

Kitsap County, Welcome to March!

This month brings two powerful celebrations, National Developmental Disabilities Month and Women's History Month! We're excited to honor the people in our community who represent these identities and make our county stronger every day.

Check out the events, resources, and stories below as we celebrate *you!*

Community Events

 **March 10, 2026 — 4:00–6:00 PM**

We Heart Kitsap  **Easterseals Gateway Adult Services, 4414 Perry Ave NE, Bremerton**

A *free*, all-ages event celebrating community inclusion and awareness. Includes snacks, giveaways, hands-on activities, and information about Easterseals Washington.

RSVP: <https://wa.easterseals.com/take-action/attend-an-event/we-heart-kitsap>

 **March 19, 2026 — 8:30 AM–3:30 PM**

 **Kitsap Conference Center, 100 Washington Ave, Bremerton**

A county-wide, day-long gathering focused on women's empowerment, leadership, and personal/professional growth. Hosted by Leadership Kitsap & Greater Kitsap Chamber. Tickets available (\$35 GA).

RSVP: <https://leadershipkitsap.org/kitsap-womens-summit/>

 **March 19, 2026 — 4:30–7:00 PM**

Kitsap Youth Forum 2026  **Olympic College Bremerton, 1600 Chester Ave, Bremerton, WA 98337**

Gather to present your ideas and concerns to local policy makers. Your fresh perspectives can contribute to the creation of laws, rules, and regulations for the future.

RSVP: www.bit.ly/KitsapYouthForum26

 **March 20, 2026 — 11:30 AM–1:30 PM**  **105 National Avenue North, Bremerton**

Community Health Gathering: Reducing Harm Through Poison Prevention

This event centers on community health, safety, and harm reduction. Includes free lunch, networking, and a prevention-focused workshop.

RSVP:

<https://allevents.in/bremerton/community-health-gathering-reducing-harm-through-poison-prevention/100001981624962607>

 **April 24, 2026 — 4:00 PM–6:00 PM**  **Central Kitsap High School Satellite Gym, 10182 Frontier Pl, NW, Silverdale**

Allows attendees to explore the available services in our community in the areas of Education, Advocacy, Support, Employment, Care, Housing, Recreation, Leisure, and more!

Link to Website: <https://hollyridge.org/events/2026-dd-fair/>

Resources

Women's History Month Books — Kitsap Regional Library

Check out Kitsap Regional Library's curation of Women's History Month Books:

<https://www.krl.org/womenshistory/>

Vitalize Kitsap – Community inclusion programs for teens & adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities. <https://www.vitalizekitsap.org/>

Kitsap County Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board – Regular updates, advocacy, and community planning (no March meeting listed, latest was Feb 3, 2026).

Notable Dates:

March 1 – Zero Discrimination Day

March 8 – International Women's Day

March 15 – International Day to Combat Islamophobia

March 21 – International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

March 25- International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and Transatlantic Slave Trade

March 31 – International Transgender Day of Visibility

PRESENTERS

GREATER KITSAP CHANGES
+ LEADERSHIP KITSAP PRESENT

Kitsap Women's SUMMIT

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"Unstuck: Staying True to Self in Unusual Territory"
TRACY PUGGOLD-BARRING, APRIL PUGGOLD, DR. JONETTE BERTON, LAUREY HOLLISTER

"From Misunderstood to Understood: Tools for Relational Breakthrough Across Differences"
STEPHANIE MINGLACCA

"How Your WHY Can Guide Your WHAT and Anchor Your WHO"
LAURIE CAMPBELL

"The Freedom and Flexibility Formula: Build Momentum Toward a Life You Love"
LISA KERRIN

"Shell Life: The Art of Knowing When to Pivot and How to Begin Again"
MONICA DOWNER

"Showing Up Anyway: The Power of Authentic Presence"
WHITNEY TATUM

"The Conflict Beneath the Conflict"
CARA WILSON

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**KITSAP COUNTY
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
RESOURCE FAIR**

APRIL 24, 2026 @ 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Central Kitsap High School Satellite Gym
10182 Frontier Pl. NW, Silverdale
Part of the CKSD complex, adjacent to CK High School

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Kitsap Youth Forum 2026

March 19th | 4:30pm - 7:00pm | OC Bremerton



What is the Youth Forum?

We will have multiple local policy makers present to listen to your ideas and concerns. Your fresh perspectives can contribute to the creation of laws, rules and regulations for the future!



Let us know if you're coming!

Register at:

bit.ly/KitsapYouthForum26

or scan the QR code:



Where is it?

Olympic College, Bremerton
Building 4, Room 129
1600 Chester Ave., Bremerton, WA



Questions? Please contact: youthforum@kitsappublichealth.org