kent Kangley, 13101 SE Kent-Kangley Rd, 98030

Kirkland

Kingsgate Library, 12315 NE 143rd St, 98034
 * Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Ave, 98033
This box has moved to the Kirkland Wester Parking Lot, just south of the City Hall Building.

Lake Forest Park

Lake Forest Park City Hall, 17425 Ballinger Way NE, 98155

Maple Valley

Hobart Food Market, 20250 276th Ave SE, 98038
 * Tahoma School District Building, 25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Rd SE, 98038

Mercer Island

Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St, 98040

Newcastle

Newcastle City Hall, 12835 Newcastle Way, 98056

Normandy Park
Normandy Park Towne Center, 19901 1st Ave S, 98148
North Bend
North Bend Library, 115 E 4th St, 98045
Pacific
Algona-Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd, 98047
Redmond
* Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th St, 98052 * Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village, 6505 176th Ave NE, 98052 * Redmond Ridge Park & Ride (Corner of NE Cedar Park Cres and Redmond Ridge Drive NE), 98053
Renton
Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave SE, 98058 * King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, 98057 * Powell Avenue, 725 Powell Ave SW, 98057 <i>The drop box is located two blocks from King County Elections and can be easier to get to during high-traffic times.</i> * Renton Public Health Center, 3201 NE 7th St, 98056
Sammamish
Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Ave SE, 98075 South Sammamish Park & Ride, 3015 228th Ave SE, 98075
SeaTac
Angle Lake Transit Station, 19955 28th Ave S, 98188 Valley View Library, 17850 Military Rd S, 98188
Shoreline
Shoreline Library, 345 NE 175th St, 98155 Shoreline Park & Ride, 18821 Aurora Ave N, 98133
Skykomish
NEW Skykomish Community Center, 114 W Railroad Ave N, 98288
Snoqualmie
Snoqualmie Library, 7824 Center Blvd SE, 98065
Tukwila
* Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave S, 98168 Tukwila Justice Center, 15005 Tukwila International Blvd, 98188
Vashon
Vashon Library, 17210 Vashon Hwy SW, 98070
Woodinville
Woodinville City Hall, 17301 133rd Ave NE, 98072 Woodinville Library, 17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072



Ballard
Ballard Branch Library, Corner of NW 57th St and 22nd Ave NW, 98107
Beacon Hill
Beacon Hill Library, 2821 Beacon Ave S, 98144 NewHolly Neighborhood Campus, 7054 32nd Ave S, 98118
Broadview/Greenwood
Broadview Library, 12755 Greenwood Ave N, 98133
Bryn Mawr-Skyway
Skyway Library, 12601 76th Ave S, 98178
Capitol Hill
Seattle Central College (northeast corner of the Broadway-Edison Building), 1701 Broadway, 98122
Central District
12th & Cherry, 1223 E Cherry St, 98122 Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St, 98122
Chinatown/International District
Uwajimaya, 713 6th Ave S, 98104
Columbia City
Rainier Community Center, 4600 38th Ave S, 98118
Crown Hill
Safeway Crown Hill (corner of NW 83rd St and Mary Ave NW), 8340 15th Ave NW, 98117
Downtown
King Street Box (near the Kingdome Deli), Corner of 2nd Ave S and S King St, 98104
NEW Seattle Central Library, 1000 4th Ave, 98104
Fremont/Wallingford
Waterway 19 Park (next to Gas Works Park), 2119 N Northlake Way, 98103
Green Lake/Phinney
Green Lake Community Center, 7201 E Green Lake Dr N, 98115
Lake City
Lake City Library, 12501 28th Ave NE, 98125

Magnolia

* Magnolia Park, 1461 Magnolia Blvd W, 98199

Northgate

North Seattle College (near the northeast corner of N 95th and College Way N), 9600 College Way N, 98103



Northgate Library, 10548 5th Ave NE, 98125

Queen Anne

* Seattle Pacific University Bookstore, 310 W Bertona St, 98119

Rainier Valley

Rainier Beach Community Center, 8825 Rainier Ave S, 98118

Sand Point/Laurelhurst

* Magnuson Park – Building 406, 6344 NE 74th St, 98115

South Lake Union

South Lake Union, 310 Terry Ave N, 98109

South Park

South Park Library, 8604 8th Ave S, 98108

University District

University of Washington Campus, Schmitz Hall (by north entrance on NE 41st St), 1410 NE Campus Pkwy, 98195

Uptown

Metropolitan Market - Queen Anne, Corner of 1st Ave N and Mercer St, 98109

West Seattle/Delridge

Alaska Junction, Corner of SW Alaska St and 44th Ave SW, 98116

High Point Library, 3411 SW Raymond St, 98126

Morgan Junction Park, 6401 California Ave SW, 98136

South Seattle College (at the entrance of the Robert Smith Building), 6000 16th Ave SW, 98106

White Center



Steve Cox Memorial Park, 1321 SW 102nd St, 98146
The drop box formerly at White Center Library has moved to Steve Cox Memorial Park.

* *Drive-up ballot drop boxes*

Visit kce.wiki/dropbox for a list of all ballot drop boxes available for this election. All ballot drop boxes close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day.



Audits and Quality Control

Our team conducts several tests before, during, and after each election to ensure all votes are being counted accurately.



Logic & Accuracy Test

Conducted about three weeks before the election, the Logic & Accuracy test uses test ballots and a set of expected results to ensure the tabulation equipment is reading votes correctly.



Random Batch Audit

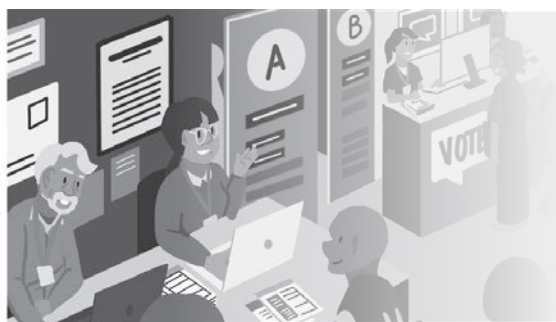
On the Thursday after Election Day, six batches of ballots are selected at random and hand counted to ensure the tabulation equipment continues to read votes as it should.



Risk Limiting Audit

Conducted between Election Day and certification, this auditing system checks a random sample of ballots to reach statistical confidence in the results of the election.

Visit a Vote Center for In-Person Assistance



Elections staff are available to help you register to vote and get a ballot through Election Day. Trained staff and specialized equipment are available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot. Learn more and sign up for an appointment at kce.wiki/votecenters.

Locations		Hours of operation
Renton	King County Elections 919 SW Grady Way, 98057	Weekdays, July 15-24 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Weekdays, July 27-31 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 1 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday, August 3 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Election Day, Tuesday August 4 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Bellevue	Bellevue College 3000 Landerholm Cir SE U Building, Rooms U312 & U313, 98007	Saturday, August 1 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday, August 3 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Federal Way	Weyerhaeuser Aquatic Center Banquet Hall 650 SW Campus Dr, 98023	Election Day, Tuesday August 4 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Kenmore	Kenmore City Hall 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028	
Kent	Green River College-Kent Campus 417 Ramsay Way Ste 112, 98032	
Seattle	Lumen Field Event Center 800 Occidental Ave S, 98134	<i>Open Monday and Tuesday only</i> Monday, August 3 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Election Day, Tuesday August 4 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

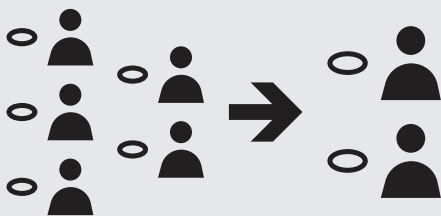


Parking is FREE at all Vote Centers

About the Washington Primary Election

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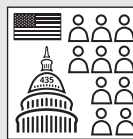
In each race, you may vote for any one candidate listed.

The two candidates who receive the most votes in the Primary will advance to the General election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state the political party that they prefer. A candidate's preference does not mean that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

Learn more about the Top Two Primary at sos.wa.gov/elections.

FEDERAL



Salary (2026):
\$174,000

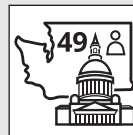
Serves for 2 years

US Representative

Helps create federal level laws, represents constituents' interests, and may impeach federal officials

Elected by voters in the Congressional District

STATE



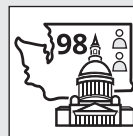
Salary (2026):
\$67,688

Serves for 4 years

State Senator

Shares responsibility with state Representatives for making state laws and adopting the state budget. Also responsible for confirming appointments made by the Governor.

Elected by voters in the Legislative District



Salary (2026):
\$67,688

Serves for 2 years

State Representative

Shares responsibility with state Senators for making state laws and adopting the state budget.

Elected by voters in the Legislative District

COUNTY



Assessor

Sets property values for county property taxes.

Salary (2026):
\$241,096

Serves for 4 years

Elected by voters in King County



Metropolitan King County Council

Makes laws and adopts county budget.

Salary (2026):
\$187,547

Serves for 4 years

Elected by voters in King County Council District

JUDICIAL



State Supreme Court Justice

As the highest court in the state, hears appeals and reviews decisions from the Courts of Appeals and other lower courts.

Salary (2026):
\$262,011

Serves for 6 years

Elected by voters in Washington state



District Court Judge

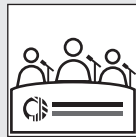
Hears and decides misdemeanor criminal cases, small claims, traffic cases, and protection orders.

Salary (2026):
\$226,096

Serves for 4 years

Elected by Voters in the electoral district

CITY



City of Seattle Council Member

Approves the city's budget, develops laws and policies, and oversees public services.

Salary (2026):
\$166,058

Serves for an unexpired 1-year term

Elected by voters in the city of Seattle



Seattle Municipal Court Judge

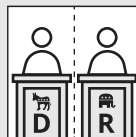
Hears and decides misdemeanor cases for the City of Seattle.

Salary (2026):
\$214,791

Serves for 4 years

Elected by voters in the city of Seattle

PRECINCT



Precinct Committee Officer (PCO)

Local captain for each major political party.

Salary (2026):
No annual salary

Serves for 2 years

**PCO candidates do not appear in the local voters' pamphlet*

Elected by voters in the precinct



2026



Vote Plan

★ *August Primary* ★

Make your voice heard this election! Fill out your custom vote plan.
You can compare with friends and family and then share with us on social media @kcelections

Gather materials

01

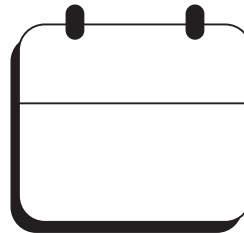
- ☐ Voters' Pamphlet
- ☐ Ballot
- ☐ Return Envelope
- ☐ Pen (any color)



Time to vote!

02

- ☐ I will mark my ballot on



How will you vote?

- ☐ By myself
- ☐ With family and/or friends
- ☐ Other (*Write below*)

Return your ballot

Election Day is August 4, 2026

03

Choose one



Recommended

By official ballot drop box

- ☐ Which official ballot drop box will you use? *Write below*

Find yours at kce.wiki/DropBox



! Vote early!

By mail

- ☐ If mailing your ballot, USPS recommends mailing at least one week before Election Day.

Bonus!

We are here to help!

Scan the QR code to find information about accessible voting options in King County.



Track your ballot

Choose one

- ☐ Sign up for alerts at kce.wiki/BallotAlerts
- ☐ I am already signed up for ballot alerts, hooray!





Who donates to campaigns?

View financial contributors for state and local candidates and measures:

Public Disclosure Commission

www.pdc.wa.gov

Toll Free 1 (877) 601-2828



Pre-register to vote

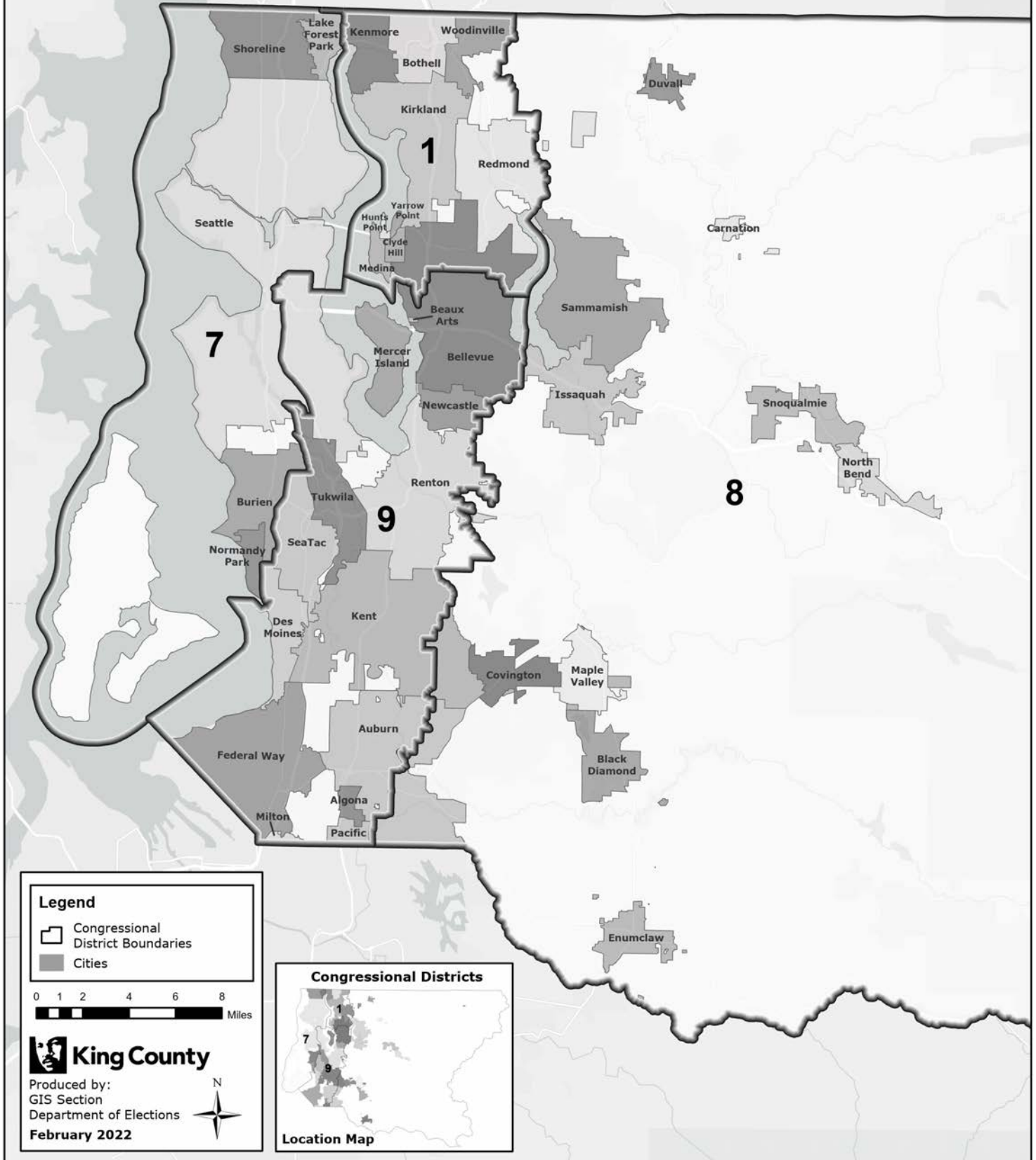
If you are at least 16, you can pre-register to vote online or by mail at any time.

We'll hold on to your registration and will automatically send you a ballot once you're eligible to vote.



**King County
Elections does
not correct
punctuation,
grammar, or
fact check
candidate
and measure
statements.**

Congressional Districts





United States Representative



Benjamin Kincaid

(Prefers Democratic Party)

www.kincaidforcongress.com

No photo
submitted

Elected Experience: None and I consider that an asset. Every career politician in this race has had years in office to solve the problems facing this district. The problems are still here.

Other Professional Experience: I am a working American with a blue collar job and a regular paycheck. I have spent my career doing honest work and living an ordinary life. Congress is full of millionaires and career politicians who have forgotten what that looks like. I have not forgotten because I am still living it.

Education: Iowa Central Community College

Community Service: I look out for my neighbors and help them when I can.

Statement: Washington's 1st District deserves a representative who puts working families first not corporate donors, not party ideology and not the status quo. This campaign is different. I will fight for federal investment in next generation housing manufacturing that builds homes faster, cheaper and with 70% less energy consumption than conventional construction. Treating the housing crisis, the energy crisis and the coming electricity demand surge from AI and data centers as one connected problem. I will fight to eliminate federal income tax and filing requirements for Americans earning \$61,000 or less, putting real money back in the hands of working families. I will fight for a federal Secure Storage Law targeting the 200,000 firearms stolen every year that fuel street crime. Homelessness reform framework that addresses root causes with real accountability rather than endless spending with no results. I believe men should not be in women's sports or women's prisons. I believe in the protection of women only spaces. Zero tolerance for antisemitism. Socialism doesn't work. Taiwan is not part of China. Positions that are not controversial but simply common sense. I support a real world pilot program to test universal healthcare before any national rollout. I don't support the government forcing the end of private health insurance. I believe that every nation that loves freedom should support Ukraine. And support the people of Iran against the Regime. People Over Politics. That is the promise.

Suzan DelBene

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Elected Experience: United States Representative, 2012-Present. Ways and Means Committee.

Other Professional Experience: Successful 20-year career as a businesswoman and entrepreneur. Former Microsoft executive, led local high-tech startups. Former Director of Washington's Department of Revenue, where I led efforts to simplify the tax system and help small businesses. Advisor to a microfinance non-profit helping struggling families.

Education: B.A., Biology, Reed College; M.B.A., University of Washington.

Community Service: I've mentored students at UW Business School; been active in my church, serving as a board member. Volunteered with the PTA, Girl Scouts and YWCA, supporting transitional housing, job training and services to help families get back on their feet.

Statement: Our country is at a crossroads. Congressional Republicans refuse to stand up to Trump as he causes deep harm to our economy, our families, our neighbors, and our democracy. Because of them, costs are skyrocketing on gas, groceries, housing, and utility bills. To pay for massive tax cuts for the wealthiest few, Republicans ripped away health care from millions, passed cruel cuts to take food off the table of working families, and took away critical investments in green energy.

As your Congresswoman, I'm fighting back against the extreme policies that are making life unaffordable and needlessly dividing Americans. I'm focused on lowering costs, helping middle-class families and seniors, supporting veterans, and building a bright future for our children.

I support policies to lower the cost of living, reduce taxes for working families and ensure the wealthy pay their fair share. I'm fighting to lower health care premiums, roll back the cruel cuts to Medicaid, and end President Trump's reckless tariffs.

To help working families, I've led on permanently expanding the Child Tax Credit, which would send monthly checks to families and cut child poverty in half. I've introduced bipartisan legislation to spur the creation of two million affordable homes. It's past time to reform our immigration system and rein in out-of-control ICE agents who have spread fear and violence in our communities. Unlike MAGA Republicans, I'm committed to strengthening Social Security and Medicare. I strongly support reproductive rights and will do everything I can to fight back against Republican extremists' attempts to pass a nationwide abortion ban.

I am honored to have endorsements from Democratic groups, labor unions, local leaders, and many others. With a focus on results, not rhetoric, I'm confident we can make real progress to help everyone in the 1st District. I ask for your vote.



United States Representative



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Elected Experience: Candidate, Washington House of Representative, Everett City Council, PUD Board; PCO; Delegate.

Other Professional Experience: Paraeducator, Marysville School District; Disability Self-Advocate; Committee Member, Snohomish Coordinated Entry Advisory Board, Housing Hope Policy Committee; Board Member, Homes and Hope Community Land Trust, Northwest Community Land Trust Coalition, Autism Society of Washington, Sensory Accessibility initiatives; Fellow, Institute for a Democratic Future; Specialisterne USA; Boys & Girls Clubs; Boeing.

Education: Postgraduate studies in Accessibility and ITAM; Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Central Washington University; Disability Advocacy Leader.

Community Service: Volunteer and Panelist, Xbox Autism initiatives; Volunteer, Washington Autism Alliance; AFK Room Attendant, Take This; Volunteer Athlete, Special Olympics Washington.

Statement: America is in a crisis for working people. Housing costs have skyrocketed and wages have not kept up. Millions of families work harder than ever just to get by while billionaires accumulate massive wealth. This is no accident; it is the result of a corrupt system that puts money ahead of families, disabled people, seniors, and young people.

I am a developmentally disabled self-advocate who has experienced homelessness and poverty firsthand. I know what it means to be left out of systems. We must fundamentally change priorities in this country and ensure that no one is left without dignity, income security, or a roof over their head.

I support Medicare for All because healthcare is a human right. No one should face bankruptcy because of a medical emergency. We must transition to a system that prioritizes patients over insurance profits, ensuring every person can access the care they need when they need it.

To address the housing crisis, I support fully funding Section 8 and building large-scale affordable housing. We must end the treatment of housing as a speculative commodity. Housing is a human right, and every family deserves the stability of a safe, permanent home.

I support a universal basic income and a federal jobs guarantee so no one falls into poverty because of disability or economic shifts. To ensure a true economic floor, I believe artificial intelligence and automation should be nationalized. These technologies must benefit the public good rather than enriching corporate executives and shareholders.

We must rebuild the middle class by taking on extreme wealth, strengthening unions, and investing in public services. This campaign is about a simple idea: every person deserves healthcare, housing, and the opportunity to live a life of dignity and the freedom to pursue happiness. Join me in building a better future.

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Elected Experience: Monroe School District Board Director since March, 2023.

Other Professional Experience: Over a decade of experience at large and small tech companies as a hardware engineer and senior manager in the fields of semiconductors, smart contact lenses, batteries and quantum computers.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, University of Washington, 2007; Master of Science in Nanoscale Engineering, National Institute for Applied Sciences, 2011.

Community Service: Nearly 20 years volunteering in classrooms tutoring math, reading and science. Founded and coached the Monroe High School *first* Robotics Team (2018-2020). Echo Lost Lake Community Group Board Member (2022-2024).

Statement: The two-party system has failed us. Dysfunction and corruption create volatility, driving up the cost of housing, gas, food and healthcare. Neither party offers solutions. They're too busy fighting for power and trying to convince us the other side is worse. While I am completely against the chaos of the current administration, relying on the same career politicians who helped create this mess is not the answer. We cannot keep doing the same thing over and over and expect different results.

I am running for Congress because our government needs a significant course correction that can only be addressed at the federal level. Congress has failed to hold each other and the Executive Branch accountable, leaving us governed more by executive orders and litigation than legislation.

We must prioritize issues plaguing our district over party politics. I am an independent-minded engineer running to break partisan gridlock, force compromise and deliver solutions that put workers ahead of special interests.

My platform addresses affordability by stripping government friction to increase the supply of housing, healthcare and energy. We must incentivize companies to build here in America by investing in infrastructure and workforce training. When companies compete for our labor, wages go up like we saw in 2021. Wage growth is key to boosting the American economy while addressing the rising cost of living.

I make data-driven decisions for the long-term prosperity of working families, not for political convenience. I will protect your rights, end dark money, establish term limits, ban insider trading, close tax loopholes abused by billionaires and work with allies to restore global stability. I will govern as a pragmatic professional, not a for-profit politician. I will represent you, not party bosses. Read the plan at JamesForWashington.com.



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Elected Experience: First-time candidate. Home care aide and proud union member.

Other Professional Experience: For more than five years, I have worked as a Home Care Aide, caring for my brother with Down syndrome and supporting another client with long-term care needs. That work, and the daily fight against a healthcare system designed to take your money and wear you down, is why I am running for Congress.

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Western Washington University.

Community Service: While at WWU, I joined LEAD (Learning, Environment, Action, Discovery), a graduate student-led environmental conservation program focused on habitat restoration across Northern Washington.

Statement: Our country is at a breaking point. Working families are doing more for less. Our healthcare system is punishing the people it is supposed to help. My brother depends on Medicaid, and so do millions of others here in Washington. The Trump administration is moving to cut it further, and I won't sit idly by while that happens.

I grew up here. My family bought our home before the tech boom; and my generation has now been priced out of the communities we grew up in. I watched Microsoft and other major employers lay off thousands of Washingtonians while the people responsible kept getting richer. Working families across this district are being hollowed out by the same economic forces. Our representatives keep telling us to wait.

We cannot wait.

In Congress, I will fight for Medicare for All and the protection of Medicaid and Medicare from any further cuts. I will fight for a billionaires tax to make the richest Americans pay their fair share, with rigorous tax enforcement against the top 1% and an end to the corporate takeover of our politics. I will fight for a much higher minimum wage tied to productivity, national rent stabilization, major public housing investment, and limits on Wall Street ownership of single-family homes. I will fight to hold big tech accountable, regulate AI, and halt data center construction while protecting tech workers and creating good-paying union jobs. I will fight to codify Roe, defend gender-affirming care, and protect every Washingtonian's right to make decisions about their own body.

My campaign accepts no corporate PAC money, no AIPAC contributions, and no donations from the big tech companies. Politicians are acting like it's business as usual while the house is on fire. Help me put it out.

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Elected Experience: PCO, Snohomish County 2022 - Present; King County, 2014-2016, 2008-2012. Republican State Convention 2024, Delegate. Republican State Convention 2008, Alternate.

Other Professional Experience: 20 years of experience as a clinical audiologist with seven years as a managing partner. Proven executive leadership and technical expertise. Background in science and clinical practice. Data-driven approach to problem solving.

Education: Salus University - 2009, Doctor of Audiology. Washington State University -2006, Master of Arts, Audiology/Speech and Hearing Science. Western Washington University - 2003, Bachelor of Arts, Communication Science and Disorders.

Community Service: Former board member for the Washington State Academy of Audiology. Big Brother Big Sisters. School Volunteer.

Statement: Washington's First District deserves leadership focused on pragmatic solutions, not the emotionally triggering sideshow antics that serve only to divide us. Our community thrives when we move past partisan distractions and unite to tackle the core economic and structural problems facing our nation.

For too long, short-sighted economic policies have allowed multinational corporations to hollow out America's middle class from within. Offshoring has stripped away vital manufacturing capabilities, leaving our local economies vulnerable. I believe it is time to reverse this trend. By implementing policy-driven solutions that incentivize domestic production, we can return high-quality jobs to Washington and rebuild our economic independence.

True economic resilience requires a foundation of security. Our digital infrastructure is currently vulnerable to global disruptions and foreign interference. I will prioritize robust federal investments to safeguard our technology systems, ensuring our grids, communications, and private data remain secure and sovereign.

Furthermore, we must shift our economic focus away from Wall Street financiers and billionaires who consolidate wealth at the expense of Main Street. Offshore tax havens create a two-tiered economic system which limits our strategic capacity. My platform calls for addressing the tax problem of the corporate welfare dependents who are costing our country trillions in lost revenue. I will fight for small and medium-sized businesses. These enterprises are the true engines of our economy and the foundation of our local diversity. By lowering regulatory barriers and expanding access to capital for local entrepreneurs, we can foster a diverse, self-sustaining marketplace rooted right here in Washington State.

I am running to be a unifying voice in Congress. I am committed to substantive policy that strengthens our industries, secures our digital future, and elevates everyday families over corporate interests. Together, we can reject attempts to divide us and build a strong, prosperous future for ourselves.



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Elected Experience: This election is my first government campaign.

Other Professional Experience: I am a small business owner of a travel agency. I am also a certified personal trainer and have been doing that work for the past 9 years.

Education: BA - Gonzaga University, Magna Cum Laude -2014. MM - Seattle Film Institute -2016

Community Service: I am currently serving as President of the Seattle Civic Band. I have served for several years on the parish council for St. Matthew Catholic Church in Seattle, and have volunteered with them and other parishes in the Seattle Archdiocese for many years in a variety of roles and services.

Statement: As I write this statement in May, we are in an unauthorized war that has only brought death and disaster. Every day, I pray that this war ends, and I hope by the time you read this, it will have. But the effects of this administration and ineffective congress will take years to recover unless we make a dramatic change.

We all have the right to clean air, safe water, food, a place to live, and medical care. People deserve to live in the assurance that if they get laid off, they can still afford their medicine. I want to be able to go to the doctor knowing it won't bankrupt me. But right now, corporate interests are given priority over people, and life is too expensive for us working class folks.

The billionaire class is destroying our planet, hoarding our money, and buying government officials. Mega-corporations are given more rights than our children, who just want to go to school without being killed.

Career politicians and their pockets full of lobbying money need to retire. It's time to set term limits in all branches of government. It's time to enshrine in the Constitution, rights of the people over companies. It's time to end lobbying and multi-million dollar political campaigns. It's time to hold all of the criminals in the files accountable, no matter what position of power they're in.

All over the country, young progressives like me are running *and winning*. We have the power to make real change to protect Americans. All Americans. Regardless of how you voted in 2016, 2020, 2024, or ever, I want to protect you. Your voice matters, your vote matters. I hope you will use it to give me a chance to work for you. I ask for your vote. Thank you.



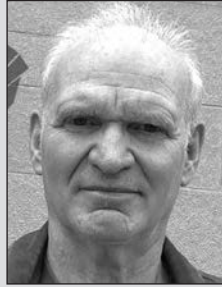
United States Representative



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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: BS in ecology from Western Washington University, Bellingham. Also attended University of Alaska at Fairbanks

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: *Jewarchy.* That was the first word in my Voters Pamphlet statement in 2016. People called me an “anti-Semite,” whatever that is. Then came the Gaza Genocide. Now you know what I was talking about.

I am more staunchly pro-Iran and anti-Israel than either of my two opponents from India. Moreover, I don’t draw the line at Zionism, which sprouted in Seattle during World War II.

I’m also attacking brown-collar crime. I believe workers deserve unions that are transparent, accountable, and responsive to their members. (Did you know Jimmy Hoffa was a Zionist?) Sex crimes are far more common in corporate workplaces than most people realize. When I discovered a local corporation was forging employees’ signatures—a felony—the Teamsters, the police, and the Washington State Attorney General all gave me the middle finger.

Why are so many clueless Seattle liberals more concerned about “communist China” than Seattle’s fascist public schools, which excel only at driving up property taxes? I made derelict school principals a campaign issue in 1999, yet nothing has changed. Let’s follow China’s lead and replace gangster capitalism with a so-called mixed economy. And how about downsizing our obese military so we can have free health care?

However, my #1 issue will always be the environment. What if Donald Trump’s war with Iran merges with a record El Niño to deliver something apocalyptic? I’m not a doomsdayer, but the situation is worrisome.

Be honest: do you think the Republicans and Democrats care more about *us* or *Israel*? Do you think things are getting better or worse? Check out the *Fifth Republic Party*. (Notice anything odd about my campaign website?) I favor cutting all ties with Israel and even withdrawing recognition of it as a sovereign state. Thanks to all the pro-Palestinians and pro-Iranians supporting my campaign.

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Elected Experience: U.S. Representative, 2017-current; Washington State Senator, 2015-2017

Other Professional Experience: Founder/Executive Director, OneAmerica; Director, PATH Fund for Technology Transfer; Financial Analyst; Author

Education: BA in English & Economics, Georgetown University; MBA, Northwestern University

Community Service: Member: House Judiciary Committee, House Foreign Affairs Committee, and Budget Committee. Ranking Member of the Immigration Subcommittee. Chair Emerita and Executive Board Member, Congressional Progressive Caucus. Co-Chair, Monopoly Busters Caucus. Co-Chair, Trans Equality Task Force. Member: Congressional Equality Caucus, Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, Pro-Choice Caucus. Champion of Change Award from President Obama. Formerly Seattle Income Inequality Advisory Committee (\$15 minimum wage) Member.

Statement: I am proud to represent Washington’s 7th district and stand up for working people every single day. As your Congresswoman, I’ve worked to protect our democracy, raise wages, lower costs, build affordable housing, protect abortion rights, and fight climate change.

I’m leading the fight for the Medicare for All Act to ensure that universal healthcare is a right, not a privilege. I also lead landmark legislation to make higher education tuition-free, guarantee housing as a human right, expand workers’ rights, raise the federal minimum wage, implement humane immigration reform, and establish an ultra-millionaire wealth tax. I lead bipartisan bills that ban stock trading for Members of Congress and protect Americans from government spying. I’m doing everything possible to get money out of politics and reform the Supreme Court.

I’ve been on the frontlines of holding Trump accountable, including around the lawless ICE and CBP actions that have kidnapped and disappeared our neighbors. I established the Monopoly Busters Caucus to fight consolidation, corporate greed, and price-gouging. I have authored a War Powers Resolution to end Trump’s illegal war in Iran and worked with Epstein survivors to get justice against predators and pedophiles.

I’ve held over 130 town halls and helped thousands of constituents, including veterans and seniors, secure over \$25 million in federal benefits. My office has brought home more than \$70 million in new federal investments for housing, transportation, jobs, and public safety.

I’m proud to represent a diverse, innovative and compassionate district. I have never taken corporate PAC money because I fight for working people, not the billionaires and giant corporations. I would be deeply honored to have your vote.

Endorsements: *Labor unions including Washington State Labor Council, WFSE, UFCW 3000, NEA/WEA, and Washington State Building & Construction Trades Council. Planned Parenthood, Sierra Club, and the King County Democrats.*



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Elected Experience: No previous elected position however strong business background

Other Professional Experience: Chief Financial Officer at Sheth Groups (Meineke Franchises 2017 to Present; Co-Owner at Bistro Baffi Restaurant 2018 to 2025; Police officer at Lakewood PD 2017 Resign due to partial hearing loss; US Marines 2011 to 2014 Honorable Discharge

Education: An associate degree in electrical engineering & Computer Science. Airframe Mechanic, Business Administration and strategist, Human Resource Management

Community Service: Four Years in United States Marine Corp, Police officer in Lakewood, WA. A Volunteer as an Intelligence liason at U.S. Border Patrol Yuma, AZ during Enlisted service in United States Marine Corp. American Red Cross Volunteer

Statement: My goal is to create sustainable & affordable housing to solve homelessness, bringing law & order back to Seattle & cheaper cost of living for everyone.

My name is Nirav Sheth. My journey from a modest home in India to this stage was built on one belief: the American Dream is not a gift—it is a promise worth fighting for. I didn't just come to this country; I earned my place here. I swore an oath to protect our nation, first as a United States Marine and later as a Police Officer. I know the grit it takes to keep a community safe and the discipline required to lead when there is no room for error. Today, our district is at a breaking point. If you believe our community is thriving, stay the course. But if you feel the higher cost of living & energy, unsafe neighbourhood, and the fading light of opportunity, it is time to turn the tide. I've felt this failure personally. My business, Bistro Baffi, was a victim of the very policies that are driving employers away and letting our neighborhoods crumble. I am also running for Congress to bring military-grade accountability to Washington, D.C. I also want to work on Real Solutions to help homeless people & Energy Independence.

In the Marines and in business, I've managed budgets where every cent mattered. I will treat your tax dollars with that same sacred respect. My life has been defined by service; now, I ask for the honor of being your voice.

Together, we will secure a legacy of prosperity for our children and bring growth back to our community.

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Elected Experience: What you've done in politics means nothing if working people don't experience benefits. *Results matter.* The result of my time in office will see Trump and the Epstein Class in prison. As a survivor of childhood sexual assault, I promise to deliver on this *no matter what.*

Other Professional Experience: Grocery

Education: Two years of free college credits from Ozarks Technical Community College. Graduated from Oklahoma Christian University, a private fundamentalist school that fired my professors for being openly gay/LGBTQ+ allies.

Community Service: Personally knocked thousands of doors for universal healthcare. As a labor leader, I've organized grocery store workers to strike and blocked corporate mergers.

Statement: My name is Gwen Kirkland, and I've been a political organizer as long as I've lived in Washington state. I moved here from Missouri in 2023 to escape anti-transgender discrimination in the Bible Belt and finally acquire *real* healthcare for the first time in my life.

As a community organizer, I've knocked thousands of doors for universal healthcare and canvassed for successful progressive campaigns. As a labor organizer, I advocated against corporate grocery mergers, organized my coworkers to strike and fought back against systemic corruption. Together, we endorsed progressive politicians against the wishes of billionaires, politicians and establishment leaders alike.

Facing people on their porches and at their workplaces, I promised that the policies I've always championed would pass with the people's vital support for these progressive candidates who share our working class values. Policies like universal healthcare, free education for all, and publicly-owned utilities and grocery stores are a necessity for working families to have any hope of an affordable future.

Sadly, the Democratic Party has *zero* interest in fighting the billionaires and their fascist lackeys. This means we have to *take over* the Democratic Party first in order to guarantee we ever have democracy in this country. Complacency breeds corruption, and when our leaders fail us so completely, they cannot stay in office. Their failed leadership is what brought us to this point.

So I promise that is precisely what I will do. *Lead.* More hands make less work and we need all hands on deck. As a union strike captain, I know that when working people fight back, we *always* win.

Let's put our money to work for us instead of these career politicians and the poisonous, genocidal corporations they serve. Together, we can free ourselves from the establishment, the Republican Party *and* the Epstein Class. Solidarity.



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Elected Experience: United States Representative, 2019-Present, Committee on Energy & Commerce, Subcommittees on Health, Energy, and Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade

Other Professional Experience: Issaquah pediatrician for 17 years; Voted Best Pediatrician, greater Seattle area (Parent Map Magazine, 2013)

Education: Pediatric residency at Stanford University, 2000; UC Davis School of Medicine, 1997; UC Berkeley, B.A., Astrophysics, 1991

Community Service: Green River habitat restoration, work with Mountains to Sound Greenway, King County Clinic providing free medical care for those in need

Statement: I'm in Congress to fight for you and to put a check on this administration's unchecked power. Right now, families are struggling to get by, let alone get ahead. That's why I've introduced legislation to immediately suspend the gas tax through the end of the year, spur clean energy development, crack down on insurance company abuses, and create more affordable housing.

Your tax dollars should work for you. That's why I secured over \$60 million for Community Projects across the 8th District: Graham's school based health clinic, Ellensburg's Veterans' housing, Highway 2 improvements, multiple food bank expansions, North Central Washington firefighting and wildfire resiliency, and body cameras and a King County rapid DNA system to support law enforcement.

I'm standing up for family farms, which are foundational to the 8th District, by reversing India's apple tariffs, fighting the Albertson's-Kroger merger, and getting support for foreign market access in the Farm Bill.

Healthcare costs are too high, so I've passed bills to cap insulin costs, give Medicare the power to negotiate lower prescription prices, and cap out of pocket costs for seniors. But this Congress, my Republican colleagues slashed your healthcare to give a tax break to billionaires. That's outrageous. I will always fight to lower costs and put doctors and patients back in the driver's seat, not insurance companies.

With over 130 town halls, I'm committed to listening, learning, and delivering for you in Congress. It is an honor to serve you, and I humbly ask for your vote.

Endorsements: Planned Parenthood Action Fund, Washington State Labor Council, League of Conservation Voters, and mayors across the district including: Mike Poirier of Wenatchee, Rich Elliott of Ellensburg, Dan Rankin of Darrington, and Nancy Backus of Auburn.

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Elected Experience: I'm not a career politician.

Other Professional Experience: As a federal consultant (Subject Matter Expert with the Department of Veterans Affairs for 6 years), I worked with leadership across multiple federal agencies—Departments of Justice, Education, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, as well as the Social Security Administration. While at UC Berkeley, I taught history and literature to undergraduates for 3 years and managed a scholarly journal at UC Press for 5 years.

Education: Ph.D. (UC Berkeley, Comparative Literature); B.A. (UC Irvine, Comparative Literature)

Community Service: US-Vietnam Research Center (research, publish, and organize events on the Vietnam War)

Statement: Thirty years ago, my family arrived in America during election season. We had fled communist Vietnam, where my father spent seven years in hard labor camps, simply for standing with America during the Vietnam War.

When we arrived in the United States, we had nothing. But here, we found safety, kindness, and the chance to begin again. America gave me opportunities my parents could only dream of. I went on to earn my Ph.D. from UC Berkeley before working with the Department of Veterans Affairs, where I investigated fraud, expanded veterans' access to education, and helped recover millions of dollars for those who served our country.

My family learned the hard way that freedom can be lost slowly, then all at once. That's why I carry a deep gratitude for this nation and the conviction that freedom must never be taken for granted.

Families across Washington's 8th District carry that same spirit. Veterans, farmers, small business owners, and parents are striving to build stable lives and to pass something better on to their children. Yet, too many families are putting in longer hours only to fall further behind. Those who play by the rules and contribute to their communities shouldn't feel that gas, groceries, housing, childcare, and healthcare are slipping out of reach.

That's why I'm running for Congress: to lower costs for families, support small businesses and farmers, strengthen public safety, secure our borders, restore focus on core academics, and bring politics back to the basics—faith, freedom, family, personal responsibility, and service to others.

The freedoms that welcomed my family to America are not guaranteed. Every generation must choose to protect them, strengthen them, and pass them on intact. That's the responsibility of citizenship—and the calling that guides me. I'd be honored to have your vote.



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Other Professional Experience: Small business owner and restaurateur in Leavenworth, Washington. Built multiple businesses from the ground up, creating jobs and helping drive the local economy. Managed employees, payroll, budgets, permitting, and daily operations while navigating the challenges facing small businesses in Washington. And has spent his career serving customers, supporting employees, and investing in the community.

Education: Completed coursework through Edmonds Community College while pursuing business and career opportunities.

Community Service: Partners with local organizations to help provide meals to the community through his business. Active supporter of local schools, youth activities, churches, and community events throughout the region.

Statement: I'm running for Congress because too many Washington families feel like the American Dream is slipping away. The cost of housing, groceries, fuel, insurance, and everyday life keeps rising. Small businesses are closing at alarming rates, and many people feel ignored by career politicians who have never experienced the challenges facing working families.

I'm honored to have earned the endorsements of both the King County Republican Party and the Snohomish County Republican Party. Their support reflects the growing momentum behind our campaign and our message of restoring opportunity for working families across Washington.

I'm not a politician. I'm a husband, father, and small business owner who built businesses from the ground up. I know what it means to meet payroll, manage rising costs, and work long hours to provide for a family.

I believe we need leadership focused on lowering costs, strengthening small businesses, supporting family-wage jobs, protecting our communities, keeping our border secure, and responsibly managing our public lands for future generations.

I'm running to bring a real-world perspective to Congress and fight for the people who work hard, play by the rules, and want a fair chance to build a better future.

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Elected Experience: none

Other Professional Experience: Cashier; *former (involuntarily) federal employee, despite statutes*

Education: Bachelor Science, Accountancy, University of Illinois

Community Service: Ranked choice voting (best democracy defense); *enforcing Constitution's judiciary ex post facto law prohibition*; living wage for the law-abiding; government and businesses serving the people (not the reverse); quality schools; fair free global trade; clean green renewable energy sources; supporting our troops' economic and financial futures; not starting Iran, Iraq, or Afghanistan wars nor bank bailout, immigration law enforcement focused on abusive employers; higher incomes progressive tax system; universal healthcare; ProLife (exceptions: rape, incest, significant health risk); UN-focused world unity are among my commitments

Statement: America's Democracy must be defended from double standards, liars, and cheats. Abuse of government office must *not* go unpunished *Voting* Voters are the most important part of Democracy.

Ranked choice voting is necessary to defend our elections because it protects against election thieves splitting an opponent's votes. It means voters rank election candidates in the voter's preferred order. If one candidate has more than half the votes after each voter's first ranked choice is counted, then that candidate would be the winner. However, if no one has a majority at that point, letting the person with the most votes but *less than a majority steal* the election is *avoidable* and, therefore, ridiculous. With ranked choice voting everyone's additional ranked choices are added to the count *until* someone has a majority. After all the ranks are added, if no one has a majority, only then will the nonmajority highest vote getter win.

Ranked choice voting like caucusing is a way to improve voters' voices. Caucusing allows people to discuss and estimate the strength of the candidates then chooses one and proceeds to the voting itself. The problem is this eliminates the other candidates and if the estimate was incorrect the best candidate has been accidentally eliminated.

Ranked choice voting allows the voting to begin and during the voting the vote itself *determines* the strength of the various candidates (which is better than *estimating*) without eliminating anyone until the best candidate is chosen.

Judiciary "opinions" changing same government level legislative or executive actions without, at least, *legislative panel approval* is insubordinate (towards legislature [judiciary's superior]) unconstitutionally illegal wrong. Judiciary case "laws" are after the fact thereby, also, violating our Constitution's ban of ex post facto laws.

Both judiciary "legislating from the bench" and *anyone* tolerating it are *anti-Democracy* and *anti-American*!



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Elected Experience: Granite Falls High School-Freshman Class President. A *public servant*, not a politician; offering a servant perspective grounded in frontline service.

Other Professional Experience: I've served Washington—supporting teens in group homes, working in mental health, in schools across Washington, and in law enforcement as a parole officer in both the juvenile and adult systems. I've seen these struggles firsthand; and I'm stepping up to deliver the accountability and change our communities deserve.

Education: B.A. Political Science, *Washington State University*.

Community Service: I've been in those homes, those classrooms, and the hardest of situations. I'm *committed to stronger communities* through effective policy shaped by experience.

Statement: Please allow me to introduce myself.

When I drive through the 8th District, I don't just see houses—I see memories. From Darrington to Lake Chelan, the Columbia, The Puyallup, wrestling at CWU, and growing up in Granite Falls, this district isn't just lines on a map—it's my heart. Born in Sunnyside, I come from the small towns and suburbs too often overlooked by politics. These aren't just places to me—they're who I am.

A public servant and former Parole Officer—I'm *no politician*. My agenda is built on service. Working in group homes for teenagers, supporting individuals with mental health and developmental disabilities, even serving at the very schools I once attended. My career has been spent on the frontlines of public safety and our community. I go where the problems are biggest, the stakes are highest, and the need is greatest; and stay until the job is done. I'll usher in a new generation of principled, common sense leadership focused on *Justice. Accountability. Affordability*.

That means bringing Federal prosecutions for violent gang and gun crimes. Defending the 2nd Amendment. It means restoring trust in government through federal audits. Permanently securing tax relief for seniors and working Americans. Investments in reliable energy and trades profession apprenticeships—creating real opportunities for generations to come. Securing the future of the 8th District.

I'm the underdog in this race—no establishment backing, no flashy ads, no big money. I bring the unconventional: *authenticity, principles* over party, and a voice that speaks for you. While others listen to megadonors and lobbyists, I'm listening to you. I represent you. I work for you!

If you want results—not political theater. Vote for a new generation of leadership that's been tested. Grounded in service. Focused on our District. Valleza for Congress: *Rooted. Tested. Leadership*.

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Elected Experience: PCO 2017-present. County Legislative District Chairman 2018-2022. County Chairman 2022-2023.

Other Professional Experience: Four decades' professional experience in Science, Engineering, Data Science, Machine Learning, Online Services, and Business Intelligence serving Healthcare, Military, Manufacturing, Software Development, and Information Security businesses and government. Commercial clients include Amazon, Microsoft, Nike, UnitedHealth, Kaiser, MultiCare, Ernst-Young, Altria, W.R. Grace, and TotalEnergies. Government clients include King County Metro, Apple Health, Medicare/Medicaid, Veterans Affairs, Department of War/Defense.

Education: Recent Professional Certifications include University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School: Data Analytics; University of Washington: Machine Learning and Data Manipulation at Scale, Systems and Algorithms.

Community Service: Scouting Troop Committee Chairman, Assistant Scoutmaster. Election Observer.

Statement: As your U.S. Representative, I will be a tireless advocate for you and our communities here in Washington, committed to always putting you, your family, and America First.

People here at home are facing unprecedented challenges made worse by the high costs of housing, food, energy, healthcare, and other basic needs while politicians in the other Washington are obsessed with blaming each other and generating clicks and likes on social media. In Congress, I will focus exclusively upon making your life better and improving opportunities for you and our people here at home. Just as I have always done in private life and throughout my career, I will bring people together to solve important problems.

We need a strong voice of the people serving in Congress, someone who has a record of actually getting things done, not just another government career builder, political agitator, or activist trying to build name recognition. My successful career was built outside of The Swamp of government. We need innovative, free-market solutions proven in the real world. I will serve you and our people, take responsibility for solving problems, and deliver what I promise while always being available, accessible, and accountable to you...and never make excuses.

You deserve to keep more of your hard-earned money. You deserve safety and security. You deserve to be able to reach out and take hold of the American Dream. You deserve a better U.S. Representative. I will find common ground with others, build relationships, and take actions to make your life better. That is the job of a Congressman.

Endorsements include multiple Legislative District and County Party committees on both sides of the mountains.

Questions? Please visit my website, watch my videos, join my live events, call, text, or email me and let me answer all of your questions.



United States Representative



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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: Perasso, 49, is a bakery worker in Seattle and is a member of BCTGM Union Local 9. He began organizing protests against police brutality and for immigrant rights in San Jose, California thirty years ago. He traveled to Cuba, helping convince him of the capacity of working people to reorganize society based on solidarity, not profit.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: He has been politically active defending the interests of working people over the past three decades, joining the Socialist Workers Party in 2000. He has worked as a meat cutter, a freight railroad conductor, and other industrial jobs, always active in labor solidarity.

Statement: The US rulers' war against Iran, and other war moves, threaten workers and the oppressed the world over. The crisis of the capitalist system is intensifying conflicts between ruling classes around the globe, bringing nuclear world war closer. Only the working class taking power can stop this! US Out of the Middle East! Washington targets Cuba, which is no threat to working people, because they made a socialist revolution. US Hands off Cuba!

A tiny class of billionaire families rule through their Democratic and Republican parties. Working people need to break from both to defend against rising prices, layoffs, job speedup, and other assaults. A revolutionary political party is necessary to lead millions to fight for workers' power, to build a society based on human solidarity.

Fight for a federally-funded public works program to put millions to work at union wages building and repairing infrastructure, schools, parks, housing and hospitals; for a shorter workweek with no loss in pay to prevent layoffs; for workers control of production to guarantee safety on the job and protect the environment!

Fight rising Jew-hating attacks worldwide and defend Israel's right to exist as a refuge for Jews! Unite working people in the Middle East of all nationalities to defend common class interests!

Oppose all attacks on constitutional freedom of speech and worship; freedom of the press, association, and assembly; due process; and other liberties needed and used by the toilers! Oppose all violence against people for their political views!

Support methods of struggle that build the solidarity, confidence, and independent fighting capacity of the working class! Build support for labor struggles! Fight for higher wages and work schedules that allow family time and recreation! Amnesty for immigrants—unify the working class! Defend Ukraine's sovereignty! US troops and nuclear weapons out of Europe!

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Elected Experience: Kshama won historic victories during her decade as the socialist on the Seattle City Council. She led the movement to win the highest minimum wage in any major U.S. city (now \$21.30). *The Seattle Times* noted: "Sawant will appropriately get credit for coming out of nowhere to commandeer the city's political agenda."

Other Professional Experience: Kshama led the way on winning the Amazon Tax, raising hundreds of millions of dollars annually for affordable housing. She won unprecedented renters' rights.

Education: Former teacher and union member, PhD Economics

Community Service: Kshama launched Workers Strike Back, a nationwide movement fighting back against the billionaires and their political servants.

Statement: Most of the time, working people have no political representation under this system. The billionaires call the shots while working people face endless wars and a severe cost-of-living crisis.

In stark contrast, for a decade in Seattle, independent socialist Kshama Sawant fought back against the political establishment and won historic victories.

Kshama led the movement that won the *highest minimum wage in any major U.S. city* (now \$21.30/hour). Kshama *defeated billionaires like Jeff Bezos to win the Amazon Tax*. She won unprecedented renters' rights laws like the cap on late fees and publicly funded eviction defense. She won Indigenous Peoples' Day and the nation's strongest resolution against the genocide in Gaza.

Most Republicans and Democrats in Congress have repeatedly voted for military aid for Israel during the genocide in Gaza, to block UN food aid to Gaza, to fund ICE, for \$906 billion for war last December, and to block the railroad workers' strike. Most Congressional politicians are funded by AIPAC, the weapons industry, and billionaires who profit from AI and from ICE.

Kshama is the only candidate in this race fighting for *free healthcare for all funded by taxing the rich, an end to all military aid to Israel, to shut down ICE and the detention centers, to stop the data centers and AI layoffs, and for national rent control*. She's the only candidate with a proven track record of fighting and winning for working people.

If elected, Kshama will only accept the average worker's wage as she did for a decade, and donate her remaining salary to workers' movements. She's running as an *independent socialist* because we need a *new party for working people*. Kshama is the principled fighter we need to take on Trump and both political parties of the billionaires.



United States Representative



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Elected Experience: 2024 Democratic candidate for Congress, earned 90,000+ votes: first-time candidate, grassroots campaign.

Other Professional Experience: Produced U.S. State Department research distributed to 4,000+ top global experts and US Ambassadors. Securing millions in federal funds for permanently affordable King County housing. Hygiene access for unhoused and refugee families. Decision-support materials for green infrastructure investments. Work/study, permaculture, aquaponics: Ghana, Central America, Indonesia, Canada, Mexico, Pakistan, Spain. Published author.

Education: B.A., Public Policy: History, Economics, Sustainable Development. Graduate study: Systems Science. Professional training: leading complex collaborations; ecological design; cooperative governance; community economics; resilient food systems.

Community Service: Crisis counseling, direct homelessness support, immigrant family advocacy, land stewardship, peace activism.

Statement: People are suffering. Inflation and rent rising faster than income. Choosing between groceries, gas, medicine, childcare, and bills. Watching Congress find endless money for never ending wars, ICE terror, corporate subsidies, and billionaire tax breaks while families, veterans, elders, immigrants, students, and workers are told to... wait. I am running for Congress because waiting is a trap. We need courage. Competence. And a Representative who answers to We the People.

I am the only candidate in this race who has already taken on the weaponized federal government and won. When ICE illegally abducted my husband Zahid, an Honorable disabled American Military veteran, I fought back in federal courts without big law firm or even a single attorney. We *won*. That's how I learned: when you stand up to bullies, they fold.

That case is proof of what I bring: courage under pressure, discipline under fire, and refusal to let powerful institutions violate people's rights.

My three pillars: *Care*: housing, education, healthcare, childcare, eldercare, disability support, veterans' care, consumer rights, and wages people can thrive on. *Courage*: corruption has consequences, powerful predators are prosecuted, and our money funds our communities — not endless wars for private profit. *The Constitution*: due process, voting rights, equal protection, freedom of speech, and Liberty and Justice for All — with no asterisks attached.

I've spent twenty years around one question: what does it *actually* take to ensure all people can live lives of dignity, safety, and opportunity? I have prepared for the challenges and promises of America's future my whole life. Climate disruption, AI, unaffordable housing, broken institutions, and rebuilding trust from the ground up — I was made for this moment.

My campaign financing is entirely accountable to We the People. I encourage you: check OpenSecrets.org. I'm ready to serve. Vote Melissa for Congress.

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Elected Experience: Former King County Republican Party Vice Chairman; former Eastside Republican Club President and current Vice President; longtime Republican Precinct Committee Officer; candidate for U.S. Congress.

Other Professional Experience: Founder and President of Prologue Digital Inc., a Washington advertising and video production company; media and marketing professional since 1990; longtime sales trainer and small business owner.

Education: Attended Multnomah University; continuing education through more than three decades of business, media, advertising, sales training, and leadership experience.

Community Service: Worked with rescue missions, Union Gospel Mission, and the Salvation Army on homelessness outreach; worked closely with at-risk youth; former youth pastor, worship pastor, and longtime church volunteer.

Statement: I'm running for Congress because Washington families deserve more than another political revolution. We need an opportunity revolution.

The Seattle area helped build some of the greatest companies in the world — Boeing, Microsoft, Starbucks, Amazon, Costco, and many more. We became known as a place where ideas could grow, workers could prosper, and families could build a better future. But today, big government policies are making it harder to build, hire, afford, and stay. When we become hostile to the very employers and innovators that created opportunity here, we lose jobs, weaken our economy, and make life harder for working families.

Affordability is now a crisis. Families are being squeezed by higher gas prices, energy costs, groceries, housing, insurance, and taxes. The Climate Commitment Act may sound good, but in practice it is driving up the cost of energy while doing little to directly improve the environment. Combined with one of the highest gas taxes in the country, these policies raise transportation, food, and energy costs — and those costs get passed on to families through nearly everything they buy. I believe in family, public safety, faith in God, and faith in each other. We need to love our neighbors again. We have had enough division, anger, and blame. Our problems are real, but we will not solve them by tearing each other apart.

I will be a voice of common sense, moderation, and practical solutions in a highly charged political environment. I believe in safer communities, stronger families, lower costs, responsible government, and an economy where everyone has the opportunity to work, build, serve, and thrive.

I'm Doug Basler, and I would be honored to earn your vote.



United States Representative

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Elected Experience: United States Representative, 1997-Current; Washington State Senator, 1991-1996

Other Professional Experience: Prosecutor, City of Seattle, 1993-1995; Attorney, Cromwell, Mendoza and Belur

Education: J.D., University of Washington, 1990; B.A., Fordham University, 1987

Community Service: Member: University of Washington Evans School Honorary Advisory Board; Council on Foreign Relations; Borgen Project Board of Directors. Former member: Issaquah Soccer Club, volunteer coach; Issaquah High and Middle School PTAs; Northeast Tacoma Elementary PTA, where my wife, Sara, served as PTA President; Federal Way Kiwanis Club; Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission; St Matthew's Episcopal Church.

Statement: Our district is a tremendously diverse and hard-working community, one that I have been proud to call home my entire life. I grew up in the city of SeaTac. Sara and I raised our two children here, they attended our public schools and then went to UW and WSU.

As our nation faces unprecedented challenges at home and abroad, I am focused on strengthening the middle class and investing in our future. Working class families, like the union one I grew up in, do not have the same opportunities as previous generations. This needs to change. We must bring down the cost of housing and make homeownership achievable again. We must grow from the middle out, increase economic opportunities, protect unions, expand job training and workforce development programs, create good paying jobs and protect the ones we have.

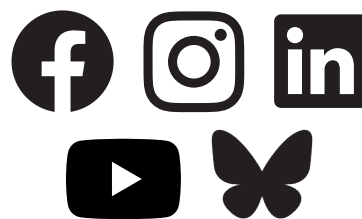
All people, no matter their background, should have access to quality, affordable healthcare. Our healthcare system needs to be restructured to create a path to a single-payer plan like Medicare for All. As the past Chairman and top Democrat on the House Armed Services Committee, I have also prioritized making sure that all of our service members and their families, no matter who they are, receive the support they need and have earned.

I work hard to make sure every person in our district has access to the best this country has to offer; not only because it's the right thing to do, but because this is also my home—it's personal to me.

It is a true privilege to serve our community and I would be honored to have your vote.

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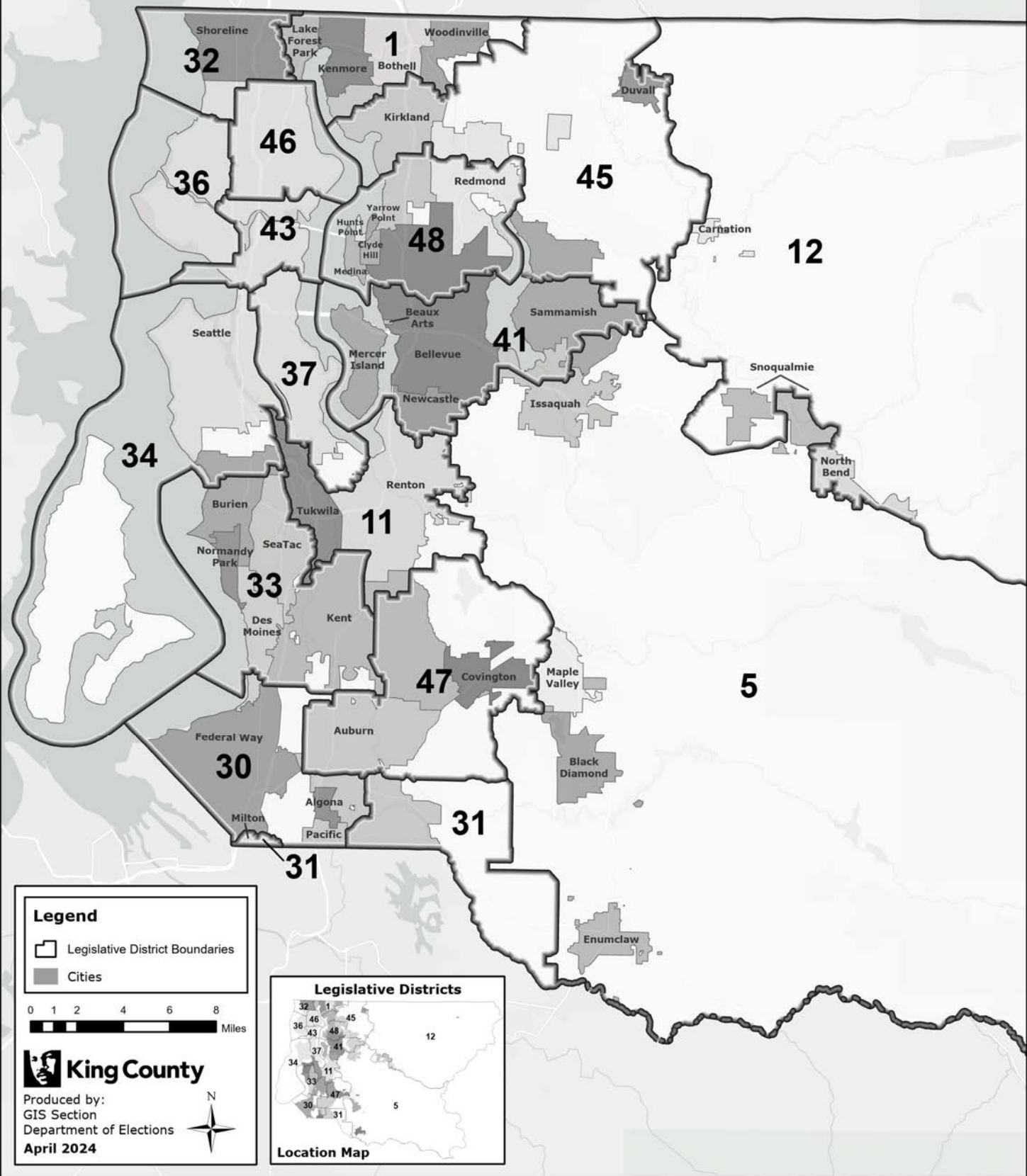


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Legislative Districts





State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: Appointed to represent the 1st District in 2019. Chair of Local Government Committee. Served on Bothell City Council 2016-2022, Deputy Mayor from 2016-2020.

Other Professional Experience: Only licensed architect in the legislature. Committed to sustainable, affordable design. Served on Eastside Transportation Partnership; WSDOT Executive Advisory Group; Sound Transit Bus Rapid Transit Elected Leadership Group; PSRC Transportation Policy Board and Board of Directors of the Sound Cities Association

Education: Syracuse University, Bachelor of Architecture with a minor in Environmental Geography

Community Service: Ten years on the Bothell Landmarks Preservation Board, eight as chair. Co-founded the Northshore Schools Foundation M.I.L.K. Money campaign supporting students experiencing homelessness.

Statement: Quality of life depends on having affordable homes near jobs, accessible transportation, a healthy environment, and strong public education. Last term, seven of my bills became law, including bills that: make it cheaper to build affordable housing, phase out super-pollutant refrigerants, close a growth management loophole, streamline permits for new housing, and give Ecology enforcement over landfill regulation. Secured \$532 million for the 1st District in 2025, including \$464.5 million for the I-405 corridor project. Would be honored to have your vote. Endorsed: State Labor Council, Washington Conservation Action, Sen. Stanford, Rep. Kloba, Mayors Thompson, Arndt, Herbig, Curtis and others.

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: Operated a fashion design hair salon for eight years beginning in 1981. Owned and operated downtown Redmond restaurant for twenty-six years.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: Volunteer election observer at King County Elections since 2022.

Statement: I'm Maggie Wang – immigrant, business owner, wife, mother and proud American. After arriving from Taiwan in 1989, my husband and I achieved the American Dream through hard work. Today, that dream is under siege by rising taxes, housing costs, and government overreach. We need leadership prioritizing *your* budget over bureaucratic expansion.

In Olympia, I will be your voice for *affordability, public safety, parental rights*. My focus is simple: lower taxes, safer neighborhoods, and an economy where small businesses thrive. Let's restore common-sense government together. *Endorsed by the King County Republican Party*. I am ready to fight for your family.



State Representative Position No. 2



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Elected Experience: Proudly unaffiliated with the political establishment. Ran for Woodinville City Council in 2025.

Other Professional Experience: Disabled U.S. Navy veteran, former Sheriff's Deputy, and cybersecurity engineering manager.

Education: Bachelor's degree, The College of William and Mary (2005). Master's degree, American Military University (2016).

Community Service: As a Woodinville City Council candidate and community organizer, I've fought corruption, unethical behavior, and overreach. I speak at city council meetings and march with small business owners. In 2025, I led a campaign to increase voter turnout to its highest in eight years. These experiences strengthened my commitment to working for Washingtonians and fighting a two-party system that fails residents.

Statement: I'm running to eliminate state taxes for most families earning under \$125,000, permanently fund our public schools, and make higher education affordable for students entering high-paying fields in our state. Any new income tax must receive direct voter approval, completely eliminate regressive taxes, and guarantee full school funding. I will restore local control by eliminating regulations that drive up housing costs and that prevent cities from managing their own character and environmental protection. I will work across party lines for a government that serves all residents effectively without favoring partisan agendas or picking winners and losers.

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Elected Experience: State Representative; Vice-Chair of Technology, Economic Development, and Veterans Committee; member of Consumer Protection and Business and Environment and Energy Committees; Ex-Officio member of WA State Gambling Commission; National Conference of State Legislatures Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, and Data Privacy Task Force; founder of House Technology caucus. Previously: Problem Gambling Task Force, City of Kirkland Councilmember 2013-2016

Other Professional Experience: Licensed health care provider for over 20 years

Education: B.S. Kinesiology, University of Illinois; Certificate of Energy Policy Planning, University of Idaho; Seattle Massage School

Community Service: Currently: Kirkland Kiwanis Club. Previously: Lake Washington Schools Foundation Trustee, Kirkland Park Board Member, WA State PTA Legislative Director

Statement: It's been an honor to represent you in Olympia since 2017. I have fought to improve data privacy, reign in data brokers, and diminish the harms of AI on consumers' lives. With your vote, I'll continue working to improve transportation infrastructure, fix our regressive tax code, create green jobs, cut costs for working families, fully fund education, increase access to behavioral health care, and protect civil rights. Together, we can create security, opportunity, and justice for all.

Endorsements: Snohomish County Democrats, Sierra Club, Washington State Labor Council, Washington Education Association PAC, Washington Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates

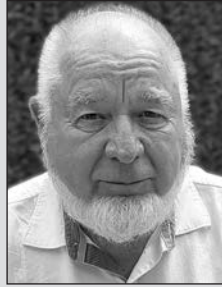


State Representative Position No. 2

Cliff Moon

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Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer, Legislative District 1.

Other Professional Experience: I have sixty-three years of experience in the construction trades and fifty-four years in small business ownerships.

Education: Bachelor of Science Physical Oceanography, University of Washington, Master of Science Civil Engineering, University of Washington. Cross-cultural education, and international teaching experience.

Community Service: Visiting faculty lecturer teaching Entrepreneurship and Introduction to Business classes at universities in Kazakhstan, India, and University of Washington-Bothell.

Statement: I am running to represent people that want to raise their kids, work hard, and have money left at the end of every paycheck. The cost of gas, groceries, and utility fees eat away our income. Layers of taxes are driving up costs. Families are the foundation of a strong community. Parents should raise their children. Schools should focus on academics.

I support law enforcement, public safety, and legal immigration. Each enables an active and safe community. Olympia's moral compass has been displaced, and common sense has been ignored. I am endorsed by the King County Republican Party.

Jenne Alderks

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Elected Experience: Current Deputy Mayor and former Planning Commissioner for the City of Bothell. Elected in 2021, re-elected 2025.

Other Professional Experience: Currently employed as a human services specialist leading trauma-informed systems change efforts in behavioral health programming. Formerly self-employed birth and postpartum doula for over a decade.

Education: Masters of Public Affairs (2024), Public Leadership Credential from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Governance (2021), Masters of Early Childhood Education (2008), Bachelors of Science in Human Development (2005).

Community Service: Current board member of North Urban Human Services Alliance (Vice-President) and Lake City Partners Ending Homelessness, former Emerge WA Cabinetmember, former LGBTQIA+ youth group leader.

Statement: Voters in the 1st deserve a representative who delivers on the issues that matter to our communities. I stand up for those who are struggling and deliver needed change. From strengthening public safety and transportation to supporting human rights, housing, parks, and local businesses, I have a proven record of progressive accomplishments that improve quality of life for everyone. In Olympia, I will continue fighting for affordability, stronger communities, individual freedoms, and real progress for Washingtonians. I'm honored to be endorsed by 1st LD, Snohomish and King County Democrats, neighbors, and local elected leaders across the district. More at votejenne.com.



State Representative Position No. 1



Topher Leritz

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: Marketing Manager, Political Consultant, Private Investigator

Education: Everett Community College- Associate of Arts, University of Washington Seattle- BA Political Science

Community Service: Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD), Brain Injury Association of Washington (BIAWA), Washington Offroad Recovery

Statement: I will never say that now is the time for change, because change is long overdue. Now is the time for leadership that focuses on real, relevant, issues, not political buzzwords and reelection.

I am running as a nonpartisan candidate, accepting zero endorsements or special interest donations, because I believe in putting our community above all else. Real change requires focusing on everyone's issues, whether you are a Democrat, Republican, or Independent. I am committed to representing everyone in this district, not just the people who voted for me. Together, we can build a stronger, more united Washington.

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Elected Experience: Current State Representative; Vice Chair of House Environment & Energy Committee; Member of House Local Government and Transportation Committees; Former Issaquah City Councilmember

Other Professional Experience: Former Legislative Assistant for WA House of Representatives; Previously consulted for cities and state agencies

Education: Master of Public Administration, University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy & Governance; Bachelor of Science, University of Washington

Community Service: Zach previously chaired the Eastside Fire & Rescue Board, ensuring first responders had what they needed to keep us safe. A lifelong Issaquah resident, he's passionate about salmon recovery and serves on the Friends of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery Board.

Statement: As your representative, I'm focused on building consensus and strong communities. In my first session, I sponsored and passed bipartisan bills to lower energy costs, prioritized safety and congestion improvements along SR 18, and supported reforms to fix our housing crisis. I'm committed to supporting first responders, fully funding our schools, helping small businesses thrive, and pushing for affordable childcare and healthcare. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsements: Eastside Firefighters, WA Labor Council, WA Education Association, Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Congresswoman Kim Schrier, State Sen. Victoria Hunt, State Rep. Lisa Callan, and local mayors.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: PCO 5th LD, ISS 05-0544

Other Professional Experience: Retail sales; previously warehouse labor, computer repair, food service and hospitality.

Education: No formal higher education, apprenticeship in organizing.

Community Service: Volunteer for the Seattle DSA, Whole Washington, and Progressive Victory. Work includes fighting to protect renters from unpredictable and high utility fees, reading and reviewing legislation for representative Shaun Scott, advocacy for universal healthcare, educating people about current political issues in the state, and canvassing and phone banking for progressives across the state and country.

Statement: I will fight for universal healthcare, new social housing, and an expansion of our public transit network into our smaller communities. I will fully fund our education system, and reverse cuts to our Department of Natural Resources, paid for by progressive taxation on the ultra rich and largest corporations. I will champion a \$26 minimum wage, a 32 hour workweek, and guaranteed paid time off for all workers. Washington needs bold new leaders who fight for the working class, not the corporate duopoly. Because I refuse corporate PAC money, my loyalty lies with the people.

A better Washington is possible.

Michelle Bennett

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Elected Experience: President: King County Police Chiefs/Sheriffs, WA State FBI National Academy Associates, Washington State Police Chiefs and Sheriff's Executive Board, Legislative Committee Co-Chair, Northwestern University Alumni Board.

Other Professional Experience: Instructor: Northwestern University, Bellevue College. Police Chief: Maple Valley, Sammamish, Mercer Island. Planning and Operations Major in King County Sheriff's Office, KCSO Deputy in North Bend.

Education: Doctorate in Education, Seattle Pacific University. Master of Science in Organizational Development, Bachelor of Arts in Law and Justice, Central Washington University.

Community Service: Take a Stand Against Bullying curriculum co-creator used in multiple states, created several community programs including Sammamish Healthy Communities Coalitions, and Youth Explorer and Volunteer Programs.

Statement: Families in the 5th Legislative District deserve safer communities, stronger schools, and a state government that respects the people paying the bills. Olympia recently voted for the largest tax increase in state history while many families struggle with rising costs. Police have also been left without clear tools to protect victims and neighborhoods.

With an education doctorate, and as a former police chief in this district, I bring real-world experience in public safety, education, and responsible budgeting. I will ensure state spending delivers measurable results. I will fight for stronger schools, safer communities, and will bring common-sense leadership to Olympia.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: Not a career politician.

Other Professional Experience: 23 years Army Service, Human Intelligence Warrant Officer, Counter-Intelligence Agent, two Afghanistan Combat tours, Bronze Star, Combat Action Badge. KCGOP Vice Chair, Senior Industrial Security Specialist - Boeing.

Education: Master of Business Administration-Finance Emphasis, Webster University; B.A.-Philosophy with Epistemology focus, University of Washington.

Community Service: My family has lived continuously in Hobart, WA since 1887. Community service has always been part of our tradition, and thanks to my father, Dick Peacock, long-time president of the Maple Valley Historical Society, I've developed an in-depth understanding of the histories of the areas around Issaquah, Maple Valley, Ravensdale, Black Diamond, and Enumclaw.

Statement: Washington is becoming increasingly unaffordable, and introducing a state income tax would only worsen the situation. Residents already pay some of the highest fuel taxes, which drives up costs across the board. To address these challenges, we must encourage employers not to leave and prioritize issues like affordable housing, quality education, and reducing crime. Unfortunately, Washington's one-party rule has failed to deliver effectively on these issues. Continuing to vote the same way and expecting different results is futile—it's time for a change. There are real solutions, let's do what works.

Endorsed by the 5th LD and King County Republicans.

Lisa Callan

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Elected Experience: Current State Representative, Vice-Chair, Capital Budget Committee; Member of the House Appropriations Committee and the House K-12 Education Committee; Previously on Human Services Early Learning, Former Issaquah School Board Director.

Other Professional Experience: Former lead engineer and project manager for Boeing. Former consultant managing large-scale e-commerce software development programs for businesses.

Education: Bachelor of Science in mathematics with an emphasis in computer science from Northern Arizona University.

Community Service: Member of Kiwanis and Issaquah Chamber of Commerce. Former PTA leader, Former loaned executive to United Way of King County, past board member of The Garage Teen Center, and Influence the Choice Drug Prevention Alliance for Youth.

Statement: Good policy comes from listening, not partisanship. I bring an engineer's problem-solving to Olympia. I'll keep fighting for great public schools, mental health care for kids, workforce housing for the families who serve our communities, and gun safety that saves lives. I'll defend reproductive freedom, fight for affordable childcare, protect forests and clean air, and work for a tax code that doesn't squeeze working people. Endorsed: Educators, State Labor Council, Grocery Workers, Firefighters, Nurses, Sierra Club, Washington Conservation Action, Planned Parenthood, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Building Trades, Housing Alliance, Congresswoman Kim Schrier, Mayors and Council Members across the 5th LD.



State Representative Position No. 1



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Elected Experience: Elected Experience: PCO 11th Legislative District, 2024 Democratic National Committee Delegate, Former 28th Legislative District PCO, Chairwoman.

Other Professional Experience: Over twenty-five years of experience as a registered nurse and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. Small business owner providing anesthesia care, including gender affirming care, abortion, and reproductive care. Navy Veteran, served as a Lieutenant Commander in the Nursing Corps.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Case Western Reserve University; Master of Science, York College of Pennsylvania; Doctor of Education in Interdisciplinary Leadership, Creighton University.

Community Service: Pro-Choice Washington PAC member, APRNs of Washington State board member, Past President Washington Association of Nurse Anesthesiology, Medic, Southend Indivisible.

Statement: For over two decades, I've served as a nurse helping local neighbors and in the US Navy. I've worked with teams under pressure while caring for my patients and families. We need that experience fighting for working people squeezed by housing and childcare costs, healthcare bills, and education debt.

No nurses currently serve in the legislature. I'll fight for accessible healthcare, affordable housing, K-12 investments, career training, and well-paying jobs. Nurses are trained to solve problems- and are needed to bring positive change to Olympia. Endorsed by Nurses, State Employees, Elected Officials, 11th LD Dems, County Dems, Planned Parenthood, more.

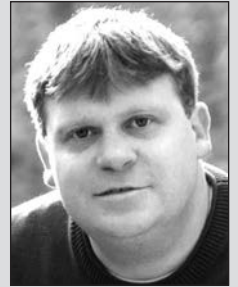
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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: 19D cavalry scout United States Army. Journeyman Ironworker out of Local 86 Ironworkers Union. Assisting in building out the infrastructure that all Washingtonians get to enjoy.

Education: Journeyman Ironworker out of Local 86 Ironworkers Union. OUST cavalry scout United States Army.

Community Service: Providing end of life care for family members during cancer treatment.

Statement: As a native Washingtonian, father, veteran, and journeyman union ironworker, I know government works best when it answers to the people. Olympia has grown too wasteful, too arrogant, and too disconnected from working families. I will fight to cut red tape, demand real accountability, support good-paying jobs, defend trade unions, restore local control, and back public safety. Parents deserve honesty, workers deserve respect, and taxpayers deserve results. I am not running to go along with the political class. I am running to raise hell, defend working people, and help rebuild a stronger Washington for everyone. Do what is right.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: State Representative 11th LD, Pos 1 (2021-Present)

Other Professional Experience: Former Assistant United States Attorney, Former UN War Crimes Prosecutor, Former Senior Counsel for Global Human Resources at The Nature Conservancy, and Former Consultant for Seattle City Attorney's Office

Education: BS, Cornell University; MPA, Harvard University; JD, Harvard Law School

Community Service: Former Board Member, Tukwila Children's Foundation; Former Board Member, Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Former Board Member, Tabor 100 (African American Business Chamber); Former Commissioner, Washington State Human Rights Commission; Former Volunteer, Criminal Justice Reform Project in Uzbekistan; Former Board Member, Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King & Kittitas Counties.

Statement: Times are tough, and we cannot count on a gridlocked federal government. While I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished at the state level, we still have much more work to do. The daily cost of living continues to climb, and our families need immediate relief. My singular focus is finding direct ways to lower costs for everyday people, from housing to healthcare.

I'm honored to be endorsed by Governor Bob Ferguson, Attorney General Nick Brown, local leaders, the 11th District Democrats, the State Labor Council, and many others. I hope to earn your vote.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: State Representative

Other Professional Experience: History/Social Studies Teacher in the Renton School District, Former Small Business Owner of Aces Tennis, running the City of Renton Parks and Recreation Tennis Programs.

Education: Hazen High School, Renton; Bachelors Degree, Political Science and History double major, University of Washington; Masters in Teaching, Western Washington University

Community Service: Current board member for Special Olympics Washington State, Renton Historical Society & Genealogy Center and the Renton Regional Community Foundation. I'm also working within our community, partnering with non-profits, school districts and our cities to pass HB1587 for college promise scholarships allowing every student an affordable opportunity after their high school graduation.

Statement: My experience as a working parent and as one of the only active teachers serving in the legislature brings an important perspective for our state budget discussions. I will continue to expand programs so working families can afford childcare, preschool (Ready K) and college (With programs like the Renton/Tukwila Promise) as well as help create more housing so that people can afford to live near where they work. I would be honored to earn your vote!

I am proud to be endorsed by teachers, nurses, your firefighters, the 11th District Democrats and many more community members, organizations, and elected leaders.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: State Representative 12th Legislative District (2024-2026); Chelan County Sheriff (2011-2022); Chelan County Precinct Committee Officer (2011-2018)

Other Professional Experience: Past President Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs; Past President Washington State Sheriffs Association; Administrative Liaison for the Washington State Sheriffs Association; Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commissioner; Director of Law Enforcement Services for Seattle's Finest Security

Education: FBI National Academy Class 262; Sergeants Academy; Washington State SWAT Basic Academy; Washington State Basic Law Enforcement Academy

Community Service: Camp Director for Royal Family Kids - Summer Camp for Foster Children; Board Member for NCW Chaplains Foundation; Board Member for UVCares (Online Mental Health Counseling)

Statement: Brian Burnett proudly serves the 12th District, bringing decades of public safety and leadership experience to Olympia. A former law enforcement professional and current Director of Law Enforcement Services, Brian works to protect what matters most: your rights, your property, and your role as a parent.

In the Legislature, he focuses on reducing crime, supporting families, prioritizing taxpayer dollars, returning decision-making to local communities, reducing burdens on small businesses, and supporting victim-centered justice that holds criminals accountable. Brian and his wife, April, have been married 39 years and are proud parents, grandparents, and lifelong Washingtonians.

Stacy Willoughby

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Elected Experience: First-time candidate

Other Professional Experience: Twenty-five years in financial services, including roles as a financial advisor and local bank branch manager. She understands how housing affordability, insurance costs, and rising taxes impact families and communities.

Education: Graduate of the Leadership Institute of North Central Washington. Attended Central Washington University and Skagit Valley College.

Community Service: Board President of Chelan Valley Hope, a nonprofit that supports families with essentials such as rent assistance, fuel, firewood, food, and eviction-prevention services, Founder of Chelan Business Women Connect, and Board member of the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce.

Statement: Politicians in Olympia are failing families here at home. They promise "affordability," yet gas and grocery prices soar, housing remains out of reach, and good-paying jobs for young people are vanishing. After years in financial services, Stacy knows the numbers and her neighbors. She will champion a state budget that prioritizes tax fairness for rural families and small businesses, ensures affordable housing that serves each community, and promotes trades training for our youth.

Endorsements: 12th Legislative District Democrats, King County Democrats, Washington State Labor Council, AFT-Washington, and Sage Leaders Washington.



State Representative Position No. 2



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Elected Experience: 2016-Present: State Representative, 12th District, Past Deputy Minority Leader State House of Representatives; Two Terms City Council, City of Chelan

Other Professional Experience: White House Office of Political Affairs, Staff to Washington State House Republican Leadership, Executive Director for the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, CFO of 6th generation Family Apple and Cherry Orchard.

Education: Salutatorian, Manson High School. Graduate of Pacific Lutheran University with degrees in Business Administration and Political Science.

Community Service: Past President, Rotary Club of Chelan, Past President Lake Chelan Health and Wellness Foundation, Trustee Community Foundation of NCW, Past Chair Washington State Chamber of Commerce Executives. Trustee, Association of Washington Business.

Statement: Mike Steele is currently serving his fifth term in the Washington State House of Representatives. Mike has spent his legislative and professional careers advocating for the needs of small businesses. His families' deep roots in the agricultural industry and working directly with hundreds of businesses in a variety of industries daily, provided insight on how the issues and policies directly impact economics in the 12th district. Mike is uniquely qualified to work on their behalf in Olympia. Mike looks forward to a sixth term in the State House to continue proactively serving the people of the 12th District.

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Elected Experience: None. Endorsed by the Republican Parties of King County, Snohomish County, and Douglas County.

Other Professional Experience: Co-Founder of Grace City Church in Wenatchee. Community leader serving families, outreach ministries, and local initiatives for over 25 years. Founding board member of Garden City Academy, a K-12 private Christian school.

Education: Graduate of Pateros High School. Earned an AAS from Wenatchee Valley College and graduated magna cum laude from Northwest University in Biblical Studies and Church Ministries.

Community Service: Serving families through discipleship, youth mentorship, education, men's initiatives, and community outreach. During COVID, Adam stood alongside 40 Washingtonians in a lawsuit defending constitutional freedom and local governance.

Statement: Adam James is a Republican running for State House to bring common-sense leadership and accountability to Olympia. Adam is a lifelong North Central Washington resident, husband, father, and community leader. For more than two decades, Adam has served families through ministry and community work in Wenatchee.

Adam is running to lower taxes, protect parental rights, strengthen public safety, and make government transparent. He believes government should stay within its means and answer to the people it serves. Adam is ready to boldly fight for policies that will restore liberty, strengthen families, and secure Washington's future.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: Business Representative, Job Steward - IATSE Local # 887; Delegate - Martin Luther King Jr. County Labor Council

Other Professional Experience: Current member of IATSE Local 887 (Wardrobe Technician, Costume Designer) and Actor's Equity Association (Actor, Musician, Teaching Artist). Previous: Executive Business Administrator, Microsoft; Executive Assistant Amazon; Caterer; Life Guard.

Education: Coastline Community College

Community Service: My time with Girl Scouts USA, for which I received a Silver Award, fostered a lifelong devotion to community service. I volunteer for environmental and educational causes such as Habitat for Humanity and El Corazon, King County Parks, California State Parks, Seattle Public Schools and the Washington State Thespians Society.

Statement: I am a working parent dedicated to ensuring access to healthcare, education, and a healthy environment for everyone in Washington State. As an elected Union Leader responsible for negotiating and overseeing Collective Bargaining Agreements I have worked to establish fair wages, worker protections, and on the job safety standards. If elected I will work tirelessly for living wages, healthcare access, tax fairness and inflation relief as well as the protection of our parks, natural resources and agricultural lands. I look forward to the opportunity to serve District 12 as your representative. Together we can build a better, brighter Washington.



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State Senator

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Elected Experience: Current State Senator; Federal Way School Board 2011 - 2019

Other Professional Experience: 35-year educator and administrator leading work on early learning, family engagement, and governance; WIC Project Director; small business owner. It's been my life's work supporting children and working families to help foster successful and healthy households across Washington.

Education: Washington State University, BS, Food and Nutrition, Child and Family Studies; University of Northern Colorado, MA, Adult Education, Vocational Home Economics.

Community Service: Extensive volunteer experience, including South King County Tool Library, WA State Leadership Board, WA State School Directors Association, Citizens for Federal Way Schools, PTA, and Mentor and Me Program.

Statement: Caring for our kids, families, and communities is what I do every day- and with your support, I will continue fighting for the people and places that matter. As a longtime educator, former Federal Way School Board Director, and now your State Senator, I place the needs of families and communities first, focusing on solutions and results.

I lead Senate efforts to expand services and support for young people, keeping kids in school and away from harm. I sponsored and passed landmark investments in affordable childcare, quality early learning, and help for vulnerable families. I delivered resources for affordable housing options that serve seniors, low-income families, working people, and help people out of homelessness.

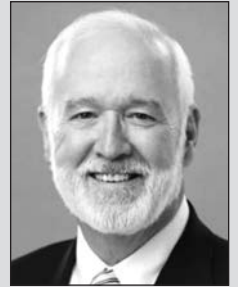
After devastating floods, I secured over \$7.5 million in funding for the city of Pacific. Committed to safety, I voted for pay raises and additional training for law enforcement officers, and funding for drug treatment and recovery. I worked to reduce the tax burden on workers and small businesses, while securing needed funding for K-12.

I'm proudly endorsed by Firefighters, Planned Parenthood, Teachers, Nurses, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Children's Campaign Fund, State Labor Council, Machinists. With your vote, I'll keep fighting- for all of us!

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Elected Experience: First-time candidate.

Other Professional Experience: Retired U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sergeant with 24 years of service, including Desert Shield and Desert Storm; former Boeing leader with four decades of management and leadership experience.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Management, magna cum laude, University of Phoenix.

Community Service: 41-year Knights of Columbus service organization member; volunteer with Coats for Kids and Washington Special Olympics supporting local children and athletes in Federal Way.

Statement: Washington families deserve to live in a state where hard work can still afford a home, fill a gas tank, and build a better future for their children.

For too long, Olympia has made life more expensive while families fall further behind. Michael Rutland will fight to lower costs, oppose new income taxes, repeal policies driving up fuel and grocery prices, and demand responsible budgeting instead of higher taxes on working people. Washington taxpayers deserve relief, accountability, and leaders who understand the pressure families and small businesses face every day.

Every child deserves a great education, and every parent deserves a voice. Michael will support high academic standards, safe schools, career and technical education, and parental involvement so students are prepared for college, careers, and life. He believes schools should focus on helping every student succeed, not political agendas coming from Olympia.

Safe neighborhoods, affordable living, and accountable government should not be partisan issues. This election is a chance to bring balance, common sense, and a new direction for Washington, so Washington works for working people again.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: *State Representative:* Chair of Civil Rights & Judiciary Committee; Chair of Developmental Disability Advocacy Caucus; Vice Chair of Members of Color Caucus. Member of Transportation Committee; member of Early Learning & Human Services Committee.

Other Professional Experience: *Attorney:* Former Statewide Advocacy Counsel managing legal aid attorneys assisting domestic violence survivors and crime victims. *Youth Advocate:* Managed youth violence reduction efforts. *Small Business Owner:* Private law practice and nonprofit consultant.

Education: JD, University of Oregon Law School; BA, Virginia State University

Community Service: Board member BlackPast.org, Federal Way Human Services Commission, Highline College Foundation, and Girl Scouts; and caregiver for family member living with chronic illnesses.

Statement: I've prioritized the health and safety of our families and communities, passing laws that reduce gun violence, improve police training and trust, and address root causes of crime. Committed to addressing affordability, I've delivered resources for housing and childcare, reduced small business taxes, and expanded working family tax credits. Committed to a strong economy, I work with local businesses, unions, and schools to protect jobs, expand apprenticeships, and provide career pathways.

Endorsed: 30th District Democrats, State Labor Council, Planned Parenthood, OneAmerica Votes, Sierra Club, housing advocates, teachers, healthcare workers, and more! Let's keep working together for the future we deserve.

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: Small business owner with experience in budgeting, marketing, customer service, and community engagement. This work has provided with me a firsthand understanding of the challenges facing families, workers, and local businesses while strengthening my skills in communication, organization, and problem-solving.

Education: I have a background in health and wellness with training in massage therapy, herbalism, and yoga instruction.

Community Service: Community service includes involvement with my daughter's co-op, supporting nonprofit fundraising efforts benefiting Seattle Children's Hospital, and volunteering with local churches. I also support mothers and families in my community through childcare, postpartum support, and hands-on help when needed.

Statement: As a mother and small business owner, I cannot stand by as our state continues down a destructive path. Families are struggling with rising costs, including property taxes, gas prices, and increasing utility bills, while government spending continues to grow. We are not better off than we were four years ago. Our children deserve the opportunity to grow up and succeed in the state we know and love, but that requires a serious change in direction. I am committed to fighting for our future, supporting small businesses, and restoring accountability in leadership that listens to and truly represents the people.



State Representative Position No. 2

Kristine Reeves

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Elected Experience: Your State Representative, 2017-2019 & 2023-present.

Other Professional Experience: Federal Way small business owner, specializing in organizational development consulting. Previously served as Director of Economic Development for Washington's Military and Defense Sector at the Washington State Department of Commerce, and Executive Director of the Washington Military Alliance. Served as U.S. Senator Patty Murray's Statewide Veterans Constituency Coordinator and regional outreach director.

Education: Graduate, Moses Lake High School; BA, Washington State University; MA, Gonzaga University; ABD, Seattle Pacific University.

Community Service: Member, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; Volunteer, Brigadoon Elementary; Volunteer, Chamber of Commerce; Volunteer, Children's Dance Theater.

Statement: An open door, open mind, and commitment to results. That's how I've served the 30th District, and I'm ready to keep going. I've passed laws to protect homeless students, expand access to nutritious food for seniors, mitigate wildfire risk, and invest \$100 million in local public safety. I founded the bipartisan Veterans & Military Families Caucus, passed the Wounded Warrior Shared Leave Act, and now chair the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, focused on food, farms, and the people who put dinner on our table. Endorsed: Congressman Adam Smith, Mayors & City Leaders, Labor, Nurses, Teachers, Police, & Environmentalists

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Elected Experience: Federal Way City Council

Other Professional Experience: Owner, 7th Power, Inc. | Technology Consultant; US Marine Corps Veteran, Iraq War

Education: Federal Way High School, Highline College

Community Service: St. Francis Hospital volunteer for 9 years, assistant wrestling coach at Totem Middle School, and currently teaches Jiu-Jitsu to children and adults.

Statement: Are you better off today, then two years ago? Rising housing, food, gas, and energy costs are hurting working families. Fraud, corruption, and weak leadership have made life harder. Yet, Olympia keeps demanding more.

As a business owner, veteran, and former councilmember, I understand service, accountability, and the challenges families face every day. In Olympia, I will fight for you by reducing taxes, improving public safety, expanding affordable housing, facilitate family-wage jobs, & protect girls' sports. It's time for accountable leadership that's willing to make tough decisions that puts you first. Join your friends & neighbors - vote Paul McDaniel.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: Democratic PCO since 2017.

Other Professional Experience: Field Organizer for 2024 Sumner-Bonney Lake School Bond (largest in WA state history), and previously employed as a program manager within residential treatment facilities.

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a Minor in Religious Studies from California State University, Bakersfield

Community Service: Currently serving on the Sumner-Bonney Lake School Bond Advisory Committee; as an Executive PTA Board Member and Book Fair Committee Chair; and in my eight year of continuous leadership on the board of the 31st LD Democrats. Past volunteering includes Secretary for the Family Readiness Group of the USS Shoup (DDG-86).

Statement: I'm running for State Senate in the 31st district because I believe our communities deserve a senator who shows up, listens, and works for everyone who calls this district home. Families are being priced out, infrastructure is straining under rapid growth, and our schools are asked to do more with less. At the same time, too many people feel unheard, or afraid to speak up.

I'm a mom, an organizer, and a veteran spouse. I've worked as a youth counselor with kids in crisis, supported military families through deployments, and spent eight years putting down roots near Lake Tapps, raising my two boys with my husband. Our current challenges aren't abstract policy debates to me; they are my life.

I believe we can govern better. I will lead with honesty, compassion, and determination to solve problems while representing the whole 31st district. I will advocate for our communities to be prioritized by Olympia, particularly in the transportation budget. We deserve leadership that cares about families, champions education, and takes rural infrastructure development seriously. I would be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsed: Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO; Pierce County Democrats; and trusted local leaders. Please see my website for more!

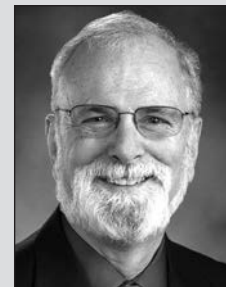
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Elected Experience: 31st District State Senator since 2017; 31st District State Representative elected 2016; 47th District State Representative 1998-2000

Other Professional Experience: Environmental training and consulting. International trade in Europe and Asia. Owner of small contracting business. Founding Director and first President of the PNW Erosion Control Association.

Education: Rutgers University, Cook College of Agriculture; Landscape Architecture

Community Service: I've been married for 49 years, have 5 children, 3 of whom are decorated U.S. Marines Corps veterans. Knights of Columbus member - 4th Degree, Project Rachel, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Sons & Daughters of Italy, Liberian Association of WA.

Statement: It's been an honor to serve as your voice in the State Senate and stand up for the values, freedoms, and common sense that make our communities strong. My approach to decision-making is simple: God first, the district second, and personal preference last. That principle guides every vote I take in Olympia. It's why I regularly seek your feedback through district surveys and town halls. Your voice should shape the decisions that affect our communities.

The financial challenges facing our state are not accidental. They stem from excessive spending and the unchecked growth of government programs. Individuals, families, seniors, workers, and small businesses are all being crushed by rising taxes and higher costs and for many of us, we've reached the breaking point.

I will continue to stand firmly against efforts to erode our Second Amendment rights, and I will fight for responsible, disciplined use of your tax dollars. I ask for your continued support as I work to protect your rights, defend your prosperity, and fight for a more accountable state government.

Proudly endorsed by law enforcement leaders, local elected officials, community leaders, and neighbors across the district who trust me to represent their values at the state Capitol.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: State Representative (current House Minority Leader, formerly Chair of Select Committee on Pension Policy, Ranking Member on House Appropriations Committee, and House Minority Floor Leader)

Other Professional Experience: Partner at Chalmers, Adams, Backer & Wallen (advising startups, small businesses and investors on corporate and securities law matters)

Education: J.D. (cum laude), University of Notre Dame Law School; B.S. in Economics, Duke University

Community Service: Co-founder of Citizen Action Defense Fund (providing pro bono legal counsel to local churches, nonprofit organizations and others in support of constitutional rights); volunteer tax preparer

Statement: As a lifelong Washingtonian, I know our state's incredible potential. Unfortunately, Washington keeps going in the wrong direction. We have among the highest gas, grocery and housing prices and worst crime rates in the country. Student test scores, attendance levels and college enrollment rates are dropping. Meanwhile taxes keep increasing, by billions each year.

It's time for change. I'm running for reelection to reverse these trends. I'll fight for safer neighborhoods where laws are enforced and criminals are apprehended, better schools that prepare all students for college or career, and a stronger and more affordable economy. *Together, let's fix Washington.*

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Elected Experience: None. First-time candidate.

Other Professional Experience: I know what it's like to work the register at Office Depot or make commission on the floor at Nordstrom. As a campus security guard, I walked people home at night when they didn't feel safe on campus. U.S. Navy nuclear reactor operator, 2015–2024. Three deployments aboard USS Theodore Roosevelt: operations supporting Kurdish allies against ISIS in the Middle East and freedom of navigation in the South China Sea. Currently a commercial HVAC technician serving schools, hospitals, and small businesses.

Education: B.A., Political Science, UC Santa Barbara (2014). Master of Public Administration (2025).

Community Service: None at this time.

Statement: I'm running because my service did not end when I hung up the uniform. My son deserves a community of neighbors who know each other, not one torn apart by outrage media. And you deserve to be treated with dignity and respect by the people you elect.

I'll fight to pass SB 6358 and end corporate election spending in Washington, even if it means going to every senator's district. I'll work to bring down housing, healthcare, and tax costs crushing working families. And I'll defend the Climate Commitment Act and modernize our grid for the century my son will inherit.



State Representative Position No. 2

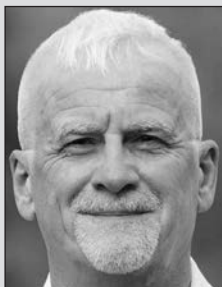
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Elected Experience: First time public servant.

Other Professional Experience: John is a Civil engineer and public works director with more than 30 years managing infrastructure, budgets, and operations. John has owned an excavation business and proudly raises cattle at his farm outside of Orting.

Education: John holds a Bachelors in Civil Engineering from the University of Saskatchewan; graduate coursework in engineering economics and accounting.

Community Service: John is passionate about this community. He volunteers as a Career and Technical Education advisor at Chief Leschi Schools and supports the Orting Senior Center and Orting Food Bank as a grant writer.

Statement: I never planned to run for office. As a civil engineer, public works director, and cattle farmer, I have spent my career solving problems, managing budgets, and delivering creative results for our communities. District 31 needs practical leadership focused on affordability, housing, infrastructure, and strong schools. I will work across the aisle to lower everyday costs, improve roads and utilities, support public safety, and expand career and technical education including trades pathways. Government should be honest, accountable, and able to get things done. I would be honored to earn your vote.

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Elected Experience: State Representative (Assistant Ranking Member, Appropriations; Finance; Early Learning & Human Services); Former Mayor (8 years), Councilmember (6 years), and Planning Commissioner (2 years), City of Orting; Former Chair, Pierce County Regional Council; Former Charter Review Commissioner, District 1.

Other Professional Experience: Executive Strategy, Penner & Co; Veteran, United States Marine Corps: Iraq War Veteran & Radio Operator.

Education: Harvard University, Master's (ALM); St. Martin's University, BA; Green River Community College, AA; Sumner High School.

Community Service: Co-Founder of PNW Vets, the largest Veteran support network in the Pacific Northwest; Crisis Intervention Trainer for WA-CJTC.

Statement: I grew up in Bonney Lake, graduated from Sumner High School, served as a Marine in Iraq, and led Orting as Mayor. As your Representative, I bring our community's shared values and that fighting spirit to Olympia.

Together, we saved Buckley's Rainier School, prevented disastrous cuts for early education, protected care facilities for fentanyl-exposed newborns, and cut red tape to fund the repair of the White River and Fairfax bridges. With your support, I will keep fighting to lower living costs, demand accountability, protect our most vulnerable, and secure our neighborhoods. Let's lead with action, not talking points.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: State Senator; Vice Chair of Health & Long-Term Care Committee; on Rules, Human Services, Housing, and the Joint Committee on Veterans' & Military Affairs. Former State Representative; Speaker Pro-Tempore; Member of the National Council of State Legislators Veterans & Military Affairs.

Other Professional Experience: UW Affiliate Faculty with twenty years' experience in behavioral health, consulting, and grant writing, working with governments and foundations to better serve our communities.

Education: Master of Social Work & B.S. in Psychology from UW.

Community Service: Kent Chamber of Commerce, Judson Retirement Community Board, United Way Impact Council, Veteran Suicide Prevention Task Force.

Statement: I am honored to serve you in the State Senate, where I've built on my record of legislative leadership—advancing measures to address housing and behavioral health needs and of veterans and military families and have worked to create protections for our communities against unregulated AI. I'm proud of this year's bills that strengthen protections against child sexual exploitation, prohibit insurance agencies from using AI to deny care, invest in flood recovery, reduce youth homelessness, and strengthen the rights of homeowners.

As a career social worker, protecting vulnerable Washingtonians has always been my focus. Protecting survivors of sexual abuse, gun violence, and suicide is absolutely a priority of mine whilst serving in the legislature. With federal cuts threatening programs for struggling families and agencies protecting vulnerable populations, I will continue to work to strengthen and protect these resources in our state.

With your vote, I'll continue working on affordable housing, comprehensive healthcare, 988, airport pollution mitigation, childcare access for working families, language access in schools, and finding climate solutions.

I'm proudly endorsed by local mayors and councilmembers, unions and state leaders, and many more. Let's keep working together for stronger, safer, and more supportive communities in South King County



State Representative Position No. 1



Edwin Obras

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Elected Experience: Edwin was appointed to the Washington State House in December 2024 and elected in 2025.

Other Professional Experience: Edwin has spent last 18 years at the Seattle Human Services Department, rising from program specialist to Division Director. He's worked on homelessness, anti-hunger programs, youth development, and community safety.

Education: BA, University of Washington; MPA, Northeastern University. First in his family to graduate from college.

Community Service: Edwin came from the Philippines as a child and has lived in SeaTac for the last 23 years. Past Board President of Filipino Community of Seattle and co-chaired their affordable housing capital campaign. Chaired the SeaTac Human Services Advisory Committee.

Statement: Rent, housing, gas and groceries are skyrocketing. Paychecks aren't keeping up. Families can't afford to live in their own neighborhoods. In my first full session in Olympia, six of my bills fighting for affordability and workers became law. I protected isolated workers, strengthened background checks, regulated rideshare companies, and strengthened nursing title protections against AI. I'll continue fighting for immigrant rights. I secured over \$30 million for our District, including investments for housing and health. I'll keep showing up. Endorsed: WA State Labor Council, 33rd Democrats, Washington Conservation Action, Planned Parenthood, Washington Nurses Association, Governor Ferguson, Senator Orwall, Representative Gregerson.

Darryl K. Jones

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Elected Experience: I served as a precinct committee officer in the 33rd Legislative District. Beyond that, I do not have experience as an elected official. However, I do have experience earned as the result of elected officials voting against the desires of the people they were elected to represent.

Other Professional Experience: I have decades of experience in representing the public. I worked as a manager for a healthcare company, a trainer for an hmo and customer service roles in housing, technology, hospitality and banking.

Education: California State University Hayward, Computer Science major, Mathematics minor

Community Service: I tutored low-income students after school at a public housing project.

Statement: Policy over party. If your party wins, then what do you win? Democrats won 60% of the seats. You won an income tax. an increase in spending and higher taxes. I would never betray the trust placed in me by voting to increase your costs. If I earn your vote I will work towards making life in Washington more affordable and protecting the people from greedy politicians.

It's time politicians learned that the state needs to live within its' means, not within our wallets. Washington has a spending problem. Vote for Darryl Jones and let's turn off the spigot.



State Representative Position No. 1

Chris Martinez

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Elected Experience: Appointed Precinct Committee Officer. I look forward to the privilege of serving our district and delivering real results for the working class.

Other Professional Experience: Lifelong blue-collar worker as an automotive technician, industrial painter, handyman, and laborer. These jobs honed my practical problem-solving skills that I will bring to the Washington Legislature.

Education: Graduated high school 2010. Computer-Based Accounting Certificate 2012. Technical training, industrial painting. Gained advanced automotive skills through hands-on professional experience.

Community Service: Generous donor to conservative causes that deliver real results locally and nationally. Through consistent tithing, charitable giving, I frequently help those in need with cash, vehicles, tires, clothing, and large gifts.

Statement: I am a blue-collar worker who turned my life around, achieving homeownership through hard work and faith in Jesus Christ. I know what it means to be forgotten by Olympia. Our government ignores your God-given rights and taxes away your hard-earned income. It is time to replace career politicians with leaders who champion limited government, traditional family values, fiscal responsibility, public safety, and constitutional rights. I will fight to abolish energy-killing taxes, support law enforcement, and protect your family from government overreach. Endorsed by the King County Republican Party. Together, we can restore common sense and American values in Washington.

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State Representative Position No. 2



Mia Su-Ling Gregerson

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Elected Experience: Mia Gregerson is a four-generation South King County resident, adopted from Taiwan by an Air Force family. She served on the SeaTac City Council, then as Mayor from 2008 to 2015, when SeaTac passed the first \$15 minimum wage in the country. She's represented the 33rd District since 2013, serves as Vice-Chair of House Appropriations, Co-Chairs a statewide poverty reduction task force and helped establish Washington's first Office of Equity.

Other Professional Experience: Before the legislature, Mia spent nearly 20 years in the dental field as a surgical assistant and business manager.

Education: She has a degree in history from the University of Washington.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: Times are tight. Groceries cost more. Gas costs more. Rent costs more. Families in our district feel it every week at the checkout line. The status quo isn't working. I've worked to deliver real results to help struggling families during these challenging times. Free school meals for every kid in Washington. Emergency food assistance when SNAP benefits dropped. A Right to Repair law to save you money on electronics. Free transit for kids. Millions for the 224th corridor and Kent's rapid ride bus. Endorsed: State Labor Council, One America Votes, Adam Smith, Tina Orwall, Edwin Obras, Bob Ferguson, and more.

Yuri Marinchik

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: I work full-time in demanding jobs while building a small business with my wife. These experiences show how government policies on taxes, regulations, energy costs, and housing affect working families and small businesses daily.

Education: Hands-on experience as a small business owner and working professional.

Community Service: I am committed to serving working families by listening to their concerns and fighting for solutions that make Washington more affordable, safe, and fair for everyone. As a working-class immigrant balancing a full-time job and small business, I understand the daily pressures many Washingtonians face rather than the distant approach of career politicians in Olympia.

Statement: I'm running for Washington State House to bring common sense back to Olympia. I am not a career politician — I am one of you. If you're tired of politicians who forget the people they serve, join me. Together we will fight for lower housing and energy costs, fair taxes, stronger public safety, and practical solutions. Instead of creating endless rules that make life harder and increase government control, they should act as true public servants — making our lives easier so we can enjoy our families and achieve self-realization. Let's put people over politics and deliver real results.



State Representative Position No. 2

Alex Andrade

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Elected Experience: Burien City Councilmember, 2024-present

Other Professional Experience: Small business owner with brick-and-mortar business experience; 25+ years in retail management, HR, budgeting, operations, and project management.

Education: AWC Certificate of Municipal Leadership (CML) & WA-CELI Cohort I; Columbia Basin College; South Seattle College; School of Visual Concepts.

Community Service: Current member of four Sound Cities Association (SCA) committees, SOMOS Seattle Board member, WA State Combined Fund Drive (CFD) Advisory Council, North Beach School District CTE Advisory Board, and Burien Elks House Committee; Burien C.A.R.E.S. volunteer; Former Discover Burien Board member and AIGA Seattle Treasurer; longtime volunteer supporting education, music, arts, LGBTQ+ advocacy, animal welfare and community organizations.

Statement: I am a Burien City Councilmember, small business owner, and dedicated volunteer committed to bringing solutions-focused leadership to Olympia. Families across South King County are struggling with rising costs-of-living, safety concerns, affordability, education, behavioral health and drug crisis, and government spending that continues to grow without enough accountability. As a business owner and elected official, I understand balancing budgets and making taxpayer dollars count. I will fight to hold state government accountable, demand transparency in how taxpayer dollars are spent, and support effective solutions for public safety, affordable housing, education, small businesses, pro-choice protections, equality, and stronger futures for Washingtonians.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: State Senator (2025-2026); State Representative (2023-2025)

Other Professional Experience: Non-profit leader building quality affordable housing and childcare; former Seattle Office of Housing Director investing \$290 million to prevent displacement, support climate resilience, build supportive housing to address homelessness, protect renters, and expand homeownership; award-winning Planned Parenthood organizer; Attorney

Education: BA, Scripps College (summa cum laude); JD, University of Washington School of Law (Gates Public Service Law Scholar)

Community Service: Former Board Member, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance; former member, Seattle Women's Commission; former Volunteer Attorney, Latino Bar Association of Washington Community Legal Clinic; PTA parent of two Seattle Public School students

Statement: It's a privilege to represent you in the State Senate. As a lifelong advocate for affordable housing and economic opportunity, I bring deep experience and a proven track record of delivering results. As your Senator, I've moved us forward on what matters: high-quality public schools, affordable housing, and access to childcare and healthcare. I'm proud to have championed policies that address the high cost of living by passing historic tax reform to fund schools and services, tax relief for working families and small businesses, and protections for renters, workers, and consumers.

I will continue to push for a fair economy with good-paying jobs and reforms that make homeownership, healthcare, childcare, and groceries more affordable. I'll fight to improve educational outcomes for kids and strengthen the social safety net for youth and seniors. We all deserve reliable public services, and I'll keep advocating for the investments needed to make our communities healthy and safe.

You can count on me to stand up for our democracy and civil rights, for reproductive freedom, common sense gun reform, and climate action. I'm committed to making government work for people—not special interests. I'd be honored to earn your continued support.



State Representative Position No. 1

Brianna K. Thomas

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Elected Experience: Proudly serving as your State Representative since 2025.

Other Professional Experience: Currently serving as Senior Policy Advisor for Seattle's Human Services Department. Previously served as Chief of Staff for City Council President, Mayor's Office Labor Liaison, and Campaign Director for multiple progressive initiatives/candidates.

Education: University of Washington, BA in Political Science 2010

Community Service: Seasoned track record of results working for our community. Managed SeaTac's \$15 minimum wage campaign in 2013, first in the country to pass on the ballot. Led Seattle's Honest Elections initiative, which established the city's democracy voucher program and served as Field Director for the Washington Low Income Housing Alliance Action Fund.

Statement: My life's work is about building a better and more just world, and that drives the legislation I have sponsored and passed. This biennium, I contributed to passing the Millionaires Tax, delivering long awaited tax reform to benefit working Washingtonians. I passed bills to guarantee meal and rest breaks for healthcare workers, give domestic workers the protections they've long deserved, keep transit moving, and ensure employees' privacy and bodily autonomy. I'm honored to continue fighting for you and the Fighting 34th!

Endorsements: 34thLD Democrats, WA State Labor Council, AG Nick Brown, County Councilmember Teresa Mosqueda, UFCW, WFSE/AFSCME and many more.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: State Representative, 2010-present; House Majority Leader, 2022-present; Chair, House Environment & Energy Committee, 2014-2022

Other Professional Experience: legislative assistant; environmental policy consultant

Education: BA, History and Political Science, Principia College

Community Service: Board of Directors, Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee, 2019-2025; Board of Directors, Futurewise (statewide environmental nonprofit), 2016-2019

Statement: It's an honor to represent you and fight for our communities. My record is one of an effective progressive who delivers results. I passed the nation's strongest climate laws; defended Washington from federal attacks; secured investments in education, healthcare, transit, public safety, and the environment; and helped stabilize our budget.

I led passage of landmark tax reform — a millionaires' tax paired with tax cuts for working families and small businesses. A new parent of two young children, I'm fighting for safe communities, better school funding, affordable clean energy, fair taxes, and a sustainable future. I ask for your vote.

Mary Anito

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Elected Experience: Fiduciary, Retirement Plan Committee Member, REI CO-OP

Other Professional Experience: Public School Mom of Three; Renovator, Jenito Homes (Seattle); Head of Field Operations, Shelf Engine (Seattle); VP of Operations, Hum Nutrition (California); Senior Manager Operations, REI (Sumner); Director, Supplier Management, Wayfair (Boston); Senior Manager Operations, Caterpillar (Illinois); Graduate Researcher, Novartis (Switzerland); Pb-Free Engineer, Cisco Systems (Boston)

Education: BS Materials Science and Engineering, Johns Hopkins University, MBA and MS, MIT Leaders for Global Operations Fellow, *Conversational Spanish/Italian*

Community Service: Board of ROOTS Young Adult Shelter, Secretary and Treasurer; Board of Coop Preschools; CORE Covid Response; Volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and Junior Achievement, PTA Enrichment Coordinator

Statement: Fiscal responsibility and strong public investment are not mutually exclusive. Balancing our budget while funding critical infrastructure, education, and healthcare is essential to the long-term strength, stability, and well-being of our communities.

As a working mom handling operations, housing, and small business, I understand the challenges families, workers, and local businesses face - and the urgency of delivering solutions. Y hablo español. I'm ready to serve the 34th LD by bringing my collaborative leadership experience successfully tackling complex challenges to advocate for our community's needs, drive results, and enact meaningful change so future generations are proud to call Washington home.



State Representative Position No. 1



Janice Zahn

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Elected Experience: State Representative, Committees: Local Government (Vice-Chair), Housing, Finance, and Transportation; Bellevue Councilmember (2017-2025)

Other Professional Experience: Chief Engineer and Public Works Construction Manager, Port of Seattle; Structural Engineer, Berger/ABAM Engineers

Education: B.S. and M.S. Civil Engineering and Executive Master of Public Administration, University of Washington; Leadership Eastside; Leadership Tomorrow

Community Service: Bellevue Schools Foundation, Trustee; The Sophia Way, Boardmember; Nourishing Networks, Boardmember; National League of Cities, Board of Directors; Chinese Institute of Engineers, Advisory Boardmember; International School PTA; Puesta del Sol Elementary PTA; Girl Scout leader; PEPS leader; Bellevue Transportation Commission, Chair; Port of Seattle Community Giving Campaign, Chair; Transportation Research Board, Committee member; and more.

Statement: I'm honored to represent you in Olympia, building a Washington where every family can thrive and strengthening our democracy. As an engineer, transportation leader, and longtime public servant, I am focused on improving affordability and delivering investments in housing, education, childcare, and transportation, while addressing our state's budget challenges responsibly. As a first-generation immigrant, I believe in people-first solutions bringing communities together and getting things done.

Endorsements: Nurses; Teachers; Planned Parenthood; Labor; 41st, King County Democrats; Conservation Action; Gun Responsibility; Senator Wellman; Representative Thai; Congressmembers Smith, DelBene; Councilmembers Balducci, Perry; Bellevue, Mercer Island, Issaquah, Sammamish, and Newcastle leaders; and more!

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Elected Experience: Candidate for Mercer Island School District School Board 2021; advanced past primary election. Candidate for LD 41, Position 2, in 2022.

Other Professional Experience: Community advocacy, legal research and drafting, youth and family advocacy, and small-business and real-estate investment experience, including service as Chairperson of Connect Care Alliance involving community health, youth programs, and public accountability initiatives.

Education: B.A. in Theology/Religious Studies, Master of Divinity (MDiv) in Practical Ministry, and Juris Doctor (JD).

Community Service: Community advocate involved in homeless outreach, family support, youth well-being, and community care initiatives, including leadership involvement with Connect Care Alliance and outreach involving underserved communities and African nations.

Statement: Parent, community advocate, and leader focused on protecting children, strengthening families, improving public safety, supporting youth well-being, and promoting government transparency and accountability. Committed to practical leadership, traditional values, economic opportunity for working families, support for small businesses, and restoring public trust through common-sense solutions that put communities first.

"Make It Make Sense."



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: Make America great again! USA! American Jew against Chinese occupation. Viva Trump! Viva new America Revolution! StandUP slave and happy cow, now! Vote Alex Tsimerman.

Voting FAQ

○ HOW DO I VOTE? ● —

Fill in the bubble next to your choice in each contest.

○ DO I HAVE TO USE A PEN?

You can use pen, pencil, crayon, or anything else that clearly fills in the bubble next to your choice.

○ DO I HAVE TO VOTE ON EVERY RACE?

It's up to you which races you vote on. You can vote on one race, two races, or all races. We will count whichever votes you mark.

○ WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MIND OR MADE A MISTAKE? ● —

Make a line through the option you do not want. Then, fill in the bubble next to your correct choice.

○ DO I HAVE TO SIGN MY BALLOT? ✍

You must sign the outside of the return envelope for your ballot to be counted. Your signature doesn't have to be neat or legible, but it does have to match the signatures in your voter registration file.

○ HOW DO I RETURN MY BALLOT? 📬

You can return your ballot to one of our more than 90 ballot drop boxes around King County. You can also put your ballot into any USPS mailbox. If mailing your ballot, USPS recommends mailing at least one week before Election Day.



State Representative Position No. 2

Michael Rosen

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Elected Experience: No elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: Attorney, Washington State Bar; Investor; Washington-licensed Nutritionist.

Education: B.B.A., magna cum laude, George Washington University; J.D., University of Miami School of Law; M.S. in Nutrition, National University of Natural Medicine.

Community Service: Volunteer, Democracy Postcarders; Mercer Island Rotary Club; Mercer Island, Newcastle, and Sammamish Chambers of Commerce.

Statement: As a fourth-generation Washingtonian born and raised on Mercer Island, I've watched this state lose its way — Olympia keeps spending more and delivering less, treating your tax dollars as a blank check. State spending has more than doubled in two decades while accountability, affordability, public safety, and health outcomes have gotten worse, not better.

I'm an attorney, investor, and Washington-licensed nutritionist. I think independently, follow evidence, and value outcomes over ideology. I will prioritize accountability, affordability, and improving health outcomes for Washington families. District 41 deserves a representative who brings expertise, demands fiscal discipline, and fights for solutions.

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Elected Experience: State Representative: Deputy Majority Leader; Appropriations, Civil Rights & Judiciary, Community Safety, Education, Finance, Healthcare & Wellness, Housing, Rules committees member. Former Bellevue School District Board President. Former Washington State School Board Directors Association Vice-President.

Other Professional Experience: Pharmacist. CEO - Wyoming General & Pediatric Neurology Clinic. Instructor - Vietnam Nursing Master Program.

Education: University of Washington - School of Pharmacy. Council of Government Western Legislative Academy. National Council of Government - Henry Toll Fellowship.

Community Service: Board of Directors - Children's Mental Health Resource Center, Vietnamese Scholarship Foundation. Office of Civil Legal Aids Oversight. Public Health Advisory Board. Family Medicine Residency Network legislator representative.

Statement: I am honored to represent Eastside families and committed to building the safe, supportive communities where everyone can thrive. As a healthcare professional, protecting access to affordable and high-quality care, supporting scientific innovations, and taking meaningful action on climate change are my top priorities. As the first refugee elected, I am committed to advancing a more just, inclusive, and equitable society for all.

With your support, I will prioritize the well-being of our community - focusing on educational opportunities, expanding behavioral health services, improving transportation, and developing strong workforce across our region. I humbly ask for your vote.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: State Senator; Deputy Majority Leader; Chair: Law & Justice Committee; Committee Member: Ways & Means; Environment, Energy & Technology

Other Professional Experience: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, King County (20 years); Chair: Therapeutic Alternative Unit; Crisis Intervention Training Instructor: WA Criminal Justice Training Commission (10 years). Intern: Sexually Violent Predator Unit, AG’s Office. Clerk: State Supreme Court.

Education: Juris Doctorate UW; B.A. History and Political Science, UC Berkeley

Community Service: Recipient: PTSA “Golden Acorn,” “Champion for Kids” and NAMI “Behavioral Health Champion” awards. Girl Scout Cookie mom; Chess Club, Math Club and Destination Imagination coach; Hopelink board member; Co-founder of API Chaya, (supporting survivors of gender-based violence).

Statement: We deserve leaders with a proven record of bringing people together to solve tough problems. I have listened to our community to deliver meaningful results. My work is guided by science and data and rooted in collaboration, honesty, and integrity. I have led efforts to strengthen public safety, expand behavioral health care, protect reproductive freedom, and defend civil rights.

We need bold leaders, committed to justice. I’ve worked alongside survivors, law enforcement and community organizations to improve victim services, strengthen accountability, expand crisis response systems, and connect people experiencing mental illness and addiction with treatment.

Each of us has a role to play in the prosperity of our state. We must continue advancing social equity, investing responsibly in transportation, and empowering our children to become the leaders we need to continue our tremendous economic growth. Our state must remain a leader in innovation and in creating opportunities for all.

With your vote, I would be honored to continue working to protect our democracy, improve healthcare access, defend workers, protect seniors, small businesses, and immigrants, and fight for a safe and livable planet. Endorsements: Planned Parenthood, One America Votes, Washington Conservation Action, labor unions, nurses, and community leaders across the Eastside.

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Elections so Every
Vote Counts



At King County
Elections, our mission
is to conduct accurate, secure
and accessible elections.

Physical Security

-  Our facility is monitored by over 80 security cameras.
-  The public can watch us process the election via 15 live webcams.
-  Staff and observers must badge into and out of the ballot processing area.
-  Ballot storage and tabulation areas require both a badge and biometric access.

Cybersecurity

-  Certified cybersecurity experts are on staff at Elections and at King County IT.
-  All staff receive annual cybersecurity training.
-  Voter registration and tabulation systems are kept separate from one another for maximum security.
-  The ballot tabulation system is on a specially designed, entirely closed network, not connected to the internet.



State Representative Position No. 1

JoAnn Tolentino

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Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer, five years.

Other Professional Experience: Music teacher for thirty-five years. Retired professional in Governance, Risk, and Compliance software sales.

Education: Attended Wenatchee Valley College and Seattle Pacific University, Music Therapy major.

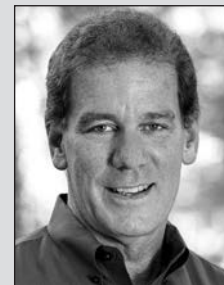
Community Service: Dedicated hundreds of hours to grassroots activities supporting democracy; worked summers with incarcerated youth.

Statement: The 45th District deserves results, not partisan games. I am not a politician; I am a teacher, mother, and grandmother who believes in putting people first. I will restore accountability to Olympia by defending our constitutional rights, transparency, and equal justice. We must implement secure elections, empower parents, and prioritize academic excellence. I will fight the regulations driving up housing costs and champion affordable energy. We need proven recovery solutions for homelessness and full support for our law enforcement. Endorsed by the King County Republican Party. I am ready for the hard work of restoring trust and defending our freedom.

Roger Goodman

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Elected Experience: State Representative, 2007-present; Chair, House Community Safety Committee; Chair, Statute Law Committee; Senior Member, Civil Rights and Judiciary Committee; Human Services and Early Learning Committee.

Other Professional Experience: Attorney in private practice; King County Bar Association, 2000-08; Director, Washington State Sentencing Guidelines Commission 1998-2000; Washington State Law and Justice Advisory Council; Congressional Chief of Staff and Legislative Director, 1988-1995.

Education: Dartmouth College, AB, Senior Fellow; George Washington University, JD; Harvard University, MPA.

Community Service: Hopelink, Board of Directors; President, Kirkland's Lakeview Neighborhood Association; Rotary Club; King County Behavioral Health Advisory Board; proud father of two.

Statement: I'm honored to represent you in Olympia, leading efforts to improve public safety, reduce gun violence and help people in crisis. I've passed laws to protect survivors of crime, expand drug and mental health services, and improve law enforcement accountability and training.

I voted to reduce the tax burden on working people and small businesses and to provide free school meals and more affordable childcare. With your vote, I'll continue to champion K-12 funding, affordable housing investments, climate action, and reproductive rights. Let's keep working together to protect our communities and families.



State Representative Position No. 2



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Elected Experience: Redmond City Councilmember (2020–present); Council President (2024–2025); Council Vice President (2022–2023); Democratic PCO (2017–Present).

Other Professional Experience: Executive Director, Washington Association of Land Trusts. Previously worked at Microsoft, League of Conservation Voters, and Latin America Working Group.

Education: Master of Public Administration (MPA) and Master of Business Administration (MBA), University of Washington; BA, Vassar College.

Community Service: Current Board Member at Hopelink, WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council (Chair), Eastside Transportation Partnership, OneRedmond, and Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition. Norman Rockwell PTA Member. Previously served as University of Washington Regent, King Conservation District Advisory Committee Chair, Redmond Planning Commissioner, National Women’s Political Caucus of WA Board Member.

Statement: As a mom with experience in government, nonprofits, and tech, I have the skills and perspective to champion our community’s priorities. On the Redmond City Council, I’ve delivered affordable housing, expanded bike paths and transit, increased public safety, and accelerated climate action. As your Representative, I’ll work to support schools, advance childcare and household affordability, protect forests and farmland, and defend civil rights.

Endorsed: 45th Democrats, Congresswoman DelBene, Senator Dhingra, County Councilmembers Perry and Balducci, Mayors of Redmond, Kirkland, Woodinville, Duvall, Sammamish, and 50+ elected leaders, Planned Parenthood Alliance, Washington Conservation Action, Washington Education Association, State Labor Council, and more!

John P Gibbons

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted.

Education: No information submitted.

Community Service: No information submitted.

Statement: No information submitted.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: None.

Other Professional Experience: Technology attorney and corporate counsel advising on regulatory, privacy, and business issues in the technology sector. Former General Counsel for a regional healthcare system. Small business owner. Experienced working across business, legal, and public policy teams solving complex problems and protecting consumers.

Education: Juris Doctor. B.A. in Political Science.

Community Service: Member, Redmond Rotary Club. Little League coach, Redmond West Little League. Ongoing pro bono volunteer support for families experiencing homelessness, for those in need of immigration assistance, and more. Volunteer contributor to UW Racial Restrictive Covenants Project. Active volunteer supporting local families through community service initiatives, including work with Timberlake Church.

Statement: *Proud to be endorsed by Representative Larry Springer.*

Washington needs practical leadership focused on results, *not ideology*. I'll bring urgency, leadership, and experience to lower housing and childcare costs, support small businesses, push back on Trump, and build an economy that works.

Our district is ground zero for AI. The future is coming fast. Washington should lead by preparing for new risks while encouraging innovation and good jobs. As a father of three and technology attorney, I understand the stakes personally and professionally. *I'm the only candidate prepared to meet this moment* with the urgency, experience, and judgment it demands.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: 47th LD State Senator since 2022

Other Professional Experience: Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison for the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe; Co-founder, Native Action Network

Education: Associate's degree, Northwest Indian College; Certificate in Project Management, UW School of Business

Community Service: Former Chair of Green River College Board of Trustees. I also have received many accolades for my community service: Adeline Garcia Community Service Award, Seattle Indian Health Board; Recognition of Service Award, Green River College Board of Trustees; Champion for Children Award, Children's Alliance; Golden Crayon Award, Early Learning Action Alliance; Governor's Award of Excellence for a Lifetime of Volunteering, Governor Christine Gregoire

Statement: Our community is at a crossroads where the rising cost of living threatens the stability of every family. As your State Senator, my priority remains clear: making Washington affordable for everyone. We must tackle the housing crisis by increasing supply and protecting renters from predatory price gouging. I've championed legislation to build more housing and will continue fighting for middle-income housing so people can live where they work.

I know what it's like to balance rent and healthcare costs, groceries and gas, and try to make it all work. I've worked for property tax relief for seniors and expanded childcare access for working parents. We must ensure our social safety net is robust enough to catch those falling behind while building an economy where living-wage jobs are the standard, not the exception.

I'm running to ensure that South King County has a proven leader who understands the challenges of our diverse district. I'm proud to be endorsed by the Mayors of Auburn, Covington, and Kent, King County Executive Girmay Zahilay, the 47th District Democrats, the State Labor Council, and many others. I would be honored to earn your vote to keep working for a fair, inclusive, and affordable Washington.

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Elected Experience: Covington City Council, 2019 to present; Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee; South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Executive Board

Other Professional Experience: Diagnostic Medical Sonographer, (ARDMS, OB, RVT); Loan Originator; Choir Teacher; Piano Teacher; Mother of three

Education: AA, Bellevue College; Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (RDMS) certification

Community Service: Covington Chamber of Commerce, Covington Storehouse Food Bank, Covington City litter cleanup, Ukraine medical supply relief effort organizer, school volunteer during COVID-19 school closures, PTA school board member, and more

Statement: For too many families in Kent, Auburn, and Covington, life is harder than it should be. Our leaders in Olympia are focused on political power instead of what our families, workers, and businesses need. That has to change. It's why I'm running for State Senate, and it's the reason I first ran for office seven years ago.

I came to this country from Ukraine when I was five years old without knowing the language, but I was blessed with opportunities made possible by strong schools, safe neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and a community focused on the future. When those values felt threatened, I stepped up to serve.

In 2019, I defeated a fourteen-year incumbent to serve on the Covington City Council because our families deserve better. Since then, I've focused on real results: launching the Clean Team to improve public spaces; fully funding our police, including funding for an additional officer; pioneering a community resource officer program for neighbors facing homelessness or mental health crises; and fighting to reduce traffic congestion.

The 47th deserves a senator focused on results, accountability, and common-sense solutions - not partisan games. I'm ready to bring that to Olympia and I'd be honored by your vote.



State Representative Position No. 1



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Elected Experience: Master of Legal Studies Representative, Student Bar Association, Seattle University School of Law

Other Professional Experience: Experience in family law practice and legal advocacy; English language tutor supporting non-native speakers in academic communication; substitute paraeducator in Kent School District

Education: Master of Legal Studies, Seattle University School of Law; B.A. in Political Science and Law, Societies, and Justice, University of Washington (Seattle)

Community Service: Government relations and legislative advocacy work with Washington Autism Alliance; immigration case support for Kids in Need of Defense; independent human rights research and public academic presentations on Sikh genocide and international accountability

Statement: Career politicians have become too comfortable doing the minimum while working families struggle with the basics. Housing, groceries, and energy costs keep rising, and we're left with empty words and a list of endorsements. South King County deserves a representative who listens, shows up, and fights tirelessly for real change.

As a legal professional and community advocate, I have expanded access to justice and stood with immigrants, refugees, and those often left behind. In Olympia, I will lower costs, make our tax system fairer, strengthen good-paying jobs, and ensure artificial intelligence creates opportunity, not uncertainty, for our children.

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Elected Experience: No information submitted.

Other Professional Experience: I'm a housing developer, construction project manager, and South Sound Business Top 40 Under 40 honoree. Throughout my career, I helped deliver hundreds of homes across Washington State, including senior living, single-family housing, market-rate apartments, and middle housing, before pursuing a career in public service.

Education: I hold an interdisciplinary Bachelor's degree in Economics, Policy Analysis, Politics, and Philosophy from the University of Washington Tacoma. During my studies, I worked as policy staff for Senator Jeff Wilson and as a Business Advocate for the Tacoma-Pierce Chamber of Commerce. My academic work on public policy has been peer-reviewed and published.

Community Service: Auburn Rotary

Statement: I'm running to restore affordability, protect constitutional rights, and bring practical, policy-focused leadership back to Olympia. After delivering hundreds of homes across Washington, I've seen firsthand how excessive regulations, rising taxes, and bureaucratic delays drive up the cost of housing, energy, and healthcare. I support fiscal responsibility, accountable government, strong civil liberties, safe communities that respect both public safety and individual rights, and continued opposition to a state income tax. We need lower costs, abundant and reliable energy, more housing, and less political theater. It's time for *a better way forward* that puts working families and individuals first.



State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: First time legislative candidate running as a Cascade Democrat. A Cascade Democrat values actionable rational solutions that don't waste your tax dollars.

Other Professional Experience: Teacher in both Kent and Auburn School Districts. I currently teach students who are struggling to stay in school.

Education: Auburn Mountainview High School. Bachelor's, Western Washington University. Master's, Western Governors University.

Community Service: Covington Rotary Club, Kent and Covington Chamber of Commerce, Kent Senior Activity Center, and Kent Cornucopia Days volunteer. I volunteer at The Hope Factory building housing for the homeless and with Battlefield Addiction supporting addiction recovery efforts.

Statement: I'm a public school teacher running because the system isn't working for my students or their families. Costs are too high, housing is too scarce, and addiction is destroying too many lives in our community. As a Cascade Democrat, I'm focused on results and efficient use of your tax dollars. I support high-rise housing near light rail to lower housing costs and a three-strikes policy with six months of mandatory rehab to help people off the streets and into successful treatment. It's time to unite around rational solutions to build a future for Washington families.

Endorsed by ATU Local 587

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Elected Experience: State Representative, 47th District, 2018–present; member of House committees on Housing; Civil Rights & Judiciary; Transportation; and Postsecondary Education & Workforce.

Other Professional Experience: 12 years of experience serving South King County as a Congressional staffer, including three as the District Director.

Education: Bachelor's Degree, Political Science, Seattle University.

Community Service: Current member, Washington State Board for Community & Technical Colleges; 11 years on Renton Technical College Board of Trustees; member, Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle; member, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Statement: As your State Representative, I have worked to strengthen our social safety nets, improve public safety, support workers, and invest in frontline responders. As a member of the first Seattle/King County Head Start class and a non-traditional college graduate, I know how life-changing early access to opportunity and affordable education can be. Through HB2015, I secured \$100 million for public safety. My bill HB1559 created benefits navigators to help college students access wraparound support and complete their education.

I will continue working with my colleagues across the aisle to protect vulnerable households and improve opportunities for families throughout Washington state.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: State Representative; Speaker Pro Tempore; Vice Chair, State Government & Tribal Relations; Committee member: Capital Budget, Environment & Energy, Rules; former Auburn City Councilmember

Other Professional Experience: Career working with tribes, rural, and marginalized communities to create jobs, invest in clean energy, and protect rights; appointed by President Clinton as U.S. Energy Department's first-ever Indian Affairs Director; former Chair, WA State Gambling Commission

Education: Cornell Law School, JD; Williams College, BA

Community Service: King County Affordable Housing Commission; King County Mental Illness and Drug Dependency Committee; WA State Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Task Force

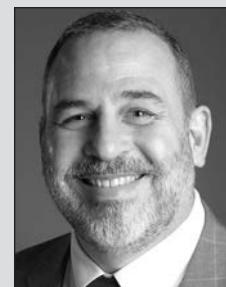
Statement: As your Representative, I've worked to deliver real results for working families—expanding affordable housing, strengthening worker protections, improving behavioral health services, and defending civil rights. As a Navajo attorney, I've spent my career standing up for justice and speaking up for communities left out of decision-making. I'll continue fighting for strong schools, safer communities, and an economy where every family has the opportunity to succeed.

Endorsed: Auburn Mayor Backus, Kent Mayor Ralph, Covington Mayor Smith; Congressman Adam Smith; Governor Bob Ferguson; 47th LD Democrats; WA State Nurses Association; Aerospace Machinists 751; WA Conservation Action; WA State Labor Council and more!

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Elected Experience: Elected Experience: KCGOP 2nd Vice Chair, 2020-2022; PCO COV 3244, COV 1127, 2009-present; Board of Directors Timberlane HOA (Covington) 2010-2011

Other Professional Experience: Other Professional Experience: Senior Software Tester, Team Lead, Certified Project Manager

Education: Education: Bachelor of Theology, Beacon University

Community Service: Community Service: Formerly on the Board of Directors for Portable Academic Lapdesk (education non-profit); Past volunteer work: Cops With Cancer, Boots & Badges, Echo Glen Children's Center, Green Hill School, Vine Maple Place Women's Shelter, Union Gospel Mission, Maple Valley Food Bank, American Indian Fellowship Northwest Network (Colville Reservation), Miguel de Cervantes Elementary School (Nicaragua), and Rainbow Evangelical College (Fiji).

Statement: Democrats made Washington unaffordable. I have a plan to fix it. I'll freeze all new taxes and eliminate existing taxes on income, property, and fuel. I'll order audits of every state office and program and cut waste. I'll end unaccountable public-private partnerships and legislative commissions. I'll prioritize starter homes with yards over high-density apartments forced on us by Olympia. I'll replace DEI with merit in government hiring, restore full parental rights in education, and uphold the biological definition of gender. Public safety and a classical American education come first. Kent, Auburn, Covington, and Maple Valley deserve better. I'll deliver it.



State Senator

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Elected Experience: Senator, 48th LD; Vice Chair- Environment, Energy, Technology and Health & Long-Term Care Committees, Member- Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee; Co-Chair- Science, Innovation, Technology Caucus; 2021-24 WA Student Association Legislator of the Year; 4-term 48th LD State Representative; Bellevue Councilmember.

Other Professional Experience: 20+ year medical scientist in leading biotechnology companies; licensed clinical pharmacist.

Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, UW; Master of Public Administration, UW; Bachelor of Science (Pharmacy), UBC.

Community Service: UW Evans School Dean's Council; Ruckelshaus Center Advisory Board; Hopelink Board; Environmental Services Commission; Overlake Hospital Foundation Board; State Board of Pharmacy; NARAL ProChoice Foundation Board; Lake Hills Urban Farm.

Statement: As your State Senator, I bring experience as a scientist, healthcare professional, mom, and proud military parent to address local priorities amid federal and economic uncertainty. I have a strong record of fighting for our shared values: affordable healthcare, reproductive freedom, support for immigrants, and a tax code that is fair to working people.

I championed legislation to lower costs for working families, strengthen public education and childcare, support innovation and scientific research, ensure hospitals remain open, and protect Washingtonians from harmful federal overreach. I voted for more affordable housing, transit and transportation solutions for our region, career training, strengthening gun safety laws, climate action, and reducing medical debt. As lead sponsor of "My Health My Data"--one of the nation's strongest medical privacy laws, and a constitutional amendment protecting abortion rights, I'm a proven advocate for personal freedoms.

I'm a data-driven problem-solver representing our community's diversity and innovative spirit. Everyone deserves a chance to thrive--I'll keep fighting to make that possible. *Endorsed: King County, 48th Democrats; State Labor Council; Teachers; Conservation voters; Planned Parenthood Advocates; Nurses; National Women's Political Caucus; Redmond, Bellevue, Kirkland Mayors; Councilmember Balducci; AG Nick Brown; Insurance Commissioner (former 48th Senator) Kuderer; Treasurer Pellicciotti; Governor Locke; more!*

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State Representative Position No. 1

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Elected Experience: State Representative, 48th LD; former Redmond City Councilmember

Other Professional Experience: Previous experience includes Medical Device Consultant, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Researcher, King County Community Engagement Manager, and Coffee Shop Owner

Education: BS Neurobiology & English Minor, University of Washington (*Student Body President*); LWSD Graduate

Community Service: Board member for Hopelink, Transportation Choices Coalition, OneRedmond Foundation, Asian Pacific-Islander Americans for Civic Empowerment, Lawyers Helping Hungry Children; Member of LWSD Career & Technical Education Committee; Former member of Eastside Fire & Rescue Fire Corps, Redmond Youth Basketball Coach

Statement: As your State Representative, I'm focused on delivering results. I secured critical childcare and healthcare investments for our district and passed more laws than any legislator this year, championing bills on affordable housing, gun violence prevention, and immigrant protections. As a lifelong Eastsider, I'll keep fighting for local priorities: public safety, healthcare access, and strong schools. I'm running to continue serving our communities with a commitment to common-sense solutions and economic growth.

Endorsed: Congresswoman DelBene; Governor Ferguson; County Councilmember Balducci; Mayors of Redmond, Bellevue, Kirkland, Medina; Teachers; Nurses; Conservation Action; State Labor Council; 48th Democrats; Planned Parenthood Alliance; and more!

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Elected Experience: Director, San Diego Taxpayers Association; Director, Homeowner Association; Delegate, Republican Washington and National Conventions

Other Professional Experience: CPA, financial system consultant for 40 years; Audited a billion dollar bank fraud for the FDIC; Conducted audits for the LA County Grand Jury; Financial system consultant to five Fortune 500 companies, federal government, California, and the largest counties in California; Owned and operated a Greek restaurant

Education: BS, University of Cincinnati, magna-cum-laude; MBA, Finance, San Diego State University; Post graduate instructor of Accounting Information Systems

Community Service: Ran church homeless donation program; Taught classes for CPA exam candidates

Statement: I Will Bring Financial Responsibility to Government to Save Your Hard-Earned Tax Dollars.

No more new taxes! Washington has an outrageous spending problem, not an income problem. I will reject any new or unnecessary taxes. Eliminate fraud! I will spearhead fraud audits to stop squandering your money. I will push to make our government effective and efficient. I will represent you, not special interests! I will only accept contributions from individuals. I will be independent and not accept any PAC and union contributions. I will work hard for you. Please vote for me.



State Representative Position No. 2

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Elected Experience: Redmond City Council Member (2020-present), Council President ('22-'23), Council VP ('24-'25); Alternative Crisis Response Subcommittee Chair; Tenant Protections Subcommittee; Eastrail Co-Chair; Growth Management Policy Board; AWC Federal Advocacy Committee; Disability Board

Other Professional Experience: Small Business Owner for 20 years; SEIU Board Delegate; Non-Profit Executive Director; Art Director Seattle Symphony; Urgent Care Staff

Education: BFA Visual Communication and Design, Kent State University; Environmental Design Certificate; Association of Washington Cities Certificate of Municipal Leadership; FBI Citizens Academy

Community Service: LD48 Precinct Committee Officer; American Legion Auxiliary; Recording Academy Federal Advocacy Committee; NAMI Youth Mentor; League of Women Voters King County Treasurer; Seattle Symphony Pride Co-Founder; Special Olympics

Statement: Housing and healthcare costs are climbing faster than wages; education is underfunded; the climate crisis is here; working families are struggling with increasing prices. I've balanced billion-dollar municipal budgets, won tenant protections, secured \$7.5M for housing and human services, improved financial transparency, championed small business pandemic support, and fought for LGBTQIA+ and immigrant communities. I'll take my inclusive and pragmatic approach that led to these wins to Olympia to fight for all families.

Endorsements: 48th District Democrats; King County Democrats; Washington State Labor Council; Insurance Commissioner Kuderer; Senator Slatter; Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates; Redmond Firefighters; 60+ elected officials. More: votehorsythe.com.

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Elected Experience: State Representative 2019-present; Kirkland Mayor 2014-2018; Kirkland Councilmember 2009-2019

Other Professional Experience: 20+ years experience as an owner and Chief Finance Officer in our family businesses

Education: Bachelor of Laws, University of Queensland Law School; Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, University of Queensland

Community Service: I have always worked to make life better for people in my community, serving in volunteer and civic roles with organizations like Food Lifeline, Youth Eastside Services, PorchLight and Studio East, and securing scholarships for students to attend Lake Washington Institute of Technology. As a cancer survivor, I make it a priority to support services for families impacted by cancer.

Statement: I'm a pragmatic governing Democrat who works across the aisle. I champion public safety, affordability, balanced budgets and fiscal responsibility.

I stood up to the federal government by banning ICE from wearing masks and backfilling money cut from Planned Parenthood. As one of few small business owners in Olympia, I have focused on creating and protecting family wage jobs, particularly for small business and tech workers, which is why I voted *no* on the income tax. Endorsements: Bellevue Police Guild, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Governor Gregoire, Congressman Smith, Councilmember Claudia Balducci



Assessor



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Statement: The growing property tax burden in King County is unsustainable for many residents. Families, retirees, and small business owners should not feel like they are being taxed out of their homes or land because assessments continue to rise faster than ordinary people can keep up. We need property tax reform, and we need it now, and that starts with admitting our current system does not produce uniform or equitable results as intended. In a system legally and constitutionally required to have uniformity, results are ultimately what matter.

Our current property tax system is both too difficult to understand and challenge. Based on my independent research, the system produces highly non-uniform results, violating both state law and our WA state constitution.

I am proudly not a politician. I am a 35+ year King County resident, small family business owner, and King County's Citizens Alliance for Property Rights (CAPR) Chapter President. I have personally gone through the property tax appeal process, so I understand how bad and frustrating our current system is.

I've reviewed assessment data, submitted public records requests, filed appeals, researched appraisal data, and tried to work within the system, to challenge it and better understand it. Our system completely lacks transparency, consistency, accountability, and any kind of meaningful due process for taxpayers across the board.

I have recently developed and submitted multiple audit proposals targeting our current property taxation system. Property owners deserve a system where assessments are easily understandable, valuation methods are transparent, standards are applied fairly and uniformly, and taxpayer rights are respected throughout the appeals process.

Regardless of being elected as Assessor, I will continue to work on property tax reform. Given the significant tax burden property owners carry, we deserve a system we have confidence in and that doesn't tax us out of our homes.

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Education: Ph.D., UW; B.A., Willamette; National Insurance Credential (AINS); Energy Planning Policy Certificate, U-Idaho

Occupation: Government Affairs Coordinator and Public Policy Instructor, IAAO member

Statement: "Chris Roberts is a proven leader who will deliver for King County." — Executive Girmay Zahilay.

The King County Assessor's office is in the midst of a leadership crisis. From the current Assessor's personal legal issues to delays in processing applications for property tax relief, the office needs a fresh start. This is not a failure of the frontline staff, who do excellent work; it is a leadership failure—the result of understaffing, budgetary mismanagement, and a lack of attention to customer service.

The Assessor must lead with absolute integrity and transparency. With 17 years of experience as a Councilmember and two-term Mayor, I have managed complex budgets and delivered housing affordability. I will rebuild public trust by establishing a citizen oversight committee and creating a tribal liaison position to honor sovereignty and those with the deepest connection to the land.

No candidate can deliver results until the office functions well. I possess deep technical policy knowledge and the proven leadership needed to clear backlogs and cut red tape. I will prioritize modernizing operations to ensure the office supports our \$400 billion economy efficiently.

"I have full trust in Chris's government experience and judgment to serve the taxpayers well." — Former King County Assessor Lloyd Hara. Endorsed by Congresswoman Suzan DelBene, Lt. Gov. Denny Heck, Councilmembers Rod Dembowski, Teresa Mosqueda, Seattle Councilmember Alexis Mercedes-Rinck, suburban mayors, multiple Democratic organizations, and union labor. Thank you for your vote!



Assessor

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Education: University of Washington, B.A.; Certified General Real Estate Appraiser; Seattle Public Schools graduate

Occupation: Senior Appraiser, City of Seattle; Former King County Hearing Examiner

Statement: The Assessor's office touches every person's ability to stay in their home. Rising property taxes are pushing out homeowners, renters, and small businesses, while large corporations use high-paid lawyers to minimize their tax bills and shift that burden onto working people. That has to end.

I'm a fifth-generation Seattleite and the only candidate in this race who has actually done the valuation work this office depends on. As Senior Appraiser for the City of Seattle, I appraise public properties daily, ensuring real estate decisions serve the public interest. My career has included high-level commercial valuation in the private sector. Serving as a Hearing Examiner on the King County Board of Appeals and Equalization, I've sat across the table from homeowners fighting to stay in their communities while corporate landowners brought teams of experts to secure tax reductions. I've seen who the current system serves and who it fails.

I've lived in income-restricted housing. I know what financial pressure looks like from the inside, and it's why I'm a proud PROTEC17 shop steward. Workers deserve to organize and fight for fair treatment.

I'll ensure large corporate property owners pay their fair share, provide real relief for homeowners and renters, and bring transparency and accountability to a system that too many people distrust. In Olympia, I'll push to lift the 1% levy cap, establish homestead protections for primary residences, and create a renter's tax credit, so working families stop absorbing a burden the current system was never designed to share fairly.

I'm proud to be endorsed by King County Democrats, nine legislative district Democratic organizations, Seattle Councilmembers Eddie Lin and Dionne Foster, multiple labor unions, and Danny Hagen, President of the Washington State Association of County Assessors, among others. They've seen me do this work and they trust me to lead it.

Al Dams



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Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication, University of Washington, Cum Laude

Occupation: Chief Deputy Assessor, King County

Statement: As the current Chief Deputy Assessor, I know how critical the work of the Office is. I lead the efforts to set property values upon which your property taxes are calculated and billed. I lead the review of funding requests from schools, fire departments, and cities to ensure they're accurate and lawful. If it's wrong, families are overtaxed, and services are underfunded.

Getting it right is technical and demanding, taking years to learn. I've done it for 11 years as Chief Deputy Assessor, the #2 position in the office. I manage teams of highly trained and educated appraisers, analysts, and technologists who value 750,000 residential and commercial properties annually.

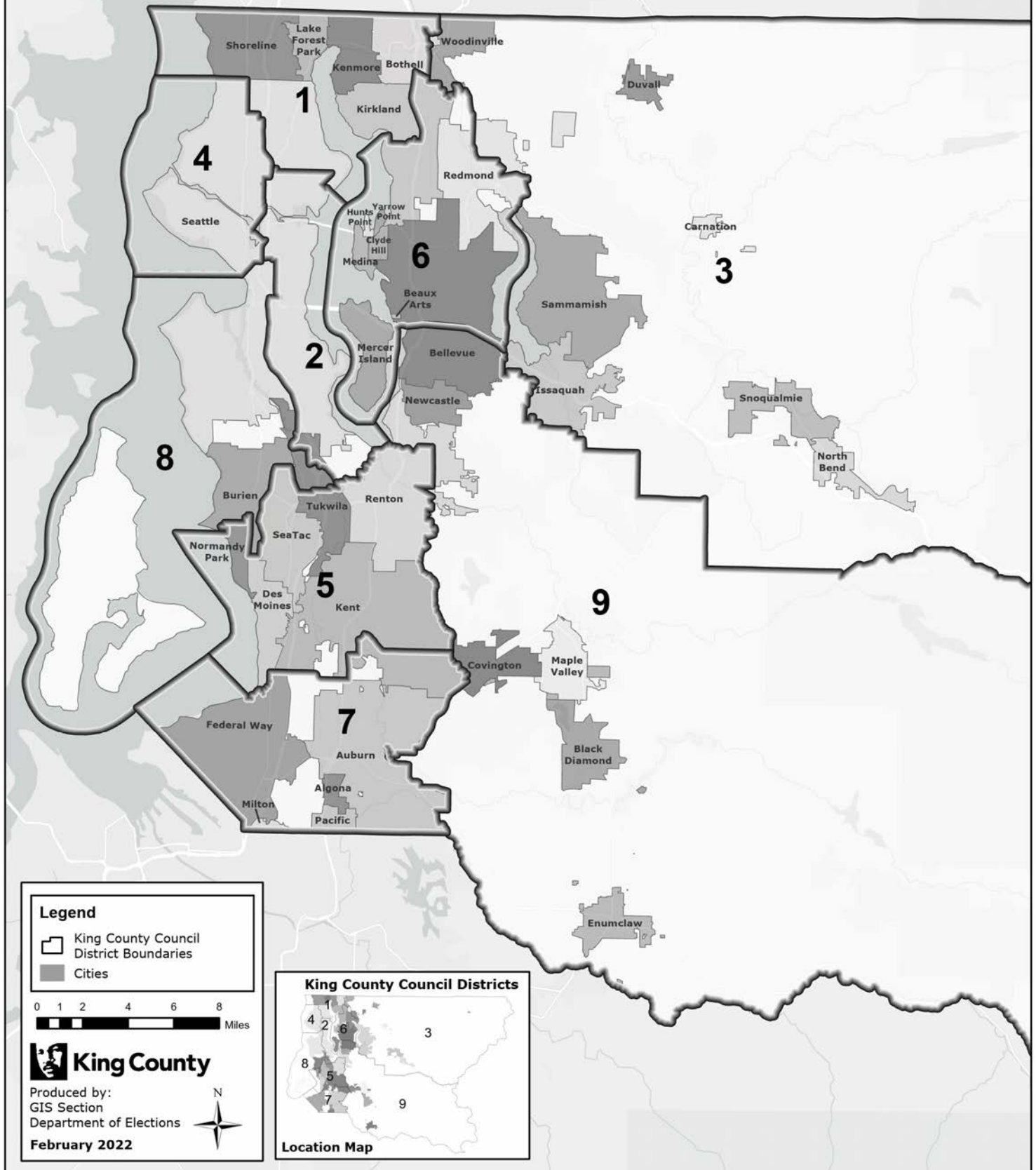
Because of our office's high standards, professionalism, and quality, we've earned the Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration — one of only 65 jurisdictions in the U.S. and Canada to achieve this honor, and one of two in our State.

No candidate in this race has the experience and knowledge I have, nor the track record of reforming the property tax system. As Chief Deputy Assessor, I've worked to reform tax exemption programs so thousands of additional Seniors are receiving tax breaks to stay in their homes. I'm committed to expanding tax exemptions so that those of all ages are eligible.

Voters face a real choice: hand this office to someone who must learn it from scratch, and risk costly mistakes. Or elect me, the person who's been doing this work every day for more than a decade. I'm asking for your vote to keep the office in experienced and proven hands.

I'm endorsed by dozens of people of all backgrounds, including County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, former Deputy County Executive Fred Jarrett, State Representative Kristine Reeves, and Bothell City Councilmember Prasad Anguluri. I'd be honored with your vote.

King County Council Districts





Council District No. 8



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Occupation: Longshoreman

Statement: 15 years ago, I discovered that our local legislative process has no place for public opinion. Policy is drafted and voted on by people who are most often not affected by it, while the people who are, cannot contribute to the conversation which creates it. We have no measurable impact on decisions made by our representatives and if we cannot check our government, we live in a fascist society, whether we vote or not.

No one is coming to save us from the cultural and economic crisis we face in this time of radical change. Until we are present in the conversation which creates legislation, we will be unable to prevent any decision made by our government that fails to protect our liberty. While the issues we face may seem impossible - the root cause is simple. There is no common sense in legislation because there is no common voice, and there is no common voice because there is no common mike.

If elected, I will open the legislative process to public partnership. I will introduce an open public forum parallel to every committee to act as a standing check against bad policy and an interactive map that citizens can use to drop pins of interest that guide the conversation of legislation. Together, we will find ways to use government to empower those in the community already doing the work.

The People have outgrown our need for representation with the advancement of our technology. If we can expect to access social media 24 hours a day, we can expect to engage with the legislative process whenever we want. We have to get organized if we are going to have any control over our own lives.

Give me your vote and I'll give you the mike.

Organize or die.

Teresa Mosqueda



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Occupation: County Councilmember; labor champion, children's advocate, public health policy leader

Statement: I'm running for re-election to the County Council to continue building a healthier, safer, more affordable King County where working families can thrive. At a time when costs are rising and many neighbors are struggling to stay housed, maintain access to care, and make ends meet - we need bold leadership that delivers real results for our communities.

I've spent my career fighting for workers, kiddos, and healthy communities. At the Children's Alliance and the Washington State Labor Council, I helped win paid sick leave, minimum wage increases, and stronger protections for workers and immigrants. On the Seattle City Council and now at King County, I've built coalitions to expand affordable housing, strengthen worker protections, invest in behavioral health, and support small businesses and community safety.

At King County, I've worked to increase investments in affordable and supportive housing, improve behavioral health services, protect immigrant and refugee communities, and strengthen our public health infrastructure. I've also championed investments in transit, childcare, and workforce development to help families stay and succeed in our region.

My priorities remain expanding affordable housing and preventing displacement; improving community safety through behavioral health and gun violence prevention; and investing in working families with accessible transit, childcare, healthcare, and union job opportunities.

I believe King County works best when we lead with compassion, accountability, and commitment to opportunity for everyone - regardless of zip code, income, or background. Together, we can continue building a King County where every person has the opportunity to be healthy, housed, safe, and resilient.

Proudly endorsed by Congresswoman Jayapal; Governor Ferguson; AG Nick Brown; all endorsing unions including MLK Labor, SEIU locals, UFCW 3000, and Seattle Building Trades; 34th, 33rd, 11th District Dems; Progreso; Latino Progress; Washington Conservation Action; WA Housing Alliance Action Fund; NW Women's Political Caucus; and 200+ more!



Council District No. 8

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Occupation: Former data analytics consultant; recent City Councilmember Policy Lead

Statement: I'm running for King County Council because too many residents feel that our region is becoming less affordable, less accountable, and less functional, all while government continues to frustrate willing taxpayers by asking for more and delivering too little in return.

King County families are being squeezed by rising housing costs, taxes, insurance, and everyday expenses. At the same time, public confidence has declined as we continue to see worsening homelessness, persistent property crime, struggling business districts, and major questions about oversight and spending.

I believe county government must return to its core responsibilities: accountability, affordability, public safety, and effective services. As your councilmember, I will focus on stronger oversight of county departments and taxpayer dollars. Programs should be measured by outcomes, not political messaging. Residents deserve transparency, independent auditing, and leadership willing to challenge failing policies without clear results, even when they come from their own allies.

I also believe we need a more balanced approach to public safety and homelessness. Compassion matters deeply, but compassion without accountability is not a strategy. We must prioritize treatment, recovery, safer public spaces, and measurable performance standards for the hundreds of millions spent annually across our regional systems.

Finally, I will bring a practical, solutions-oriented perspective shaped by years of leadership experience managing large teams, budgets, and operational change in both the private and public sectors. I'm not running to protect the status quo. I'm running to help restore public trust and ensure King County remains a place where working families, businesses, and future generations can thrive.

We can build a King County that is both compassionate and accountable. That starts with putting measurable results ahead of politics.



Justice Position No. 1



Colleen Melody



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Legal/Judicial Experience: Supreme Court Justice. Colleen Melody works every day to uphold the rule of law, improve access to justice, and protect the rights of Washingtonians.

Other Professional Experience: Colleen was a career civil rights lawyer and public servant. She taught at the University of Washington and brought pro bono cases on behalf of immigrants and veterans. She worked at a pizza shop in high school and waited tables through college.

Education: UW for college and law school, both with high honors.

Community Service: Colleen worked to improve access to services in her rural community, including better resources for seniors, increased healthcare services, and more affordable childcare.

Statement: Colleen grew up in Spokane, the daughter of a teacher and a healthcare advocate. As a civil rights lawyer, she protected Washingtonians whose rights were violated by multinational corporations, special interests, and the federal government. Colleen returned millions in wages owed to workers and protected employees from pregnancy discrimination and sexual harassment. As the leader of the Attorney General's Civil Rights Division, she beat the Trump Administration when it tried to impose its unconstitutional Muslim Ban and separate families at the border.

Now more than ever, state courts must safeguard our rights with independence and impartiality. Washington's laws provide broad protections in privacy, the workplace, housing, healthcare, and education. State courts must be places where victims of crime and discrimination may seek justice with safety and dignity.

Colleen is a working mom who lives in rural Western Washington with her husband and two public-school daughters. She is endorsed by every sitting Supreme Court Justice; retired Justices Yu and Madsen; Governors Ferguson, Inslee, and Gregoire; Attorney General Brown; hundreds of judges and elected leaders statewide, and the Washington State Labor Council.

Your rights matter. Justice Colleen Melody has worked her entire career to protect them.

Laura Christensen Colberg



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Legal/Judicial Experience: I've made thousands of judicial decisions as a Snohomish County Superior Court Commissioner *pro tem* and court-appointed Arbitrator, over the past 18 of my 29 years in family law practice. I have come alongside families in all stages of brokenness, navigating the complexities of litigation with compassion and confidence.

Other Professional Experience: Free Methodist Bible Quizzing; Denominational Director (since 2018), Competition Judge (since 1989); Family Law Lecturer, Rigos Bar Review (1997–2013).

Education: Wenatchee High School, Valedictorian; Seattle Pacific University, BA *summa cum laude*; University of Washington School of Law, JD.

Community Service: Board Member, Shoreline Free Methodist Church (3 years); Elder, LFP Presbyterian Church (6 years).

Statement: I am the *only judicially experienced candidate* for Position 1, having served on the bench more than 20 times as long as all others in this race combined.

Unique among these candidates, I have *zero history of partisan activism*. You can trust me to measure all laws against the Constitution as written, without any political shadows clouding my objectivity. Impartiality is a judge's job, and I am your best hope for it here.

More significantly, your vote for me will put a Justice with *deep family law expertise* onto the Court for the first time since no-fault divorce was legalized in Washington 52 years ago. While the landscape of family law practice has shifted seismically in subsequent decades, our state courts still fall short. Because the Supreme Court—in addition to deciding cases—oversees the procedures and priorities of lower courts, as a Justice I will advocate for “fast-tracking” appeals in family law matters, to bring timely closure to uncertain chapters. Years of legal limbo may be acceptable in other arenas, but for children in crisis you can't undo damage caused by delay.

If you value *experience, impartiality, or family law expertise* on our State Supreme Court, I am your best choice.



Justice Position No. 1

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Ballard Spahr/Lane Powell (2010-present) (Practice Chair 2010-2024) (Board 2017-2019, 2023-24); Perkins Coie (1999-2010); Bogle & Gates (1996-1999). Significant experience before Washington courts on constitutional and other complex issues; Ranked as among the top in my field: Super Lawyers, Best Lawyers in America, and Chambers.

Other Professional Experience: Adjunct Professor, University of Washington School of Law (2002-present); Washington State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Council on State Taxation.

Education: University of Washington School of Law (with Honors) 1991; Princeton University (magna cum laude) 1988, Economics - Paul Volcker Award recipient.

Community Service: American Red Cross; St. Cecilia Parish; Scouting America; Bainbridge Island Youth Orchestra; Kids in Concert.

Statement: I am running to bring independence, principled judgment, and respect for the rule of law to the Washington Supreme Court. An independent court protects constitutional rights, ensures equal justice, and serves as a final and balanced check within our system of government. The role of the Supreme Court is to apply the constitution and laws as written, not rewrite them.

For more than 30 years I have represented clients at all levels of Washington's court system, including more than a dozen Washington Supreme Court cases. As a tax and constitutional attorney, I work on complex issues that directly affect Washington families and businesses. I have also taught at the University of Washington School of Law for over 20 years.

I learned the value of hard work, integrity, and public service early, working at my grandparents' restaurant and watching my father serve as Alaska's attorney general. Washington deserves justices who will apply the law predictably, as written, and without favoring any political agenda. My commitment is to protect your constitutional rights and work to make the Washington Supreme Court accountable and worthy of your trust.

Take politics out of the courtroom. Vote Scott Edwards, Position 1.



Justice Position No. 3



Jaime Michelle Hawk

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Jaime Hawk has been a state and national legal leader for over 20 years. As a Superior Court Judge, federal public defender, and ACLU civil rights attorney, she has protected our rights and freedoms.

Other Professional Experience: Adjunct Professor of Law. Supreme Court Minority and Justice Commission. In work before law school, Judge Hawk supported domestic violence survivors and found them safe shelter.

Education: Raised by a single mom, Judge Hawk was the first in her family to attend college, graduating with honors from Gonzaga University Law School.

Community Service: Judge Hawk has advocated on boards for immigrant children, voting rights, veterans, and women's rights.

Statement: Judge Hawk fought in the courtroom for those who could not afford a lawyer. She handled trials and appeals, and defended Washingtonians against the federal government. She is the first attorney with the ACLU of Washington to become a judge. Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal and Governor Bob Ferguson endorse Judge Hawk.

Judge Hawk is a trusted, experienced legal leader. Senators Murray and Cantwell appointed her to their federal judge selection committee. The American Bar Association selected her to observe Guantanamo Bay military hearings, and later chose her to assist families at the border torn apart by Trump-era immigration policies.

Judge Hawk has presided over hundreds of criminal, civil, and family law cases, as well as appeals from lower courts. She has never had a trial overturned for legal error. She follows the law. More than 100 current and retired judges and justices from across Washington endorse Judge Hawk.

Judge Hawk will bring a strong, independent voice. Endorsed by the National Women's Political Caucus, local and county Democratic organizations, and the State Labor Council, she understands the concerns of women and working families and will bring that perspective to the Court. Judge Hawk will protect our rights and the rule of law.



Justice Position No. 3

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Superior Court Judge; Senior Felony Prosecutor; Federal Public Defender, Chief Public Defender Colville Confederated Tribes; Federal Prosecutor; International Prosecutor in Pristina, Kosovo; Justice Advisor in Bamiyan, Afghanistan.

Other Professional Experience: Federal Civil Rights Investigator; U.S. Navy Veteran; presenter: legal education seminars in Beirut, Lebanon, Kolasin and Budva, Montenegro, and for the Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys.

Education: Juris Doctor, University of Washington School of Law; Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington. Department of State Certificate in Islamic Jurisprudence.

Community Service: Deacon, Mount Olive Lutheran Church; VFW Larry Godwin Post 1694 Honor Guard; Skookum Rotary; UW Law School Mentor; YMCA and UW Law school mock trial judge.

Statement: The duty of the Washington State Supreme Court is to uphold our constitution and to protect our rights and freedoms. Public policy is the province of the political branches and not the courts.

In the last two decades, direct appointment of judges by the governor rather than election of judges by the people has become a longstanding tradition. Our State Constitution mandated the election of judges because direct appointment leads to *ideological* and *political* decisions. Appointments were reserved for vacancies. Judge Stevens was elected and not appointed. His election will bring common sense and balance to the Supreme Court.

After High School, Judge Stevens joined the Navy. After his enlistment, he used his veteran's benefits to attend the University of Washington where he met his wife Pam. After graduating, he worked as a Federal Civil Rights Investigator for the Fair Housing Enforcement Center Seattle fighting racial, ethnic, and religious discrimination. He then went to the UW School of Law. Judge Stevens and his wife live in Shelton close to six of their nine grandchildren.

As a lawyer and judge he has tried more than two hundred jury trials. His supporters include tribes, judges, public defenders, prosecutors, attorneys, and law enforcement.

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge, Washington Court of Appeals, Division I (2022-Present); Judge, King County Superior Court (2018-2022), including Chief Judge of the Clark Children and Family Justice Center.

Other Professional Experience: Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Washington (10 years), where he founded its Civil Rights Unit. Previously in private practice. Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law, Constitutional Law.

Education: Juris Doctor, Cornell Law School; Graduate studies in Classical Philosophy, Princeton University; Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, University of Notre Dame.

Community Service: Chairperson, Washington Supreme Court's Interpreter Commission; Member, Judicial Ethics Board; Volunteer, Spanish Legal Clinic at El Centro de la Raza; youth soccer coach.

Statement: At a time when the rule of law is under assault, I am proud that President Obama nominated me to the federal bench in recognition of my long record fighting for civil rights; a nomination Mitch McConnell refused to even bring to a vote.

That same commitment to equal justice under the law has earned me the endorsement of leaders and the largest unions across Washington: three former Governors (Inslee, Gregoire, and Locke); Attorney General Nick Brown; nine Supreme Court Justices; over one hundred judges; the King County Democrats; and the Washington Education Association. Three bar associations rate me *Exceptionally Well Qualified*, including Washington Women Lawyers.

I was born in Peru and raised in South Seattle. As a federal lawyer, I founded the Seattle U.S. Attorney's Civil Rights Unit and led efforts to reform Seattle's Police Department. Governor Inslee twice appointed me to the bench: first to the Superior Court, where I presided over 45 trials, and again to the Court of Appeals, where I have authored over 200 opinions, including those protecting Washington's workers, holding corporations accountable, and keeping the public safe.

The independence and integrity of our courts have rarely mattered more. I respectfully ask for your vote.



Justice Position No. 5



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Legal/Judicial Experience: Partner and Appellate Group Co-Founder, Carney Badley Spellman (2008–present). Previously: Private Practice; Judge Pro Tem, Seattle Municipal Court; Judicial Law Clerk, Washington Court of Appeals; Municipal Prosecutor.

Other Professional Experience: Martindale-Hubbell: AV Preeminent peer-review rating for highest level of professional excellence; Top Rated Lawyer in Appellate Law, 2013.

Education: Harvard University, B.A., Northeastern University, J.D.

Community Service: King County Bar Judicial Evaluation Committee, 20+ years (Chair, 1999–2000). Founding member, Washington Appellate Lawyers Association (2001). Co-founder, KCBA Appellate Practice Section (2005). KCBA Trustee. KCBA Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Luncheon Committee. Scouting: Pack 144; Troop 166. Youth soccer: coach and disciplinary committee chair. St. James Cathedral Choir.

Statement: As an attorney with 40 years of experience doing appeals in Washington, I'm running to serve on the Supreme Court to help it do justice in each case: fairly, impartially, according to law.

Appeals safeguard the fundamental fairness of our courts. They are usually the only way to correct a court's error. That's why experience matters on the Supreme Court: it needs to "get it right."

I have worked on 135 appeals in courts across Washington — including the Supreme Court. I've helped courts get decisions right for clients of all backgrounds: students, small business owners, house cleaners, physicians, employees, deputies, families. I've won unpaid wages, defended protection orders, and ensured fairness in family disputes, health care, business deals, and trial procedures. The other candidates have little or no experience on appeals, or cases before the Supreme Court. You need not settle for that.

My experience goes beyond the courtroom. I worked to improve health care in jails across Washington. I served as non-partisan counsel in the State Legislature. I've promoted excellence and ethics in the legal profession. I'm fair, independent, trusted. I ask you to send my experience and belief in justice under the law to the Supreme Court.

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Current Supreme Court Justice appointed by Governor Ferguson following a diverse, award-winning 26-year legal career as a Partner at K&L Gates.

Other Professional Experience: Throughout career, led Appellate and Intellectual Property teams, and pro bono cases representing immigrant children, veterans, refugees, small businesses, and people experiencing homelessness.

Education: BA, Claremont McKenna College; MA, Oxford University; MA, London School of Economics; JD, Yale University

Community Service: Trustee, King County Bar Association; President, Middle Eastern Legal Association of Washington; Member, Attorney General's Youth Internet Safety Task Force; Founders Award, Kids in Need of Defense; ACLU Humanitarian Award; Mentor of the Year, King County Bar Association

Statement: As a Justice and throughout my legal career, I've fought for the rule of law, the rights of all individuals, and to ensure our courts remain fair, independent, and accessible. Before joining the Supreme Court, I frequently volunteered to help people who couldn't afford lawyers. I sued the federal government when they forced children—as young as 4 years old—to appear without lawyers in immigration court. The federal government eventually agreed to pay for lawyers, and the ACLU gave me the Humanitarian Award.

I also represented an Army veteran, a naturalized U.S. citizen, after ICE wrongly detained him for seven months. The Northwest Immigrant Rights Project gave me the Amicus Award for my "groundbreaking work".

I've worked to mentor attorneys to expand diversity in our profession, and with Turkish and Greek ancestry, I am proud to be the first Justice of Middle Eastern descent on our highest court.

I am endorsed by all of my colleagues on the Supreme Court; Governors Ferguson and Gregoire; former U.S. Attorneys Durkan, Gorman, and McKay; over 500 Judges and attorneys statewide; 52 State Legislators; Executive Zahilay; mayors statewide; WA State Labor Council; King County and numerous LD Democrats; and more!



Justice Position No. 5

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Legal/Judicial Experience: 41 years legal experience; trial judge (18 years, Ret.), trial lawyer (23 years). Rated AV Preeminent as a trial lawyer and Exceptionally Well Qualified (Judge and Supreme Court candidate).

Other Professional Experience: Mediator and arbitrator (1990-2008); President, Federal Way School Board

Education: JD, Seattle University School of Law; BA, University of Puget Sound.

Community Service: DMCJA President's Award for Protecting Judicial Independence (2018); Judge William Nevins Award (2014) and Hero of Federal Way Schools (2018, 2022) for Commitment to Civics Education; Best City Leader (2022); Kiwanis (Everyday Hero Award and more); Founder, Aktion Club of Federal Way (service club for adults with developmental disabilities), and more.

Statement: Judge Dave Larson's 41 years of distinguished experience, 18 years as a trial judge, 23 as a trial lawyer, form an unrivaled record making him the most qualified and best prepared candidate for our state's highest court.

Dave will restore trust in our courts by rising above partisan interests, applying the law without fear or favor, and restoring judicial independence. A truly nonpartisan candidate, Dave reaches out to Democrats, Republicans, Labor, Business, and voters across Eastern and Western Washington, because justice that serves only some of us serves none of us. He will protect your individual rights and the judicial independence that is currently under threat.

Dave's innovative criminal justice reforms have been recognized nationwide. He has collaborated with legislative Democrats and Republicans to help our trial courts address crime and addiction with compassion and accountability. However, our Supreme Court's decisions have weakened that response. As a justice, he will help fix current problems and build towards lasting and effective solutions.

Our Supreme Court needs Dave's unique perspective gained from his significant trial judge experience. That experience, integrity, and steady judgment are exactly what's needed to restore trust in, and improve, our courts. Vote Judge Dave Larson for Supreme Court.

Sharonda Amamilo



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Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Sharonda Amamilo was elected to the Thurston County Superior Court in 2020, where she presides over criminal and civil jury trials, family and juvenile matters, child welfare cases, and administrative and lower court appeals. Her career includes all aspects of public defense and private practice, representing workers, families, small businesses, and youth in foster care. She also served as a grievance committee chair and participated in collective bargaining at Bates Technical College.

Other Professional Experience: Retired Army Intelligence Warrant Officer.

Education: JD - Seattle University; MBA- Saint Martins University; Graduate Certificate - Data Analytics from Cornell University-online

Community Service: Board President, WA Microenterprise Association

Statement: The role of a Justice is to uphold the rule of law with integrity, fairness, and respect for every individual. Throughout my career, I have worked closely with families and individuals facing some of life's most difficult challenges. Those experiences taught me that court decisions can change the course of a person's life and shaped my commitment to applying the law thoughtfully, carefully, and fairly.

I understand the pressures facing working families, small businesses, children, and vulnerable communities. I approach every case with preparation, humility, care, and respect because people deserve to know they were heard and treated fairly in court. I believe the best judicial decisions are grounded in preparation, thoughtful collaboration, and respect for the rule of law. I also understand the Washington Supreme Court plays an important role in helping ensure courts across our state function fairly, consistently, and with public confidence.

Rated Exceptionally Well Qualified by the Washington State Veterans Bar Association, Pierce County Minority Bar Association, Loren Miller Bar Association, QLaw Foundation, and Joint Asian Judicial Evaluations Committee; and Well Qualified by the Latina/o Bar Association of Washington.



Justice Position No. 7



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Legal/Judicial Experience: Legal: For eleven years I have been practicing administrative, civil litigation, personal injury, collections, family law, estate planning, probate, and taxation. Judicial: None - the same as many lawyers have when they take to the bench.

Other Professional Experience: I have my own practice. Veteran.

Education: MBA, City University of Seattle; JD and LL.M. in Taxation, Thomas M. Cooley Law School; and LL.M. in Global Law and Economics, Antonin Scalia Law School.

Community Service: I volunteer as Tacoma Eagles president and serve meals for Catholic Community Services and a local synagogue. I have provided pro bono legal advice to low-income residents, seniors, teamsters, veterans, and nonprofits.

Statement: Hello—I'm back. I'm thee *family lawyer* from Sumner, Washington, who drew national political attention in 2024 by running for Supreme Court Justice. Thank you to the 59,676 Washington voters who supported me in 2024—I'm grateful.

I'm not promising a tariff stimulus rebate check (I'll watch for a meteorite to hit Mt. Rainier first), but I will promise to stand with American small businesses and workers, and I will protect the rights and freedoms of every citizen—young or old, rich or poor. *I oppose a state income tax and won't be soft on criminals.* I will pursue practical economic solutions to ease the heavy caseloads facing our prosecutors and public defenders.

I live with a mild form of Parkinson's that affects me physically, and I occasionally have symptoms even while medicated (off days). I have learned to judge no one by gender, skin color, language, health condition, or religion. I approach every decision with respect, fairness, and impartiality—guided by sound judgment and common sense.

Above all, I won't let the "exception" become the new "rule." We're in this together. Thank you.

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Current Chief Justice and Justice since 2008. Court of Appeals Judge, Eastern Washington (2007). Appellate Attorney & adjunct professor, Gonzaga University (1993-2007).

Other Professional Experience: Board for Judicial Administration Co-Chair, National Association of Women Judges, Judicial Independence Committee Co-Chair, Chief Justices Conference Executive Committee, National Courts & Sciences Institute Director, National Judicial College Instructor, WA Civic Learning Council, former Spokane Community College instructor.

Education: Gonzaga University, J.D., B.A. West Valley High, Spokane.

Community Service: Former school board chair, Upward Bound mentor, Minority & Justice Commission, YMCA Youth & Government, Sacred Heart Children's Hospital, Habitat for Humanity, Past Rotary President, Washington Center for Performing Arts board member.

Statement: As Washington's Chief Justice, I am dedicated to upholding the rule of law and delivering fair and impartial justice. Courts are a critical branch of government, where every person must be treated fairly and with dignity, and decisions must be based on the law and the facts. In an era of growing attempts to politicize the judiciary, I work every day to maintain the integrity and independence of our courts and safeguard access to justice for every person.

As a former constitutional law professor, I respect legal traditions and constitutional principles. As a parent and former school board chair, I understand how court decisions impact the lives of Washington families. As the first woman from Eastern Washington on the Court, I know that lived experience and diverse perspectives matter in making sound decisions.

I have a proven record of expanding access to justice, improving efficiency and transparency, addressing the evolving challenges facing our legal system, and protecting individual rights. I have always enjoyed broad support and am endorsed by my current and former colleagues, judges statewide, WA State Labor Council, elected officials, and education and community leaders. I ask for your vote to continue serving you on our Supreme Court.



Justice Position No. 7

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Legal/Judicial Experience: As a Public Defender in King County, I spent the first 15 years of my legal career in the trenches of our Justice System, serving as a constitutional check on the Government's power to prosecute and incarcerate. Since 2023, I have continued that mission by operating my own practice.

Other Professional Experience: Member—Washington Defender Association; Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

Education: Howard University School of Law, J.D. 2007; University of Washington, B.A. 2003; A.A., Bellevue Community College, 2001; Bellevue Public School, 2nd to 12th grade, 1997.

Community Service: Volunteer coach for youth sports; Educating Washingtonians on civics and constitutional law through social media.

Statement: I was born in Cleveland, Ohio to working class immigrants and raised here in Washington since 1987. As a judicial candidate, I bring deep constitutional advocacy, and I understand the struggles facing everyday Washingtonians.

For 18 years, I've represented people from every walk of life: working families, small business owners, parents, veterans, and individuals accused of serious crimes. I have *never* represented corporations, *never* represented the government. I've fought for real people when constitutional rights mattered most. My career has focused on protecting the right of the People to be free from unlawful government intrusion. Those protections must apply equally to all, regardless of status, wealth, or background.

I also believe the judiciary must remain independent, impartial, and free from politics. The promise of our Constitution is only meaningful if Judges faithfully interpret and apply the law, ensuring the People receive the government our Constitution guarantees.

You will not find judicial endorsements or a massive war chest here. What you will find is a legal mind grounded in the promise of our Constitution with a commitment to real-world solutions and equal justice for all—I would be honored to earn your vote.

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Legal/Judicial Experience: Over two decades of providing legal and professional services to private and publicly-held companies, executives, business owners and Washington families; served as an Arbitrator for FINRA from 1999 to 2020.

Other Professional Experience: Over a decade as tax attorney and senior manager in major accounting firms. Active-duty Navy officer from 2002 to 2013. Additional professional designations: CPA, CFA and CFP.

Education: LL.M. - University of Washington; J.D., M.B.A. - Tulane University; M.A. - Naval War College; B.A. - Simpson College; College of Naval Command & Staff; Warfare Qualified.

Community Service: WSBA - Board of Governors; Nonprofit Finance Council; Adjunct faculty (UW, Tulane); Gallon+ Blood Donor

Statement: Throughout my career, I've worked to solve complex problems thoughtfully, collaboratively, and fairly. And my background has given me a deep appreciation for hard work, sacrifice, and the experiences of everyday people. To pay for school, I worked farm, grocery and restaurant jobs and later earned my commission from the enlisted ranks.

Following 9/11, I was called from the Naval Reserve to active duty, where I served for more than a decade. I placed my civilian career on hold and left my wife and children to deploy to the Persian Gulf. That experience had a big impact on my understanding of duty, accountability, and leadership under pressure. Since returning to civilian life, I've continued my public service through the WSBA Board of Governors. It was there, I was encouraged to seek election to the Supreme Court.

This year's election is a choice--whether to retain the current justices or to give someone new your vote. I believe I represent meaningful new perspective, experience, and common sense which will bring balance to the court.

If elected, I promise to uphold and apply the law impartially and fairly. I respectfully ask for your vote for Supreme Court Justice, Position #7.



Judge Position No. 1



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Education: J.D., University of Washington Law School; B.A. with Honors, University of Washington; A.A.S., Bellevue College

Occupation: Assistant Attorney General; Judge Pro Tem

Statement: With 25 years of courtroom experience, including part-time judicial service since 2008, and the highest "Exceptionally Well-Qualified" ratings from the King County Bar, Latino/a Bar, QLaw, and Joint Asian Judicial Evaluation Committee, I will uphold the rule of law, adhere to ethical standards, and conduct proceedings with clarity and compassion.

After my family endured a fire, I saw the power of community assistance in rebuilding lives. I have worked as a public defender and now volunteer with mentorship programs and organizations helping youth and low-income individuals.

Endorsements: 1st LD Democrats (sole); Amalgamated Transit Union Local 587; Attorney General Nick Brown; King County Executive Girmay Zahilay, former Deputy Executive Fred Jarrett; Senators Lisa Wellman (41st LD), Manka Dhingra (45th LD); Representatives My-Linh Thai, Davina Duerr; Supreme Court Justices Theo Angelis, Colleen Melody, Bobbe Bridge (ret.), Mary Yu (ret.); King County judges, Eastside councilmembers, and 100+ attorneys who support my election to this open District Court seat.

"When people appear in court, they are entitled to a judge who is firm but fair, knowledgeable about the law and committed to a just outcome. That is what they will get when they appear in front of Josh Schaer." – Judge Kara Murphy Richards

Jan Trasen



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Education: J.D., Boston College Law School; B.A., Tufts University; Teaching Credential, Cal. State Univ.

Occupation: Administrative Law Judge; King County District Court Judge Pro Tem

Statement: Jan Trasen has dedicated her career to fairness, equal justice, and ensuring our courts work for everyone. She is the only candidate with full-time judicial experience, serving as an Administrative Law Judge and King County District Court Judge Pro Tem. She treats all in her courtroom with respect, making fair decisions in cases affecting public safety, healthcare access, and family stability.

Before becoming an ALJ, Jan spent 26 years as a public defender and appellate attorney, arguing cases before the Washington Supreme Court and Court of Appeals in criminal and dependency cases. Her experience across every level of the legal system gives her the judgment, temperament, and independence required to serve fairly and effectively from day one.

Jan is the only candidate to receive "Exceptionally Well Qualified" ratings from five independent local bar associations. Jan previously taught middle school English & ESL; she raised her two daughters in Kirkland, where she lives with her rescue dog, Bear.

Endorsed: Majority of Washington Supreme Court; over 75 appellate/trial judges, including majority of King County District Court; Commissioner Kuderer; Senators Dhingra, Slatter & Stanford; Redmond Mayor Birney; National Women's Political Caucus; Machinists; ATU; King County Democrats; 41st, 45th, 48th LD Democrats, more.



Judge Position No. 1

Bianca Tse



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Education: B.A. University of Washington, Seattle; JD, Tulane University School of Law, New Orleans

Occupation: Judge Pro Tem, King County District Court; Attorney

Statement: Bianca Tse has the experience and ability to be an effective judge on Day One. She currently serves as Judge Pro Tem, filling in for judges at King County District Court, the very court for which she seeks your vote. She also serves as Judge Pro Tem for the cities of Mercer Island, Kirkland, and Issaquah. Bianca began her public service career as a King County Deputy Prosecutor, handling matters from misdemeanors to felonies. A highly experienced trial attorney, Bianca has tried a variety of cases before juries including homicide, assaults and other serious offenses.

As judge for the past five years, Bianca is known for her legal knowledge and careful consideration of all who appear before her, and treating everyone with respect and fairness.

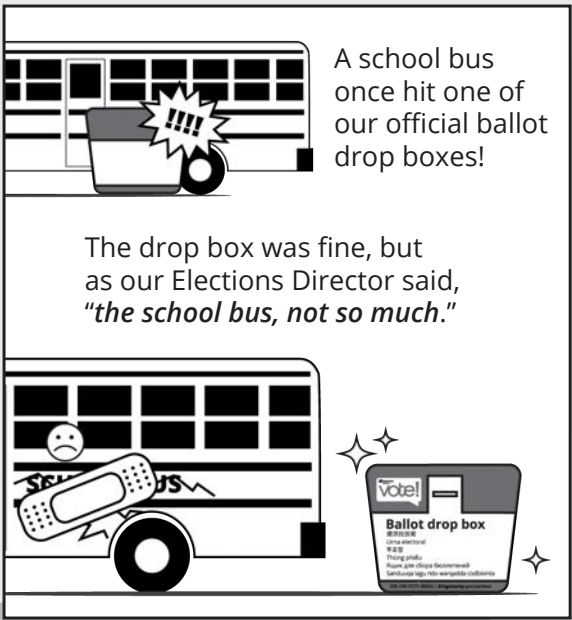
The Loren Miller Bar Association rated Bianca as “Exceptionally Well Qualified,” their highest rating and highest in this race. Two other bar associations also rate her as “Exceptionally Well Qualified.”

Endorsed: Former King County Prosecutor Daniel Satterberg; Senator Manka Dhingra; Representative My-Linh Thai; Bellevue Mayor Malakoutian; Councilmembers Nieuwenhuis and Sumadiwirya; King County Superior, District Court and Municipal Court Judges; Councilmembers from Mercer Island, Redmond, Issaquah, Newcastle, Sammamish and Edmonds; National Women’s Political Caucus-Washington, and more.

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- ✓ tamper-evident seals



Proposition No. 1

Annexation of the City of Black Diamond Into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority

Should the City of Black Diamond be annexed into and become part of the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority to provide fire and emergency medical services to Black Diamond residents, with such services to commence January 1, 2028, per City Council Resolution No. 26-1739?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority of the jurisdiction proposed to be annexed (RCW 52.26.300(4)(a))

Explanatory statement

Black Diamond City Council Resolution No. 26-1739 seeks voter approval to annex the City of Black Diamond ("City") into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority ("PSRFA").

Currently, the City obtains fire protection and emergency medical services ("EMS") through a contractual arrangement with Mountain View Fire & Rescue ("MVFR"). The City's contract with MVFR expires on December 31, 2027.

The Black Diamond City Council and Mayor have determined that annexing into and becoming part of PSRFA will provide Black Diamond residents with continued state-of-the art fire protection and emergency medical services at desired service levels and in manner that is fiscally sustainable as the City continues to grow. If annexation into PSRFA is approved, PSRFA will begin providing fire protection and emergency medical services to Black Diamond residents and businesses beginning January 1, 2028.

PSRFA currently serves the cities of Kent, Covington, SeaTac, Tukwila, and Maple Valley, as well as unincorporated areas of King County Fire District Nos. 37 and 43. If annexation is approved, the City will have the same number of representatives on the Governing Board of PSRFA as these other cities and districts.

If annexation is rejected, the City will either pursue another annexation vote in a future election or seek to negotiate a new contract with PSRFA or MVFR. More information about PSRFA is available at www.pugetsoundfire.org.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Kevin O'Neill
City Administrator
(360) 469-9789
koneill@blackdiamondwa.gov

Statement in favor

Jonathan Englund
blackdiamondupdates@gmail.com

A “Yes” vote on annexation into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority is a vote to strengthen fire and emergency medical services for the residents of Black Diamond, both now and in the future. As our community continues to grow, so does the demand for emergency response, wildfire preparedness, rescue services, and advanced medical care.

Joining Puget Sound Fire would provide Black Diamond with access to a larger regional system that already serves surrounding communities with 24/7 staffing, experienced firefighters and paramedics, specialized equipment, and expanded emergency resources. This regional model helps ensure residents receive fast, reliable service when emergencies happen.

Annexation also provides a more stable and predictable funding structure that helps maintain service levels while planning for future needs. Rather than relying on a smaller standalone system with limited resources, Black Diamond would become part of an established regional authority built to support long-term public safety.

This partnership is about protecting residents, supporting first responders, and making sure our city has the resources needed to respond quickly and effectively during emergencies. A regional approach allows communities to work together, share resources, and provide a higher level of service for the people who depend on it most.

Statement in opposition

Michael Carlin, Brian McGee

This proposition creates a new tax that will raise costs for homeowners and local businesses. In Black Diamond, the average home price is about \$750,000. A 2,800-square-foot home would pay about \$1,083 each year to start, and this amount could go up every year based on what the new fire authority decides.

The city has said it will keep the money it already collects for fire and emergency services and use it for other things. This means taxpayers would *pay twice* for services we already fund. There are better options that would cost less, and the city should use the money we already pay before asking for more.

Local businesses will have to pay much higher taxes. Some may raise their prices to cover the cost, and others may decide to leave Black Diamond. This would hurt families and our whole community.

As a former fire commissioner and career firefighters who live in Black Diamond, we believe this new tax is not the best choice for our community. Voting No tells the city of Black Diamond to create a fair and realistic solution.

Vote No!

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

While concerns about cost are understandable, this decision is also about making sure Black Diamond has reliable fire and emergency medical services as our community grows. Supporters believe joining a larger regional fire authority provides stronger emergency response resources and long-term stability.

This is not just about what’s the cheapest solution, it’s about speed and quality of services. Regional coordination can improve response capabilities, preparedness, and access to the resources we need during emergencies.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

A “No Vote” isn’t against fire services, it’s against paying twice! This proposition would replace our current fire department and add an expensive new tax, while the city keeps the money we already pay.

Black Diamond already has 24/7 professional firefighters and *all* emergency services the Pro side lists. Annexation will not make response times faster. The new department will substantially increase costs and move resources further away. We need a better plan. *Vote No!*

Proposition No. 1

Formation and Funding of Covington Park and Recreation District

The City Council of the City of Covington adopted Resolution 2026-08 concerning the creation of the Covington Park and Recreation District.

This proposition would create the Covington Park and Recreation District with the powers set forth in 35.61 RCW, including the authority to acquire, construct, maintain, operate, and improve parks, community centers, pools, and other recreation facilities and programs, and levy regular property taxes at a rate up to \$0.75/\$1,000 assessed value, with an initial rate of \$0.37/\$1,000, with boundaries coterminous with the City of Covington. The City Council would serve as the board of park commissioners.

For the formation of the Covington Park and Recreation District to be governed by the City of Covington City Council as the ex officio board of park commissioners.

Against the formation of the Covington Park and Recreation District.

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting
For or Against
Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority (RCW 35.61.040)

Explanatory statement

If approved, this proposition creates the Covington Park and Recreation District, a metropolitan park district with the same boundaries as the City of Covington. The District would be a separate municipal corporation with all the powers granted by state law, including 35.61 RCW. Members of the Covington City Council would sit ex officio as the board of park commissioners of the District. The District would be authorized to levy a regular property tax not to exceed \$.75/\$1,000 of assessed value, with an initial regular property tax levy of \$.37/\$1,000 of assessed value, to provide ongoing funding to maintain, operate and improve parks, community centers, pools, and other recreation facilities and programs. District funds must be dedicated to park and recreation purposes and could not be used to pay for other City projects or operations.

If approved, District funds would initially pay for improving park maintenance; new improvements at Covington Community Park, Founders Park, Jenkins Creek Park, and Jenkins Creek Trail; and planning for a new Whole Health Community Center (including a new aquatic center). Long-term the District would provide dedicated, reliable, and sustainable funding for Covington parks and recreation, including potential bond financing payable from District funds for large projects such as a new Community Center.

If not approved, there is no identified source of dedicated and sustainable long-term funding for improving park maintenance, new park improvements, continuing the planning for a new Whole Health Community Center, or reliable and sustainable funding of parks and recreation.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Ethan Newton
Parks & Recreation Director
(253) 480-2481
enewton@covingtonwa.gov

Statement in favor

Casey Hogan, Kolawole Ogundari, Laura Morrissey

We Love Our Parks—Vote Yes. Covington’s park system is central to our quality of life, providing free access to playgrounds, trails, green spaces, and events. But parks compete for funding with police, roads, and other essential services. As costs continue to rise, funding for parks is falling behind—and will continue to do so without a dedicated solution.

Future-Proof Funding for Our Local Parks. Covington Park and Recreation District (CPRD) provides stable, protected funding. By law, 100% of CPRD revenue would support Covington parks and recreation—nothing can be diverted by the county or state. CPRD will improve park maintenance, expand parks/ trails, and is necessary to replace the aging aquatic center with a facility that meets today’s needs, including expanded pool space and indoor fitness, senior, teen, and community areas.

Smart Investment, Shared Benefits. CPRD is structured to deliver maximum benefit for minimum cost. Owners of median -priced homes would pay about \$21/month with many homeowners paying less. CPRD funding also unlocks matching funds for grants to bring additional dollars into our community—a value multiplier.

Vote Yes. Protect and strengthen the park system our community relies on. We value our parks and must invest in them. Vote yes.

Statement in opposition

Gary Cavanaugh
gary.cavanaugh@yahoo.com

Whose money is it?

A few years ago, City of Covington came to us, “We have to build traffic circles so we have to create a utility tax or we’ll have to shut down parks.” They created the tax. Now they want to create a Park and Recreation district and charge us a property tax of 37¢ per \$1,000 of evaluation to finance it. That’s \$148 a year on a \$400,000 home. \$277 on a \$750,000 home. We already created a tax to finance parks. With gas taxes through the roof, property taxes being high and now the threat of an income tax, it’s just really not a good time to be creating another new tax. It’s like the City of Covington loves to spend and has forgotten just whose money it is. Their website says they *Could* charge 75¢ per thousand and look how wonderful they are because they are only wanting 37¢. How about none? At least not right now. There is no money. The well is dry right now. It’s not the right time to ask us for more.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The opposition statement is fear-mongering, misrepresenting a one-time 2011 utility tax-connected *policy* for constructing Covington Community Park. Covington *does not* have a parks tax; stating otherwise is a lie. That’s why we need the CPRD. Gas and income taxes are controlled by Washington *State*: Covington receives nothing from them. Parks are essential to quality of life; it’s not whether we can afford to invest in parks — it’s whether we can afford not to. Vote yes.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

Just \$21/month, but that’s on top of the, “just a few bucks more a month,” utility taxes we’re already paying to support parks. Now is a time to live within our means, not create a new tax. Once a tax is created, there it is. It will only go up. In most cases, taxes never go down. Where does the money come from? Your pocket. It’s not a good time for this. Please vote no.

Proposition No. 1

Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Skykomish School District No. 404 adopted Resolution No. 8-2026 concerning educational funding. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District’s educational programs and operations not funded by the state:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	\$0.45	\$164,521
2028	\$0.45	\$173,405
2029	\$0.45	\$182,682
2030	\$0.45	\$192,237

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority
(Wash. Const. art. VII, sec. 2(a))

Explanatory statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would replace an expiring levy and allow the levy of \$164,521 in property taxes within Skykomish School District for collection in 2027, the levy of \$173,405 for collection in 2028, the levy of \$182,682 for collection in 2029, and the levy of \$192,237 for collection in 2030. In accordance with Resolution No. 08_2026 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the Skykomish School District’s General Fund to pay part of the general expenses of operating the District. General expenses of the District include employee costs (such as salaries), instructional materials, special programs, activities and sports, technology systems operation, transportation costs, maintenance of facilities and other non-capital expenses of operating the District schools. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, the estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.45 for collection in the years 2027 through 2030, inclusive. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District and the legal limit of the levy amount at the time of the levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Christina Daniels
Business Manager
(360) 677-2623
cdaniels@skykomish.wednet.edu

Statement in favor

Sarah Bender

Voting “Yes” ensures Skykomish classrooms, and facilities stay safe, warm, and dry. This replacement levy is not a new tax; it maintains the same current assessed value rate. Its renewal enables smart infrastructure that will update our facilities. The installation and maintenance of facility security components is important for the safety of our students and staff. Voting “Yes” to the replacement levy provides funding for updating district technology and programs for students and teachers. These technologies equip students with essential skills for the modern world. Skykomish is fortunate to have historic facilities. Investing in maintenance and renewal of this facility levy and educational technologies is not only fiscally responsible for our community of learners but provides a critical foundation for an educational environment in which our students can thrive! Please join Skykomish Citizens for Quality Schools in voting “Yes”.

Statement in opposition

There is no statement against this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement against the measure. Jurisdictions that place measures on the ballot also appoint members of the public to “pro” and “con” committees. These committees prepare statements either for or against the ballot measure. These statements are published in the local voters’ pamphlet to help voters make informed decisions. If the jurisdiction is unable to appoint a committee, King County Elections can appoint any eligible committee members who come forward. To join a committee in the future, please contact the jurisdiction.

Proposition No. 1**Annexation of the District Into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority**

King County Fire Protection District No. 43 (District) proposes to annex into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority (Puget Sound Fire). Annexation of the District would be subject to the terms of the Puget Sound Fire plan amendment attached to District Resolution No. R-2026-002. Shall District voters approve of the Puget Sound Fire plan amendment and annexation of the District into Puget Sound Fire, making the District a part of Puget Sound Fire?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority of the jurisdiction proposed to be annexed (RCW 52.26.300(4)(a))

Explanatory statement

The Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire District #43 ("District") passed Resolution No. R-2026-002 Annexation into The Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority. Under the terms of Resolution No. R-2026-002, the District seeks voter approval for the annexation of the District into the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority ("RFA") for fire protection and emergency medical services (EMS).

The District has a long history of contracting with the RFA for fire protection and EMS within the District. As a result, annexation will not change the delivery or the level of services to the residents of the District.

If a majority of the registered voters within the District approve the annexation, and the RFA plan amendment as reflected in Resolution No. R-2026-002, the District will be deemed to be a part of the RFA. The annexation would become effective September 30, 2026. The District will not dissolve in the event of annexation, but the District will not levy taxes or benefit charges. Instead, District voters will be subject to the levy of taxes and benefit charges of the RFA. District voters shall be entitled to vote on all ballot measures proposed by the RFA—including those pertaining to taxation and benefit charges. District voters will have representation on the RFA Governance Board.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Greg Markley
Legislative Relations
(253) 740-5100
gmarkley@pugetsoundfire.org

Statement in favor

Andrew Montero, Warren Iverson

Our community has counted on Fire District 43 and Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority for many years to provide fire and emergency medical services, and annexation will not change who responds when you call 911 or the area they serve. Our area has successfully benefited from this partnership, on a previous ballot with the remodel of the Maple Heights Fire Station and in permitting for the Hobart Station". Annexation is the logical next step to secure these services long term while giving Fire District 43 residents greater representation within the RFA governance structure.

Right now, our community benefits from the RFA but has no voting representation in its decisions. Annexation guarantees Fire District 43 voters and two seats on the RFA board and the right to vote on future RFA ballot measures, including taxes and the fire benefit charge. That means more local control over the choices that affect our safety, staffing, and station resources for the long term.

Annexation also supports a more stable and balanced funding structure. Property would be taxed based on fire risk rather than a single standard rate for both commercial and residential properties. This model distributes costs according to service demands and property characteristics, so all property types contribute appropriately for the services they rely on.

For stronger local representation, longterm financial stability, and no change to the level of service you receive, please vote Yes on Proposition 1.

Statement in opposition

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Proposition No. 1

Property Tax Levy for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

The Board of King County Fire Protection District No. 47 adopted Resolution No. 186 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations.

This proposition would authorize the District to restore its 2026 property tax levy to \$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation (collected in 2027) and authorize annual adjustments for the five succeeding years based on the greater of the statutory limit factor or the 12-month CPI-U for Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue reported for June of each year, subject to statutory limits. The maximum allowable levy in 2031 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations.

Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting to
Approve or Reject
Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority (RCW 84.55.050)

Explanatory statement

King County Fire Protection District No. 47 provides emergency fire protection and medical services to its residents. The maximum regular levy rate for Washington fire districts is \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Due to the statutory 1% limitation on property tax increases, the District's current levy rate has decreased over time to approximately \$0.54 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

If approved, this proposition would authorize the District to restore its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2026 for collection in 2027, representing an increase of \$0.46 per \$1,000 of assessed value. District voters previously approved a levy rate of \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2008.

This proposition would also allow the District to maintain funding levels over the following five years by establishing an annual growth factor equal to the greater of the statutory limit (currently 1%) or the 12-month Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue area, subject to statutory limits.

The Board of Commissioners has determined that restoring the levy rate is necessary to maintain current levels of fire protection, fire suppression, and emergency medical services, and to support the safety of firefighters serving the community.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Shannon Anderson
Secretary/Admin
(360) 886-1915
admin@kcfpd47.com

Statement in favor

There is no statement in favor of this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement for the measure.

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Proposition No. 1**Intent to Continue
Voter Authorized
Benefit Charge**

The Board of Commissioners of Snoqualmie Pass Fire and Rescue adopted Resolution No. 2026-01, concerning a proposition for providing for the re-authorization and continuation of a benefit charge.

Shall Snoqualmie Pass Fire and Rescue be authorized to continue voter-authorized benefit charges each year for six consecutive years, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.16.160?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement for passage: Simple majority (RCW 52.18.050(3)(a))

Explanatory statement

Snoqualmie Pass Fire and Rescue is requesting that voters approve the continuation of the existing benefit charge for six years to replace the expiring benefit charge approved by the voters in 2020.

A benefit charge is not a property tax but is a user fee designed to allocate the cost of the services provided by the District in reasonable proportion to the measurable benefit a property receives. If the benefit charge is approved the District's statutory tax authority is reduced by \$.50 per thousand of assessed valuation.

The Board of Commissioners has determined that a benefit charge established in conjunction with a lower level of property taxes provides the fairest, most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the operations of the District and maintaining a satisfactory level of services. Property owners have a right to a hearing and to petition for adjustments to the benefit charge each year.

For questions about this measure, contact:

Jay Wiseman
Fire Chief
(425) 434-6333
Jwiseman@spfire.org

Statement in favor

There is no statement in favor of this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement for the measure.

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Statement in opposition

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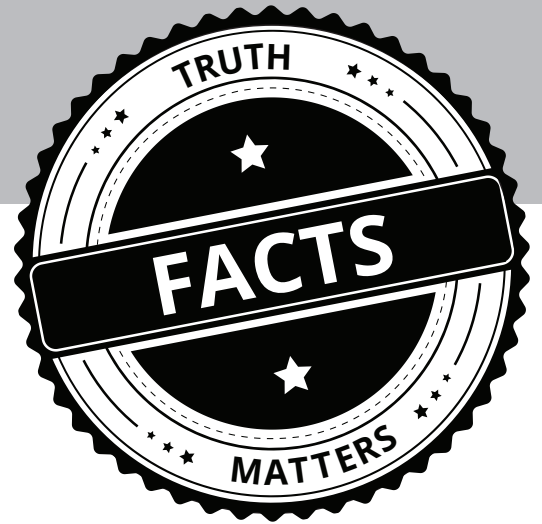
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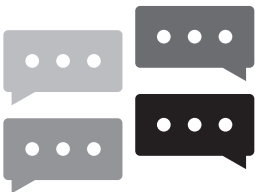
Pause, then question the source.

Whether you see something confusing online or hear it from a friend, family member, or colleague, take a moment to find out where the information came from. Learning whether the source is known and trusted can help you figure out whether the information is true.



Think critically.

It can be helpful - especially when we feel strongly - to pause and be curious. Consider a few simple questions: Who is sharing this information? Why? When was it originally published? What else might be helpful for me to know?



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