



Kitsap County

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Dear Kitsap County Voters:

Your Local Voters' Pamphlet is 88 pages. Since this is significantly larger than normal, I began to wonder what would be the most effective way to utilize this resource. Preplanning can be helpful in making an informed decision when your ballot arrives. I think I have some ideas.

Many voters find the sample ballot to be helpful – the sample ballot that starts on page 8. If you mark that, then when you get your ballot you will have an easy time making your choices.

- The local voters pamphlet covers all races in the county, so the first task may be figuring out which races aren't relevant to your district. The easiest way I've found that out is through the Kitsap County Assessor's Office Parcel Search. Find the property where you live, then click on "Voting Districts." If any of the districts listed show up in this pamphlet, they have an election. If something in the pamphlet is not on your list you can cross it off your sample ballot sheet and focus on the races you will see.
- If there are any contests that are easy picks for you, mark those selections before reading any statements in the other races. Now focus on reading the statements or arguments in contests where you're undecided. Mark your remaining choices after your study.
- Once you make your selections, take out your ballot and mark it based on your advance work. Insert your completed ballot in the secrecy sleeve, put both in the return envelope we provided (Make sure it's yours and not someone else's in your residence.) then return it to one of our drop boxes (Page 7), by mail (At least a week ahead.) or one of our vote centers (Page 4).

If more than one of you in your household want to use this method, you can find a printable sample ballot at kitsap.gov/elections. Thank you again for taking seriously your role in our democracy.

Sincerely,



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Candidate Statement Standards

Candidates for Federal, State and Judicial Offices

The Washington Secretary of State does not print a Primary voters' pamphlet, so Kitsap County includes statements from Federal, State, Legislative and Judicial candidates in its Primary pamphlet as a courtesy to Kitsap County voters. Federal, State, Legislative statements are submitted by candidates to the Secretary of State's Office where they are reviewed. Laws for the State Voters' Pamphlet do not permit the Secretary of State's Office to disallow or censor content. The statements for Federal, State and Legislative candidates are printed here as approved by the Secretary of State's Office. If you object to a candidate's statement, please direct your comments to the candidate.

Candidates for County Offices

Statements for candidates for county races are subject to RCW 29A.32 sections 210-280 and Kitsap County Administrative Rules. Once deemed compliant they are printed exactly as submitted. Kitsap County Elections does not correct punctuation, grammar, typos or inaccurate information.

Election Information

Top 2 Primary

The purpose of the Primary is to reduce the number of candidates in each race to two for the General Election.

- Voters may vote for any one candidate in each contest.
- Voters are voting for candidates, not choosing a political party's nominees.

The two candidates that receive the most votes in the August Primary advance to the General Election. Candidates must receive at least 1 percent of the total votes cast for their position in order to be placed on the General Election ballot. It is possible that the two candidates who advance to the General Election prefer the same party.

Participating Jurisdictions

Districts participating in this Local Voters' Pamphlet are the United States Government, the State of Washington, Kitsap County, the Kitsap County Public Utility District, the City of Bremerton, Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue, Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 (Poulsbo Fire), North Kitsap Fire & Rescue and the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District.

Military, Overseas and Early Ballots

If you are a military or overseas voter or if you believe your ballot will not be received in time to vote, you may request to receive your ballot by email or request an early ballot up to 90 days before an election. Early ballots list only the contests known at the time of the request. To request an email ballot or early ballot, visit: [kitsap.gov/elections](https://www.kitsap.gov/elections) or contact Kitsap County Elections.

Additional information for military and overseas voters is available from the Federal Voting Assistance Program at: www.fvap.gov.

Write-Ins – Which Votes Can Be Counted

Primary Election write-in votes can only be counted if:

- The candidate filed a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy, and;
- In a Primary there are enough write-in votes for a candidate to come in second, or in a General Election enough votes for a candidate to win.

Candidate and Committee Statements

The Local Voters' Pamphlet includes statements submitted by candidates running for offices and committees supporting or opposing ballot measures. Statements printed in this pamphlet are the opinions of the authors. Kitsap County Elections is not responsible for the content of statements or their factual and grammatical accuracy.

Your Right to Privacy

Every voter has the right to vote his or her ballot in secret.

Attempting to vote when not qualified, or falsely signing the Voter Declaration, is a felony punishable by up to five years of imprisonment or a maximum fine of \$10,000, or both imprisonment and fine.

Questions or Need a Replacement Ballot?

If you have not received your ballot by **July 25**, or if your ballot is damaged or lost, you may request a replacement ballot by contacting Kitsap County Elections.

Register to Vote

Who May Vote

To be eligible to vote, one must register and be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A Washington resident.
- At least 18 years old. In the August Primary a 17-year-old who will be 18 by the November General Election can vote in candidate races, except for PCO races.
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison for a Washington felony conviction.
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order.

Options for Registering

- Online at www.VoteWA.gov.
- Complete a paper registration form available at libraries, city halls, public schools, fire district offices and at the County Auditor's Office.
- When you renew your driver's license.

Name Change

If you have legally changed your name, you must complete a new voter registration application. Your new signature is used to validate your ballot.

Update Your Voter Record if You Move

If you are already registered to vote in Kitsap County, update your voter record:

- online at: www.VoteWA.gov through July 29,
- by emailing the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division at auditor@kitsap.gov,
- by phone at 360-337-7128.

Address Change

Address changes can be made in person until 8 p.m. on Election Day at the Kitsap County Auditor's Office and at the Vote Centers. Dates and locations follow. A new voter registration card will be mailed after your address change is processed.

When to Register

Individuals may register to vote at any time. To vote in the August 6 Primary, the deadlines are:

- **July 29:** Deadline for **mail and online** voter registrations, updates and changes.
- **August 6:** **In-person** deadline for voter registrations, updates and changes. Citizens may register until 8 p.m. on Election Day by appearing in person at the County Auditor's Office. Registration will also be available the Saturday and Monday before Election Day and on Election Day at the Vote Centers at the Marvin Williams Recreation Center and the Poulsbo Fire Station.

To Cancel Your Voter Registration

You may sign a form requesting to cancel your registration. In the case of a deceased voter, a family member may sign a form authorizing a cancellation. The form is available by contacting the Kitsap County Auditor's Office or online at <https://www.kitsap.gov/auditor/Documents/CancellationForm.pdf>.

Vote Centers and Accessible Voting

Federal law requires jurisdictions to provide vote centers with certified accessible voting devices that enable voters with disabilities to cast their ballots independently and in private.

Accessible Voting Units provide all contests in audio and high-contrast text formats and are available beginning 18 days prior to the Primary Election.

Before Election Day

July 19 through August 2, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Monday through Friday

Kitsap County Auditor's Office
619 Division St, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Vote Centers

Saturday August 3, Monday, Aug. 5,
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Election Day, Tuesday, Aug. 6,
7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Kitsap County Administration Building
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Marvin Williams Recreation Center
725 Park Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98337

Poulsbo Fire Station
911 NE Liberty Road, Poulsbo, WA 98370

Online Ballot Access

The State of Washington provides an accessible online ballot and a Local Voters' Pamphlet.

The online access is compatible with commonly used accessibility software such as screen readers and screen magnifiers, and allows for navigation without the use of a mouse and without having to see the cursor on the screen. All candidate video statements include closed captions.

Through Online Ballot Access, you may verify that Kitsap County Elections has received your ballot using the Ballot Tracker feature.

Online Ballot Access is available beginning 18 days prior to the Primary Election at:

VoteWA.gov.

Major Political Party Contact Information

Washington State Democratic Party

P.O. Box 4027
Seattle, WA 98194
(206) 583-0664
www.wa-democrats.org/contact
www.wa-democrats.org

Kitsap County Democratic Central Committee

P.O. Box 27
Silverdale, WA 98383
(360) 698-6833
chair@kitsapdemocrats.org
www.kitsapdemocrats.org

Washington State Republican Party

11811 NE 1st St., Ste. A306
Bellevue, WA 98005
(425) 460-0570
info@wsrp.org
www.wsrp.org

Kitsap County Republican Party

6610 Kitsap Way, Ste. 102
Bremerton, WA 98312
info@kitsaprepublicans.com
www.kitsaprepublicans.com

Candidate and Political Committee Information

Candidates for Partisan Office

A candidate may state on the ballot a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate may choose to not state a party preference.

A candidate's party preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

Nonpartisan Offices – Primary

A Primary is held if three or more candidates file to run for a nonpartisan office. If no more than two candidates file, they appear only on the General Election ballot in the order determined by lot.

Precinct Committee Officer

A Precinct Committee Officer is a partisan office, an elected or appointed member of a major political party. Precinct Committee Officers elect a chair and vice-chair of their party's county and legislative district central committees.

At the time of filing for office, candidates must be registered to vote in the precinct represented by the office they seek. Precinct Committee Officers are elected in the Primary.

Precinct Committee Officer contests will only appear on the ballot if two or more candidates from the same party file for that office.

For this office only: In order to vote for precinct committee officer you must affirm that you are a Democrat or a Republican and may vote for only one candidate from the party you select. Your vote for a candidate affirms your affiliation with the same party as the candidate. This preference is private and will not be matched to your name or shared.

Contributions to Candidates and Political Committees

- **Contribution Limits** – State law sets contribution limits on donations to legislative, judicial and county candidates as well as bona fide political party and caucus political committees.
- Anyone who donates more than \$25 in monetary and in-kind contributions must be identified by name and full address. For aggregate donations of more than \$250, occupation, employer name, city and state of his/her employer are also required.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit **Public Disclosure Commission for Washington State** at www.pdc.wa.gov, or call (360) 753-1111. The PDC also explains filing requirements and contribution limits, laws and rules.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to federal candidates, visit www.fec.gov.

Major and Minor Political Parties

Major Political Parties

A political party qualifies as a "major" political party when it receives at least 5 percent of the total votes cast in any statewide office contest at the preceding state General Election in an even-numbered year. In 2024 Washington state has two major political parties: Democratic and Republican.

Minor Political Parties

A "minor" political party is any political party in which no candidate for statewide office received at least 5 percent of the total votes cast at the preceding General Election during an even-numbered year.

Mark Your Ballot

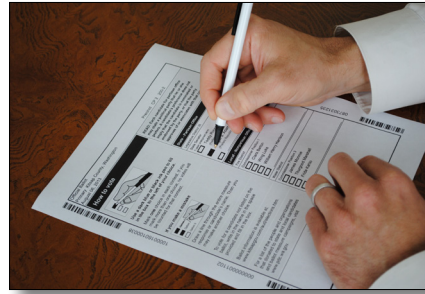
How to vote

Use a dark blue or black ink pen to completely fill in the box to the left of your choice.

Do not use pencil.

Mark one choice in each contest.

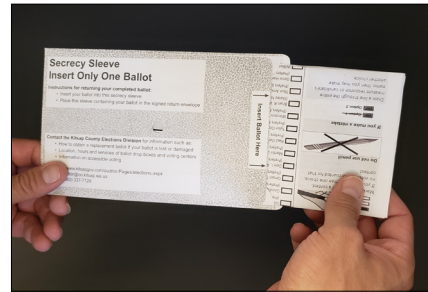
If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.



Secure

Place the voted ballot in the secrecy sleeve.

Place the secrecy sleeve inside the lavender return envelope.



Sign, Date and Seal

Read, sign and date the Voter Declaration on the lavender return envelope.

- You must sign the lavender return envelope in order for your ballot to be counted.
- Sign your name in dark ink.
- Seal the lavender return envelope.



Ballot Marking Tips and Reminders

Ballot marking errors require additional staff review, which slows down ballot processing. Help us improve efficiency by **avoiding** these common errors:

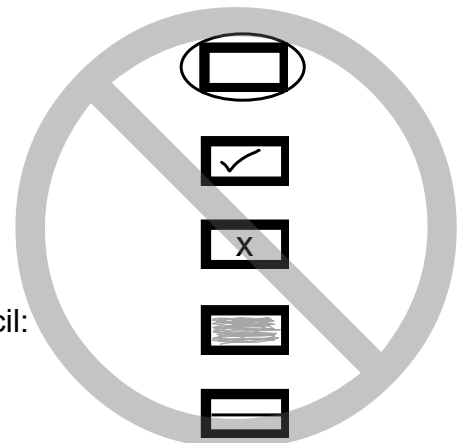
Do not circle:

Do not check:

Do not X:

Do not use pencil:

No single lines:



24-Hour Ballot Drop Boxes

Voters are encouraged to use a ballot drop box. Ballot drop boxes provide a safe, secure way for voters to deposit their ballots. Ballot drop boxes are available 24 hours a day beginning July 19, 2024, until 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Bainbridge Island School District 8489 Madison Avenue North Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 (drive-up)	Navy Yard City - West Side Improvement Club 4109 West E Street Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)
Bremerton - Downtown Norm Dicks Government Center 345 6th Street, Bremerton, WA 98337 (drive-up)	Olalla Bay Market & Landing (new location) 13965 Crescent Valley Road SE Olalla, WA 98359
Bremerton - East Kitsap Regional Library, Sylvan Way Branch 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA 98310 (drive-up)	Port Gamble - S'Klallam Tribal Center 31912 Little Boston Road NE Kingston, WA 98346
Bremerton - Marvin Williams Recreation Center 725 Park Avenue Bremerton, WA 98337 (drive-up)	Port Orchard Kitsap County Auditor's Office 619 Division Street Port Orchard, WA 98366
Bremerton National Airport (new location) 8850 SW State Highway 3 Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)	Port Orchard (East) - SKFR Station 8 1974 Fircrest Drive SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 (drive-up)
Burley Store 14972 Bethel-Burley Road SE Port Orchard, WA 98367 (drive-up)	Port Orchard (Glenwood) - SKFR Station 17 7990 McCormick Woods Drive SW Port Orchard, WA 98367
Hansville - Buck Lake County Park (new location) 6959 Buck Lake Road NE Hansville, WA 98340 (drive-up)	Poulsbo Fire Station 911 NE Liberty Road Poulsbo, WA 98370 (drive-up)
Indianola Tennis Courts 20761 Greenwood Street NE Indianola, WA 98342	Seabeck - Green Mountain Elementary School 3860 Boundary Trail NW Bremerton, WA 98312 (drive-up)
Keyport - Central Park 15378 Washington Avenue NE Keyport, WA 98345	Silverdale - KCSO Substation (new location) 3951 NW Randall Way Silverdale, WA 98383 (drive-up)
Kingston - North Kitsap Fire & Rescue 26642 Miller Bay Road NE Kingston, WA 98346 (drive-up)	Silverdale Rotary Gateway Park (new location) 11601 Silverdale Way NW Silverdale, WA 98383 (drive-up)
Kingston - Village Green Park 10810 NE West Kingston Road Kingston, WA 98346 (drive-up)	Southworth WSF Terminal 11677 SE Southworth Ferry Drive Port Orchard, WA 98366 (near terminal entrance)
Manchester Stormwater Park 2399 Colchester Drive E Port Orchard, WA 98366	Suquamish Tribal Council Bldg. 18490 Suquamish Way NE Suquamish, WA 98392
Naval Base Kitsap - Bangor 2500 Ohio Street NSB Silverdale, WA 98315	Tracyton - Bremerton Elks, Lodge 1181 4131 Pine Road NE Bremerton, WA 98310
Naval Base Kitsap - Bremerton 886 Barclay Street Bremerton, WA 98314	Note: The drop box on the Olympic College Poulsbo campus is no longer available.

Sample Ballot Page 1

Sample Ballot
Primary
August 6, 2024
Kitsap County, Washington

How to vote this ballot

Use dark blue or black ink to fill in the box to the left of your choice.

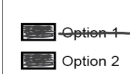


Mark **one** choice for a contest. If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.

Do not use pencil



If you make a mistake



Draw a line through the entire measure response, then you may make another choice.

To vote for a candidate **not** listed on the ballot, write in the name in the space provided and fill in the box.

Ballot information is available online at: kitsap.gov/elections

Who donates to campaigns?

View information on financial contributors for federal candidates:

Federal Election Commission

www.fec.gov
Toll Free:
1 (800) 424-9530

View financial contributors for candidates and measures:

Public Disclosure Commission

www.pdc.wa.gov
Toll Free:
1 (877) 601-2828

This ballot contains all contests that will appear on the August 6, 2024 General Election ballot. Only the ballot issues that apply to the precinct where you are registered to vote will appear on your ballot.

READ: Each Candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

Federal Partisan Offices

U.S. Senator

- Mel Ram**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Dr Raul Garcia**
(Prefers GOP Party)
- David Tilton**
(Prefers Non-Partisan Party)
- Maria Cantwell**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Chuck Jackson**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- Isaac A Holyk**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Henry Clay Dennison**
(Prefers Socialist Workers Party)
- Scott Nazarino**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Paul Lawrence Giesick**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Thor Amundson**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- Goodspaceguy**
(Prefers Republican Party)
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Congressional District 6 U.S. Representative

- Emily Randall**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Janis Clark**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Drew C MacEwen**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- J. Graham Ralston**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- Hilary Franz**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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State Partisan Offices

Governor

- Jim Daniel**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Cassandra Magdalene Hanson**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Jeff Curry**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- Alex Tsimerman**
(Prefers Standup-America Party)
- Mark Mullet**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Martin Lee Wheeler**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Jennifer Hoover**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Andre Stackhouse**
(Prefers Green Party)
- EL'ona Kearney**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Ricky Anthony**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Bob Ferguson**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Chaytan Inman**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Michael DePaula**
(Prefers Libertarian Party)
- Dave Reichert**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Don L Rivers**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Jim Clark**
(States No Party Preference)
- Fred Grant**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Leon A Lawson**
(Prefers Trump Republican Party)
- Edward Cale IV**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Frank Dare**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- William Combs**
(Prefers Independent Party)
- Alan Makayev**
(Prefers Nonsense Busters Party)
- Brian Bogen**
(Prefers Nonpartisan Party)
- A.L. Brown**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Brad Mjelde**
(States No Party Preference)
- Bill Hirt**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Rosetta Marshall-Williams**
(Prefers Independence Party)
- Semi Bird**
(Prefers Republican Party)
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Lt. Governor

- Patrick "Pat" Harman**
(Prefers Liberal Republican Party)
- David Griffin**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Bob Hagglund**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Dan Matthews**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Denny Heck**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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Secretary of State

- Marquez Tiggs**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Dale Whitaker**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Damon Townsend**
(Prefers No Labels Party)
- Steve Hobbs**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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State Treasurer

- Mike Pellicciotti**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Sharon Hanek**
(Prefers Republican Party)
-

State Auditor

- Matt Hawkins**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Pat (Patrice) McCarthy**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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Attorney General

- Pete Serrano**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Nick Brown**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Manka Dhingra**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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Commissioner of Public Lands

- Allen Lebovitz**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Jaime Herrera Beutler**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Dave Upthegrove**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Sue Kuehl Pederson**
(Prefers Republican Party)
- Patrick DePoe**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Jeralee Anderson**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
- Kevin Van De Wege**
(Prefers Democratic Party)
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State Nonpartisan Office

Superintendent of Public Instruction

- Reid Saar**
- Chris Reykdal**
- John Patterson Blair**
- David Olson**
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Sample Ballot Page 2

Sample Ballot
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State Partisan Offices

Insurance Commissioner

Patty Kuderer
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Chris D. Chung
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Jonathan Hendrix
(States No Party Preference)

Bill Boyd
(Prefers Democratic Party)

John Pestinger
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Tim Verzal
(States No Party Preference)

Phil Fortunato
(Prefers Republican Party)

Justin Murta
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Senator**

Short and full 4-year term

Lance Byrd
(Prefers Republican Party)

Drew Hansen
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Ace Haynes
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Representative Position 1**

Tiffany Attrill
(Prefers Independent Party)

Kurt Robertson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Tarra Simmons
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Legislative District 23
State Representative Position 2**

Short and full 2-year term

Greg Nance
(Prefers Democratic Party)

John Gibbons
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Jamie Miles
(Prefers Republican Party)

Brynn Felix
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Legislative District 26
State Representative Position 1**

Jim Henderson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Jesse L. Young
(Prefers Republican Party)

Adison Richards
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Legislative District 26
State Representative Position 2**

Tiffany Mitchell
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Lori McPherson
(Prefers Democrat Party)

Josh Smith
(States No Party Preference)

Rachel Harter
(Prefers Republican Party)

Michelle Caldier
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 35
State Representative Position 1**

Dan Griffey
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Legislative District 35
State Representative Position 2**

Eric Onisko
(Prefers (GOP) Republican Party)

Travis Couture
(Prefers Republican Party)

James DeHart
(Prefers Democratic Party)

County Partisan Offices

County Commissioner District 1

Short and full 4-year term

Christine Rolfes
(Prefers Democratic Party)

County Commissioner District 2

Jeff Coughlin
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Sean Murphy
(Prefers Republican Party)

Matt Macklin
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Oran Root
(Prefers Republican Party)

Stacey (Spencer) Smith
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Paul Nuchims
(Prefers Abe Lincoln Democrat Party)

Judicial Nonpartisan Office

Supreme Court Justice Position 2

Todd A. Bloom

Sal Mungia

David R Shelvey

Dave Larson

Local Measures

**City of Bremerton
Proposition No. 1**

Emergency Medical Care and Services Tax Levy

The City Council of the City of Bremerton adopted Resolution No. 3379 concerning a regular property tax levy under chapter 84.52 RCW. Will the City be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years (2025-2030) to continue financing emergency medical care and services?

Yes

No

**Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue
Proposition No. 1**

Regular Property Tax Levy Lid Lift for Fire Protection & Emergency Medical Services

The Board of Commissioners of Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue adopted Resolution No. 24-03 proposing an increase in the fire district's regular property tax levy. To fund fire protection and emergency medical services for six years, this proposition authorizes restoring the previous maximum levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2025 and sets the limit factor for each subsequent year at 100% plus up to 6% or the amount authorized under RCW 84.55.0101, subject to the limit of \$1.50, whichever is greater. The final year's levy dollar amount would be used to compute limitations for subsequent levies.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

**Kitsap County Fire Protection
District No. 18
Proposition No. 1**

Emergency Medical Services Property Tax Levy

The Board of Commissioners of Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 (Poulsbo Fire Department) adopted Resolution No. 24-05 concerning a property tax levy to fund emergency medical services. For the purpose of providing emergency medical services (EMS), will Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection starting in 2025 and replacing the final year of the current EMS levy?

Yes

No

**North Kitsap Fire & Rescue
Proposition No. 1**

Emergency Medical Services Property Tax Levy

The Board of Commissioners of North Kitsap Fire & Rescue adopted Resolution No. 2024-02 concerning a property tax levy to fund emergency medical services. For the purpose of providing emergency medical services (EMS), will North Kitsap Fire & Rescue be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection starting in 2025 and replacing the final year of the current EMS levy?

Yes

No

**North Mason Regional Fire Authority -
Property Tax Levy for Fire Protection
and Emergency Medical Services**

The Board of North Mason Regional Fire Authority adopted Resolution No. 24-01, concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations. This proposition authorizes North Mason Regional Fire Authority to restore its regular property tax levy to \$1.11 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value to be assessed in 2024 and collected in 2025. The funds will be used to maintain and improve fire protection and emergency medical services, replace apparatus and equipment, and provide for firefighter safety. The maximum allowable levy in 2024 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW.

Should this proposition be approved?

Levy...Yes

Levy...No

County Nonpartisan Office

**Kitsap County
Public Utility District No. 1
Commissioner District 3**

John Poppe

Heather Pauley

Richard Tift

Local Measure

**Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District
Proposition No. 1**

Ray Williamson Pool Renovation Bonds

The Board of Commissioners of the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District has adopted Resolution 2024-04, regarding financing the renovation of the Aquatic Center facilities. If approved, this proposition would authorize the District to renovate, rehabilitate, reconstruct, refurbish, expand, and/or undertake other improvements to the existing Aquatic Center, including the 54-year old Ray Williamson Pool and related capital facilities. It would authorize issuance of not more than \$10,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within no more than 20 years and the annual levy of excess property taxes to pay and retire such bonds, all as provided in Resolution 2024-04.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

**Election of Political Party
Precinct Committee Officer**

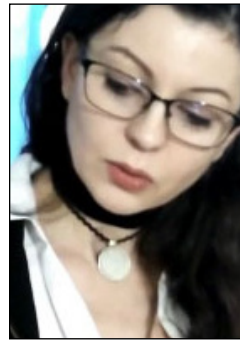
For this office only: In order to vote for precinct committee officer, a partisan office, you must affirm that you are a Democrat or a Republican and may vote only for one candidate from the party you select. Your vote for a candidate affirms your affiliation with the same party as the candidate. This preference is private and will not be matched to your name or shared.

PCO

Read Both Sides of the Ballot

**Statement Guidelines:
Candidates for Federal, State
and Judicial Offices**

The Washington Secretary of State does not print a Primary voters’ pamphlet, so Kitsap County includes statements from Federal, State, Legislative and Judicial candidates in its Primary pamphlet as a courtesy to Kitsap County voters. Federal, State, Legislative statements are submitted by candidates to the Secretary of State’s Office where they are reviewed. Laws for the State Voters’ Pamphlet do not permit the Secretary of State’s Office to disallow or censor content. The statements for Federal, State and Legislative candidates are printed here as approved by the Secretary of State’s Office. If you object to a candidate’s statement, please direct your comments to the candidate.



Mel Ram

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Ram4usSenate is a public service application at personal risk. When elected office defaulted on “national security” I, we, and works of providence, toiled to keep RF bombs out of US. Please see www.ram4usSenate.com.

Other Professional Experience: Diverse management. Respectfully areligious with a natural inclination

for grasping the foundations and direction of the church. I look forward to progress in eliminating LGBTQ intolerance and elevating women. Likely Vatican, governments, and RF influencer.

Education: Biochemistry major with coursework in Political Science, Urban Planning, Sociology and Anthropology.

Community Service: Activism for economic innovation around education, science, technology, and social service. Campaigning to eliminate institutionalized college deception.

Statement: Between 22 and 24 a set of provident social media anecdotes and my efforts were the inspiration behind an intrepid, benevolent force working to prevent a direct US, RF confrontation. To the anonymous, bright spirits devoted to preserving the East, West peace “Mankind to Infinity and to you Eternal Honors.” Insight into the activity shielding EU and 300 million American lives from RF retaliation is available on my website: www.ram4usSenate.com.

My political activism began as a UW biochemistry student, with a flier highlighting institutionalized college deception. “The “smart” lie” by 2youtext1 (You Tube) provides argument for economic reform around education, science, technology and social service. Robotics and automation will eliminate the bulk of blue-collar labor. We can choose to control our destiny or allow sparse political actors and decaying systems to dictate poverty, unemployment, substance subterfuge, crime and warfare.

Campaign platform: housing and healthcare; education and economic reform; street and systemic crime; preventing WWIII, mental health and homelessness; the US Constitution and our guaranteed freedoms; easing LGBTQ plight and elevating women.

The war on the poor. The stories laboring to preserve our national security began in a multiplex linked to black mold (currently in public use.) My website explains why I believe the property is an ongoing hazard to past, present and future residents, and the public.

Note: In a nuclear age, there is no intelligent WWIII scenario. We must adopt sustainable solutions. The wars in the east threaten the future of all mankind. In 22 our generals expressed concern the aid packages may be declared a direct provocation by Russia. The caveats were based on solid reason. Ram4USsenate provides insight into how elected office guess gambled P’s state of mind and missed. Please love life, protect our future, and share hope, inspiration and this knowledge.

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Dr Raul Garcia
(Prefers GOP Party)

Elected Experience: Dr Garcia isn't a career politician. A leader in his field, he has been elected to national medical organizations such as the American College of Emergency Medicine, the American Osteopathic Association, and the Bureau of Interns and Residents.

Other Professional Experience: Doctor, Emergency Medicine, 25 years. Current Chief Medical Officer, Astria

Toppenish Hospital. Past medical practice owner; co-founding Dean, two medical schools; Medical Director, two hospitals.

Education: Bachelor of Science, Microbiology/Immunology, University of Miami. Graduate, New York College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Community Service: Co-founder, Partnership for Food Security. Local drives for domestic violence shelter, toys for sick kids, bikes for books, and feeding the homeless.

Statement: This election is an opportunity for the people of Washington to change the way we are governed, to stop the cycle of divisive politics that ignores the best interests of our people.

Serious crises aren't getting the attention they should. Fentanyl is an extremely dangerous drug that is killing Americans indiscriminately. Dr Garcia, an Emergency Room physician, sees far too many overdoses, and knows far too many families who've lost loved ones. Dr Garcia is the only Senate candidate with a plan to seriously combat the Fentanyl crisis, using a proven approach that targets dealers with prison time, and helps addicts with a robust program of treatment and recovery.

Another crisis is the cost of living. Washington is the fourth most-expensive state for groceries, and the eighth most-expensive overall. Many people are at or near the end of their financial rope due to rampant inflation. We can help tackle inflation by stopping reckless federal spending that adds to the national debt, and boost productivity to ease prices for consumers. Dr Garcia will be a voice for fiscal sanity.

As an Emergency Room doctor, Dr Garcia spends his days helping people. As a refugee from Cuba who found a home in America, he loves our country deeply. As a son raised by a single mother, he respects the men and women who work so hard to make a life for themselves and their families.

Dr Garcia isn't a career politician. But throughout his life he has been a leader – in the medical profession and in the community. He serves patients as a doctor, and he will serve the people of Washington as their US Senator.

Our state is a wonderful place that has gone a bit off-track. We can definitely do better, and with Dr Raul Garcia we will.

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David Tilton
(Prefers Non-Partisan Party)

Elected Experience: No prior elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: Senior data analysis team lead spearheading a multinational, cross-functional team empowering multimillion small and large businesses globally; Assistant Manager at a seasonal retail store; Assistant Manager at an apartment complex with 300 units; SSgt veteran of the U.S. Airforce; and a Father to 6 children.

Education: The Art Institute of Seattle, B.A. with Honors; Airman Leadership School; Berean School of the Bible; Everett High School

Community Service: Active local PTA member, Lake Stevens; Youth group leader at BCA, Everett; Building homes for homeless families in Mexico with FBC, Everett

Statement: I vow to represent your interests, values, and aspirations. I'm running because I believe in a better future for our state and nation. Where everyone has access to quality education, health care, and employment. Where we protect our environment, our democracy, and our constitutional rights. Where we work together to solve the challenges facing us as Americans and global citizens.

I'm a USAF veteran with multiple overseas deployments. I've lived and raised my family in Washington for 20+ years, seeing some of the best and worst of our state. With a background in retail, real estate, youth education, and business data analytics (local and international); I've fought abroad for the nation now I'll fight alongside you to bring our perspectives, knowledge, and experience to Congress.

I'm dedicated to protecting our environment and combating climate change, advocating policies that promote clean energy, conservation, and sustainable development. Access to quality healthcare is a fundamental right. I'll work tirelessly to ensure affordable healthcare, regardless of income or preexisting conditions. Children are the future. I pledge to increase funding for our schools, support our educators, and make higher education more affordable and accessible.

I'll champion policies that create jobs, support small businesses, and revitalize our local economies. Introducing legislation to incentivize businesses to hire locally instead of outsourcing to other countries for cheaper labor. Together, we can ensure a prosperous future. I'm committed to improving law enforcement while promoting transparency, community policing, and criminal justice reform. Rehabilitation for the incarcerated and support for impacted communities is vital to successfully reintegrate them into society, reducing the likelihood of reoffending. I'm committed to responsible and effective budgeting, eliminating wasteful spending, and lowering taxes while ensuring essential services are maintained.

Your involvement is crucial! Together, we can shape a brighter future.

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Maria Cantwell
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: U.S. Senate 2001-present, U.S. House of Representatives 1993-1995, Washington State Legislature 1987-1993.

Other Professional Experience: Real Networks, Vice President of Marketing & Senior Vice President of the Consumer Products Division 1995-2000.

Education: First in her family to graduate college with the help of financial aid. Received B.A. in Public Administration from Miami University.

Community Service: Henry M. Jackson Foundation, Former Honorary Council of Advisors; South Snohomish Chamber of Commerce, Former Board Member; Alderwood Rotary, Former Board Member; Apollo Alliance, Founding Board Member

Statement: Affordability. Jobs. Rights. Security. That's what I focus on as your representative in Washington, D.C., not hyper-partisan politics.

Affordability: Food, energy, housing, education, childcare, and prescription drugs all cost way too much. That's why I helped cap monthly insulin costs at \$35 for Medicare enrollees and am fighting drug middlemen that inflate drug prices. My law made manipulating energy markets a crime, allowing the government to claw back billions in ill-gotten profits. I championed tax credits that built millions of affordable housing units and made childcare more affordable.

Jobs: Bringing manufacturing and supply chains back home are the key to creating jobs, raising wages, and growing the middle class. I developed a new law that is bolstering STEM education and apprenticeships, and will triple U.S. semiconductor manufacturing capacity. Our agricultural economy is stronger because we stood up to foreign shippers and reopened markets for Washington apples and lentils. We kept freight moving with record new infrastructure investments. I improved access to credit for small businesses and created more opportunities for women- and minority-owned businesses.

Rights: Freedoms we once took for granted are under assault. I've been fighting to codify Roe v. Wade, protect access to contraceptives and IVF, and block anti-choice states from prosecuting women. Washingtonians have a right to clean air and water, which is why I led efforts to protect pristine public lands, restore salmon habitat, and transition away from fossil fuels.

Security: Fentanyl is devastating too many Washington communities, so my new law declares fentanyl a national emergency and gives local law enforcement more resources to stop it from crossing our borders. Veterans have served our nation, which is why I have fought to protect their health care, including 124,000 Washingtonians exposed to toxic materials.

I am asking for your support in the U.S. Senate race.

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Chuck Jackson
(Prefers Independent Party)

Elected Experience: No elected experienced; also not beholden to any Special Interest Groups or Political Action Committees. Not bought off.

Other Professional Experience: Have been questioning the wisdom of running up the National Debt for over 30 years (\$34.6 Trillion and still rising), have a working knowledge of amortization schedules and the costs incurred when

interest rates increase, 2023 interest paid was \$882 Billion, 2024 should easily exceed \$1 Trillion.

Education: Licensed by United States Coast Guard as Ship Engineer. Over 40 years working on various ships; Military, Research, Tankers, Container and Ferry Vessels.

Community Service: Websites with information on National and International issues, Business, National Debt, Gerrymandering...

Statement: This isn't a game, nor a joke: the Gamblers on Wall Street, the Federal Reserve Bank, the Republicans and Democrats have been blowing smoke up your ass for a long time now, you've been hosed. There is no 15 to 30 second sound bite that can cut through the stench. Reading and math scores in this nation are abysmal, the hand wringing over Fentanyl overdoses, deaths is unconscionable and leaving a \$34.6 Trillion mess for the kids is disgusting. It is past time to clean things up, no more kicking the can (2024 interest on debt \$2.931 Billion per day; last year, \$2.418 Billion).

There are two options here, either the political parties and there minions weren't capable of figuring this out or they didn't care! If they didn't care the question becomes, Why? Which one or combination of the three options was/is it; Power, Control or Greed?

During Reagan's Presidency(R) the deficit increased over 185% from all the years previously (tax cuts & Starve the Beast). Clinton's Presidency(D) gutted Glass-Steagall (unregulating investment banks), The Commodity Futures Modernization Act (deregulated Derivatives).

The only way to stop the Millionaires and Billionaires with their special interest groups and political action committees (PAC's) is the involvement of people who have been steam-rolled by their agenda. The Constitution of the United States starts out with We The People, that means all of us not just the Special Interest Groups and Political Action Committees.

Are we going to continue living this way or opt for change before it is forced upon us. Interspersed throughout the website InsanityRules.org are some solution offered because sincere discussion followed by action will be the only way to get off this highway to hell. Want change, vote differently. These problems are serious, the time for humor is over, participation matters.

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Isaac A Holyk
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: *None*, I am not a politician

Other Professional Experience:
Launch Code Alumni, Microsoft Certified Software Developer, Carpenter, CEO, Videographer, and ASP.NET Full Stack Developer.

Education: Battle Ground High School, Clark College, Microsoft Academy, Launch Code

Community Service: CCRP Delegate, Children's Cancer Association team leader/volunteer, and I offer my services free of charge to help develop and maintain websites for non profits.

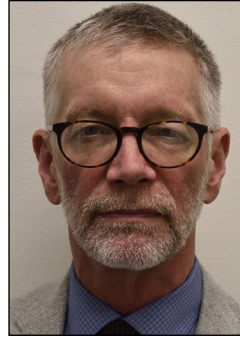
Statement: America is at a crossroads. We are a nation in decline. For the first time in our nations history future generations have less opportunities than their parents did. The cost of living is skyrocketing, our country is being invaded and is no longer safe, we are 30 trillion in debt, 70% of Americans think we are on the wrong track, and the current leadership in the U.S. Senate is either America maybe, or America last. I have had enough of America last.

This election we must decide who we are going to be as a people going forward and what it means to be an American. If you are one of the millions of Americans who feel that the current political leadership has abandoned you, my message is simple: *you are not politically homeless*. America First policy is not 'far right' or 'extreme' - *it is common sense*. It is time to secure our borders, stop the spending, end the corruption, lower taxes across the board, and create an environment where all Americans can thrive. I have a clear, *common sense*, legislative plan to get America on the right track.

It is time for a new generation of leadership. It is time for *common sense* America First policy that Republicans, Independents, and Democrats can all agree on. A government that works for all Americans. We cannot expect our government to represent everyday Americans if there are no everyday Americans in government at the highest levels. With your help, I can change that. I am offering a new path and an America First vision that works for all Americans. Join me. Together we can make America great again and provide a brighter future for our nation.

My name is Isaac Holyk, I am fighting for America, our children, and you.

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Henry Clay Dennison
(Prefers Socialist Workers Party)

Professional Experience: Henry Dennison is a railroad conductor and SMART-TD union member.

Education: Dennison learned to have deep confidence in the solidarity and fighting capacity of the working class from the Black-led movement that defeated Jim Crow segregation, and through five decades of work in fruit packing plants, coal mines, railroads, steel mills and other industries.

Community Service: He has recently taken part in solidarity with farm workers, miners, auto workers, flight attendants and firefighters, among others, and joined actions against anti-Jewish attacks, in support of Ukraine's independence, against the US embargo of Cuba, and in solidarity with immigrant workers.

Statement: We live in a deeply class-divided country ruled by a handful of billionaire families and their government. Democratic and Republican parties say they speak for workers, but millions increasingly recognize this isn't true.

The global order the US rulers dominated after World War II is coming apart. The economic workings of capitalism are marching the world towards World War III, accelerated by Vladimir Putin's murderous invasion of Ukraine to deny its national rights, and Hamas' October 7 pogrom – orchestrated by the counterrevolutionary rulers of Iran – that slaughtered over 1,200 Jews in Israel. Only the working class has the capacity to halt this trajectory.

Driven by competition inherent in capitalism, corporations continue to pursue more production from fewer workers for less pay. But recent union organizing and strike victories point to the possibility of a different future. The low point of labor resistance is behind us. Working people need to build a labor party that breaks from all collaboration with the ruling class and wages a struggle for workers' power.

Defending constitutional freedoms won in the first American Revolution is a working-class issue. Attempts to jail and silence Donald Trump and criminalize political differences deal a blow to rights working people need. Drop all the charges!

Defend Israel's right to exist as a refuge for Jews in the face of rising Jew-hatred today! Join efforts to defend Jews from attack!

Workers need to fight for a public works program to put millions to work at union scale wages building roads, schools, parks, hospitals and more; for regular cost of living increases, wages sufficient to raise a family and quality housing workers can afford; and for workers control of production to guarantee safety on the job and reverse the profit-driven destruction of the environment.

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Scott Nazarino
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer in Sammamish

Other Professional Experience: 32 years in the Financial Services industry. Owned my business since 1995. Estate and retirement planning, family business succession. Private investor; past Seattle Times employee. Served in local politics and ran for multiple offices, including the U.S. Senate in 2016.

Education: BA, Northwest University; Associate in Arts, Bellevue College; LUTCF, Life Underwriter’s Training Council

Community Service: Served on a church board; Community litter removal; Volunteer on school field trips; Visited shut ins; Personal counseling

Statement: If you’re like many voters I’ve met, you believe Congress is broken – the infighting, divisiveness, tribalism, and accusations. It looks bad, and it’s getting worse. Meanwhile, people like you and I are losing out on the life we were promised – and the life we’ve worked for.

Inflation is killing jobs and eating away at savings. Home ownership is becoming more out of reach – even for people with good jobs and no debt. School safety has eroded. Education hasn’t recovered from the learning loss inflicted upon kids by school lockdowns. The Ukraine war is still raging. As all the tensions and wars in the Middle East continue Americans are beginning to lose hope.

I want to change the course of our state and country. No matter your party affiliation or if you’re an independent, I will represent you and would sincerely appreciate your support. I will listen to and represent all Washingtonians, not just those with the loudest bullhorns or the biggest wallets.

As your U.S. Senator, I will focus my efforts on three areas. First, to protect our children at school so they can learn in a safe environment by installing National Guardsmen or other officers at every elementary school.

Second, begin a focused national dialogue to deal with the national debt and the approaching fiscal cliff. We’re now nearing \$35 trillion, almost \$270,000 per taxpayer. The lives we live, and the dreams we strive for, are in peril unless we act now, before it’s too late.

Third, restore hope and focus on academics at our schools. Students are still suffering from what they lost during Covid. We need a rapid revitalization plan to get kids back on track to help them prepare for college. We need solutions to college affordability.

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Paul Lawrence Giesick
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: I am not a career politician and will not serve more than two terms.

Other Professional Experience: Currently - Production Manager in the Premium Lifestyle Industry. Previously - USMC (Military Supply Admin.), Aerospace Industry (CNC machinist), City of Everett (Utility Billing).

Education: Bachelor’s Degree in Operations Management, Bellingham Tech. College. Precision Machining Degree, Everett Community College. Diploma, Everett High School.

Community Service: I serve my community best helping out my family, friends and neighbors where I can. You may see me pulling over to pick up hitch hikers or buying someone in need some food. I pay my taxes in full and on time.

Statement: Our Lord Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life. We live in a time plagued with diabolical disorientation. We are in a spiritual battle between good and evil. Our suffering will only increase until we sincerely call upon God for His mercy and grace. The ever-increasing cost of living is pushing American families to the breaking point. All of the wealth is systematically being concentrated to the rich and powerful while the middle class is being wiped out. Americans are being forced to become dependent on big government and relinquish their liberties for a small taste of a false sense of safety. This is all being facilitated by our fiat currency and the Federal Reserve. The career politicians, crony corporatism and bureaucracy in D.C. do not have the interest of the American people at heart. The federal government will continue to borrow, spend and print money endlessly until our currency becomes worthless. We currently have an unsustainable debt of over \$34 *trillion*, we are in a state of perpetual war and send money to foreign governments abroad and illegal immigrants domestically while our own citizens are left to carry the heavy burden of these inflationary policies.

Propaganda we are fed from the news and social media are trying to divide us just as the devil wants.

It is time we stand together and stand up for what is right. It is time that the good men and women finally fight more fervently than those who spread evil. It is time *we the people* are served by our government again. It’s time to secure the border, return to sound gold-backed money, stop our reckless federal government spending spree and end our perpetual state of war! It is time for life, liberty, peace and prosperity! God bless the U.S.A.

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Thor Amundson
(Prefers Independent Party)

Professional Experience: Watching C-Span for 30 years

Education: High school, Yakima, Washington.

Community Service: Built fish ladders and state and federal water betterment projects throughout the state.

Statement: Hi, I'm Thor Amundson, and I am a pro-democracy candidate. Born and raised in Eastern Washington, I've lived and worked throughout the state, and this has given me the opportunity to talk with people in all walks of life, and to consider the variety of issues facing them. I believe that without a little more opportunity for the next generation, we cannot have a healthy civilization.

If corporations move to other countries, they should follow the same rules and labour practices as in the USA. Stop shipping logs, jobs, and clean air and water overseas. Turn off reactor at Hanford and no new reactor; stop making the mess. Replace Hanford with geothermal power generation. Nationwide public internet access for everyone and net neutrality. Ban the use of certain weed killers on federally funded sites like easements, fencelines, ditch banks, and public schools. Overturn Citizen's United.

Picture a state and a nation where your children can afford to live. Federal and State and private land that has been swapped with Federal and State land should be open for off-grid homesteading. A place where elected officials are chosen by the people, not by their financial contributors. Make C-Span more entertaining. Rather than propose campaign reform, I am implementing it. I will lead the United States into the 21st century.

I will go to Washington DC and bring back financing for the Washington state ferries system and for upgrading the irrigation systems of Eastern Washington, and for clean water and clean air. Vote Thor.

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Goodspaceguy
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: 25 times a candidate, Goodspaceguy notices the homelessness, poverty, and crime produced by the big spenders, minimum wage, Command Economy!

Other Professional Experience: As an amateur economist, small spending Goodspaceguy invested and became prosperous in the stock market. Study economics!

Education: Goodspaceguy, Minnesota born, was educated in Germany, Sweden, and America. Spaceguy lived and learned in Europe for about twelve years. Spaceguy knows some European languages and earned university bachelors and masters degrees.

Community Service: Free market Goodspaceguy advocates for our orbital space program and against homelessness and crime caused by the minimum wage.

Statement: We are still at the beginning of the Space Age! Please think of your Earth as a beautiful spaceship. We are the passengers and crew members on Spaceship Earth. We are traveling in space around our Sun while our Sun travels inside our Milky Way Galaxy. I, Goodspaceguy, predict a prosperous future in space will come through orbital space colonization around our Spaceship Earth and in the Goldilocks Zone around our star, the Sun. Let's start with small space habitats. Also let's save, boost up, and improve the International Space Station.

Using voluntary, competitive, free market economics, let's raise the living standard of the workers. Let's reject the Big Government Command Economy that through force and misallocation produces homelessness, wild spending, and poverty.

Workfare is better than welfare. Welfare is a heavy burden for the workers. Free market economics can rehabilitate Spaceship Earth by transforming problem people into productive people. Worldwide we are struggling between Command Economies and Free Market Economies. Profits grow jobs, but the minimum wage laws reduce profits, which decreases jobs.

The workers create the goods and services that make up the living standard. Then tricky taxation takes from the workers and gives to the welfare recipients. The workers are robbed. The incentive to work is decreased. The minimum wage of the Command Economy creates a stressful work atmosphere and decreases profits. Jobs are lost. Crime and poverty increase. Let's defend the incentive of profits that come from serving you, the consumer. Study Free Market Economics! Abolish the job destroying minimum wage! Economics tell us how to raise the workers' living standard. Work builds up the living standard.

Should we stop the population explosion that is exterminating the wildlife of Spaceship Earth? Should we replace the complicated federal income tax with the simpler head tax?

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Are you ready to vote?



Qualifications?

To vote, you must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a resident of Washington, and not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison for a felony.

How do I register to vote?

Register online, by mail, or in person.

No internet access?
Call 1 (800) 448-4881.

Moved?

Contact a county elections office to request a ballot at your new address (listed at the end of this pamphlet).
Check your registration info at **VoteWA.gov**.



Emily Randall
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator (LD 26, Bremerton, Port Orchard, Gig Harbor), 2019-present; Deputy Majority Leader, 2023-present; Chair of the Senate Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee, 2019-2024

Other Professional Experience: Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Philanthropy Officer; Director of Development and Communications

at Legal Voice, a nonprofit that fights for reproductive rights and against gender and LGBTQ discrimination; SEIU 775 union caregiver.

Education: South Kitsap High School, Port Orchard; BA, Wellesley College

Community Service: Member, American Association of University Women, Gig Harbor; past board member, Kitsap Community Resources; past volunteer, Access Women’s Health Justice; Fenway Community Health; Big Sister

Statement: When Donald Trump won, I was working at Planned Parenthood – I knew I had to do more to protect our rights. I ran for a State Senate seat no one thought I could win and beat an anti-abortion MAGA Republican. I’ve been proudly fighting for all of us ever since.

I am running for Congress because the stakes have never been higher. Extremists are focused on banning abortion nationwide and undermining our democracy instead of getting things done for our communities.

Born and raised in Port Orchard in a union household, I went to South Kitsap HS. Growing up, I took care of my sister with complex medical needs, then worked my way through college, becoming the first in my family to earn a degree.

As state senator, I worked to help pass 193 bills – 85% with bipartisan support. Among those are laws expanding abortion access, protecting people seeking abortions in Washington from other states, capping prescription drug costs, building new housing and increasing funding to reduce homelessness, banning assault weapons, cutting tolls on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge, and improving ferry infrastructure. Being an effective legislator and delivering results has been my number one priority.

My record is clear; I’m a champion for our values. That’s why I’m the *only* candidate in this race endorsed by Planned Parenthood Action Fund, the *only* candidate refusing corporate PAC money, and the *only* candidate endorsed by the Washington State Labor Council, which represents nearly all of the labor unions in Washington. I’ve also earned endorsements from Senator Patty Murray and environmental groups. I would make history as the first LGBTQ Latina in Congress.

I humbly ask for your vote to help restore abortion rights nationwide, fight climate change, lower the cost of living and protect our democracy from MAGA extremists.

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Congressional District 6 U.S. Representative – 2-year term (←more→)



Janis Clark
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Janis Clark is currently an elected Precinct Committee Officer and President of Safe Homes Board of Governors; 2015 & 2005 Pierce County Charter Review Commission; 2013 South End Neighborhood Council Board of Directors.

Other Professional Experience: Janis Clark is Founder & Visionary of Safe

Homes, a WA State Incorporated Non-Profit since its inception of June 1, 1995. Served over 30 years of distinguished military service in the Army, WA Army National Guard and Army Reserve, Honorable Discharges.

Education: A Doctorate; MS, Human Resources Management & Development; BA, Business Management, AAS, High School Diploma, Commissioned Officer, Washington Military Academy (OCS).

Community Service: Demonstrated commitment to public service.

Statement: I am running for the United States House of Representatives, Congressional District 6, because I believe "It Is Time". Time to have Courage. Time to use Creativity "to mix things together that have never come together before." Time to have a "Community-Centered Approach" for solutions that are driven by Common Sense. Time to "bring youth voices to the center of the table" to inform public policy.

Janis Clark is the only Congressional Candidate for District 6 with decades of distinguished military career and Clark continues to be very thoughtful in seeking solutions for the betterment of our society. By ensuring the proper investments in our 1st Responders (Police, Fire, EMT, Military, etc..) many of the other issues and unintended consequences can be mitigated and/or prevented.

The best way to address homelessness is to identify more than one affordable housing option and include all of the stakeholders at the onset to obtain buy-in. By implementing best practices and engaging in public/private partnerships, we have the potential to remove hundreds of thousands of people from situations of homelessness and enable the inhabitants of WA State to be stronger and more resilient.

I have demonstrated a strong commitment to public service to our country, state and community. I have the skill set that can get the work done; the work of creating safe environments and providing my proven leadership for healthy neighborhoods.

I look forward to "joining hands" with you in protecting our seniors, disabled veterans, and other high-risk populations in obtaining better health care outcomes and expanded economic opportunities.

I humbly ask for your vote.

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Drew C MacEwen
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative, 35th District 2013-2023; State Senator, 35th District 2023-present

Other Professional Experience: US Navy Submarine Veteran having served from 1992-1998 out of Bangor, WA. Drew founded and is president of Falcon Financial Inc and serves as the managing partner of Mountain Lakes Capital. Additionally, Drew is the managing partner of 1889 Prime Steakhouse.

Education: US Navy Nuclear Power Program; Bachelor of Science from Excelsior University

Community Service: Past President Shelton Chamber of Commerce; member of Shelton Rotary Club; supporter of Mason General Hospital Foundation and Kitsap Medical Society; member of Saint David's Church

Statement: In a time of divisive politics, we need leaders who will bring people together.

Inflation has eroded family savings, debt is spiking, and interest rates are at the highest in decades. We need a strong economy that working families can rely on. This includes passing a federal budget and cutting wasteful spending. To balance the federal budget and begin to pay down our debt we must begin with an actual budget, not continuing resolutions.

Healthcare is costly and eats up too much of your family's income. Medicare needs reforms to bring it into a 21st century model, and Social Security must be saved for future generations.

We have an immigration system that is broken. Our unsecured borders have led to a flood of illegal drugs that are killing Americans. We need to secure our border and reform our immigration laws so that people who want to live and work here legally have an efficient system to do so. It is a humanitarian crisis that congress must address.

The world is dangerous right now. Our defense infrastructure needs help. We need investments in our shipyards, so this district remains a leader in maintaining our Navy's fleet. This includes better wages for our workforce, piers for maintenance, and a reinvigorated trades program to train more workers. Washington is one of the most trade dependent states, and trade relies on freedom of the seas. That requires the presence of a strong Navy.

I have had the privilege to serve in the state legislature for twelve years and am proud of the work we accomplished. In this critical time, we need leadership that is tested and proven. I will always put the residents of this district first, just as I have done so for my current constituents. I humbly ask for your vote.

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J. Graham Ralston
(Prefers Independent Party)

Elected Experience: As an executive at the U.S. Department of Transportation in Washington, DC (non-elected from 2010 - 2018), I worked with White House staff, Members of Congress, state officials, and community stakeholders to drive key national transportation initiatives. Experience with political campaigns in Washington, DC.

Other Professional Experience: Owner of Ralston Law (Port Angeles, 2019) and experience with a Seattle based AI Technology Company.

Education: Port Angeles High School: 2003; University of Washington: 2005; Seattle University School of Law: 2009; Attorney/CPA

Community Service: During the COVID pandemic, Ralston Law provided pro bono services to local businesses, defending their right to operate, and fighting for economic opportunities.

Statement: As a fifth-generation resident of Clallam County, I have a profound connection to our district and a deep understanding of both its challenges and opportunities. My great-great grandfather first arrived at Port Townsend in 1889 and went on to serve as the first superior court judge of Clallam County. I hope to continue this legacy of service as an independent, prioritizing people before party.

With over seven years of senior federal experience in Washington, DC, I served as the youngest senior executive leading a national small business program at the U.S. Department of Transportation. This role involved direct collaborations with White House staff, Members of Congress, and various stakeholders, empowering me to effectively address national issues from infrastructure to economic development.

Returning to Port Angeles, I established Ralston Law, PLLC, focusing on estate planning and business law, and provided vital legal support to local businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic. My active engagement in the community, including pro bono services and participation on the Hospital Foundation board, enriched my understanding of our local needs, particularly in healthcare and economic stability.

My campaign prioritizes addressing inflation and economic stability by implementing policies that enhance fiscal responsibility and support sustainable economic growth. I am dedicated to revitalizing our district's economy and balancing the government budget to combat inflation. Ensuring access to affordable and quality healthcare for all residents is paramount, as is tackling the housing crisis with smart, sustainable solutions to increase housing availability and affordability.

As the only candidate with extensive experience in DC and a solid grounding in our local issues, I offer a balanced approach to governance. I pledge to put people over politics, focusing solely on the best interests of the residents of the 6th District and not of corporate or party interests.

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Hilary Franz
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington Commissioner of Public Lands, 2017-present; Bainbridge Island City Council, 2008-2011; Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council; Puget Sound Regional Council Economic Development Board; Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council.

Other Professional Experience: Nonprofit Executive Director, developed housing, energy, and economic-development solutions. Secured funding for ferries, roads, transit and multi-modal transportation. Attorney, protected forests, farmlands, salmon, orcas and wildlife; represented domestic violence and sexual assault survivors.

Education: JD, Northeastern University; BA, Smith College.

Community Service: Washington State Council of Firefighters' Honorary Firefighter, 2021; National Forest Resilience Champion, 2019; Board Member of Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust, Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition; Conservation Northwest, and Washington Environmental Council.

Statement: Hilary Franz's roots in this district run deep, from growing up on her grandparents' Pierce County ranch to raising her three boys in Kitsap County. She resides in Grays Harbor County.

Hilary is a commonsense Democrat with a proven track record of bringing people together to deliver results. *That's why she's endorsed by incumbent Congressman Derek Kilmer and former Congressman Norm Dicks.*

Pro-Choice. A mom of three, Hilary knows nothing is more fundamental than the right to choose when to start or grow a family. She'll work tirelessly to secure and defend abortion rights. *Endorsed by National Organization for Women; National Women's Political Caucus.*

In Congress, Hilary will create good-paying jobs, bring costs down, address our housing crisis, protect Social Security and Medicare, improve veterans' benefits, fight climate change, and expand healthcare access. *Endorsed by 36 unions, including Building Trades, Teamsters, Laborers, Machinists, and Hotel Workers.*

First Responders' Candidate. Hilary knows public safety is critical. She'll keep our communities safe by securing federal funding for law enforcement and programs to reduce gun violence. As Lands and Fire Chief, Hilary revolutionized Washington's wildfire strategy and secured record funding for firefighters. *Endorsed by International Association of Fire Fighters; Washington Fire Chiefs.*

Hilary protected and created jobs in our communities – saving the Port Angeles paper mill; investing in clean energy and restoring salmon habitat in Tacoma, Bremerton, Hood Canal, Jefferson, and Clallam; conserving forestland, farmland, and supporting sustainable timber and maritime jobs in Mason, Grays Harbor, Kitsap, Jefferson, and Clallam. She partnered with Tacoma/Pierce Habitat for Humanity, Kitsap, and local governments on the Olympic Peninsula to build affordable housing. *Endorsed by Puyallup, Makah, Suquamish, Lower Elwha Klallam, and Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribes; mayors of Tacoma, Bremerton, Poulsbo, Aberdeen; Commissioners Christine Rolfe, Ryan Mello, Katie Walters, Vicki Raines; Representatives Mike Chapman, Jake Fey.*

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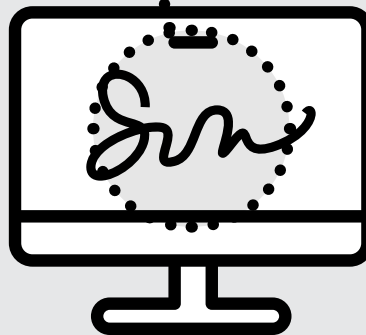
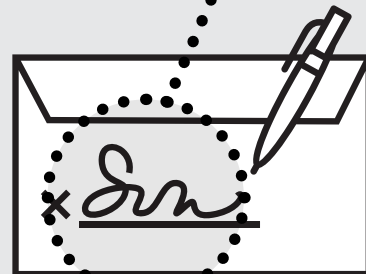
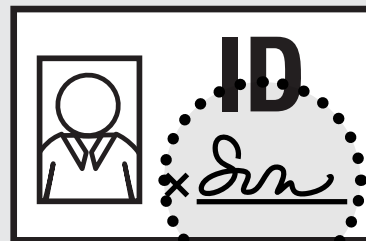
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If you registered to vote online or through Department of Licensing, the signature from your driver's license, permit, or state ID will be on your voter registration record.

Voters can track and check their ballot status at **VoteWA.gov**.





Jim Daniel
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Served 12 years, Hospital Commissioner, Klickitat Valley Hospital, Goldendale, Washington. This gave me opportunity to interface with Federal, State and Local County laws and regulations.

Other Professional Experience: I worked at the Boeing Company for 26 years as a Manufacturing Engineer. I was a team leader on World Class

projects that decreased rework paper flow, reduced labor time and improved quality workmanship by interfacing with five Departments: Quality Control, Liaison Engineering, Project Engineering, Project Planning and aircraft mechanics.

Education: South Kitsap High School, Portland Community College, majored in Political Science, University of Oregon.

Community Service: Life member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Trout Unlimited.

Statement: Truth, Transparency, Trust, Together! I'm a moderate Republican! 2024-2028 must be years of courage and action to move our State forward. We have a 'financial livability' issue within our state.

First, there is too much taxation for working families! Without thinking of the financial crunch that Covid and Inflation caused, more taxes were levied on us. When times are financially difficult the state must lessen its tax burden upon its citizens. The key is balance with Governor priorities and needs of the citizens.

Seattle, Bellevue and commuters North helped pay for the I-405 road construction via a toll tax in 2015. The still existing toll tax has generated three times its construction cost of \$50.4 million. Still the toll tax remains. It should be removed or have the citizens choose an alternate budget item for it to go to.

Second, our state is the 8th worst for the production of homes. We need 225,000 homes by 2030 to keep pace with economic growth. Housing is key to reducing intergenerational poverty and providing economic mobility to the low and middle class. The housing shortage will continue to crush family incomes, making it harder to stop rising rent costs and increase homelessness. Our governor needs to be more proactive. There is opportunity here to launch an economic and job, housing transformation.

Third, We need to keep our communities safe! First, be tough on crime and second, be tough on the causes of crime. Public safety takes precedence over the inequities of the justice system; that needs addressed afterwards. We need to fund the police and ensure they are well trained. We need creativity in developing programs that lead and reduce all levels of crime.

Fourth, we need to launch an ambitious rollout of technical, vocational and trade schools in our high schools.

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Cassandra Magdalene Hanson
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Education: Spokane Valley Schools

Community Services: None have always been too busy working but at this point of my life I am prepared to be a part of serving the community.

Statement: My name is Cassandra Magdalene Hanson. I was born on April 13, 1972, in Waukegan, IL. At the age of three I moved with my family to Opportunity, WA. I grew up in this area

and attended schools here. I have a strong work ethic, and am people oriented. I have gained many work-related skills and worked with a wide variety of people. I have a passion to be the voice of the people and I will stand up for people's needs. I will go up and above to get whatever needs, within reason, are to be met.

I believe every voice needs to be heard and I want the opportunity to hear the voices of the people and work with you and for you. There are families with little to no food. Sometimes the only nourishment children receive is provided by the schools. There is a new federal program and with a push from Senator Patty Murry, this summer program funded from the state legislature will provide families with a \$120 preloaded EBT card for grocery stores and farmers markets. We appreciate the Senators ability to get funding and we are grateful. \$120 is a good start but as many of us realize this amount will not cover the needs because food prices are skyrocketing and if I am voted in as governor, I will fight for this cause.

Harsher laws for drug dealers, peddlers and addicts need to be put in place. If we as a state are concerned about these issues, we need to get involved by contacting our local authorities, law enforcement, governor, and senators. We need safety and we need to protect our children.

Other concerns and issues that need to be dealt with are more drug and alcohol rehabs.

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Jeff Curry
(Prefers Independent Party)

Elected Experience: This will be the first time serving in the State of Washington as an elected official, as a member of the FedUp Party.

Other Professional Experience: Small Business Owner, Commercial Driver, Master Horseman, Master Farrier

Education: Technology Degree from SPSCC

Community Service: Established a food bank serving the Grays Harbor, King, Pierce, Spokane, and Thurston Counties, which supplied food to various rehabilitation programs. I am currently serving the Olympia homeless community.

Statement: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DIJJNUSB0s>

I am proud to be part of a movement in Washington dedicated to eradicating homelessness and addiction. For over 27 years, I've built relationships with homeless individuals through feeding programs and encouraged them to join recovery programs, leading to thousands of successful recoveries and millions of meals served. This includes programs volunteers fund on their own in homes and organizations like Christian motorcycle associations, which are currently unsupported by Washington.

As a school bus driver, I've seen the dangers of fentanyl on school buses. We must protect our children from this threat. We can transform lives and create a brighter future by offering compassion and support. I have a plan to bring lasting change to our schools.

In September 1996, on an island in the Pacific Northwest, I witnessed a horrific event involving a young girl being abused by a group. When I tried to report it, I was threatened by the community and authorities. This terrifying experience exposed the deep-rooted corruption and abuse in our system and ignited my mission to protect the vulnerable.

As governor, I will fight corruption by establishing an independent commission investigating law enforcement and government agencies. I will also implement stronger protections for whistleblowers to safeguard those who speak out.

We must also overhaul our foster care and family court systems and install the parenting evaluation produced by U of W and discarded by our politicians. I will ensure regular audits of family courts and create a task force to combat child trafficking. Additionally, I will expand mental health and addiction services; together, we can make Washington State safer.

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Alex Tsimerman
(Prefers Standup-America Party)

Professional Experience: I have had business consultant experience with multiple companies.

Education: Master degree in Engineering & Management. Education from living under in Soviet Union fascism & 35 years in King County & Seattle fascist government has taught me both systems are absolutely identical. I was a dissident under the

Soviet Union and now a dissident of Washington State and King County. And for the last many years I have the best education with Dem-Nazi-Fascist-Mob-Bandito regime, and this has changed my mind because I did not believe this could happen in America.

Statement: Trump! America First! USA! Standup-America Now! Stop Dem fascism with idiotic face and government anti-Semitism. Stop dirty-dem-nazi-fascism-junta, bandito and killer who has controlled us for 40 year. They make local government corrupt to the bones. For more than 30+ years, I make 100+ complaint to local governments and not one positive answer. We have political police who act like Gestapo and KGB. There are no more 3 separate branches of government; they act like one, just like communist and Nazis. Standup-America! No matter your political view, *We the people* need to break this dirty chain and bring America back to common sense like we had from the beginning. This is what America is about – common sense. Without dirty-dem-crooks.

I speak now to freaking slaves and happy cows. Stop Democrats who for the last 20-years made our lives miserable and is worse. These happy cows like to pay \$6 for gas, double for rent & housing, triple for food and crime.

Inflation and crime rates have gone through the roof and local dirty government have done nothing to make our situation better. Standup Happy cows and slaves bring America back under constitution and law for everybody!

A One party system is always Fascism. Standup Washington State to bring us back to normal life. We have enough money in the system to make life better for everyone without a penny more from the people. No Taxes for first \$100 spent on anything. We pay \$100 billion for taxes. Enough is enough. Give ordinary people a little bit of air for breathing.

Stop dirty-fascist-rats who drink from fat cat toilet. Make America Great Again. Make Washington State Great Again. Make King County Great Again. Standup-America Now! Vote for Alex Tsimerman.

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Mark Mullet
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator from 2012 to present. Current chair of our state construction budget. Current Washington State Investment Board member that manages our \$200 billion of public pension assets. Issaquah City Council 2009 to 2013.

Other Professional Experience: Own and operate a pizza restaurant and four ice cream shops. Being a small

business owner has taught me the importance of not wasting money.

Education: Graduated Summa Cum Laude from Indiana University in 1994. Master’s in Public Affairs from the Evans School at the University of Washington in 2008.

Community Service: Issaquah Food Bank Board Member from 2008 to 2013. Issaquah Rotary Club 2008 to present.

Statement: I’m running for Governor because in the past decade our state has become unaffordable and less safe, which is why we need a change in leadership. My wife and I want our own six children to be able to afford to live in Washington after they finish school. Every Governor for the past three decades has been a lawyer, it is time for a small business owner in the Governor’s office so we get value out of current tax dollars rather than asking for new taxes every year.

During my time in the senate I have pushed back on both the extreme right and extreme left. I have a long track record of finding bipartisan solutions to our state’s biggest challenges. We need a Governor who will bring people together, not divide them.

I’m endorsed by the mayors of Everett, Ellensburg, Kent, Renton, Lacey, Mercer Island, Woodinville, Snoqualmie, Covington, Maple Valley, and Issaquah, because I’m committed to state investments to improve local public safety. I’m endorsed by *law enforcement organizations* and *Eastside Firefighters* (Local 1762) because I’m a public safety champion. I’m endorsed by *Seattle Council President Sara Nelson* because I led the charge to make sure our state did not decriminalize dangerous drugs like fentanyl. I’m endorsed by our *Secretary of State Steve Hobbs*, *Senator Annette Cleveland*, and *Senator John Lovick* because I always stand up to protect women’s reproductive rights (I have four daughters). I’m endorsed by the *Realtors* because I’m a housing champion. I’m endorsed by our *Public School Employees* (Local 1948) because I’m a champion of our public schools (my wife is a teacher).

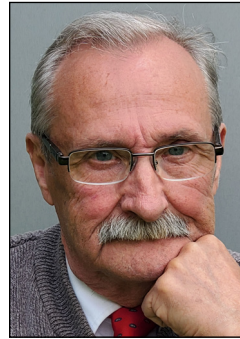
I’m a dad on a mission to keep the state I love affordable and safe for my children. I would be honored to earn your vote so we can change Washington together!

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Martin Lee Wheeler
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Fire Department “Vote yes”

Other Professional Experience: President and Chief Financial Officer of Oak Hills, Inc .works in organic agricultural research, food production, organic medicine. Retired from Pierce County Fire District 7, known as Central Pierce Fire and Rescue, Medic-1, USDA Federal Work. Martin always works for

the protection and betterment of those around him through active support.

Education: Martin Lee Wheeler is a proud graduate of Bethel Senior High and Tacoma Community College. He attended Green River Community College, Whatcom County College and Western Washington University, as well as National Fire Academy. Martin has over 10,000 documented hours of continuing education.

Community Service: Adopt-a-Road, Adopt-a-Highway

Statement: When Martin Lee Wheeler was hired as a professional firefighter, he took an oath to uphold the laws of Washington State, which he did for over 30 years as a public servant. He will continue that pledge as the Governor for our Great State of Washington. Republicans, Democrats, Independents and citizens agree the Governor of the State of Washington needs to be transparent to “We the people” and serve the entire population in all thirty-nine (39) counties. It is no secret a large section of our state border needs protection. He is committed to protecting the State of Washington residents and will provide full support to fire, police, and military personnel. His understanding of corporate and private logistical needs will be shared through his Executive Administrative Team of Directors. He will lead by example, will showcase the natural beauties our great state has to offer everyone, so all can enjoy the flowing waterways, forests, and mountains which must be protected with common sense principles. As Governor, he will bring corporate transparency and viability to the bi-annual budget. Integrity is key to this democratically led republic. He will continue to prioritize all areas of Washington which require safety standards for roads, highways, by-ways, and schools of all denominations. Health Departments are a critical part of the infrastructure of Washington State.

However much more needs to be done. That is why I am asking for your vote.

I am committed to Washington State and its management, which must be fair. I will work tirelessly and diligently to answer public requests and keep communication lines open. Together we can balance progress, sensibility, and compassion with collective bargaining. I pledge to the citizens to listen, negotiate and continue to serve you. There is much gratification knowing you support me. “Vote for Martin Lee Wheeler.”

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Jennifer Hoover
(Prefers Republican Party)

Professional Experience: CEO Eaglets Community Outreach. Teacher Ogden Hall women’s shelter, providing counseling for women recovering from distress/homelessness. Instructional Leader: Corbin, Sinto, Evergreen Senior/ Retirement Centers.

Education: Bachelor’s degree: University of Washington/Eastern Washington; Public Teacher

Community Service: Civil Activist: Fought against pornographic content in school reading material. Successfully petitioning public authorities to increase snow plows during severe storm weather. Instated a more legible way for the Treasurer’s office to inform seniors of options to lower property taxes. Volunteering, organized feeding and clothing for the homeless with Mead soup kitchen outreach. Mentorship recovery programs at Dalton halfway houses. Fairchild Air Force Base VBS volunteer.

Statement: As an American citizen of Japanese descent, born and raised in Washington State, it is my honor to run for office. As Governor, I have a powerful plan to address a Nationwide problem of drug-related, homelessness that begins in our own Evergreen State. My strategy involves mandatory rehabilitation, community involvement, and medical/psychiatric care, with work-related training programs, promoting self-sustaining futures for each individual.

Public schools that impose sexually mature agendas on vulnerable minds will be held accountable to an appropriate curriculum that includes guardian involvement. Children will not be given the option of making body-altering decisions with a doctor, funded by our taxpayer dollars, especially without parental consent.

My strategy will be to reallocate resources, making housing and the cost of living more affordable, while empowering change! With higher fuel taxes, around 49 cents per gallon, and exorbitant sales taxes imposed by Legislators, I will fight hard for you. I will take radical steps to protect your rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, with improved, 2nd Amendment firearm safety training, while working diligently with our police force and state legislators to reduce unnecessary government spending. Our beloved Veterans and Seniors should never have to wait 5 months, or even 3 hours just to see a doctor!

As your Governor, I will make all Washingtonians a financial priority, with aims on thresholds being heightened, and growing property taxes being capped, so senior citizens are not forced back to work during retirement years, of which social security will be kept safe.

I will prioritize the importance of family, and actively promote Dad’s parental involvement, especially with their sons.

As Governor, I plan to bridge the gap between both parties in one united goal; pursuing peaceable solutions that improve a better for us all; who always work better together.

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Andre Stackhouse
(Prefers Green Party)

Elected Experience: State & National Democratic Party Delegate (Sanders, 2020). Won a competitive race for Precinct Committee Officer, unable to serve due to an unexpected move.

Other Professional Experience: Writer, section editor, editor in chief *The Daily of the UW* and bylines at *The International Examiner*. Teaching & research assistant at UW. Assistant

Producer UWTV. Software engineer at *Code.org*, *Fencing Time*, and *Microsoft*. Nonprofit executive director *Whole Washington*. Certified coach *Rain City Fencing Center*.

Education: Graduated Inglemoor High School with a full IB Diploma (2009) and received a Bachelor of Science in Informatics: Human Computer Interaction from UW School of Information (2014).

Community Service: Open-source software development

Statement: Washington has been a lifeboat in a churning sea of embarrassing national politics. As our country loses freedoms (like Roe V Wade), and is ravaged by pandemic, inflation, ecological collapse, and democratic erosion, the people have held strong defending our state’s values and way of life. I’m running for Governor because we can’t wait for Congress to secure our own futures in the state we call home.

I’m a lifelong Washingtonian. I was educated by our public schools like Inglemoor High (go Viks) and UW (go Dawgs). I’ve worked up and down our tech industry from the scrappy Code.org to the multinational Microsoft. I’ve been a full-time movement leader at Whole Washington organizing marches, leading ballot initiative campaigns, and testifying to commissions in Olympia. If elected, I’d be Washington’s first Governor of Viet descent.

Washington has every ability to implement life changing policies like universal healthcare, a housing guarantee, and tuition-free higher education. These universal services will provide immediate relief to millions and ensure nobody is left behind while enabling us to make important transitions in the face of changing technology and global competition. These policies aren’t just possible, they are sensible investments in public goods.

Our state has a higher GDP per capita than even the wealthiest nations of the world like Norway and Sweden. It’s home to 13 billionaires, leading industries, and top research institutions. But our greatest wealth is the ingenuity, independence, and compassion of our people.

The world we want is possible today in Washington and is only a matter of political will. I aim to be that political will whether through active citizenship or from inside the Governor’s mansion. I am your organizer, but you my fellow Washingtonians are the movement.

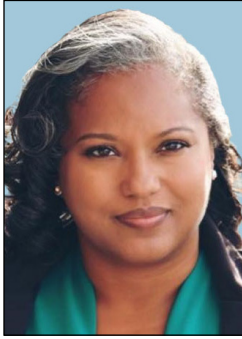
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EL'ona Kearney
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Junior Vice Commander vfw1263, U.S. Army, leadership roles in veterans' clubs and student government, advocated for targeted policy goals, lobbying for college funding, and crafting bill proposals.

Other Professional Experience: Military intelligence service in the Army, founded a nonprofit organization focused on teaching youth about the legislative

process, interned with a State Representative, licensed process server, licensed notary, ordained minister, homeschool group educator, forgiveness coach.

Education: United States Army, Central Florida Community College, Renton Technical College, The Evergreen State College

Community Service: Founder of Citrus County Community Alliance (nonprofit), advocating in politics from local to state meetings.

Statement: As a former single mother, veteran, wife of a union worker, author, and small business owner, my lived experiences represent the struggles and triumphs of everyday Washingtonians. I'm not running alone; we are running for Governor, uniting in a community-driven campaign to amplify marginalized voices and enact genuine change across our state.

My platform promotes unity, collaboration, and ensuring unheard voices have a seat at the table, with a focus on prioritizing mental health, addressing homelessness, and reforming policing to reduce recidivism. Fiscal responsibility and accountability are non-negotiable and will be addressed from day one.

My diverse background equips me with a profound understanding of the legislative process, government operations, and advocacy for critical issues. With my listed leadership roles and political engagement, I bring valuable insights into national security, defense policy, and veterans' affairs, informed by firsthand experiences and challenges faced by service members, veterans, and our families.

Through my nonprofit organization, which educated youth on the legislative process, and internships with State Representative Jimmie Smith, I gained invaluable exposure to the inner workings of government, decision-making, and the importance of fair governance. My professional journey underscores my leadership abilities, collaborative spirit, organizational management, and advocacy on behalf of constituents, mobilizing diverse groups toward common objectives.

Like many of you, my family struggles with economic challenges, and realizing the American dream feels like a nightmare. Unlike my opponents, who lack the lived experiences of the voters, I offer a fresh perspective, untainted by career politics. To effect real change, we must break free from the status quo for the betterment of our state.

As Governor, my commitment is to Empower Every Voice and Build a Politics Removing Labels. Together, we will dismantle stereotypes, encourage dialogue, and empower communities to actively shape the future of governance.

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Ricky Anthony
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Ricky Anthony deeply understands how decisions, or the lack thereof, can influence the political climate. He embodies the wisdom to identify overlooked concerns and confidence to inspire progress.

Other Professional Experience: Five years of diplomatic involvement with the U.S. Embassy.

Education: Ricky Anthony holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration and will complete his Master of Science in Homeland Security and Emergency Services Management in June 2024.

Community Service: Ricky Anthony pledges to the community and advocates for underrepresented veterans and health initiatives. He has contributed to initiatives supporting people living with multiple sclerosis and has dedicated 13 years as a youth sports coach.

Statement: Ricky Anthony is known for his reliability and efficiency, excels in collaboration and proposal development. Never one to shy away from discussions, he handles them with cordiality and foresight, fostering mutual understanding and collaborative progress. With a concentrated administrative background, well-rounded education, diplomatic experience (Hungary, S.R. Vietnam), and balanced leadership qualities, Ricky is a highly qualified candidate for the position of Governor.

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Bob Ferguson
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Attorney General. Reelected with 67%, winning 37 of Washington's 39 counties. An independent leader, Bob manages Washington's largest law office. He protects the rights of all Washingtonians, prosecutes criminals, and stops price-gouging that harms families.

Other Professional Experience:

Bob began his professional career in Eastern Washington. He worked with federal judges appointed by presidents of both parties. Bob represented taxpayers, local governments, and small businesses. Growing up, he worked delivering newspapers and washing dishes at a senior home.

Education: University of Washington; Law Degree, NYU.

Community Service: Bob served in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, managing an emergency services office assisting vulnerable individuals and tutoring kids.

Statement: Son of a special education public school teacher and a Boeing employee, Bob takes on the toughest fights, solves problems, and gets things done for you—not powerful interests. He is the only candidate who refuses campaign contributions from corporate PACs and large corporations. Never satisfied with the status quo, he'll protect your rights and deliver change for Washington.

As Governor, Bob's top priority is improving public safety. He'll hire more police officers to combat crime and fentanyl. He took on powerful drug companies, winning \$1.2 billion for increased treatment and first responders. Nurses, firefighters, and prosecutors endorse Bob because they trust him to combat public drug use and improve the mental health system. Bob worked alongside law enforcement to end the rape kit backlog and bring justice to survivors. He knows how to bring people together to solve big challenges.

Bob and his wife Colleen, who works at a community college, are raising teenage twins. Bob knows high housing prices make it hard for too many families. He'll work with both parties for commonsense solutions to address homelessness and rising housing costs—building 200,000 affordable homes in four years. Bob will increase opportunities for every Washingtonian to get ahead by investing in career education, skills training, and apprenticeships.

Bob understands our democracy is threatened and successfully blocked dozens of illegal Trump administration actions. As Governor, he'll defend our democracy and protect Washingtonians. A champion for reproductive freedom, Bob is the only candidate endorsed by Pro-Choice Washington and Planned Parenthood.

In contrast, Congressman Dave Reichert said, "I love Donald Trump's policies," and voted with Trump 92.5% of the time. Reichert repeatedly voted to impose a nationwide abortion ban that criminalizes doctors and to abolish the Affordable Care Act. Reichert opposes marriage equality.

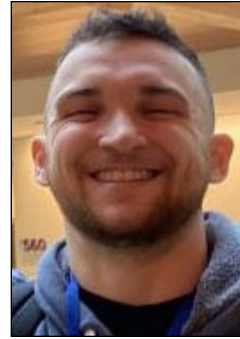
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Chaytan Inman
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: I am not a politician. Luckily.

Other Professional Experience: I am working as a wildland firefighter. Previously I have been an AI engineer at Apple, a software developer at Meta, and grew neurons that played computer games at Cortical Labs.

Education: BS in Computer Science from the University of Washington, with minors in French, International Studies, and Entrepreneurship.

Community Service: President and Founder of Interactive Intelligence, expanding access to neuroscience and AI education. Volunteered for Trans Pride Seattle

Statement: *The Democratic party* has failed us. I'm Chaytan. I am 22 years old, and I am not a politician. I'm running for governor for one simple reason: We – me, my generation, your kids, and your future – are out of time.

Fossil fuel use in Washington state has increased under Jay Inslee (EIA State Energy Consumption Estimates, 2023). That's right. Despite clean energy subsidies, wind farms, and the cap-and-invest program, fossil fuel use has *increased*. While crops dry out and heatwaves strike, our politicians broker corporate lies, enrich the rich, and make us pay. Other candidates have no reply. I do. On day one as governor I will declare a climate emergency and shutdown building the GTN Xpress pipeline. But that's just day one.

It's time to stop lying to ourselves about the environmental crisis. Energy is not infinite so GDP cannot grow indefinitely. Infinite growth is illogical. Worse, growing GDP enriches a few and crams people into cities, destroys the environment, and raises prices. We're investing in EVs instead of public transport, carbon offsets instead of real change, recycling instead of reusing. So why don't we cut the shit. We cannot outconsume overconsumption. But this is, in fact, good news.

We can stop corporate destruction by changing the rules of the game. As governor, I will give the Earth rights. It flips the board. Giving the Earth rights gives people the power to steward our land and resources. It takes away the bureaucracy of the environmental crises and places trust in people – not corporations – to protect our most precious gift.

Finally, let's address the elephant in the room: you think I am not as qualified as Bob Ferguson. Well you're right. The last thing we need is another old politician as governor, repeating the same complacency.

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Michael DePaula
(Prefers Libertarian Party)

Professional Experience: PNW Enterprise Operations Lead at Facebook/Meta

Education: Shenandoah Valley Academy, New Market, VA; graduated University of Southern California with a B.M. in Music Performance on the French Horn, 2000.

Community Service: Ballard Little League board member; Global Underwater Explorers Project Baseline contributor, NRA Basic Pistol instructor.

Statement: Since the start of my campaign last November, I have been the only candidate consistently focused on two key initiatives that ensure our state’s survival over the next four years: 1) Bolstering Washington’s economy in the face of a global recession, and 2) Preserving the rights of all Washingtonians in what many perceive to be an environment of increasingly Orwellian and corrupt government.

Whether you consider yourself a liberal, conservative, or somewhere in between, nothing any candidate says matters if they will not focus relentlessly on these two items.

As I write these words, we are a nation at war, both by proxy with foreign nations as well as here at home with each other. *This civil disunion* is quickly snowballing, with each side of the red / blue divide believing that their side must win in order for our nation to survive. Will this game of “Tug of War” bring us *more* stability and security, with 49% feeling disenfranchised and abandoned when the results are tallied?

Libertarian governance, by contrast, offers us a way back. It gives us a *true* check and balance on the left / right duopoly in Olympia and prominently features a way of thinking that drove the health and wealth of our early nation and state, the idea that *we the people* should be free to live our lives and pursue our own interests without government interference so long as we harm no others nor their property.

Libertarianism is a light framework that restores our day-to-day choices to us, reduces our cost of living, and strips away the avenues of corruption used by those in politics: money and influence. *And the best part?* It creates the societal conditions where we can be neighbors with each other again.

Please join me in voting Libertarian this election!

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Dave Reichert
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: King County Sheriff, 1997-2005; US House of Representatives, 2005-2019

Other Professional Experience: US Air Force Reserve (1971-1976). Joined the King County Sheriff’s Office in 1972. In 1997 became King County’s first elected sheriff in 30 years. Vice President, Gordon Thomas Honeywell from 2019 to 2023.

Education: Concordia Lutheran College, AA

Community Service: Served on King County’s Domestic Violence Council. Board of Directors for The Borgen Project. Founder of King County Violent Firearms Coalition. Former Member of King County Committee to End Homelessness. Founder of King County Sheriff’s Police Activities League. Youth coach and counselor. Two-time Washington Medal of Valor Recipient. National Sheriff of the Year.

Statement: For nearly 40 years our state has been lost in a wilderness of one-party rule. What has that gotten us? The highest violent crime rate in our history, friends and family dying from fentanyl, record homelessness, and the worst maintained roads, highways, and ferries in America. As your governor, I will work tirelessly to foster an economy that works for everyone, safe streets and neighborhoods, and ensure the children in our state get a world class education.

From the United States Air Force to the King County Sheriff’s Office, I witnessed examples of selfless sacrifice, individuals who put others before themselves. That experience taught me what it means to have a servant’s heart, honored by an opportunity to help, and driven to show the courage and humility it takes to get things done. As King County Sheriff, I arrested violent criminals and locked up human traffickers who preyed on women and children. On my watch crime was down as we enforced the law and everyone was accountable. This experience served me well when the people of Washington sent me to Congress where I worked with Republicans and Democrats to pass big and bold policies on everything from taxes to trade to protecting our beautiful environment.

We’ve been living in a state where our leaders have pit region against region, generation against generation, and yes even family against family. Dividing people is not the answer. We must work together, side by side, to tackle the issues we all face. I have been endorsed by nearly every sheriff in the state and people of all party affiliations – Republican, Independent, Democrat – are joining our campaign because they understand that business as usual is no longer an option.

I would be honored to have your support to be your next governor.

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Don L Rivers
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Professional Experience: Hello, I am Don L Rivers and I am running for governor of Washington State because I am seasoned. I've advised elected officials, law enforcement agencies, and others in this state, across the nation, and abroad for over 4 decades. I was asked to be a consultant in DC but declined the offer to stay and make our state better. In the private sector, I worked as a union worker for 50 years before I retired.

Community Service: I have volunteered with several organizations including Family Center and Project Children for over 20 years.

Statement: I have walked in marches and stood with those who have had loved ones shot and killed wrongfully by law enforcement. I have sat with parents whose children have been kidnapped, traded into the world of sex trafficking, and even murdered. I've observed, like many of you, that our young people are in crisis and struggling to survive in today's society. We have a nonexistent mental healthcare system. We must find new ways to increase the government's revenue and opportunities to balance our tax system. Our eroding bridges and outdated ferry system must be repaired and replaced, and we must address the issue of flooding. I know I can remedy these problems that our state is facing.

This election, you can elect a real public representative; one that is not about black or white but accepts all cultures, creeds, races, and people; one that is not pro-life but pro-choice; and one who believes that every person should have the right to feel safe in their own community. I believe that dealing with homelessness is the greatest opportunity to bring positive change in society. I would expand access to housing, mental health, and drug rehabilitation services throughout the state. Getting people into housing is the best way to convince them to become productive members of society.

I believe, by using the 3L program of Listen (to the people's concerns), Learn (from their experiences and issues), and Lead (them to a brighter future), that I am the right choice to guide Washington State. I look forward to working together to better our state. All are included. Thank you.

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Jim Clark
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: Secretary, Computer Technology Investigators Northwest (CTIN), non-profit organization.

Other Professional Experience: Washington State 2023 Child Support Schedule Workgroup member.

Education: Pepperdine University (MBA), University of California at Santa Barbara (M.S. Computer Science), and

University of Massachusetts at Amherst (B.S. Computer Systems Engineering).

Community Service: Four years advocating for legislative court reform as the Washington State Chair of National Parents Organization. Ten years parent volunteering in Lake Stevens School District K-12 classrooms including two years helping teach high school computer science using the Microsoft TEALS curriculum. Fifteen years volunteering for the Citizens Wildlife Monitoring Program maintaining remote camera sites that photograph wolverines, wolves, fishers, bears, and more.

Statement: Significantly unequal child custody and support orders create additional family conflict, cause tremendous harm to families, and ultimately do not benefit children. Washington State received a grade of 'F' for custody rights and child support protections by National Parents Organization.

A top priority of the next governor should be to enact a Shared Parenting Bill of Rights to reform our failing court system to benefit children.

A Shared Parenting Bill of Rights first and foremost reforms our family law courts to protect the rights of all fit, willing, and able parents to have the default presumption of equal shared custody. The benefits of 50/50 shared parenting for children are well documented by decades of scientific research and apply to even high conflict separations and divorces. Five states have already done so with very positive results.

Child support reforms are needed to automatically share money between parental homes that share custody (Residential Credit). This ensures that child support equally protects children in both parental homes and that payments are more equitable and predictable, which in turn will reduce conflict. Currently, even in the families that already share custody 50/50, child support is shared in only one out of four cases.

Washington State needs to reform court funding and staffing levels so that justice is speedy and cases are not unnecessarily delayed. Regardless of whether an innocent parent needs custody restored or a guilty parent needs custody removed, delays in the court system hurt children and should not drag on while children grow up.

Your vote in this election can help elevate the issues of court reform and shared parenting so that the next governor must address these issues to get your vote in November. Donations will support the Campaign for 50/50 in 2025. See <https://SharedParentingGov.com> for more information.

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Fred Grant
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Elected Washington State Democratic Delegate for the 7th Congressional District.

Other Professional Experience: 15 year digital media and communications professional. Small business owner with many commercial clients throughout the US. World traveling documentarian.

Education: Graduated from George Walton High School. Received a Bachelor’s Degree from Georgia State University. Obtained certificates in Political Science, AI programs, UI/UX Design, and Project Management from Udemy, Inc.

Community Service: Logged over 100+ hours as a scout and volunteered on numerous projects throughout Washington. Recently, participated in the Glendale Forest Clean-up hosted by King County Parks and the Georgetown Urban Forest at South Seattle College, led by the Duwamish Tribe.

Statement: I am excited to announce my candidacy for Governor of Washington. I believe in a Washington where every voice matters, where transparency and accountability are the pillars of our government. My decision to run stems from a deep-rooted commitment to serve our great state with integrity, dedication, and a vision for a brighter future for every resident, regardless of background or circumstance.

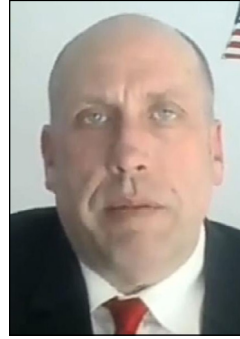
Throughout my life, I have been driven by my passion for public service and desire to make a positive impact for my community. The people of Washington deserve a sustainable future, that is why as Governor my top priority will be to ensure that each and every individual in our state has access to the resources and opportunities they need to thrive. I am committed to addressing the urgent issues facing our state, from tackling climate change and protecting our natural environment to solving the pressing need for affordable housing and healthcare. Our healthcare and housing shouldn’t be luxuries, they’re rights.

I am passionate about Washington and the amazing people in this state. In a stable society, safety is paramount. That is why I will work tirelessly to decrease firearm-related incidents through responsible policies that protect our citizens, while respecting our Second-Amendment rights. Through relentless teamwork, I am confident we can find innovative solutions to these complex challenges to build a better future for all.

Let’s build a Washington where prosperity, equity, and sustainability intersect. Join me in creating a brighter, stable future for all Washingtonians.

“It’s not just about our future, it’s about our present. It’s our time now.”

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Leon A Lawson
(Prefers Trump Republican Party)

Elected Experience: a business owner, entrepreneur, and CEO, Mr. Lawson understands the intricacies of our economy and state. His track record as a master salesperson, winning the title of salesman of the decade, showcases his ability to navigate burdensome agency regulations.

Other Professional Experience: Lawson secured third place in the 2022 US Senate primary election. Lawson exposed negligent practices Oversight and abuse within state agencies.

Education: Graduate Shelton High School 1994, NMVSC, Tumwater Wa, WSIADA certified, State Agent in aerospace and automotive

Community Service: Mr. Lawson is a relentless advocate for the interests of the community. His work has led to significant changes and compliance within state agencies.

Statement: A call for real change to end the endless division MAGA 2024 is our movement, and justice is long past due. We see homelessness, drug abuse, and the grooming of our kids. It’s time to deport all illegal immigrants and end sanctuary cities. However, regardless of your opinion on these issues, it’s time for the people of Washington to unite for real grassroots change. No other candidate possesses the skill set needed to lead us out of the darkness like myself. Anyone who tries to tell you about the challenges we face moving forward is misleading you. We have no way to assess the damages done to our state under this failed administration until we gain control of the real numbers and information. In my opinion, we’ve been given less than 1% of the information. It’s in the best interest of those who control the levers of power to keep this information from public consumption. The rot and abuse within state agencies are beyond imagination. They’ve been awarded the ability to defer corrective litigation to themselves. This division by issues separates us, but we need unity. I understand that many of you feel the voting system is rigged. If 1/3 of the population feels this way, it lacks confidence. However, even if they are cheating, not casting your vote gives it to them, and no crime is done. Let’s make them Cheat. Once I win, I’ll show you a whole new world of government controlled by the people. WWG1WGA is the people’s way of taking back control. Please watch my video series on YouTube. You can access it from My website, LeonLawson.com. I am a fierce opponent of CBDC, as well as the WHO. We will destroy the Uniparty with law and light and Audit the 3 letter agencies.

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Edward Cale IV
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: I started The Freedom Project in elementary school, 3rd grade, as an experiment to see if reform and balance could be implemented, and whether people would respond with charity for all, e.g. Lake View Elementary School in Auburn, WA. If elected, I'll hire those willing to help reform the government, such as Governor Inslee, many who are running right now, and those across the state.

Other Professional Experience: I am strong in mathematics, science, public service, and human relationships.

Education: I have a BA with an emphasis in Multicultural Counseling, and Business, Master level work in counseling.

Community Service: Experience working with children and families.

Statement: My campaign website is <https://sites.google.com/view/edwardcale4washingtongovernor/home>. If elected I will implement the Freedom Project, an online program that allows Washington State residents/registered voters to both vote and participate in government at the local level and state level. I plan to reform the education system by making acceptance rates, graduation rates, and etc. transparent for all levels, degree programs, and institutions; I plan to resolve the education system's financial scam, providing relief for all borrowers. I will reform the welfare and prison systems, and also implement new laws that require gender and paternal equality for all across all government funded programs, departments, and institutions. I plan to implement a four phase program of rehabilitation and mentorship, and help lift people out of homelessness, poverty, disability, and welfare. I also plan to reform the immigration system. I plan to institute projects in housing, business, and transportation that benefit all people in every socioeconomic bracket of the state. I plan to help families, even working families, afford the cost of child care, prescription costs, medical expenses, and insurance through new programs. Additionally, I plan to address the issue of massive incarceration by addressing the need for prison reform through a four phase program where those incarcerated are able to correct areas of need and integrate successfully into society (i.e. less time in the prison system, less cost to tax payer, less repeat offenses). Further, I will help businesses across the state afford better retirement and benefits for their employees through a new retirement resolution department.

If elected I will help make Washington State one of the most prosperous states, with your help.

Thank you.

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Frank Dare
(Prefers Independent Party)

Professional Experience: My 23 year Air Force career included evaluating, writing plans, and preparing for worst case situations. As a civilian, I helped injured or ill workers return to work as a contractor to the Department of Labor and Industries for 5 years. I evaluated clients for the Department of Social and Health Services employee for 12 years.

Education: I have a Bachelor's and a Master's degree in Education.

Community Service: I was a court-appointed Child Advocate for foster children. The day I'm sworn in, Law Enforcement officers will again have the authority to arrest and detain criminals and assist Immigration and Customs Immigrations Agents.

Statement: I'm Frank Dare. I'm running for Governor as an Independent Candidate, because it's time for a reasonable change! We must have Open Government, Closed Borders and understanding for All Lives Matter. I'm the only candidate who has the experience and background to help with our more serious State Problems. I'm asking our citizens to vote for me.

My wife and I were married while I was training to become a Rescue Pilot. Our daughter was born a week after I left for Vietnam. Our son was born a year after I returned to the States. We raised our children in or near military bases, we and our neighbors knew we wouldn't suffer from lack of compassion and care. I will insure our law enforcement officers and other first responders' families receive the same compassion and care.

I will work our our State Departments, Agencies and Legislators to use reasonable ways to reduce our debt and lower our taxes. I will recommend some of our money be spent for children and families being safe in parks, which will reduce drub use and crimes. Our money will be used wisely to reduce the major problems in education, health and finding work within peoples abilities. I know about the problems teachers and children have, including "life sentences caused by irresponsible parents."

My experience in plans, education and social service will help me lead our state in recovering from the damage done by Inslee and Ferguson's "Sanctuary State" and "Keep Washington Working" illegal laws to protect their illegal aliens.

As Governor I will lead our state using a system similar to the military to help diminish current problems.

The military doesn't have problems with abandoned children, drugs, and crimes they and their families must abide by strict sensible laws.

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William Combs
(Prefers Independent Party)

Elected Experience: None.

Other Professional Experience: I have spent 4 years in the Navy as an aviation electronics warfare technician maintaining communications and electronic warfare systems on the now retired EA-6B Intruder aircraft. Other duties include assignments to base security as a trained auxiliary security force personnel, operating and

maintaining aircraft support equipment such as mobile power plants and aircraft air start units. Other work and life experience includes working in a variety of construction related fields.

Education: Some college.

Community Service: I volunteer every week at the Dayton food bank helping provide food to needy families.

Statement: I am a formerly homeless Navy Veteran who spent several years living on the street and living in different vehicles. Having seen the other homeless population struggling with many problems including drug addiction, alcoholism and mental illness I know where the system fails Americans at this level, especially with Veterans. I have gone through Washington's foster care system and witnessed my foster parents commit acts of domestic violence against each other. With opioids playing a major role in that violence, that has shown me that higher standards for becoming a foster parent must be implemented before any improvements can happen. Life experience always counts for much and my time serving in the Navy and being assigned to Military Security along with my many other responsibilities has given me unique insights on how to give law enforcement real reform instead of cosmetic changes. The greatest responsibility of an American is ensuring that our government remains honest and free from corruption. Removing corruption from our government is why I am running for Governor. I am spearheading the movement to Amend our Constitution so that our country can function as intended by our Founding Fathers. I will be pushing for the State Legislature to declare for a Convention of The Many States under Article V of the United States Constitution. I believe this is the only way to rid our government of the corruption that is plaguing it. I handed such Draft Amendments to my Congressional Representative who has still not taken any meaningful action. If I am not elected as governor, I do not want to hear anyone complain about corrupt politicians or corruption in government ever again.

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Alan Makayev
(Prefers Nonsense Busters Party)

Elected Experience: No politician here!

Other Professional Experience: Came to US to study oriental and naturopathic medicine to combine various systems, but only had \$200, which wasn't enough. I started in construction at \$5/hr. My bosses insisted I should do real estate. I did and've been doing it for 30 years. With zero experience at start, I

worked 9 day weeks, saved money, bought first house, second, etc. I bought, sold, cleaned-up several dozens of homes and created a portfolio.

Education: NOS Medical Academy. USSR. Honors Diploma. Physician; SPU, Foreign Languages, USSR; SLU, Maurice Thorez, Foreign Languages, USSR. Certificate of Excellence; Lomonosov SU, Asian-African Countries, USSR

Statement: I want to Offer what's been missing: the vision and proper ideology necessary to transform our society.

Imagine a place where prophylactic, preventive medicine and alternative healthcare options are thriving, where you can see doctor quickly, where people are conscientious about what they think and do, where main motivation at work is to get the job done the best they can. A society where no attorney, politician or judge dictates health choices. You decide what treatment and which doctor to consult. I'll work tirelessly to ensure that.

Imagine a future where issues like crime, squatters, drug abuse, homelessness, and skyrocketing prices are gone. These problems are solvable, some quickly and easily, but not by current politicians. And hiring thousands of cops will not stop the crime (it never did before, just kept it at bay). We have to change the way we think, interact and live our lives. That requires different education, leading by example and answering a question about purpose of life. We need to rebuild families. I'll introduce comprehensive education reform to empower students and educators alike.

We can have a government that is a friend, that will build roads and freeways that it promised for years, but never did, that pays off the tolls, lowers the cost of car tabs for everybody, including residents in Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties; where the best, the brightest and most capable are taking the leading positions to create better opportunities for all.

I understand the multifaceted challenges facing our state. My vision, education, experience in both business and personal struggle uniquely positions me to tackle this pressing issue.

Together, we can create a Washington that thrives in every aspect. We'll have a business friendly climate and try to bring back Boeing headquarters, Amazon, other businesses that left the state.

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Brian Bogen
 (Prefers Nonpartisan Party)
Elected Experience: Councilmember, Town of Woodway (2018-2023)
Other Professional Experience: Businessman investing in small and medium manufacturing and distribution companies in the Pacific Northwest; former President/CEO of North Star Petroleum, providing energy to Alaska and Hawaii; Vice President & Treasurer of Saltchuk

Education: Bachelor of Finance, University of Washington; Graduate Studies, Seattle University; Senior Executive Program, Stanford University

Community Service: Past Board President, Chief Seattle Council Boy Scouts of America; former board member, Northwest Chinook Recovery and Long Live the Kings, non-profits that support wild salmon restoration and sustainable fishing; former board member, ACT Theater

Statement: Our political system is broken. Tribalism and extremism have taken over, and it's become more about purity and the other "team" losing than finding solutions that make real differences in people's lives. Compromise is not a bad word. It usually means the right balance is reached because neither side feels like they won. *It's time for another way.*

I'm running for governor as a nonpartisan candidate because voters deserve a real choice—someone who has the experience to run a complex enterprise like state government and has collaborated with non-profits, environmental groups, and others to reach compromises on challenging issues, like salmon recovery. Our shared values of *safe communities*, a *strong economy*, a *good education*, and a *clean environment* aren't partisan. They unite us, and we should expect balanced approaches from our government.

My parents, both educators, shaped my view of the world and the work I've done. Their work with students with diverse life experiences taught me to listen to and learn from all viewpoints.

Since starting my career in banking to help pay for college, I have built and run big and small businesses. That required assembling teams of smart individuals capable of advising and leading complex and costly projects. I have interacted with various public and private entities, and, most importantly, I have had to make tough decisions, including balancing a budget.

As an Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts has always been part of my life. Working with local leaders, we created Scoutreach to engage with underserved communities to foster greater equity and access to outdoor experiences. As an outdoor enthusiast, the environment has always been a high priority.

If you're ready for *pragmatic, nonpartisan* leadership and someone who will work across party lines to craft balanced policies that move our state forward, I ask for your vote.

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A.L. Brown
 (Prefers Republican Party)
Elected Experience: Thurston County Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) representing Hartwood North Precinct since 2023.
Other Professional Experience: Army Veteran, Chief Warrant Officer Four (CW4) 30 years retired; Deputy Chief Logistics Officer; Department of Veterans Health Administration (Seattle), Chief Innovations Officer. Total of 47 years of combined military-civilian experience.

Education: Andersonville Theological Seminary, Magna Cum Lauda, Doctorate of Biblical Exposition (2024); Master of Science, Logistics Management, Rochville University (2005); Bachelor of Art, Business Administration, Rochville University (2004); Associate of Art, Business Administration, Methodist College (1986)

Community Service: Motivational speaker and broadcaster in the church. As a Bishop and Overseer, I hosted, conducted, and officiated numerous community events.

Statement: I am A.L. Brown running for Governor. I understand the significance of this position and the need for a highly motivated, dedicated, and committed individual to bring about change. I am determined to reshape the State of Washington and lead by example. I am the candidate who will make an immediate impact and transform Washington into the best state in the United States.

I am a strong and capable leader who consistently gets things done right the first time, in a timely and professional manner. Throughout my life, I have dedicated myself to serving God, family, country, and the local community, while always setting an example of what is right.

I am confident, intelligent, and ready to take on the role of the next Governor of the state of Washington. With your support and commitment to change; together we will "Reshape the State of Washington".

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Brad Mjelde
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: First time candidate.

Other Professional Experience: 35 years leadership experience in commercial finance, procurement and supply chain management with Boeing and Weyerhaeuser.

Education: Completed Kindergarten - 12th grade with a couple of earned awards, and a ribbon or two. BA at University of Washington, 89'.

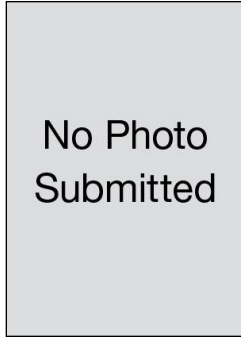
Community Service: I've participated in many community projects, national nonprofits, and I'd work full time as your citizen representative for a single term.

Statement: Are you happy with the state of our state? I'm not. I'm running for governor and I'd be honored to earn your vote. To my kids and grandkids, remember you miss 100% of the shots you don't take.

Our state is at a crossroads. We're facing rampant homelessness fueled by addiction, out-of-control spending, over the top housing costs and bureaucracy, a lack of adequate funding for mental illness, runaway crime and the ballooning human tragedy of the opioid crisis. Current career bureaucrats believe they can solve the problem by increasing taxation. It isn't working for anyone but them. We need a citizen representative to make some difficult choices to change our trajectory.

If you don't like the prospect of me representing you, please vote for a change in leadership. "Government is instituted for the common good; for the protection, safety, prosperity and happiness of the people; and not for the profit, honor, or private interest of any one man, family, or class of men." John Adams.

For more information:
No information provided.



Bill Hirt
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Elected Class President of 25 1957 Armstrong Iowa Graduating Seniors

Other Professional Experience: Retired after 36 years as Boeing Propulsion Engineer

Education: Iowa State University 1961 BS and 1962 Engineering BS and MS

Statement: I'm filing as a candidate as I have for a decade, not to win but to use Voters' Pamphlet to attract voters throughout state to my blog, <http://stopeastlinknow.blogspot.com>. It's my attempt to make a difference by providing information voters won't read or hear about elsewhere.

For example, the purported need to reduce CO2 emissions. The state only admits 1.5% of the country's and 0.175% of the planet's, hardly a climate crisis. Forcing emitters to pay to continue only adds to the costs they'll pass on to consumers. Costs that will surely increase if the Climate Commitment Act isn't repealed.

Voters don't read or hear that WSDOT plans to impose HOT fees on two I-405 lanes will increase congestion on GP lanes and little to reduce HOV travel times. They need to allow GP use on one of the lanes and set fees on remaining HOV lane to achieve the 2000 vehicles per hour and 45 mph that maximizes capacity.

That Sound Transit intends to use 2016 ST3 approval for \$54B from 2017 to 2041 to spend \$145B from 2017 to 2046 and end with \$28B owed. The resulting light rail "spine" won't have the capacity to reduce I-5 peak hour congestion and will cost too much to operate off peak. Their plans to use light rail trains to replace bus routes will reduce transit capacity into Seattle, do nothing to reduce GP lane congestion, and riders transferred will reduce access for current riders.

They plan to open \$12.5B and ten or more years disrupting Seattle doe light rail trains from Ballard to Sodo. The area already has excellent bus service and terminating East Link and West Seattle at the existing CID station benefits both areas and avoids the need for a second tunnel.

My blog provides the details.

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Rosetta Marshall-Williams
(Prefers Independence Party)

Elected Experience: I can be guided by no lights derived from official elected opportunities; I must give way to my entire confidence in my pursuit as to how far the candidate can be fortified with illumination in order to be advantageously promoted.

Other Professional Experience: United Nation-UNESCO Organization, NGO for free education (102,000

teacher schools across India) Directs an estimated 1.5 trillion dollars toward investment in economic relations with Africa, expanding our state’s ties with the world’s largest democracy, India.

Education: Continuing Education

Community Service: Community and State Activist; Assisted state Rep. Mary Skinner 14th District, Rights for SEIU Union workers in Washington State; Yakima City Council.

Statement: “There are only three things that America will remember 2000 years from now when they study this civilization: The Constitution, jazz music and baseball. These are the three most beautiful things this culture’s ever created.” - Essayist Gerald Early “America’s founders intended powers to be exercised not at the federal level, but by state and local governments, which represent fertile ground for policy innovation,” setting the example of America, as light on the global hill needing infrastructure and economic development at city and state levels.” - Secretary Condoleezza Rice

Being a descendant of Chief Justice John Marshall, I am born into the U.S Constitution, as Jazz was born in the USA. It’s music shares individuality, improvisation, creativity, and innovation of the American people. Baseball is about *all* people, sharing communal entertainment. It’s values of perseverance and teamwork help us all to overcome adversity. The values of jazz and baseball, that inspire our country, are also part of the gritty everyday reality of life in Washington State.

These values pulsate through the communities I have worked with and served for many years. I see the local, national, and global potential of Washington State, from the grassroots up. It is my dedication to represent you as Governor, making a real difference.

As Governor, I will direct an estimated 1.5 trillion dollars toward investment in economic relations with Africa, to heighten the values of the three most beautiful things our culture has ever created, as I will expand our state’s ties with the world’s largest democracy, India, as Americans belong to the world’s oldest democracy.

The Constitution, jazz and baseball represents and includes All American values. As Governor, I welcome you, the people of Washington in our drive for our state, and nation, to once again be that global light on the hill.

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Semi Bird
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: School Board Director/Legislative Representative; Precinct Committee Officer; Chairman, Benton County GOP; Executive Board member, Washington State GOP.

Other Professional Experience: United States Marine Corps: Communications Specialist, Rescue Swimmer; U.S. Army Special Forces at age 43 (post 9/11): Engineer,

Intelligence & Operations Leader; Bronze Star Valor, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (5) and more; U.S. Department of Energy: Federal Director, Federal Officer with NNSA, retired as a GS-14; Washington State University: Associate Director; Behavioral Scientist and Business Consultant, specializing in leadership development and organizational performance improvement.

Education: BS Business Administration *summa cum laude*; MS Human Resources Development; PhD. (student) Organizational/ Psychology

Community Service: Veterans Assistance/Care

Statement: *Washington State GOP Endorsed Candidate*

I was raised in King County and have worked and retired in Benton County, giving me a perspective of life on both sides of the state. People on both sides are tired of career politicians representing their own political ambitions, big money donors, and political elites, while our state is on the precipice.

Our children’s future is being sacrificed by a broken education system that has strayed from the focus on academic excellence, yet we pay billions of taxpayer dollars to fund it. Washington has become unaffordable for citizens and small businesses due to bad policy and over-taxation.

Our public safety is among the worst in the nation, driving up insurance costs and forcing citizens and businesses to flee our state. Homelessness, mental health, and addiction are at an all-time high, while the flow of fentanyl into our state and onto our streets, goes unabated. The time for change is now, and we must unite to make it happen.

I am applying for the job of Chief Executive Officer of Washington State, not to hold office for more politics as usual, but to bring servant leadership and accountability to Olympia. I have the knowledge, skills, abilities, experience and expertise to do the job well. On day one, we will initiate a third-party audit of all state offices and programs and immediately move toward improving efficiency and performance of your state government.

The billions saved will be returned to citizens through tax relief and fund staffing and technology to address youth crime, drug trafficking, human trafficking, and organized crime. We will support parents and bring accountability to our education system through our education reform initiative. Homelessness will be addressed compassionately with a focus on mental health and addiction intervention as a priority to housing and rehabilitation.

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If I am a victim of a crime, can I vote safely?



Keep your voting address confidential

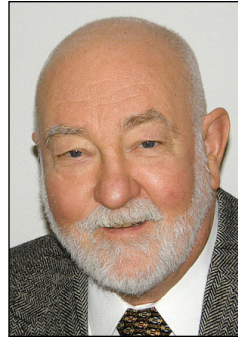
You may be able to enroll in the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) and register as a Protected Records Voter if you are:

- A survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, stalking; or
- A criminal justice participant, election official, or protected health care worker who is a target for harassment.

To become a Protected Records Voter:

- You meet with a Certified Advocate who can assist with threat assessment, safety planning, and the program application.
- The best time to enroll is when you move or are planning to move to a location that is unknown to the offender and undocumented in public record.

Call 1 (800) 822-1065 or visit sos.wa.gov/acp.



Patrick "Pat" Harman
(Prefers Liberal Republican Party)

Professional Experience: My first concern is that we preserve our democracy. I was commissioned in The NOAA Corps, retiring as a Lieutenant Commander. I did three tours as executive officer, acting commanding officer. I had one executive assignment as Director of

the NOAA Information Center. After retiring from NOAA I worked for the Alaska Legislature an aide

Education: I received an AA degree from the College of San Mateo and a BA in Physical Science from San Francisco State University.

Statement: First and foremost is my commitment to our democracy.

The lieutenant governor is unlike other elected positions. Distinct from positions based on policy or partisanship, it is uniquely concerned with the integrity of the political process. While the lieutenant governor does not vote in the legislature or introduce legislation, he or she is president of the Senate and presides over Senate sessions, assuring their smooth operation according to standing guidelines. The lieutenant governor is also the chairman of the rules committee, a bipartisan group responsible for setting the agenda for the Senate sessions. My greatest strength is in being a strong supporter within my field of responsibility. As Lieutenant Governor I would be a member of the executive team. In the unlikely event that I would need to assume the role of governor, charged with the full-time duties of the office, I am confident that I could manage all responsibilities required, and would serve the citizens of Washington professionally and competently.

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David Griffin
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Professional Experience: Member of local Grocery Workers Union; Operation Manager, J.P. Stevens; Vice President, Pacific Bin Corp.; Over 20 years management experience in Manufacturing, Recycling and the Service Sectors.

Education: Certification; JIT, J.P. Stevens; Certification, English &

Writing P.B. Corp; Certification. Discipline in Management, L.I. C

Community Service: President of LWYS Association. 10 years Coaching Girls Youth Soccer team.

Statement: As a lifelong Washingtonian I have seen the changes in society and politics. I am running for Lieutenant Governor to bring pragmatic solutions and bipartisanship. It is the commitment of every elected official to represent all citizens, not just the 20% on the left or right. To foster progress and civility in our state government, to lead, not follow as the easiest path forward.

It is time for a change in leadership from what we have had over the last 4 to 12 years. My platform prioritizes access to women’s reproductive health care, and responsible financial transparency and responsibility. Investing in our communities to create jobs, supporting our schools to prepare our youth for the future, and ensuring every individual has access to quality healthcare.

I am committed to working at local, state and federal levels to help all citizens now and into the future to benefits all. Together, we can build a more prosperous future for our state and it’s citizens. Washington has over 4.9 million registered voters. I hope that all voters will get out and vote. I ask for your support and your vote in the upcoming election

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Bob Hagglund
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Snohomish County Republican Chairman and Legislative District Committee Chairman; Precinct Committee Officer.

Other Professional Experience: Professional experience in Data Science, Machine Learning, Online Services, and Business Intelligence

serving Healthcare, Manufacturing, Software Development, and Information Security businesses and government. Commercial clients include UnitedHealth, Kaiser, MultiCare, Microsoft, Ernst-Young, Nike, and Altria. Government clients include Defense Department, King County Metro, Apple Health, Medicare/Medicaid and Veterans Affairs.

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

Community Service: Volunteer: CreatorZone community makerspace; Election auditor, observer; Scout Troop Committee Chairman; Civilian Advisor: Missile Defense Agency.

Statement: Our beautiful state of Washington has an out-of-control crime problem. Hopelessness among our youth and homelessness on our streets both are rampant. Fentanyl is killing our children. The cost of living is becoming unbearable for our people. State government is increasingly interfering in the relationships between parents and their children, robbing our kids of a proper education.

The terrible laws that created this disaster passed through our State Senate. The Lieutenant Governor serves as President of the Senate and is able to influence legislation for the better and for the people. When elected, I will stand in the gap blocking the radical agenda of insiders in Olympia, the activists who are destroying, rather than advancing, our civilization. I will stop the misguided extremism now steering state government, returning the focus toward serving you and all of the people of Washington.

We need an experienced professional with the team-building skills and training needed to put our state government to work for our people and for you. I have succeeded for many years bringing people together to solve problems, saving precious taxpayer resources, and making people’s lives better.

I respectfully ask for your support and for your vote. *Thank you!*

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Dan Matthews
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Former School Board member; Advocated for children, parents, education issues in Wash., D.C.; Snohomish County Charter Review Commissioner

Other Professional Experience: Veteran Pilot: Vietnam, and Desert Storm; US Air Force Lt. Colonel.

Commercial Airline 747 Captain Instructor; Boeing Contract Instructor, 747 Pilot Consultant; Disaster Preparedness Consultant; Airline Pilots Association Union member.

Education: BA, Political Science, University of Puget Sound; Washington State Senate Intern; Master’s Degree Public Administration, Government.

Community Service: Nature Conservancy, Cousteau Society (Founding member), Rotary International, Little League Coach, STEM Skills Task Force, WA Policy Center, Domestic Violence Abuse Services, Hope House, American Legion, Combat Veterans, Local church leadership, Union Gospel Mission.

Statement: Professionally, my role has been to safely navigate to every destination, knowing people’s lives depended on me. As your Lieutenant Governor, my focus will remain: People working together. From presiding over the State Senate to building bridges throughout government, I seek to establish a climate of cooperation and constructive leadership, restoring confidence in our government.

Career politicians fail us when they deliver dictates, division, and dependency rather than diplomacy and respect. I have stepped forward to help fix a broken system. One political party has controlled our state for decades, representing powerful, big-money interests, growing more extreme, even radical. We must resolve to change course, finding common ground.

JFK challenged: “Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country.” I will seek to always advance relationships, balance, and communication, providing a unifying voice and vision for all.

Compelled by faith, hope, and love, I will stand for your rights and our children’s future, fulfilling the high calling of serving the public trust with honor and integrity, of service above self. This is my commitment to you. Thank you for trusting me as a thoughtful, deliberate change agent for our future.

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Denny Heck
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Lieutenant Governor. U.S. Representative, member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Financial Services Committee. Washington State Representative, elected to five terms. Chaired historic Basic Education Subcommittee.

Democratic Precinct Committee Officer.

Other Professional Experience: Co-Founder, Intrepid Learning Solutions; Co-Founder and President, TVW – Washington’s version of C-SPAN; Chief of Staff, Governor Booth Gardner.

Education: B.A., The Evergreen State College.

Community Service: Denny and his wife of 48 years, Paula (a retired middle school principal), founding members of the Olympia School District Education Foundation’s Principals’ Emergency Fund, providing low income children with help to be successful in school.

Statement: Thank you for the privilege and opportunity to serve as your Lieutenant Governor for the last four years. The most important part of being Lieutenant Governor is serving as President of the State Senate and presiding in an impartial way, fairly applying the rules to everyone and to both parties. We have done this.

But the office of Lieutenant Governor also affords the opportunity to advocate for important policy priorities. We have advocated long, consistently and clearly for the need to more forcefully address the housing crisis in our state, especially for affordable homes for low and moderate income families. Our work helped lead to many accomplishments last year, causing the 2023 session to be called The Year of Housing. So much work remains to be done. We will stay at it.

We have also worked hard and in a bipartisan way, to improve our civic health. We all know it needs to change. We need more respectful discourse in the public square, more inclination to try to find principled compromises and when we cannot, a greater ability to disagree better. Here, too, we will doggedly stay at it.

In this spirit, I humbly ask for your support.

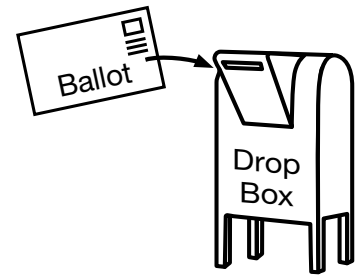
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How is my ballot counted?

1

Your county receives your ballot

Deposit your ballot in an official drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Day, or return your ballot by mail — postage paid — but make sure it's postmarked by Election Day! Don't let a late postmark disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail it back at least one week before Election Day.



Election staff will contact you before your ballot is processed if:

- Your signature is missing
- Your signature doesn't match your voter registration record

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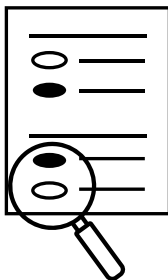
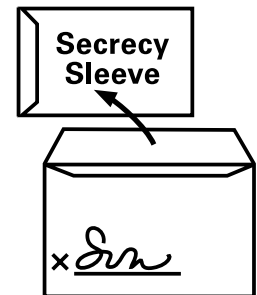
Your signature is verified

Your signature is important and we need it to accept your ballot. The signature on your return envelope is compared to the signature on your voter registration record. If the signature matches, your ballot is accepted and you are credited for voting to ensure **only one** ballot is counted for you.

3

Envelopes and sleeves are separated

The return envelope is opened and the secrecy sleeve containing your ballot is removed. They are separated to ensure the secrecy of your vote.



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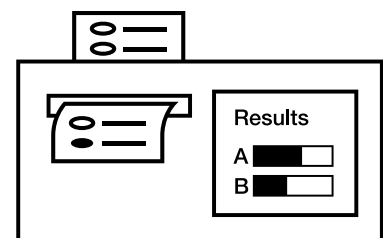
Your ballot is reviewed and scanned

The ballot is removed from the secrecy sleeve and election staff verify that it can be successfully scanned. Each voting system is certified and tested before every election.

5

Your ballot is counted

After 8 p.m. on Election Day all scanned ballots are tallied. Ballots will be scanned and tallied over the next several days until all the votes are counted. Every county conducts a post-election audit.





Marquez Tiggs
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: 2022 WA Secretary of State Candidate. This is my 2nd run for WA Secretary of State.

Other Professional Experience: POCAAN Board of Directors (Interim Secretary) | Marselle Condominium Director At Large | Peer Counselor | Banking and Finance

Education: MBA, Seattle University | BS in Applied Management, Grand Canyon University | Graduate Certificate in Election Administration, Auburn University | Peer Counselor Certification

Community Service: Young Professionals - Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle | DDI - Democrats for Diversity & Inclusion | Seattle Angels| POCAAN | NAACP | GSBA Volunteer

Statement: As a native of Russellville, Alabama, and 2nd oldest of 14 children, I was instilled with the values of leadership, hard work, and community engagement from a young age. However, it is in Washington State that I have found my true home. I am deeply rooted in this community, and my commitment to giving back is unwavering. With a background in both military service and a wealth of experience in various community roles, I bring a unique perspective to the table. My journey has taken me to the boardrooms of nonprofits and from volunteer mentorship roles.

My decision to run for Secretary of State is driven by my unwavering belief in the power of representation and the crucial role of ensuring that every voice is heard in our democracy. I firmly believe that true success in rebuilding trust requires a shift towards accountability, transparency, and genuine engagement with all communities, particularly those historically marginalized and underserved.

However, I cannot do this alone. I need your support to enact meaningful change. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Washingtonians, one where every voice is heard, every vote counts, and every community thrives.

Let's make history together.

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Dale Whitaker
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience: Chief Financial Officer - Augusta Precious Metals; Currently owns and operates a small tax practice in Spokane

Education: Graduated with Honors with a B.A. in Accounting from the Forbes School of Business & Technology at Ashford University; IRS Enrolled Agent Certification

Community Service: Executive Director, WBWV for the last 2 ½ years

Statement: I am running for Secretary of State because Election Transparency is the most important issue on the ballot. We must instill confidence in the electorate that our elections process and infrastructure are accessible, transparent, and secure. This includes giving the public a closer look inside our elections process and bringing back in person voting in addition to our mail-in voting.

The Secretary of State's office also has an important duty to the incredible businesses throughout Washington in making sure the government red tape does not impede on entrepreneurs ability to create and run their businesses in the state. When I am elected Secretary of State I will work with the Governor and State House to make Washington the most business friendly state in the country.

I have lived in Spokane since 2008 when I emigrated from the United Kingdom to the United States. My wife and I both run small businesses in Spokane, we have two children and a grandchild, we have established our roots here, and we truly love the beauty we have here in Washington State.

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Damon Townsend
(Prefers No Labels Party)

Elected Experience: Pierce County Auditor Candidate, Precinct Committee Officer, State Delegate

Other Professional Experience: Election Supervisor Pierce County; Training Manager – Secretary of State; Interim Election Manager – Clallam and Cowlitz County; Consultant – Elections Operations,

Procedures, and Efficiencies; Operations Manager – CenturyLink/Lumen; Data Systems Technician – Mashell Telcom; Business Owner – Safety Training and Consulting

Education: Master of Business Administration – WGU; Bachelor of Science - City University (Accounting/ Business Administration); History and Political Science – WWU; Washington State Certified Election Administrator

Community Service: Volunteer Service – Tacoma Rescue Mission; Community Safety Training; Bethel Rec Coach (Volleyball and Baseball); Watchdogs; Fraternal Organizations – I.O.O.F. #211, F.O.E. #2809

Statement: Your Secretary of State should represent *all* the people of Washington, not just one party. I am running under No Labels, because our political leaders need to listen more to the majority and less to extremists on the far left and right.

I have extensive experience in election administration where I have: modernized tabulation systems providing greater accuracy, accountability, and transparency; helped develop, implement, and educate administrators with the VoteWA system; created national award-winning systems for ballot accountability; proposed legislation to make our elections more accessible, transparent, efficient, accountable, and most importantly – *secure*.

The people of Washington deserve someone who knows the details of election administration, not a political appointee as their chief election officer. Many of our election laws are antiquated and contradictory, and need cleanup by someone who knows the inside, not someone with a partisan agenda.

The partisan legislature creates the laws that govern our elections, those laws should be implemented in the most fair, efficient, and effective ways. A referee wears a striped jersey, not one of the teams in the game. Last election cycle we nearly elected the first nonpartisan Secretary of State in the nation, together let's make history! I appreciate your vote!

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Steve Hobbs
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington Secretary of State, 2021-present. As state Senator from 2007-2021, Hobbs earned a reputation as a champion of bipartisan solutions.

Other Professional Experience: More than three decades of military service in the United States Army and National Guard, achieving

the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Deployed to Kosovo and Iraq. Task Force Commander - Western Washington's COVID-19 response mission. Western Regional Vice President, National Association of Secretaries of State.

Education: Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Washington. United States Army Command and General Staff College, Defense Information School.

Community Service: Rotary, American Legion, Nisei Veterans Committee, Special Olympics Washington.

Statement: As your Secretary of State, my top priorities are ensuring Washington's elections are secure and accessible for every eligible voter. Since 2021, I've safeguarded the integrity of our elections by investing in cyber and physical security, fighting malicious election disinformation, and providing eligible voters every ability to participate in our democratic process.

I will protect Washington's proven and dependable vote-by-mail system. I fought to expand automatic voter registration and increase civic engagement, lowering barriers for eligible citizens.

Overseeing Washington's State Library, I confronted book bans and censorship in public libraries across our state. I've increased access to business services and secured resources to preserve our state's history. I'm endorsed by County Auditors who conduct elections, the Washington State Labor Council, business leaders, voting rights advocates, prominent state and federal leaders, and former Governors Gary Locke and Christine Gregoire.

I am proud of my career in public service working alongside Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. Washington's Secretary of State must possess the highest standards of integrity and leadership and serve as a strong advocate for voter access. It is the privilege of my life to serve as your Secretary of State, and I would be honored to earn your vote.

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State Treasurer – 4-year term



Mike Pellicciotti
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Treasurer, 2021-present; State Representative, 2017-2021.

Other Professional Experience: An economic crimes prosecutor (Assistant Attorney General), Mike managed a unit of financial examiners, auditors, and analysts that returned \$30 million to

taxpayers from financial fraud and government waste. As a legislator, he created laws to get “dark money” out of politics and combat corporate crime.

Education: Bachelor’s Degree (Business Administration, economics minor); Master of Rural Development (Fulbright Scholar, economic development); Law Degree, Gonzaga.

Community Service: As Equal Justice Coalition Chair, Mike advocated for homeowners unlawfully foreclosed upon, veterans denied benefits, and predatory lending victims. Federal Way Chamber of Commerce. Served on Gonzaga University Board of Regents.

Statement: Mike rejects all corporate campaign donations. He puts your financial interests first. As State Treasurer, Mike refinanced all eligible debt, redirecting over \$550 million in Wall Street profits back to the people.

Mike implemented a policy prohibiting Washington State Treasurers from investing in corporations that fund their campaigns. His investments earned Washington \$1.8 billion over the next four years to reduce taxpayer burdens. Mike’s local government investment returns are 50 times higher than 2021, sending \$3 million more *each day* to local governments for schools, first responders, and other community needs.

Under Mike’s leadership as State Treasurer, Washington now has budget guardrails. U.S. News just ranked our state’s long-term fiscal stability *the best in the nation*. Our state pensions are one of America’s best funded. Washington maintains a Moody’s AAA-credit rating, the top mark for strong financial management. This makes housing, road, ferry, and school construction more affordable. Mike lowered GET/529 education costs for families, while keeping this important program fully funded.

Mike expanded financial education opportunities. He also created an online “Transparency Portal” to show how *your* public dollars are managed. Endorsed by Washington State Labor Council and Planned Parenthood, Mike will always put working families and retirees first!

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Sharon Hanek
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Chair of the Pierce County Charter Review Commission and Treasurer for non-profits and political organizations, including Little League and a private school.

Other Professional Experience: Owner of a CPA firm and founder of a public policy research company.

Pierce County roles: Planning Commissioner, Birth to 25 Board, Redistricting Commissioner.

Education: BA in Business Administration and Accounting, University of Washington; CPA since 1980; President of UW International Business Students Association.

Community Service: Involved in youth/family service boards, community councils, Little League, private schools, political organizations, property rights alliances, and Kent SD finance and strategic planning committees.

Statement: As your State Treasurer, I will advocate for the protection of our state’s assets and ensure retirement accounts make sound investments. I will strive to make the accounting system transparent and accountable to citizens. With my professional expertise, I will scrutinize the books and challenge the legislature to exercise greater caution in tax and spending decisions.

As a CPA, I have dedicated my career to helping clients preserve their bottom lines, reduce taxes, and securing their futures. I developed and taught a financial literacy class to junior high students and testified before the legislature against raising taxes and over-regulating our businesses.

My experience includes advising taxpayers and businesses in our community on wise investments and job creation. In an era of job uncertainty, rising prices, and constant demands for education funding, Olympia’s typical solution is to raise taxes and fees. My approach is to account for past expenditures and prioritize sensibly. I will be the accountant Treasurer who leads our state into a new era of fiscal responsibility.

Vote to preserve our fiscal future. Vote for accountability. Vote for Sharon Hanek.

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State Auditor – 4-year term



Matt Hawkins
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Spokane County State Committeeman (R) 4 years, District Leader 2 years, elected by the PCO's from the general membership, PCO 4 years.

Other Professional Experience: 36 years of senior level business experience working with business owners and industry leaders,

including Commercial and Investment Real Estate, Investment Banker, Investor, and Trustee for an Involuntary Bankruptcy. Various National advisory boards. Work with Audit teams.

Education: BS in Finance from Brigham Young University, Professional certifications CCIM and CM&AA.

Community Service: Election Integrity State Committee to promote transparency. Boy Scouts of America- various roles, Camp Fire Girls- Board member, youth programs- Coaching, University High School Theater, Various PTO's and PTA's.

Statement: Working in the private sector for 35 years, within a variety of industries, Hawkins has the skills to work with teams of professionals to improve process and systems. Solutions to our challenges with education, the homeless, mental health, parental rights, property rights, taxes and energy policy can all be found through transparency in audits.

Observing the divide within our country over the past 4 years, Hawkins began asking questions to learn what is happening. An active study of the election system within Washington during this time has revealed the fact that there have been no Audits of the election systems in Washington State, to the same professional standards as are expected in the private sector. Hawkins further learned of the newly created roadblocks to public transparency, as the public is looking for answers. Taxpayers benefit from transparency and accountability. A search for Truth matters.

Hawkins is married to Paula and together they have a family of 10 children. They realize that strong communities benefit from family centered policies. Transparency and Accountability are key building blocks to ensure that children become valued contributors to society.

Audits are a great way to understand our past, as we make decisions for our future.

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Pat (Patrice) McCarthy
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Current Washington State Auditor 2017-present; Pierce County Executive 2009-2016; Pierce County Auditor 2003-2008; Tacoma School Director 1987-1999.

Other Professional Experience: President-elect, National Association of State Auditors;

Executive Committee, National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers.

Education: B.A., University of Washington Tacoma

Community Service: Asian Pacific Cultural Center Advisory Board. Pierce County Sexual Assault Center, Emeritus. Tacoma South Rotary 1999-2016, Honorary Commander, 62nd Airlift Wing, 2005-2009. Key Award, Washington Coalition for Open Government. Star of Destiny Award, Tacoma Historical Society. Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Washington Tacoma; Secretary of State's Auditor of the Year, 2005.

Statement: As the first woman to serve as Washington State Auditor, I lead an office responsible for conducting independent audits across all local governments and state agencies, ensuring accountability and transparency in public fund usage. Over my eight-year tenure, responsibilities have expanded, including significant audits of federal COVID-19 pandemic funds. My administration has also greatly reduced the number of "unauditable" governments, increasing our audits' scope and effectiveness.

Under my leadership, we exposed nearly \$7 million in misappropriated funds at a local housing agency, the largest fraud case in our state's history. We have strengthened our capabilities by training more fraud examiners and launching innovative programs. These include a pioneering audit of law enforcement's use of deadly force, bolstering cybersecurity with increased IT audits and preventive "cyber-checkups," and a new data analytics program to detect fraud and waste more effectively.

I will continue these efforts in my next term, focusing on managing public resources wisely. My vision includes advancing our technological capabilities to protect public assets and promote integrity across Washington State.

Many have endorsed me; details are on my website. I have a proven and tested public record of leadership. I humbly ask for your vote to continue our progress.

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Pete Serrano
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Mayor of Pasco; City Councilmember since 2018.

Other Professional Experience: General Counsel, Silent Majority Foundation; Environmental Attorney, United States Department of Energy, Energy Northwest; Environmental Supervisor–New

Nuclear Project, Energy Northwest; Adjunct Professor, Washington State University

Education: Vermont Law School, LL.M.—Environmental Law, 2010; Florida Coastal School of Law, Juris Doctorate, 2009; University of California, Davis, Bachelor of Arts, Italian, 2004

Community Service: Board Member, Franklin County Solid Waste Advisory Commission; Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America

Statement: Moving to Washington nine years ago was one of the best decisions of my life. I came to protect the environment through working at the Hanford Site as an environmental attorney. Since then, I've successfully fought to make Washington safer and to increase government transparency. I have challenged unconstitutional laws from Olympia and *won!* I have also *stopped* bad regulation in its tracks! I've led the City of Pasco as a councilmember, and now its mayor.

Washington has world class resources, but our politicians are failing. We lack safe streets; drugs, like fentanyl, fill the streets. As Attorney General, I will apply what I learned at Hanford to clean this mess.

According to the FBI, Washington is the 8th most dangerous state in the country. We have the resources to do better, but we need an Attorney General who will make sure Law Enforcement and County Prosecutors can enforce the law to make Washington Safe Again!

As your next Attorney General, my focus will be on Washington State, not Washington D.C. As Attorney General I will remove the partisan blinders to protect *all* Washingtonians. I look forward to representing you as your next Attorney General. Thank you for your vote!

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Nick Brown
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Professional Experience: U.S. Attorney for Western Washington; General Counsel to Governor Inslee; JAG Officer in U.S. Army, serving at Joint Base Lewis-McChord (WA), Fort Bliss (TX), received the Bronze Star for his time serving in Iraq; Partner, Pacifica Law Group.

Education: Harvard Law School (Harvard Law School Council, International Law Journal); Morehouse College, B.A. Political Science, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude (Army ROTC, Student Government)

Community Service: Campaign for Equal Justice, Board of Directors (2018-2021); Treehouse, Board of Directors (2014-2021); Seattle Works, Board of Directors (2007-2013); Commissioner, Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission (2019-2021); Soccer Coach for 11-year-old daughter, 9-year-old son.

Statement: Nick Brown was raised in Pierce County where his parents, a nurse and an Army veteran, taught him the importance of service and giving back to the community. Nick went to Morehouse College on an ROTC scholarship and after Harvard Law School, served as an Army JAG officer and federal prosecutor.

As General Counsel to Governor Inslee, Nick oversaw work to end the death penalty and coordinated the administration's response to Donald Trump's hateful Muslim ban. In 2021 President Biden appointed Nick as the first Black U.S. Attorney in state history. There, Nick prioritized addressing the fentanyl crisis, protecting consumers, cracking down on sex trafficking, and combatting violent crime.

As Attorney General, Nick will work to keep all Washingtonians safe – from crime, gun violence, discrimination, and the growing housing crisis. Nick believes Donald Trump poses an unprecedented threat to our country and will fight to protect our state from attacks on civil liberties. Nick believes the decision to have an abortion should be between a woman, her family, and doctor. He will fight any attempt to take away reproductive rights.

Nick is proudly endorsed by Governor Inslee, the Washington Education Association, Washington Conservation Action, and Washington State Labor Council.

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Manka Dhingra
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: *State Senator and Deputy Majority Leader. Chair, Law & Justice Committee and Facilities & Operations Committee; Member, Healthcare, and Ways & Means Committee.*

Other Professional Experience: *20-year King County Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Chair,*

Therapeutic Alternative Unit supervising Mental Health Court and Veterans Court; Crisis Intervention Instructor for law enforcement. Intern: Sexually Violent Predator Unit, Washington Attorney General’s Office. Court Clerk: Washington State Supreme Court.

Education: J.D. UW; B.A. UC Berkeley

Community Service: *PTSA Golden Acorn Award; Board Member: National Alliance on Mental Illness Eastside, Hopelink (eliminating poverty); Co-founder: API-Chaya, (helping survivors of gender-based violence); Coach: Destination Imagination, Chess and Math Club; Girl Scout Cookie Mom.*

Statement: We deserve leaders with a strong record of bipartisanship, bringing people together to solve tough problems. As a frontline prosecutor and Senator with extensive management experience, I’ve held violent predators accountable, worked on interjurisdictional taskforces, passed and enforced laws addressing organized retail theft, internet crimes against children, hate crimes, sexual assault, gun violence, trafficking, Medicaid fraud, data privacy, consumer protection and more.

We need bold leaders, committed to justice with a proven record of delivering results. I’ve worked alongside law enforcement, behavioral health experts, and communities to advance solutions. *I’m the only candidate with awards from both the NAACP for my leadership and passion for justice and equity, and from the Washington Council of Police and Sheriffs for Legislator of the Year.*

With your vote, I’ll enforce and improve our laws, always listening to the people. I’ll protect our democracy, improve healthcare access, address the fentanyl crisis, curb gun violence, hold corporations accountable, defend workers, protect seniors, small businesses, immigrants, and fight for a safe and livable planet. No one will fight harder for our reproductive freedoms and LGBTQIA+ rights.

Endorsements: 200+: prosecutors, judges, first responders, victim advocates, businesses, mayors, legislators, OB-GYNs, nurses, tribes, Labor Council, Conservation Action, One America.

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- **See your voting history (When you voted).**
- **See drop box and vote center locations.**
- **Access your ballot online.**



Allen Lebovitz
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Wildland Fire & Forest Resilience Liaison for the Commissioner of Public Lands; Chair, Washington Wildland Fire Advisory Committee; Aquatic Habitat Restoration Manager, Department of Natural Resources; Washington

Shrubsteppe Restoration & Resilience Initiative Steering Committee; Wildland Firefighter, DNR; Founder and Manager, WILD Corp., a conservation-based timber company; Consulting Ecologist, Fisheries Biologist and Forester advising USFWS, The Nature Conservancy, conservation districts, and timberland owners.

Education: Master’s degree in environmental studies, Yale School of Forestry; Bachelor’s of science in public administration and biology, Northeastern University.

Community Service: Boardmember, Northwest Natural Resources Group (nonprofit supporting small-forest landowners); Co-founder, Liu Xing (public school Mandarin language immersion program).

Statement: My priorities as commissioner will be restoring healthy forests, sagelands, rivers, and bays; supporting local economies; protecting Washington from wildfire; and ensuring everyone benefits from state lands.

I’ve worked in Washington’s forests and waters as a forester, restoration ecologist, and wildland firefighter for 30 years, with over a decade at DNR, where I’m on the executive team leading Wildfire Management. My career experience makes me uniquely suited to the duties of lands commissioner: managing Washington’s forests and waters; leading the DNR; and commanding the state’s wildland firefighting force.

I’ll direct DNR to restore forests, rivers and bays, improving habitat for salmon and orca. As we restore forests, I’ll direct forest management to yield the most value from working forests, while cutting less. I’ll develop a double bottom line, generating revenue for schools while benefiting local economies by supporting their industries and employing their workforces on state lands. To protect Washington from wildfire, I’ll focus on the source of the problem, restoring naturally fire-resilient forests and sagelands, fostering fire-safe communities, and building the best firefighting force in the country.

I’m in this for the long haul because I care about our state’s natural legacy and the people who depend upon it.

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Jaime Herrera Beutler
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: U.S. Congress, 2011-2023, where I advanced bipartisan laws to improve our wildland firefighting capabilities, increase pay for firefighters, improve proactive and science-based forest management, improve forest roads and expand access to public lands, protect

wildlife habitat and salmon runs, support shellfish habitat, protect family wage jobs and secure funding for Washington schools. Washington State House of Representatives, 2007-2010.

Other Professional Experience: Strategic Advisor, Children’s Hospital Association. Senior Legislative Aide, U.S. House of Representatives.

Education: B.A., University of Washington, Communications.

Community Service: Recipient of the National Association of State Foresters’ highest honor, the Bernard L. Orell Award for Partnership. Board of directors, National Kidney Foundation.

Statement: Decades of neglect have turned our forests into overcrowded, diseased tinderboxes. Fires scorch our forests and choke our communities every summer. They fill our lungs with smoke, destroy old growth and critical habitat, emit tons of carbon, drive up the cost of home insurance and make housing even more unaffordable. And they cause unimaginable heartache for those unfortunate enough to live in their path.

I won’t leave our kids a legacy of burning forests and choking smoke. We can and will do better to remove dead and dying trees that serve as fuel, quickly fight fires when they occur, preserve jobs, and protect the lives and livelihoods of communities.

I’ll lead our state Department of Natural Resources to withstand political pressures and overcome bureaucratic obstacles so that the brilliant foresters and environmental scientists who work there can do their jobs. Working with Tribes, scientists, landowners, sportsmen, the forest industry and conservation groups, I’ll restore health to Washington’s forests with science-based management practices so our diverse array of species and ecosystems can thrive. And I’ll always preserve recreational access to public land for its owners -- the people of Washington.

Please vote Jaime Herrera Beutler for healthy forests and healthy air.

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Dave Upthegrove
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Chair, King County Council, first elected 2013; State Representative (33rd District), 2001-2013, Chair, House Environment Committee; Chair, House Select Committee on Puget Sound.

Other Professional Experience: Chair, King County Flood Control District; Natural Resources Policy Staff, Washington Senate Democratic Caucus; Basketball Referee, Pacific NW Basketball Officials Association.

Education: B.A. Environmental Conservation, University of Colorado; Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy, University of Idaho.

Community Service: Scoutmaster; Program Director, Camp Parsons BSA; Matt Griffin YMCA Board Member; Governor’s Climate Action Team; Highline Citizens for Schools; Sponsor, Washington Voting Rights Act; Sponsor, Marriage Equality Legislation; Humane Society Legislative Leadership Award; NW Marine Trade Association Legislator of the Year.

Statement: A conservation leader strongly backed by the environmental community and Democrats across Washington, I am committed to protecting our clean air, clean water and habitat, improving wildfire prevention, and increasing recreational opportunities on state lands.

With the threat of climate change, wildfires, and droughts, running the Department of Natural Resources is a big, complicated job. I have both the experience and values to ensure our public lands support our high quality of life. As Lands Commissioner I’ll bring bold new ideas to the table. I have a plan to protect Washington’s 77,000 acres of critical legacy forests, and to launch a clean energy trust to help our climate and spur rural economic development. I’ll honor tribal rights and restore Puget Sound to protect our iconic salmon and orca.

I’m the only candidate in this race not taking contributions from the timber industry. A former Washington Conservation Voters “Legislator of the Year,” I’m the only candidate supported by Washington Conservation Action and the Sierra Club.

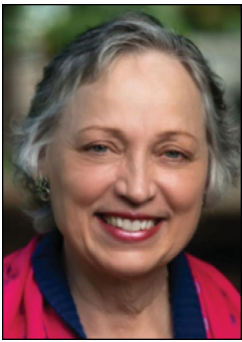
I invite you to join grassroots conservation leaders, former Lands Commissioner Peter Goldmark, Democrats and elected leaders across Washington in supporting this campaign to protect and enhance our public lands. I ask for your support.

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Sue Kuehl Pederson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: A Professional, not Politician. Sue ran for CPL last cycle, placing second with 1.68M votes. She'll win this vacant seat with your help!

Other Professional Experience: Scientist and Natural Resources Manager for 30 years: Fish Biologist, UW, NOAA Fisheries,

Army Corps of Engineers (WA, OR, AK), WA Dept Fish and Wildlife, King County DNR. Power Manager, Grays Harbor PUD; Senior Power Analyst and Senior Environmental Analyst, Seattle City Light; Research Scientist and Publications Manager, BioSonics, Inc.

Education: Master's Degree Public Administration, UW; Bachelor Science Degree Biology (minors Chemistry, German), WWU.

Community Service: Board Member: Small Faces Child Development Center; Ghana Together; Commencement Bay Rowing Club (youth).

Statement: Sue grew up at a salmon hatchery near a 1.3-million-acre forest in southern WA. Her childhood love of nature led to a degree in Biology and a 30-year professional career managing forest habitat, fisheries and energy. (See resume at Citizens4Sue.com)

Now our public lands have been ravaged by neglect, resulting in over-crowded, diseased trees and excessive dry underbrush, leading to huge wildfires with heavy smoke invading our summers. Sue's multi-faceted approach to prevent catastrophic wildfires includes dividing forests and agricultural lands into segments with fire breaks in-between. Smaller fires can increase safety for firefighters and cause less damage overall.

Sue will also implement an accelerated plan for practical land management, creating private sector jobs while boosting our historic timber and agriculture economies and limiting harmful carbon and smoke emissions from wildfires. Reducing the number of crowded, thirsty trees will also help restore natural water distribution to streams, benefiting fish and wildlife, and continuing up the food chain to our Orca whales.

Sue understands nature is intricately and beautifully designed, far beyond our ability to fully comprehend. Knowledge is gained humbly and gradually through science. Long-range planning is needed now to best manage Washington's precious, vital natural resources into the future.

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Patrick DePoe
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Vice-Chairman, Councilmember Makah Tribe for two-terms.

Other Professional Experience: Director of Tribal Relations, Department of Natural Resources. Commercial fisherman, land manager, and former emergency first responder. Makah Tribe

emergency operations command. Former SEIU 925 union member.

Education: Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington.

Community Service: Current Member, Salmon Defense Board. Founding Co-Chair, Governor Inslee appointee to Washington's Environmental Justice Council. Past Member, Low Carbon Energy Siting Study Advisory Board. Past Co-Chair, Land, Water and Natural Resources Subcommittee of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal-Interior Budget Council. Past Treasurer, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission. Past Chair, Land & Natural Resources Committee of the National Congress of American Indians.

Statement: Living on the Makah Reservation, I deeply understand caring for and living off the land. For me, sustainability is a way of life. I will ensure stakeholders from rural and underrepresented communities have a seat at the table.

I understand how public policy impacts our environment and livelihoods. As temperatures warm and wildfires rage, we don't have time for on-the-job training. My opponents are career politicians, with no direct experience managing natural resources. I will be able to hit the ground running—identifying opportunities to innovate, creating good-paying union jobs, and tackling climate change.

I have worked in emergency response: cleaning up oil spills, fighting fires, and leading preventative work to improve our lands and waters. I am a commercial fisherman, land manager, Tribal leader, and currently work at our state's Department of Natural Resources. That's why the current Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz, Congresswoman Marilyn Strickland, former Congressman Norm Dicks, Washington Education Association, fishing associations, Longshoreman and other unions, as well as tribal nations, all endorse me.

Not only am I the most qualified for this position, but I would also be the first Native American elected statewide in the Pacific Northwest. I would be honored by your vote.

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Jeralee Anderson
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Redmond City Councilmember since 2018, served as Council Vice President and Public Safety & Human Services Chair; service on State of Washington Public Works Board through Department of Commerce, State of Washington Enhanced 911 Advisory Committee, King County

Emergency Management Advisory Committee, Cascade Water Alliance Board of Directors

Other Professional Experience: Non-profit executive focused on sustainable infrastructure; geotechnical and structural engineer; National Academies of Science and Engineering, Transportation Research Board

Education: PhD, Civil & Environmental Engineering, University of Washington; BSCE, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; executive certificates in business administration, diversity and inclusion, labor relations

Community Service: Foster volunteer for Seattle Beagle Rescue

Statement: Jeralee Anderson is a dedicated and collaborative public servant committed to ensuring climate security, forest stewardship, wildfire preparedness, workforce development, and equal justice for all Washington communities.

Jeralee is an inspirational, independent leader and proven changemaker. She leads with thoughtfulness, authenticity, and inclusion. Serving her 7th year on the Redmond City Council, she helped bring clean energy and environmental sustainability to city operations. At all levels of government, she champions access to clean air and water, emergency preparedness, public safety, fair wages, broadband access for rural communities, and green infrastructure.

As an experienced non-profit CEO, construction engineer, and startup founder for over 15 years, Jeralee has helped build sustainable communities around the world. Proudly a member of a union family, she is a superfan of first responders. As a granddaughter of Navy and Army veterans, descendant of generations of farmers, and a survivor of sexual assault, Jeralee understands that defending our natural resources, wildlife, families, and labor forces from exploitation takes innovation, innovation, empathy, and grit. She will make sure your tax dollars are invested in programs that enhance quality of life and do right by the environment for all people in Washington.

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Kevin Van De Wege
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator (2017-2024), Chair of the Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources, and Parks Committee; State Representative (2007-2016); Chair of the 24th Legislative District Democrats (2004-2006).

Other Professional Experience: Firefighter Captain; Paramedic;

IAFF Local 2933 Union President; Orca Task Force Member.

Education: M.A. in Public Administration, Fort Hays State University; B.A. in Social Science, Washington State University; Fire Command Degree, Edmonds College; Paramedic Certification, Northwest Medical.

Community Service: Water Quantity Task Force member; Highway 101 Safety Corridor Committee member; Sequim Elks member; Sequim Grange member.

Statement: As a twenty-five year firefighter, I know what needs to be done to combat the devastating wildfires that destroy forests and produce suffocating smoke. Wildfires have destroyed 4.7 million acres of state forests over the past ten years. We need a leader who knows how to fight wildfire and who can protect our public lands.

I'm a career firefighter, I've felt the heat and breathed smoke-filled air. I'm Chair of the Senate Natural Resources Committee, and have led the effort to preserve our natural resources, create more resilient communities, and fight wildfires.

With your support, I'll protect forests by using the resources of the state's largest firefighting agency to improve forest health and safeguard vulnerable communities. I'll address the urgency of climate change and protect our environment by leasing land for renewable energy projects, while expanding a wealth of employment and recreational opportunities, including protecting our agricultural, timber, and local economies. That's why I'm running to be the next Commissioner of Public Lands. I ask for your vote.

Endorsements: Secretary of State Steve Hobbs, Snoqualmie Tribe, S'Klallam Tribe, Washington Federation of State Employees, Washington Building Trades, twenty other unions, the fire community, local businesses, farmers, government and environmental leaders.

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Reid Saaris
(Nonpartisan)

Professional Experience: Fourth-generation WA public school teacher, most recently at Rainier Beach High School, and a school administrator. Founder and CEO of a nationwide nonprofit partnering with federal and state leaders and tens of thousands of educators to expand opportunities and close

achievement gaps. Author of a leading paper on WA youth mental health as well as three books; recipient of the Google Global Impact Award and Harvard’s Hoopes Prize for Excellence.

Education: B.A. in Government, & Certification in Teaching, Harvard University; M.Ed. and MBA with Certificate in Public Management, Stanford University.

Community Service: Coaching soccer and cross-country running, Habitat for Humanity, mentoring, & more.

Statement: I’m a father to three, and a fourth-generation Washington public educator. I’ve dedicated my career – as a teacher, administrator, national nonprofit founder and CEO – to the unmatched power and promise of public education.

The current struggles facing our students and teachers are unacceptable. The mismanagement of \$2.9 billion in federal relief dollars by our schools chief has seriously set us back and is reason enough to replace him, but there are more. Washington has slid behind most other states in K-12 education according to US News; 15% of adolescents are considering suicide; 20% of educators are leaving their schools; funding is collapsing with unprecedented school closures.

The Seattle Times has described the incumbent as a “*lackluster*” superintendent who is “*cheerleading mediocrity.*”

I’m not a career politician. I’m a proven leader who has worked all across the country with tens of thousands of educators to ensure the promise of an excellent public education is fulfilled for all kids. I’ll ensure every school has the resources to connect students in need with: (1) effective mental health care; (2) tutoring; and (3) great career and college opportunities. If you agree that Washington must do better, I hope you will support me.

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Chris Reykdal
(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience: Superintendent of Public Instruction, Local School Board Director, State Legislator.

Other Professional Experience: Classroom Teacher, Higher Education Budget and Finance Executive, Fiscal Analyst for the Washington State Senate.

Education: Baccalaureate Degree in Social Studies and a Teaching Certificate, Washington State University. Master’s Degree in Public Administration with an emphasis on Budget, Finance, and Performance Management, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill.

Community Service: Parent volunteer in schools, youth soccer coach, local city planning commissioner, food bank volunteer, education foundation board member, education scholarship founder, and non-profit fundraiser.

Statement: Thank you Washington Voters! I am grateful to serve as your State Superintendent. This job requires experience and tested leadership to maintain our post-pandemic recovery. Our strong learning acceleration is at risk without sustained funding and a relentless focus on keeping our schools public and accountable to local voters. The paramount duty in our state is to fully fund our public schools. Investing in our public schools and our educators to empower student achievement is my number one priority!

Innovation drives our work with expanded career and technical education pathways, a record high graduation rate, a measurable improvement in student mental health following targeted investments, and free school meals for over 700,000 students. We are a top performing state in math and reading, and civics is once again a graduation requirement under my leadership!

Over two-thirds of our students now earn college credit while in high school, saving families over \$100 million per year in foregone tuition, and we’ve doubled our investments in rural school facilities. Every child deserves a high-quality, individualized, and equitable learning opportunity in every community!

Endorsed: Washington State Labor Council, Public School Employees, Washington Education Association, American Federation of Teachers-WA, Washington Conservation Action, and more.

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John Patterson Blair
(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience: Vashon Island (WA) School Board 2000-04

Other Professional Experience: High School Science Teacher 1969-76; Developed and taught a high school “special education to mainstream science” transition curriculum 1970-72; NEA and AFT simultaneous memberships;

Teachers (NEA) contract negotiator 1970-72; A founding and participating teacher (science), Cinnaminson (NJ) Public Alternative High School for 170+ 10th-12th grade students who wanted to take responsibility for their own education 1972-76; Voters Pamphlet for OSPI, 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016; average 75,000 votes, 7% statewide.

Education: Haverford College, BA Sociology; Temple University, MEd Science

Community Service: A founding and participating parent, Vashon (WA) Parent Involvement Program, Alternative Public Elementary School (40 students) 1983-90

Statement: *A Referendum:* Every child is unique and families should have the opportunity to individualize their own children’s public education

I propose *A New Foundation for Public Education*, (of which existing public schools would be an unchanged part), consisting of:

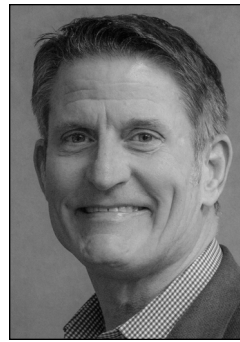
Individual Student Trust Accounts - funded annually using each student’s existing \$12,000+ state education voucher. With approval, each student’s parents may spend these accumulating funds at any Registered Public Education Program(s) of their choice. *Registered Public Education Programs* - any educational program, regardless of ownership, which: Accepts only trust funds as tuition, i.e. “free”; Fills at least 80% of its openings without admission qualification, i.e. “open enrollment”; Permits the study, but not the practice, of religion; and Publishes measurable educational and behavioral goals for its students. Students not achieving these goals may be dismissed by the program. *Neighborhood Education Districts* - administered by three locally elected trustees, will oversee the educational progress of 50 to 200 participating neighborhood students. The trustees must approve parental education choices for students passing applicable “WASL” tests. *Community Facility Districts* - locally elected, will own, operate and maintain all public facilities. Life-cycle maintenance funds will be included in the original bond funding.

Interested? Vote for me.

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David Olson
(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience: Peninsula School Board Director (2013 – present); Pierce County Charter Review Commissioner (2016); Previously elected to the WSSDA Legislative and Resolutions Committees; served as school board Legislative Representative for 10 years.

Other Professional Experience: Finance and Banking; Defense Contractor; U.S. Navy Chief Warrant Officer (retired)

Education: SNHU, B.S. Organizational Leadership, Magna cum Laude; Officer Candidate School, U.S. Navy; Saturation Diver Training, U.S. Navy; Technical School, U.S. Navy

Community Service: Board Member, Greater Gig Harbor Foundation; Gig Harbor Rotary; President and Board Member, City Club of Tacoma; Vice President, Hilltop Business Association; Board Member, World Trade Center Tacoma

Statement: *Less than 50% of Washington students can read and write at grade level yet your property taxes have skyrocketed. Your children and schools deserve better. OSPI is not fulfilling their duty to advocate for adequate school operational funding. As Superintendent, I will push to change the approach, ensuring resources reach the schools and students who need them most – regardless of race, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status.*

Under the incumbent, chronic absenteeism has doubled, depriving children of crucial learning opportunities. Drawing from my district’s success, where strong parental engagement has led to one of the state’s lowest absentee rates, I will advocate for policies that encourage partnering with parents.

I am committed to restoring local control to school boards, empowering those who understand their communities’ unique needs, ensuring a fair and effective education for all. *I will push to expand skilled trades programs, preparing our students for future diverse careers.*

To combat the distractions of the digital age, I will promote policies restricting cell phones and social media in schools, creating safer, more focused learning environments. *The Seattle Times stated the Superintendent is a “cheerleader for mediocrity.” Average Is Not Good Enough! It is time for change. I’ll appreciate your vote.*

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Patty Kuderer
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator, 2017-present, State Representative, 2015-2016. Chair, Housing Committee 2019-present; former Vice Chair, State Government & Elections 2018-2022; former member Healthcare - Labor & Commerce - Business, Financial Institutions & Insurance Committees.

Other Professional Experience: Trial attorney for 35+ years; former prosecutor and city attorney; significant experience handling insurance claims, employment discrimination and serious injury cases.

Education: BA, University of Minnesota. JD, William Mitchell College of Law.

Community Service: Awarded the “Golden Acorn” for my volunteer service with Chinook Middle School PTSA. Volunteered with my kids’ schools, Sacred Heart Social Concerns, Congregations for the Homeless, NARAL Pro-Choice Washington, Virtue’s Children Nepal, and Chrysalis Domestic Violence Center.

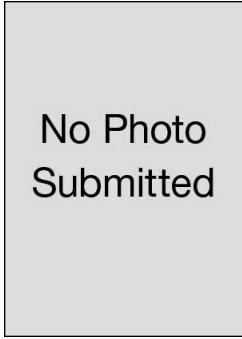
Statement: Ever since my daughter was born critically ill in the NICU and I had to fight my insurance company to allow her doctors to provide life saving care, I have made it my life’s mission to ensure no family ever has to go through that same trauma. With my experience as a litigator representing workers in employment discrimination cases and my strong background in advocacy and public service, I bring a unique set of qualifications to the role of Insurance Commissioner.

As a legislator, I’ve been a leading voice on healthcare issues, sponsoring legislation to create a public option for healthcare in Washington, and advocating for greater access to mental health services and protections against surprise medical billing.

As Insurance Commissioner, I’ll work tirelessly to enact policies that prioritize consumer protection and lowering costs, promote transparency within the insurance industry, and expand access to essential healthcare services for all Washingtonians. I’ll also lead on addressing the increased insurance costs being created by climate change and protecting coverage of reproductive healthcare.

I have spent my life helping the powerless stand up to those with the most power, and I respectfully ask for your vote so I can fight for you too.

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Chris D. Chung
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: I am not a professional politician.

Other Professional Experience: Chris worked as a Washington Registered Pharmacist for 30 years. He has also been a Community Pharmacy Owner since 1994.

Education: Graduate of the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at St. John’s University (Queens, New York). Attended Chung-Ang University and Korea Air Force Academy (Seoul, South Korea).

Community Service: Chris has volunteered on behalf of the community for three decades.

Statement: Chris strongly believes that the Insurance Commissioner position has the responsibility of safely protecting our Washington State residents.

Mike Kreidler served six terms. He will not be running for his seventh term, therefore Chris aspires to run for election. In 2012, \$300 million/\$160 million, in 2016, \$300 million/\$160 million, and in 2020, \$300 million/ \$200 million. If elected, Chris’ goal is \$333 million/ \$222 million.

Chris desires to be an Insurance Commissioner who seeks insurance for patients, insurance for the patients’ families, and the health and happiness of everyone in Washington State.

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Jonathan Hendrix
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: None. I live in Seattle and am a father of four: two working professionals, a Lance Corporal serving in the United States Marine Corps, and a 2024 high school graduate.

Other Professional Experience: I have 35 years' experience in insurance, healthcare and benefits

administration which includes positions on the Washington Benefit Exchange Technical Advisory Committee, the Ohio Insurance Guarantee Association Board and Kendal Corporation at Oberlin Board.

Education: I earned a B.A. from Whitman College and MBA, Healthcare from Baldwin-Wallace University.

Community Service: Board of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Cleveland, Assistant Scoutmaster Troop 80 Seattle, and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Statement: Let me put more than 35 years of experience in the insurance, healthcare and benefits industry to work on your behalf.

The Office of Insurance Commissioner approves the rates insurance companies are allowed to charge customers and regulates many other pivotal market activities and services. You can count on me to work with people of both parties and the politically independent, and other stakeholders, to develop sensible solutions with an attitude of stewardship and accountability.

Thank you to the many people who have related their experience with the issues of access, cost and quality in Washington's insurance market. As Insurance Commissioner I will address these issues by improving insurance affordability, insurance availability and the service experience when people use insurance. I will also work to determine how Artificial Intelligence (AI) can help reduce risk and related costs in a secure manner without infringing on our rights.

Please cast your vote for me as our next Washington State Insurance Commissioner. Join me to make the insurance environment in Washington healthy, effective and affordable for all of us (including our pets). Together we can make ends meet. Reach me through my candidate email: votehendrix4waaic@gmail.com.

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Bill Boyd
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: New to politics.

Other Professional Experience: 30 plus year insurance industry veteran, I have the knowledge and skill to lead the Washington insurance industry into the future.

Education: Bachelor of Science, Applied Mathematics, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; Passed 3actuarial exams.

Community Service: Coached youth sports for over 13 years. I have served on many non-profit boards. I have been on many church boards and start churches. My leadership as president in youth football took the organization from 4 teams and 2 cheer squads to 16 teams and 12 cheer squads. I worked with over 100 volunteers, and thousands of parents to make the seasons successful.

Statement: In Spokane, Bill continued his hard work ethic by working two jobs. One for Waddell and Reed as a financial advisor and started selling life insurance, and as a bartender on the weekends. Marianna (his wife of over 30 years) worked as a pediatric dental assistant, as they started their young married life. 5 years later Mary their first-born daughter brought them tremendous amounts of Joy. Shortly thereafter, Rebekah and Billy joined the family. He was blessed again, with his 4th child, Ryan as a late in life surprise. In 1996 Bill started Boyd Financial and started selling Auto and home insurance along with Life and health insurance. Over the last 30 years, and multiple changes Bill has grown Boyd Insurance Brokerage Inc. into a large agency in Spokane with 12 employees and millions in premium. As an insurance broker, he was able to hone his skills at representing his clients. Defending them against inaccurate claims from the insurance companies, discussing issues with attorneys and company staff. Now the next step is to defend all of Washingtonians against the illegal actions of the Insurance Companies in Washington state.

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John Pestinger
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: John Pestinger spent 24 years in Insurance, not as an elected official.

Other Professional Experience: John worked 5 years as Project Manager at the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner after working 19 years as an insurance claims

adjustor. John is a distinguished United States Air Force (USAF) Veteran.

Education: John earned an Associate in Insurance (AINS designation), and a Family History Research Certificate. He graduated first in his class from the USAF Paralegal School and the USAF Police Academy.

Community Service: John serves as Chair of the Washington State Veterans Employee Resource Group. He has been a member of several community service organizations.

Statement: John Pestinger is an experienced, common-sense insurance professional who stands up to powerful industry interests as an advocate for insurance consumers. He dedicated the last 24 years to working in and regulating insurance. John knows the profound effect insurance has on our lives, from before we are born, each and every single day of our lives, and even after we die.

You, the people of Washington, deserve quality and affordable health insurance. John helps to protect consumers from receiving surprise medical bills for emergency services. He works to assure that choices in healthcare remain with you and your doctors. Increasing access to affordable medical care and life-saving medicine is John’s top priority.

We are all experiencing the impact of skyrocketing insurance rates. John knows what it takes to stabilize the market and bring rates down. Increasing environmental catastrophes and increasing frequency and severity of losses are making your rates climb, and legislative and regulatory uncertainty are making it worse. The job of the Insurance Commissioner is to regulate a healthy insurance market and prevent polarizing political agendas from destabilizing it.

The people of Washington need an insurance regulator willing to protect us all. Vote John Pestinger for Insurance Commissioner.

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Tim Verzal
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: none

Other Professional Experience: Started my own body shop in April 1992 - October 2023

Education: Dieringer Middle School, Sumner High School, Clover Park VoTech and I-Car classes.

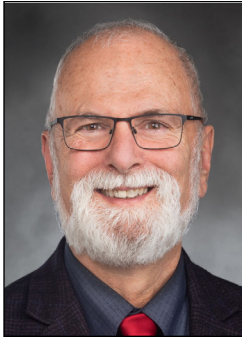
Community Service: As a local business owner, I volunteered my time and services, to help the Town of Eatonville raise funds for the May Day Car Smash Event by painting vehicles used for this event, and I also did paint touchup for the cars auctioned at the July 4th fireworks event.

Statement: I retired in October 2023.

I am not a career politician.

I owned my body shop for thirty years; I fell on hard time as well, but I did not raise my rates. The price of insurance has gotten out of control. I would like to have a chance to correct a problem in medical, auto, home and life. With your support I am sure we can do this. I am not taking donation I am funding my own campaign. Your vote would be greatly appreciated.

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Phil Fortunato
(Prefers Republican Party)

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 45 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: I'm running to make Washington's insurance market more affordable for families and seniors. Misguided activist policies of the Legislature and the Insurance Commissioner have limited choice and made insurance unaffordable.

How much businesses pay for insurance has a direct impact on the prices you pay for things, including groceries and even your rent. Add to that a 20% increase in insurance costs, and it's even harder for seniors on fixed incomes and families to make ends meet. The insurance industry needs reasonable, not burdensome regulations. As a state Senator, I fought for affordable and consumer-driven options that encourage more competition, more choices, and lower costs for consumers. I know what works and it's not agenda driven regulations that drive up costs without providing better and more affordable care.

I've experienced firsthand the health insurance challenges faced by my own grandson who has a rare disease. For him it is a life and death struggle. You and your doctor should be determining your health care decisions, not the insurance companies.

A Vote for Phil Fortunato will lower costs, provide predictability and availability in Washington's insurance markets, so you can get the insurance protection your family deserves.

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Justin Murta
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Although I have ran for office a couple times, I have never held an elected office.

Other Professional Experience: Presently, I am employed as a Senior Vice President with Acisure, the 6th largest insurance broker in the world. I have worked in the Insurance Industry over the last 20

years and specialize in Employee Benefits for self-funded employers, First Nation and Tribal Communities and their enterprises.

Education: *University of Missouri Kansas City, Science, Math & Technology Institute, Bellevue College and University of Sunderland, Vietnam*

Community Service: Toys for Tots, Volunteer Committee Member for Ducks Unlimited and Relay for Life Volunteer

Statement: As your Insurance Commissioner, I would be committed to safeguarding the interests of Washington's citizens by ensuring a fair, competitive, and transparent insurance marketplace. With a focus on accountability, innovation, and consumer protection, I will work tirelessly to provide residents with reliable and affordable insurance options, while fostering a thriving business environment for our state's insurance providers.

I would give my highest attention to making insurance policies available and affordable. Fighting for consumer protections, I would advocate for carriers and insurance companies to educate consumers and consultants to ensure the voters understand their coverages, while paying what is owed. Our job will be to ensure that individuals are indemnified and made whole, without prejudice or undue stress. I will work with assets and resources in the current Office of the Insurance Commissioner, while innovating and modernizing to ensure a more efficient agency. There is no reason rates, policies and products should take so long to be approved!

Together, we can create a stronger, more resilient insurance landscape in Washington State. Vote Justin Murta for Insurance Commissioner to ensure a future where innovation, fairness, and consumer protection are at the forefront of our insurance industry.

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Lance Byrd
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience: Over 24 years in the Information Tech (IT) sector. Currently employed as a technical program manager who brings stakeholders together across multiple organizations to solve people and

process problems. Previous jobs include writing software programs, administering systems and networks, fixing robots, and cooking to earn his way through college.

Education: Associate Degree in Applied Science in Electrical Engineering Technologies from North Seattle College and Industry Certifications from Amazon Web Service and Microsoft Corporation

Community Service: Active member of the Refuge Church in Bremerton. Board member for the 23rd LDRC. Politically active in local elections. Ran for school board.

Statement: Born and raised in Seattle, I have lived most of my 54 years in the northwest. My wife and I moved to Bremerton seven years ago after being priced out of the housing market across the water. My sons graduated from Bremerton High School and now work at the Bremerton Shipyard. My daughter is a medical assistant and literally saves lives. Kitsap is my forever home.

I decided to run for office after seeing how the legislature raised our taxes and failed to protect our citizens by making it harder for law enforcement officers to apprehend and punish law breakers. I believe people need affordable shelter whether it is rented or owned. We need to fix the homelessness problem.

I believe Washington State must fully fund K-12 education with money following the student. Washington State Ferries should offer a high-level of service and dependability. We need to use credible scientific research to address climate concerns before banning natural gas or raising gas taxes.

I am committed to working with lawmakers from all parties to make our state a safer and business-friendly place to live, work, and raise a family. I will listen to you and work for you in Olympia!

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Drew Hansen
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington House of Representatives (2011-2023); appointed to Washington State Senate (2023)

Other Professional Experience: Senator Hansen is a trial lawyer selected to the Washington State “Super Lawyers” list every year since 2013. He taught civil rights

at the University of Washington Law School and wrote *The Dream: Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Speech that Inspired A Nation* (Ecco/HarperCollins, 2003).

Education: Harvard University, Oxford University (Rhodes Scholar), Yale Law School

Community Service: Kitsap County youth soccer coach; Olympic College Foundation Board. Senator Hansen worships with his family at Bethany Lutheran Church and runs a weekend Dungeons & Dragons game for a group of high school students.

Statement: Senator Drew Hansen believes in helping people find good jobs to support their families. He worked with Washington State University and Western Washington University to bring new college opportunities to Kitsap County, expanded the Olympic College engineering program to train more engineers for the shipyards, and protected marine industry jobs with legislation to remove derelict boats from our waterways.

Senator Hansen served in the Washington State House of Representatives from 2011-2023, where he won several awards for his public service, including the Washington State Nurses Association “Nursing Champion” award, the Washington Public Utility Districts Association “Legislative Champion” award, and the “Legislator of the Year” award from the Washington Student Association.

Senator Hansen works across party lines on common-sense solutions. He wrote the Shield Law, a bipartisan law protecting people in Washington State from anti-abortion laws in Texas and elsewhere. He worked with Republican legislators to give people more affordable internet options with the Public Broadband Act, which allows all local governments to offer broadband directly to the public. He also worked with law enforcement on a landmark bipartisan law to strengthen firearms background checks. He would be honored to continue serving Kitsap County in the Legislature.

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Ace Haynes
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Ace Haynes has been elected as the Water Commissioner for Country Meadows, the Chairman of the Bylaws Committee for the Suquamish Community Advisory Council, and is serving a second term as a PCO for Suquamish.

Other Professional Experience: Ace Haynes has over 10 years of experience facilitating youth and elder service programs with Bainbridge Island Parks and Recreation, Kitsap Housing Authority, the Low Income Housing Institute, and many others.

Education: A Running Start student; Ace Haynes graduated from Olympic College earning his Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree a month before receiving his High School Diploma from Central Kitsap High School in 2004.

Community Service: Always!

Statement: Amazing!

That one word, Amazing, best describes Ace Haynes and his last 18 months serving the community. When the North Kitsap School District administrators escalated their harassment of our communities in 2023; Ace Haynes was enlisted to defend the parents, students, teachers, staff, and public from these hate crimes being committed by the highest paid public servants in Kitsap County. When violent white supremacists attacked in Kingston and Bremerton in 2024, Ace Haynes was there still performing his elected duties and representing the communities that County Officials neglected or actually targeted. When the judges, prosecutors, and even the appointed public defenders of Kitsap County outlined their illegal scheme to jail people based solely on the courts' accusations of them being mentally disabled, Ace Haynes was there to say "no!"

Ace Haynes has quickly become an outstanding Civil Rights Leader for Kitsap County; opposing hate crimes from Hansville to Port Orchard. When our government officials are committing crimes against us, such as Superintendent Laurynn "The Liar" Evans, everyone knows Ace Haynes is the Representative to call.

Government doesn't work without real checks and balances: We need someone who speaks truth to power: Ace Haynes has a proven record of being Amazing.

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What if I'm not
18 yet?



**If you are 16 or 17,
become a Future Voter!**

Sign up with your Washington state driver's license, permit, ID, or the last four digits of your Social Security number. You'll be automatically registered to vote when you qualify. If you will be 18 by the November Election, you can vote in the August Primary. (RCW 29A.08.170)

Every January on Temperance and Good Citizenship Day, high school students 16 and older have the opportunity to complete a voter registration form in class.



Tiffany Attrill
(Prefers Independent Party)

Professional Experience: Violent Crime Victim Advocate: King County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office and Seattle Police Department (SPD); Family Support Specialist: LifeCenter Northwest; Program Coordinator: Seattle Children’s Hospital, Children’s Protection Program; Legal Advocate: King

County Sexual Assault Resource Center.

Education: University of Northern Iowa: Bachelor of Arts Social Work. Completed 75% of School Counseling Master’s Degree, Seattle University.

Community Service: Subcommittee member of the King County Care and Closure Advisory Committee; Volunteer member of the Washington State Community Compensation Fund workgroup; Support group leader with Program for Early Parent Support and parent volunteer with Bainbridge Island School District. 2021 recipient of the SPD Award of Excellence.

Statement: Tiffany Attrill, a mother of two teenagers, has dedicated her career to helping crime victims, survivors, and their families navigate the criminal justice system. She prioritizes public safety and community well-being and advocates for common-sense, bipartisan laws for justice and accountability.

Tiffany’s key issues include public safety, mental health resources, affordable healthcare, accessible housing, quality education, modern transportation, economic opportunity, and thoughtful criminal justice reform. As an Independent, Tiffany offers a sensible voice against two-party gridlock, aiming to represent those who feel unheard. Tiffany believes that to reshape Olympia, we must change the people we send there.

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Kurt Robertson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Chair, Olympic View Park Stewardship Committee

Other Professional Experience: 20-year military Veteran. Challenged a physical deferment to serve. Managed \$800 million budgets. 10 years of employment in 3 foreign countries. Adjunct faculty teaching business courses at UW, WWU and OC.

Education: Brigham Young University (BS, Business), Chaminade (MBA)

Community Service: Volunteer Firefighter Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue

Statement: I am an educator, businessman and veteran who seeks to make home ownership and affordable living within reach. I will stand firm against increasing property taxes and roll back costly natural gas regulation, which will make rent and homes more affordable. I will reverse the hidden gas tax which has increased living costs. With a crime victim in my family, I will support the 2nd Amendment, and law-and-order legislation.

I will put law abiding citizens ahead of criminals, and champion common sense education reform to prepare our children for professional success. We can do better. Let me help you.

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Tarra Simmons
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Current State Representative serving as Vice Chair of the Community Safety, Justice and Reentry Committee; serves on Healthcare, Appropriations and Rules Committees.

Other Professional Experience: Founding Director & Attorney, Civil

Survival Project. Registered Nurse, Harrison Hospital and Martha & Mary; Case Aide, Child Protection Services

Education: Associate's Degree, Olympic College, Bachelor's Degree in Nursing, Pacific Lutheran University, Juris Doctor, Magna Cum Laude, Seattle University School of Law

Community Service: Volunteers regularly with community organizations advancing equity. She is a proud US Marine mom who supports several military families. Previous volunteer with Central Kitsap School District, Washington Supreme Court Gender and Justice Commission, and Housing Justice Project

Statement: Tarra Simmons works tirelessly to support children and families in our community. Her track record proves she is an effective leader who works with both parties to get results, and has the courage to advocate for bold solutions. She has led efforts to support people with behavioral health challenges, domestic violence survivors, workers and small businesses while making critical investments in healthcare, ferries, land and forest conservation.

Our community is facing urgent challenges with healthcare access, reliable transportation, affordable housing and justice for all. Representative Simmons has the qualifications, experience, and passion to continue working for the people of Kitsap.

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Greg Nance
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington State Representative 2023-present (Vice Chair, Maritime Caucus).

Other Professional Experience: Greg is the Co-Founder and Chairman of Moneythink, a nonprofit that increases college graduation rates by reducing student debt. President Obama

recognized Moneythink as a “Champion of Change” in 2012. He grew up middle class in Kitsap and worked as a landscaper, house painter and firewood splitter.

Education: Kitsap K-12 public schools; Bainbridge High; UChicago (Truman Scholar); Cambridge University masters (Gates Scholar).

Community Service: Board Member, Kitsap Mental Health Services. Advisor, regional salmon recovery council. Frequent school speaker and longtime Kitsap youth mentor: North Kitsap Basketball, Bainbridge runners, Bremerton AVID Mentor.

Statement: Rep. Greg Nance is honored to represent Kitsap, the community that raised him. He’s working hard to fix our ferries, protect Puget Sound, and support working families. Rep. Nance worked across the aisle to deliver over \$80 million in new ferry funding. He sponsored and unanimously passed legislation to expand access to affordable childcare and boost Kitsap’s healthcare workforce.

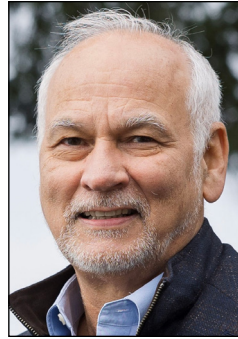
Endorsed by: Suquamish Tribe; Bremerton and Kitsap Firefighters; Congressman Norm Dicks; Attorney General Bob Ferguson; Lt. Governor Denny Heck; Senator Drew Hansen; former Bremerton Mayor Cary Bozeman; Poulsbo Mayor Becky Erickson; Washington State Labor Council (representing 600 unions and 500,000 members).

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John Gibbons
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: None.

Other Professional Experience: Children’s dentist for 35 years in Silverdale, serving our community’s most vulnerable populations; Past President of Washington State Dental Association, Washington State Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, and the Western Society

of Pediatric Dentistry; Affiliate Instructor, UW; Trustee of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Small Business Owner.

Education: South Kitsap HS; Olympic College, Brigham Young, BS; Washington University of St Louis, DMD; OHSU, Pediatric Dental Certificate; Kellogg and Wharton Business Colleges, Executive Leadership Certificates

Community Service: PeeWee wrestling coach; Boy Scout Leader; Mentor to young dentists; actively involved in over 15 committees focused on improving access to affordable, quality healthcare for all.

Statement: As a Kitsap native, a small business owner, and a children’s dentist, I understand our community’s challenges better than anybody. Right now, we need bold leadership and collaboration. We are facing a housing crisis, a healthcare shortage, and a broken ferry system, all combining to weaken our local economy. We need a leader in Olympia who will get ferries in the water, create jobs, and make housing more affordable. My experience fighting for healthcare reform - working closely with leaders at every level of our government - will ensure that I can get to work for you on day one.

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Jamie Miles
(Prefers Republican Party)

Professional Experience: Pain Management and Addiction Medicine, AAPM

Education: Moorpark High School, UCLA, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering BS, University of Illinois College of Medicine, MD., followed by Tulane Medical Center, Surgical Residency and then USC

Medical Center, Anesthesia Residency and Interventional Pain Fellowship. Additional training in Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine certification, Harvard Medical School.

Community Service: BARN Bainbridge Island, AIDS Clinic and services

Statement: Gas. Food. Security. It doesn't matter how many papers or patents I've written or patients I've treated if *you* can't afford to fill your tank, feed your family or be safe in your home and be able to raise children on a single income, with bright futures in Kitsap County. This means a hard look at what hasn't worked, and the will to change.

When elected I promise, my salary will go towards establishing scholarships for qualifying legal US citizens in my district to attend trade schools, because the world needs people who fix things, more than they need politicians.

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Brynn Felix
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: First-time candidate

Other Professional Experience: General Counsel, Peninsula Community Health Services; Law Clerk, Washington Supreme Court, Justice Mary Yu; Lane Powell, Transportation Law Group; Law Clerk, U.S. Senate Committee

on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; Outreach Coordinator, ACLU-Washington; Pre-K and Kindergarten Teacher, University Child Development School; Elementary and Junior High English, Japan; High School Percussion Coach

Education: BA, UC Santa Cruz; MA in Human Rights, Central European University; JD, Boston University School of Law

Community Service: Former board member: Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates PAC, Kitsap Community Resources, Suquamish Community Advisory Council; Washington State Access to Justice Board, appointment by Washington Supreme Court; NAACP Bremerton 1134

Statement: As a community health lawyer, working mom, and former classroom teacher, I understand the challenges facing our district. I bring over a decade of experience – advancing civil rights with ACLU-Washington, fighting for reproductive rights with Planned Parenthood PAC, and expanding healthcare services. My transportation law experience has prepared me to lead on climate-friendly ferry and bus service from day one. I will work tirelessly to fully fund public education, expand affordable housing, and champion environmental justice. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

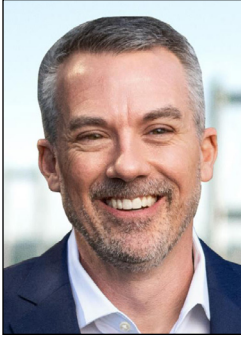
Approved by 23rd Democrats. Solely endorsed: Rep. Tarra Simmons, American Federation of Teachers, IBEW46, and more.

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Jim Henderson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Jim is not a politician. He will bring a fresh perspective to finding solutions.

Other Professional Experience: For 24 years, Jim has been a small business owner in Pierce County assisting property owners with tenant screening. Jim fought for his clients in Olympia to help end the

eviction moratorium. He has authored several articles and created continuing education courses.

Education: Highline Community College. Jim was a certified instructor to provide continuing education course and taught housing industry best practices.

Community Service: Jim volunteers and serves on the board of St. Vincent de Paul and Next Chapter, where he helps mothers and domestic violence survivors find housing.

Statement: In February, two armed intruders broke into my workplace and shot at me. This experience inspired me to run for office. Your vote is extremely important this year. The crime and inflation will only get worse with a supermajority. I will bring balance back to our state, so my sons and your family have a better future. If you share my commitment to improving outcomes in education, backing law enforcement, supporting our military and repealing taxes, I humbly ask for your vote.

I have the support of the current district Representatives and will continue their tradition of putting people first.

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Jesse L. Young
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative from 2014 – 2023.

Other Professional Experience: A software engineer and business owner, Jesse has advised companies globally in the industries of finance, aerospace, healthcare, and technology. These include, Russell Investments, Boeing,

Swedish Medical, Blue Cross, Kaiser Permanente, and Peoplesoft.

Education: Wilson HS, Valedictorian; Washington State Scholar; University of Notre Dame, BBA-MIS; CLD, National Security Program, US Army War College.

Community Service: A Bone Marrow donor, Rotarian, Navy JROTC booster, and volunteer Pole Vaulting coach, Jesse actively serves our community. Jesse serves on the board of Harbor Hope Center fighting teenage homelessness and is an adoptive parent and financial supporter of YWAM's Adoption Ministry.

Statement: Growing up on the streets of Tacoma and experiencing homelessness as a youth, I learned to take nothing for granted. Despite a rough start to life, I was blessed to have the *opportunity* to apply hard work and street smarts to become Valedictorian of my class and then graduate from Notre Dame.

Returning as *your* State Representative, I care about ensuring those opportunities exist for *everyone*. Whether protecting your families from over-bearing government, fighting inflation, high taxes, and corporate interests, or applying my career experience to secure our children's future, I'll always work hard to serve you. Remember Vote Young!

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Adison Richards

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Seeking first elected office.

Other Professional Experience: Kitsap Legal Services, serving people in housing crises; Northwest Justice Project, having served victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

Education: Villanova Law, JD; UW, BA; Peninsula High

Community Service: In addition to working as a public service lawyer, I volunteer with Rotary, Harbor History Museum, Bremerton NAACP, Foundation for Washington Courts, and volunteered as a Peninsula High Cross Country Coach. I grew up here and have lived in every part of the district. I graduated from the Peninsula School District where my mom taught and worked through school for my dad's local landscaping business. I love our community.

Statement: We need an effective representative in Olympia focused on bringing down costs and bringing people together — someone who understands what people are facing. As a lawyer, I've spent my career fighting for people struggling to make ends meet, including crime victims and those in housing crises. I'll fight for common-sense solutions to lower child and health care costs, protect rural areas while building housing, fund more police officers, expand career and tech education, protect reproductive freedom, and defend our democracy.

I hope to earn your vote. Endorsed: Congressman Derek Kilmer, Planned Parenthood, Washington Conservation Action, Building and Construction Trades.

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Tiffany Mitchell
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: I previously served in the Oregon State Legislature, championing issues on housing affordability, healthcare, education, climate change policy, and protecting a woman’s right to choose.

Other Professional Experience: Washington Leave & Care Specialist (Opinions are my own and do not represent my employer)

Education: Masters in Business Administration - Western Governors University, Bachelors of Arts - University of Utah

Community Service: Altruistic Living Kidney Donor, Angel Tree Sub-for-Santa, LD 26 Democrats

Statement: As State Representative, I promise to bring the values we share to the State Legislature: values like making housing more affordable and stabilizing rents, increasing funding for students and schools - including career training programs, and ensuring affordable healthcare so unexpected illnesses don’t turn into bankruptcy. Olympia needs to deliver on these issues! That means we need someone who isn’t afraid to stand up to special interests, to protect our environment, or fight to protect reproductive rights.

I have a track record of championing policies that put people first. If you share these values, I humbly ask for your vote.

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Legislative District 26 – State Representative Position 2 – 2-year term (←more→)



Lori McPherson
(Prefers Democrat Party)

Elected Experience: A first-time candidate, I'll put constituents above corporations, lobbyists, and other special interests.

Other Professional Experience: I spent my early career working in the accounting, employment, and technology industries before moving my tax and managerial experience

into the healthcare arena where I discovered a passion helping the underserved mental health community.

Education: Central Washington University, Bachelor of Science, Business Administration - Accounting

Community Service: I serve my community in three distinct ways: civically, as a homeless shelter volunteer for struggling teenage youth, faith-based as a children and youth ministry program leader, and educationally as a volunteer for special needs & at risk students.

Statement: When I witnessed the contempt the current office holder showed single parents like me when she voted to allow children to be removed from our homes and given medical procedures without consent, it compelled me to step forward. It's also troubling to see the deceit and laziness shown toward our low-income and senior communities.

We should never have to hear, "I don't need your support, I've got lobby money!" when we seek help from our representatives. I pledge, in every way, to be the opposite of this attitude. With humility, kindness, and transparency, I'll work for you!

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Josh Smith
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: A first-time candidate, Josh is running as an *independent* to prioritize affordability for our communities and ensure our representatives are accountable to voters, not their parties or donors.

Other Professional Experience: Josh works as a data consultant for Washington State Elections, but

is on leave while campaigning. He served for years as a meteorologist at NOAA, issuing lifesaving warnings and forecasts to protect peninsula residents.

Education: Bachelor's in atmospheric sciences (University of Washington); Master's in politics and governance (University of Tartu)

Community Service: Josh has extensively assisted war refugees from Ukraine and Syria. He also leads a vanpool and volunteers with the Gig Harbor Waterfront Alliance.

Statement: In recent years, inflation and housing expenses have risen faster than our incomes, leaving us with difficult choices. If elected, I'd reduce taxes on working families and seniors, promote wage growth, ensure opportunity by funding schools and increasing transportation options, and support our local small businesses.

As an independent who prioritizes removing money from the elections process, I'm the only candidate in the race who will weigh each bill with *your* interests in mind over those of the political parties or ultra-wealthy donors and who will fight to reform the political system itself. Vote Josh for Wash!

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Rachel Harter
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: This is my first campaign for public service.

Other Professional Experience: Rachel has applied her engineering background to the healthcare, corporate strategy, business development, and educational arenas. She’s found a passion in healthcare where her analytical

experience has allowed her to excel in ophthalmology and other medical fields. Rachel’s commitment to passionately advocate for parental rights, public safety, and fiscal responsibility, along with her exceptional talent in building positive relationships, uniquely positions her to effectively represent our district and bring about positive change.

Education: Choteau High School-Valedictorian; Montana State University-Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

Community Service: School Board Member and current President; One Washington-active member.

Statement: As a small-town farm girl, I fought to rise through corporate America while embracing motherhood and supporting my first responder husband. Now, these opportunities to live the American dream are being attacked and lost by elected leaders who lack the work ethic and courage to protect our families from woke politics.

I’m offering my career experience because I want to protect your families and our children’s future. As *your* representative, I’ll protect parental rights and public safety in our community. I’ll fight inflation and taxes with transparency and grit to secure a future that is once again full of *opportunity*.

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Michelle Caldier
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative 2015-Present. Michelle has an open door policy and genuinely represents the district.

Other Professional Experience: Michelle taught as an Affiliate Professor at the University of Washington for a decade. Michelle

was a small business owner and dentist who devoted her dental practice to caring for the nursing home population.

Education: After graduating from Central Kitsap High School and Olympic College, Michelle earned her Bachelor of Science and Doctorate of Dental Surgery at the University of Washington.

Community Service: Michelle has donated dental care to Veterans, nursing home residents and underserved children. She was a foster mother for high-risk teenagers for many years.

Statement: More than ever, we need balance in Washington. With a lopsided supermajority in Olympia hinging on one seat, your vote is extremely important this year. This imbalance would clear the way for bad policies like more taxes, banning gas, and releasing criminals. I successfully worked to end the eviction moratorium, bring real toll relief and procure funding for new ferries.

After losing my vision 8 years ago and getting a prosthetic eye, I understand the challenges people face advocating for themselves and navigating bureaucracy. I would be honored to continue working for you to bring stability back to our state.

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Elections Audits

Hash Testing

When an election tabulation system is certified by the Federal Government's Election Assistance Commission, it carries with it a digital signature. Before each election we run a hash test to make sure the signature matches what the EAC certified, which means the system has not changed.

Logic and Accuracy Test

This test is completed before each election to ensure the accuracy of voting equipment. Ballots are marked according to a grid provided by the Secretary of State's Office, then run through our ballot tabulation system. The system's results are compared to the state's original grid.

Random Batch Audit

On election day Elections officials select a race or measure and then randomly pick six batches of ballots of up to 200 ballots each to hand count the next day. The results are compared to the results provided by the county's tabulation system.

Risk-Limiting Audit

The Secretary of State's Office randomly selects a sample of individual ballots that are hand checked to be sure they were tabulated correctly.

Recount

If a candidate race or state measure is close enough, within a half percentage point, state law requires a recount. If there is less than a quarter percentage point difference between two candidates, that race must be recounted by hand. Outside those margins a candidate can request and pay for a recount.



Dan Griffey

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Washington State Legislature

Other Professional Experience: Lieutenant Firefighter EMT, Drill Instructor, Union President, Trucker, Small Business Owner, Emergency Training Instructor at our local schools.

Education: North Mason High School 1989, North Bend Fire Academy 1989, Industrial Electronics (2year certification) Olympic College, occupational certifications- as well as fire officer.

Community Service: Advocated and supported Turning Pointe (domestic violence shelter for men and women and their kids & pets), Homes for our Troops, volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, United Way, fed the hungry at St. David's and chaperoned school events. I am dedicated to eliminating homelessness and have visited many homeless camps in our district, to find solutions.

Statement: I enjoy serving you and working with both parties and constituents for solutions. I voted to support our police, protect our children from predators, fought for notification and to stop housing sexually violent predators in our neighborhoods, provide first responder training, support small businesses, and worked to eliminate loopholes that allow criminals to walk free. Since I was elected in 2014, I have been able to help thousands of people in our district work through tough issues and get results. I'm in your corner and I am asking for your vote to continue the work we started. Stronger Together.

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Eric Onisko
(Prefers (GOP) Republican Party)

Elected Experience: 2018 to current City of Shelton Council Seat #4; 2022 to Current Mayor of the City of Shelton

Other Professional Experience: Six years on Mason County housing behavioral health advisory board member; Two years Mason County,

transit authority, board member and current chair; Two years Shelton lodging tax advisory committee, and current chair; Shelton Metropolitan Park District board Member and past chair; Mason county Substance abuse prevention coalition Member; Shelton finance committee; Past Shelton homeless task force

Community Service: Shelton Centennial Lions club board member; Three years board member on the Shelton high school NJROTC Booster club. Both president and vice president.

Statement: Starting my career in the hospitality industry. From front office duties to management, I accumulated valuable business insights. Transitioning to manage a convenience store, eventually assumed a corporate position overseeing 30+ stores. This experience culminated in the successful ownership of three small stores until my recent retirement from retail.

I have been fortunate to have co-raise five children. Welcoming six grandchildren into my life. With a wealth of family and business experience under my belt, I believe my unique perspective can address the complex challenges facing our State, and restoring trust in the system by working together as a team.

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Travis Couture
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Current State Representative (35th District, position 2), elected in 2022.

Other Professional Experience: U.S. Navy Veteran, served on USS Nebraska and Alabama. Former program manager; assisted in the management of over \$1 billion in assets and partnered with the U.S.

Navy to protect our nation at Naval Base Kitsap. Former director of operations; led over 100 employees within a nonprofit serving people with disabilities in Kitsap County.

Education: MBA and BA Organizational Leadership; Brandman University.

Community Service: Volunteered with United Way, Kiwanis, Habitat for Humanity, and North Mason Schools. Proud member of Bremerton Submarine Veterans, and supporter of Turning Pointe Survivor Advocacy Center and Care Net.

Statement: I'm a veteran, father of four, and supporter of first responders. I promised to fight for public safety, affordability, better education for our kids, combatting the drug crisis, and to protect rural communities – and I got results.

I voted to restore police pursuits, enact a parent's bill of rights, ban income taxes, and fought for vulnerable children dying from fentanyl. Together we stopped the release of violent sex predators into our neighborhoods, protected rural Thurston homes by defeating a mega airport, and secured record investments for infrastructure and economic development. I'm honored to serve you; I'd appreciate your vote!

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James DeHart
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: No elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: 17 years with State and local governments.

Education: Bachelors Degree from the University of Montana

Community Service: Former Board Member - Olympia Musical Theatre, SPSCC Symphony Orchestra.

Statement: As a 17 year state and local government employee, I specialize in government transparency and records management. It's time to elect a representative who will put the people first and be transparent about the work they do for the people. We need to defend our democracy, fund schools, end homelessness, lower taxes for working people, rebuild our infrastructure, and ensure that safety net programs are robustly funded leaving no Washingtonian behind. It's time for integrity in the leadership of the 35th LD and I would be honored with your vote. To view my endorsements, go to www.dehart4wa.com.

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Kitsap County Commissioner District 1 – Short and full 4-year term



Christine Rolfes
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator (2011-2023); State Representative (2007-2011); Bainbridge Island City Councilmember (2000-2005)

Other Professional Experience:
In 2023, I was appointed to the position of Kitsap County Commissioner and retired from the legislature. Prior to elected office I

worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development. I moved here in 1992 to work on land use issues for Kitsap County.

Education: BA Economics, University of Virginia. MPA, University of Washington.

Community Service: I have been involved in our community for three decades, raising two daughters here. As County Commissioner I now serve on various boards and councils, including Kitsap Transit, the Public Health Board, and the Housing Authority.

Statement: It is my honor to have been appointed to serve as your District 1 Kitsap County Commissioner for the past year. During this time my focus has been on providing inclusive and responsive leadership to everyone in our county.

The work of the three Commissioners is especially important as county residents deliberate how we will manage future population growth. We must protect sensitive environmental areas while providing a diversity of affordable housing options in safe and healthy neighborhoods that people love to live in.

Over the coming years I will continue to lead local partnerships with state and federal officials, including the US Navy, to resolve transportation challenges at Gorst, the Hood Canal Bridge, and Highways 104 and 305, and to modernize and expand our access to health care services and behavioral health treatment. In our county-wide decision making, I will continue to champion preservation of our remaining forests, open spaces, and small farms and the protection of Puget Sound, while supporting infrastructure and education advancements that help create job opportunities here.

I will always work to bring neighbors of differing views but common interests together to solve our shared challenges. I would be honored to receive your vote.

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Jeff Coughlin
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: City Council President and Councilmember. Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council and Puget Sound Regional Council (Transportation Policy, Planning Policy, Economic Development, and Growth Management Boards). Kitsap 911 and Kitsap Economic Development Alliance Board of Directors.

Other Professional Experience: Director of NASA's Kepler Mission Science Office and Scientist at the SETI Institute. Awarded NASA-wide Exceptional Engineering Achievement Medal. Project Management Professional.

Education: Ph.D. Astronomy. B.S. Physics, Spanish minor. Municipal Leadership Certificate. Project Management Certificate from University of Washington.

Community Service: Leadership Kitsap 20 Under 40 honoree. Planning Commissioner. Kitsap History Museum Director. Alliance for Equitable Healthcare founding member. Community beautification organizer. Proud father and husband to PSNS-IMF worker.

Statement: I'm the experienced choice to be a strong voice for South Kitsap and build a thriving county for *all* to live, work, and play. I'm committed to connecting our rural communities, urban centers, nonprofits, government agencies, and businesses to craft common-sense, community-driven solutions that address challenges in transportation, economic growth, healthcare, safety, housing, and homelessness.

I've collaborated to *Fix Our Ferries* and will fight to restore full service to Southworth and Bremerton. I've championed connected streets and trails that provide safe travel for all. Permit streamlining and sufficient staffing to support small businesses are vital to our economic future. Expanding access to quality healthcare and funding first responders is critical to our community health.

I've implemented housing policies that increase supply, lower costs, and protect precious greenspace. As President, I engaged experts in innovative continuum-of-care shelter solutions to transition individuals out of homelessness and passed laws to preserve peace in our parks and neighborhoods.

Raised by a strong single mother, I value hard work and recognize barriers. My husband and I are proud to raise our son in an inclusive Kitsap. Endorsed by numerous local leaders, I humbly ask for your vote and to join me in *Bridging Our Future!*

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Sean Murphy
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Vice Chair, Kitsap County Republican Party, Precinct Committee Officer 270, Delegate to the 2024 Republican County and State Conventions

Professional Experience: Navy Veteran, Insurance Broker, Grocery Industry Management

Education: US Navy Nuclear Power, Submarine, and Missile Technology Schools

Community Service: Organized Kitsap County park clean-up events, assisted Kitsap County Republican Party with campaigns, events, and signature gathering

Statement: After joining The Navy at 18 and getting stationed at Subbase Bangor, I adopted Kitsap County as my forever home.

I believe we must begin by protecting the citizens of our county by supporting law enforcement officers. During the pandemic, my wife and I witnessed the indoctrination of children that was occurring in schools and the damage that lockdowns had on our community. We began building relationships with small businesses and our neighbors all around Kitsap to try to regain our sense of community. We met a Republican Party candidate at an event, and subsequently, joined the KCRP to assist with the events committee. We also need to address the homelessness problem in a caring manner using proven programs.

The government continues to overstep its power with regard to individual property rights. I want to streamline permitting and remove unnecessary regulations that restrict business growth and infringe on private property owners' rights while building a community that values hard work, individual freedoms, family values, and genuine care for our neighbors.

My background in the Navy, as a small business owner, husband, and father of three helps me understand the needs of people in our county. I will listen to you!

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Matt Macklin
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Candidate LD 26 Washington House (2022)

Other Professional Experience: Business Attorney- business and corporate and civil litigation; Healthcare Executive with extensive experience in leading teams, managing regulatory compliance, healthcare operations, and administrative law

Education: JD, Loyola University Chicago School of Law; MBA, Walden University; Bachelor’s degrees- Political Science and Philosophy-Social Justice, Loyola University Chicago

Community Service: A Founding Director, Alliance for Equitable Healthcare (Kitsap County); Board Member, Washington State Board of Nursing Home Administrators; Chair, Board of Directors, The Camelot Society; Board of Directors and past CEO, Behavioral Tech Institute; Pro bono General Counsel, Kitsap County Black Student Union, FOML; Member, Rotary Club International, Port Orchard

Statement: Seven years ago, my wife, Amanda, and I chose South Kitsap as the ideal place to raise our family. Our children—Chase (17), Malcolm (10), Bennett (7), and Zola (4)—attend South Kitsap High School, Olalla Elementary, and local daycare. Living here, I’ve witnessed our community’s challenges, immense beauty, and potential. My Executive and Business Attorney background has equipped me with the skills to tackle tough problems and implement real change. I am running for County Commissioner District 2 because I believe in enhancing healthcare access, supporting local business owners, and advocating for working families.

I am battle-tested with a record of delivering. I am prepared to address complex issues and deliver practical solutions that benefit everyone. I am committed to improving healthcare accessibility and affordability, creating a thriving environment for businesses, and providing the support working families need to prosper. I aim to unite our community to build a stronger, healthier, and more prosperous Kitsap County.

I ask for your vote so we can work together to make our community the best it can be for everyone. With your support, we can create a brighter future for our families, our businesses, and our community.

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Oran Root
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Oran has not held public office to date.

Other Professional Experience: USMC Retired (1994-2017), combat veteran, small business owner/ leader, land use management, and a continued advocate of professional leadership development.

Education: South Kitsap High School, American Military University-Business Management/Economics, San Diego State University-Arabic, Advanced Joint Military Leadership and Professional Instruction

Community Service: Rotarian, Chamber of Commerce, South Kitsap Fire and Rescue citizens advisory board, domestic violence survivor self-defense instruction, anti-human trafficking advocate, church youth leadership mentor, Little League baseball coach, volunteer firefighter.

Statement: As your next South Kitsap Commissioner, I’m committed to addressing vital issues like public safety, economic development, housing, and streamlining county government. Crime and homelessness must be a priority. I will support our sheriff, police, and courts to combat rising rates, ensuring our neighborhoods remain safe. Mental health resources are crucial for our community’s well-being and a priority to assist with homelessness.

As a small business owner and veteran with global experience, born and raised here in Kitsap, I know firsthand the challenges faced by our families and employers. With tested leadership and a collaborative approach, I’m poised to make tough decisions for our children’s future. Our quality of life and environmental assets must and can be protected, which will require strong leadership and collaboration with our business, development, environmental and tribal communities.

With your trust, I humbly ask for your vote to serve as your next Kitsap County Commissioner. Together, let’s create a safer, more prosperous and balanced community where everyone thrives.

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Stacey (Spencer) Smith
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Professional Experience:

Director of Kitsap County Division of Aging and Long-Term Care (2014-present) and Department of Community Development Planning Commissioner representing South Kitsap (2021-present, Vice Chair 2022). Previous Kitsap County Mental Health Program Resource

Manager (2007-2014), Children’s Mental Health Services Coordinator (2000-2007), and Youth & Family Mental Health Therapist (1995-2000). Private practice family behavioral therapist (2020-2022).

Education: BA in Sociology, University of Washington. MA in Education, City University. Licensed counselor.

Community Service: Washington Association of Area Agencies on Aging Board (2014-present, Chair 2018-2020), Kitsap County Youth Diversion Board (2018-2020), Kitsap Voter Accessibility Committee (2015-2024), Little League Board (2000-2010), and South Kitsap Football Boosters (2012-2016).

Statement: I have devoted my career to advocating for Kitsap County residents. With over 30 years experience in developing social programs and mental health services, conducting community needs assessments, managing projects, and ensuring fiscal responsibility, I have the experience to effectively lead our county government.

As your commissioner, I will focus on expanding housing inventory, completing supportive housing projects, creating innovative land use policies, increasing behavioral health access, supporting education, and maintaining a clean environment. In my current role, I manage 45 employees and an \$8 million budget. I have a record of solving local problems and will bring that experience to the office of County Commissioner on day one.

Kitsap County has been my home for over 50 years. I was the first in my family to graduate college and am a proud daughter, mother, and grandmother married to a retired veteran. I understand the needs of Kitsap residents, and have the experience and community-oriented values that will guide me in making meaningful and timely decisions for our county.

I am proudly endorsed by retiring Commissioner Charlotte Garrido and many members of our community. Learn more at smith4kitsap.com. I would be honored to serve you and ask for your vote.

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Paul Nuchims
(Prefers Abe Lincoln Democrat Party)

Biography: Detroit, MI, 1934. Yes, 90 this June. Cass Tech High. Wayne University, I graduated in 1957, earned academic and service award was student body president. MFA, U of Michigan 1960. Professor 35 years at the HBCU West Virginia State. Doctorate: 1977 Carnegie

Mellon, Pittsburgh. Lived in Kitsap County for 20 years. 4 children. 3 grandchildren. Teach painting classes at Manchester Library. Galleries in Seattle and various locations in Kitsap during last 20 years. Dedicated to eliminate homelessness for the aged, volunteer my own property to build a state of art facility? Vegetable gardener. Still eating cabbage I grew last year.

Statement: One species in charge of this planet....us. Use less gas. #86 bus and fast ferry to Seattle.

We are mere ants on this planet making an unholy mess. What’s more important? Territory or human life? Netanyahu and Putin kill as many humans as possible, they want territory.

Trump wants power. He killed only 5. Should we release all prisoners who killed less? Mike Pence is a hero. Kitsap supports unneeded bureaucrats costing millions. Thinking Globally, act Locally. Cooperation, Deadwood in bureaucracy, leave.

Part of activist’family’ all over 80. \$ is not an issue. Conservation is.

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Todd A. Bloom
(Nonpartisan)

Legal/Judicial Experience: Over two decades of providing legal and professional services to private and publicly-held companies, executives, business owners and high net worth families; served as an arbitrator for FINRA from 1999 to 2020.

Other Professional Experience: Bloom spent over a decade as a tax attorney and senior manager in Big Four accounting. He retired from the Navy Reserve in 2018.

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. Earned professional designations: CPA, CFA and CFP.

Community Service: WSBA Board of Governors, Executive Committee; Judicial Recommendation, Nominations and Awards Committees.

Statement: Washingtonians deserve a judiciary that is independent, impartial, and objective; that treats all who come before it with dignity, respect and courtesy. The Supreme Court should lead the lower courts, and officers of the court, in upholding these values. We should seek honesty, integrity, intellectual curiosity and fairness in our judges and judicial candidates. As a member of the Washington State Bar Association Board of Governors, I was encouraged to run for Supreme Court Justice. I believe others saw these qualities in me.

Having done farm work and bussed tables in my youth, and having been commissioned from the ranks of enlisted sailors, I understand the dignity of hard work and sacrifice. I've worked alongside people from all walks of life.

After 9/11, I was called from the Reserve to active duty, and served for over ten years. Putting my career on hold and leaving my wife and children to deploy to the Persian Gulf was challenging, even before considering the usual hazards of arduous sea duty.

The skill sets I have developed through addressing complex situations and collaborating on solutions, along with my demonstrated honor, courage and commitment, will help me ensure the integrity and independence of our Judiciary.

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Sal Mungia
(Nonpartisan)

Legal/Judicial Experience: Career litigator with diverse trial and appellate experience; Former Law Clerk, Washington Supreme Court and Western Washington Federal District Court; Current Pierce County Superior Court Arbitrator; Former President, Washington State Bar Association & Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association.

Other Professional Experience: Instructor, Emory School of Law, Kessler-Eidson Program for Trial Techniques; Instructor, National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

Education: Pacific Lutheran University—B.A. Political Science, Magna Cum Laude; Georgetown University Law Center—J.D., Cum Laude.

Community Service: Board of Regents, Pacific Lutheran University; Vestry Board, St. Luke's Episcopal Church; Past President, Legal Aid for Washington; Past Chair, Access to Justice Board; Former Commissioner, Tacoma Human Rights Commission.

Statement: I am the only candidate endorsed by 8 of the 9 current Washington Supreme Court Justices. Over 100 judges believe I'm the most qualified candidate for this office. I am also the only candidate with significant appellate experience having argued at every level of state and federal appellate courts including the U.S. Supreme Court.

I was raised in a working class family in Lakewood. My parents taught me the value of hard work, fairness, family, and faith. I have always given back to the community, including by representing people for free when they couldn't afford a lawyer, serving on boards of directors of nonprofits devoted to improving access to justice, and lobbying lawmakers to increase funding for civil legal aid. Promoting equal access to the legal system has been an important part of my practice.

Over the past 40 years as a lawyer I have been recognized for my legal skills, including being named to "Best Lawyers in America" since 2011. I am rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" by six bar associations, and am endorsed by the Washington Labor Council, Gov. Inslee, Attorney General Ferguson, and by over 40 other elected leaders.

I would appreciate your support, and your vote.

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David R Shelvey

(Nonpartisan)

Legal/Judicial Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: David is a solo practitioner in Sumner. He has been practicing for nine years and paralegal for four years. He has been part of business leadership for 15+ years.

Education: David received his Juris Doctor from Thomas M. Cooley Law School and his MBA from City University of Seattle. He also has a master’s in project management, intellectual property, and taxation.

Community Service: David volunteers as president of a non-profit, helps cook for two non-profits, and raises funds for the Parkinson’s Foundation. He is a columnist for the Tacoma-Pierce County Lawyer Magazine.

Statement: Hello, Washingtonians and what a beautiful state we live in. I consider it an honor and a privilege to have such an excellent opportunity to put on a robe and serve the citizens as your justice. A little about me: for most of the 90s I was known all over the Northwest as radio personality Country Dave. I have operated searchlights throughout this state, visiting lots of cities and towns. I was sworn in at the Supreme Court and have made hundreds of court appearances, looking out my clients’ best interests.

Why do I want to be a justice? Our Supreme Court said, “As the highest court in Washington, we must balance our duty to the individual litigant and to the collective citizens. This court’s decisions bind all state courts and are often the last words on legal matters for Washingtonians.” Laws ensure that no harm befalls another, and how justices interpret them is crucial. I want to be a voice protecting the citizens. And if necessary, desiring to right a wrong.

Before making decisions, I will seek wisdom, knowledge, and understanding from the Supreme Being. Thank you for reading my statement and your vote.

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Dave Larson

(Nonpartisan)

Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Larson is the only judge running for this position; with 16 years as a judge and 23 years as a trial attorney.

Other Professional Experience: Judicial Committees: Legislative, Therapeutic Courts, and Council on Independent Courts. Member of the

Civic Learning Council, recipient Judge William Nevins Award for civics education, and DMCJA President’s Award for protecting judicial independence.

Education: B.A., Public Administration, University of Puget Sound; J.D., Seattle University Law School.

Community Service: 2022 “Best Community Leader”, 2018 and 2020 “Hero” of Federal Way Schools. He attends St. Vincent DePaul Parish. A member of Kiwanis, where he founded the Aktion Club, for people with developmental disabilities.

Statement: Judge Dave Larson is the only candidate with judicial experience. Judge Larson is the only candidate with a record of keeping our communities safe from crime. Judge Larson is the only candidate running a traditional bi-partisan campaign. Judge Larson knows Washington has the best state Constitution in America, offering stronger protections for our civil rights than the U.S. Constitution. He will protect individual rights.

We all know crime is a serious issue and Judge Larson has a nearly two decade record of keeping us safe from crime as a trial judge. His innovative reforms have been recognized nationwide; many of his ideas have been adopted by our legislature. These reforms are supported by other judges, police chiefs and sheriffs, mayors, legislators, and the people who work directly with those suffering from addiction and untreated mental illness.

Judge Larson is the only candidate running a campaign that reaches out to Democrats and Republicans, Labor and Business, Eastern and Western Washington, and everyday citizens. We can return to a less political and more trusted court system by voting for Judge Larson.

Judge Larson’s leadership, innovations, intellect, ethics, and commitment to fairness make him exactly what we need on our state Supreme Court.

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John Poppe
(Nonpartisan)

Statement: My name is John Poppe. I'm asking you to vote for me for KPUD Commissioner. KPUD operates over 50 different Class A and B water systems, the Port Gamble Wastewater Treatment plant, and Fiber Optic Cables. I have been in the Utility Industry

for over 50 years, with more than 40 years in Kitsap County. My college degree is in Wastewater Management and Technology. I held a Washington State Water Distribution Manager License Level 4, and currently hold a Washington State Wastewater Management License Level 4, both are the highest available in our industry. During my career I have attended numerous conventions, served as guest speaker, and participated in Research and Development in the Water and Wastewater industry. I have a passion for civic service, currently serving as Chair of the Board at Silverdale Water District, Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group, and Kitsap County Civil Service. Previously, I served as board member of Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, Water Environment Federation, President of Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association, and the Department of Health Rule Making Committee. I would like to represent you in important decisions that involve rates, agencies, regulations, and operations.
Please Vote for Experience!

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Heather Pauley
(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience: Elected Kitsap Public Utility District Commissioner in 2018.

Other Professional Experience: My career has included positions in mental health, education, customer experience, and management. Prior to serving on the KPUD board, I was an educator for the Bremerton and Central Kitsap School Districts.

Education: MBA, University of Washington. BS in Psychology, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

Community Service: Current UW Foster HMBBA Student Council Member and NoaNet Member Representative. Previous Washington PUD Association Government Relations Committee Chair, Minority Voters League of Washington Board Member and Drive Electric Washington Advisory Committee Member.

Statement: As commissioner, I have prioritized managing our precious resources, ensuring clean and safe drinking water, and promoting internet access for all. I hope to earn your support once more to continue addressing these challenges.

The pandemic proved how vital internet access is. In 2020, KPUD mobilized wireless hotspots across the county, ensuring students could learn remotely. In 2021, we partnered with tribes, ports, and state legislators to pass the Public Broadband Act, paving the way for internet access for all. As a member-representative for NoaNet, I advocate for public broadband access throughout the state, especially in rural communities.

In the coming years, KPUD will need to continue stream gauge monitoring efforts and maintain the health of our aquifers. As your commissioner, I will continue to support the build out of broadband throughout the county and competitively position ourselves to receive federal funding. Every household needs broadband access to thrive in the 21st century.

I am proud to be endorsed by Senators Emily Randall and Drew Hansen, Representative Tarra Simmons, Bremerton Council President Jennifer Chamberlin, and Poulsbo City Council Member, Ed Stern. It has been an honor to serve you for the past six years, and I ask for your vote.

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Richard Tift
(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience: No prior elected experience.

Other Professional Experience: Former Executive Director of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, current member of the UW-Tacoma Chancellor’s Advisory Board and current vice-chair of the Bremerton Planning Commission, Leadership

Kitsap graduate and past president.

Education: A graduate of Central Kitsap High School; Olympic College; University of Washington, BA in Business Administration; and University of Puget Sound MBA, 1984.

Community Service: Former Board member St Michael’s Medical Center and Harrison Medical Center. Former member of the Downtown Bremerton Rotary Club and the Olympic Peninsula Navy League. I have also served on various community-oriented groups and initiatives throughout my Shipyard career.

Statement: With more than 19 years of prior service as Executive Director for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard I bring extensive skills and leadership experience to the office of KPUD Commissioner. Kitsap County is projected to see an unprecedented surge in new residents during the next few decades. Planning and preparation for this growth will stress the County’s infrastructure and utilities resources. It will be incumbent upon public utilities such as the KPUD to plan for this growth and partner with Federal, State and Local officials to lay the groundwork for the future. The KPUD is vital to making this growth feasible and achievable. I applaud the foresight of the Commissioners and staff to invest in broadband as a public utility and fund the construction of a network backbone. If elected I will support the continued deployment of this utility and explore how the KPUD can partner with others to increase the visibility and affordability of this resource. The counsel and vision of the Commissioners to navigate the coming growth will be challenging and I believe my training and experience can provide great value to this journey. I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you for your support.

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Proposition No. 1

Emergency Medical Care and Services Tax Levy

Official Ballot Title

The City Council of the City of Bremerton adopted Resolution No. 3379 concerning a regular property tax levy under chapter 84.52 RCW. Will the City be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years (2025-2030) to continue financing emergency medical care and services?

- Yes
- No

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

RCW 84.52.069 provides that City of Bremerton, a taxing district, may impose additional regular property tax levies for emergency medical care and services, including related costs for personnel, training for such personnel, equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures needed for the provision of emergency medical care or services (EMS levy) in an amount up to, but not exceeding, fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed value of property in the taxing district. In 2018, the voters approved a six-year EMS levy which expires in 2025. The proposed measure is an uninterrupted continuation of a six-year EMS levy at the same levy rate which, pursuant to RCW 84.52.069, can be approved with a simple majority vote.

Effect of the proposed measure, if it becomes law: City of Bremerton adopted Resolution No. 3379, which contains a proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters of the city for approval or rejection of the continuation of an additional property tax EMS levy to fund emergency medical services. If approved, City of Bremerton will continue the levy of additional regular property taxes in the amount of fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed property value for each of the years 2025-2030. Revenue collected by this EMS levy may only be used for emergency medical care or services and related costs, which may include additional staffing.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to homeowners who are 61 years or older or disabled, and who meet certain income requirements. For information contact Kitsap County Assessor at (360) 337-7160.

Argument For the Measure

The City of Bremerton and the Bremerton Fire Department is seeking a continuation/renewal of the existing Emergency Medical Services (EMS) levy. This is not a new tax, but an established source of funding which has received the support of the citizens of Bremerton every six years since its inception in 1980. The Department has a long history of providing good stewardship of these resources and excellent emergency services to the community.

Revenues from the initial EMS levy were used by the Department to create the paramedic program which included the purchase of a medic van, equipment, and paramedic training for firefighters. In 1981, the department responded to 1995 aid calls. In 2013, the Department expanded to three paramedic units and in 2023 these units responded to 7321 aid calls and an additional 3221 responses, for a total of 10,542 requests for service. Securing adequate resources for our fire department, including the ability to hire additional personnel, is paramount to keeping our current level of service where we desire it to be.

This levy is the cornerstone of funding this essential system. As Bremerton continues to grow, let's take the necessary steps to help our brave men and women who respond to our emergencies by providing them with the resources needed for adequate personnel, training, and the equipment they need to support us in our times of need. Vote Yes in favor of Proposition 1 Public Safety Levy to continue uninterrupted service for the next six years.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

Without renewal of this measure, the current levy will expire, resulting in a significant reduction in funding to the department. The loss of funding will impact the ability to serve our growing community, as well as the response times for emergency services. This tax is still limited to the 1% increase each set by initiative 747. City Council has agreed the levy renewal will fund new positions and a fourth response unit. *Vote Yes.*

Argument prepared by Alyson Rotter, Chair; Al Duke, former Fire Chief; and Christy Cammarata, Committee Members, committee for the measure. For more information, call (360) 692-5831.

Argument Against the Measure

Vote no on Proposition No. 1 for the following reasons: The measure adds to the increasing cost of both rentals and owner-occupied housing by increasing the EMS levy rate 35% from \$0.37 per \$1000 of assessed value to \$0.50 per \$1000 of assessed value. The EMS levy rate of \$0.37 per \$1000 of assessed value would maintain current EMS funding.

The measure increases property tax despite the voters' passage of Initiative 747 which capped annual property tax increases to 1%. This limit was affirmed in 2007 by the Washington State Legislature. During the last legislative session, Senate Bill 5770 raising the 1% property tax cap to 3% was defeated, reaffirming Initiative 747.

Despite public statements by City of Bremerton officials of the need for additional Emergency Medical Technicians/Paramedics, the measure does *not* commit to hiring additional personnel.

The Bremerton City Council can boost EMS funding without increasing property tax by redirecting funds from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion program and restructuring the Parks Dept. and downgrading the Parks Director position.

For these reasons, vote *no* on Proposition No. 1.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

Vote no on Bremerton Proposition No. 1 because it doesn't guarantee the hiring of additional EMTs/paramedics despite public statements by City of Bremerton officials. Furthermore, Prop. 1 increases the EMS Levy rate 35% making housing and commercial property less affordable by increasing property tax for residents, businesses, and non-profits. Lastly, some new residential growth in Bremerton is exempt from paying to support EMS service, which is not fair. Vote no on Proposition 1.

Argument prepared by Roy Runyon, Chair; committee against the measure. For more information, email sealance2449@gmail.com or call or text (360) 440-0620

Proposition No. 1

Regular Property Tax Levy Lid Lift for Fire Protection & Emergency Medical Services

Official Ballot Title

The Board of Commissioners of Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue adopted Resolution No. 24-03 proposing an increase in the fire district's regular property tax levy. To fund fire protection and emergency medical services for six years, this proposition authorizes restoring the previous maximum levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2025 and sets the limit factor for each subsequent year at 100% plus up to 6% or the amount authorized under RCW 84.55.0101, subject to the limit of \$1.50, whichever is greater. The final year's levy dollar amount would be used to compute limitations for subsequent levies.

Should this proposition be approved?

- Yes**
- No**

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue provides emergency medical, rescue and fire protection services to its citizens. This proposition authorizes the District to restore the District's regular property tax levy rate (which is currently approximately \$1.34 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation) to a levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation and will establish a limit factor for the following five years that shall be up to six percent (6%). The dollar amount levied in 2030 for collection in 2031 shall serve as the District's tax levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor in subsequent years. However, such rate shall not exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00.

Based on current assessed values, the resulting estimated \$0.16 increase to the regular property tax levy will result in an estimated increase of \$80.00 per-year on a median \$500,000 home within the District in 2025.

The District's Board of Commissioners has determined that this proposition is necessary to maintain and improve the level of fire protection and emergency medical services provided to its citizens by increasing firefighter staffing and paying for necessary equipment and facilities. Call volumes in the District have increased by 39 percent in the last six years. Approval of this proposition will allow the District to fund up to six firefighters over the next six years, replace an aging ambulance, refurbish three fire engines, fund critical firefighter and paramedic training programs, and provide funding for the CARES program.

Argument For the Measure

Protect Quality Emergency Services For Our Families

Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue is asking voters to renew the fire levy rate at the previously voter-approved rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Fire and medical emergencies have increased 39% in the last six years. We must protect the quality and level of emergency services families and businesses require.

Renewing the fire levy rate would cost the owner of a \$500,000 home an additional \$6.67 per month/\$80 per year.

Here's What It Will Fund

Add up to six firefighters over the next six years to staff two additional stations (Lake Symington and Olympic View) 24-hours a day. This will reduce emergency response times district-wide. Replace an ambulance. Refurbish up to three fire engines. This will save taxpayers almost \$2 million compared to buying new ones. Improve firefighter and paramedic training programs. Training is key to improving patient outcomes.

Please Vote Yes To Maintain Quality Emergency Services

Our fire district is a good financial manager of our tax dollars. The agency operates under a balanced budget and has passed all independent audits by the state.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

No committee formed for rebuttal.

Argument prepared by Mark Hughes, Chair; Christie Schefer and Michelle Hill; Committee Members; committee for the measure. Further questions may be addressed by visiting www.ckfr.org/fire-levy-lid-lift.

Argument Against the Measure

No committee formed.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

No committee formed.

No committee formed.

Proposition No. 1

Emergency Medical Services Property Tax Levy

Official Ballot Title

The Board of Commissioners of Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 (Poulsbo Fire Department) adopted Resolution No. 24-05 concerning a property tax levy to fund emergency medical services. For the purpose of providing emergency medical services (EMS), will Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection starting in 2025 and replacing the final year of the current EMS levy?

- Yes**
- No**

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

Poulsbo Fire provides emergency medical, rescue and fire protection services to its citizens. This proposition authorizes the District to renew its levy and restore the District's property tax levy rate (which is currently approximately \$.37 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation) to a levy rate of \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation. This results in an approximate \$0.13 increase with an impact of approximately \$62.46 increase-per-year on a average priced home (\$480,468) within the District in 2025.

The District's Board of Commissioners has determined that this proposition is necessary to maintain an effective level of services, firefighter staffing, equipment and facilities. Approval of this measure will allow the District to maintain and improve the level of fire protection and emergency medical services provided to its citizens by increasing the staffing level of trained firefighter/paramedics and firefighter/EMTs.

Argument For the Measure

Maintain Excellent Service

Funded with resounding community support since the levy's inception, Poulsbo Fire Department (PFD) has a long-standing history of using the EMS levy to provide excellent medical care to the citizens of Poulsbo and North Kitsap. Managed by its longstanding commitment to employ prudent spending practices, PFD continually demonstrates responsible stewardship of taxpayer funds. Therefore, as taxpaying citizens who rely on these critical services, we have reason to be confident these practices will prevail.

Methodical Spending

Guided by comprehensive planning, PFD has successfully sought many innovative and cost-efficient strategies to both maintain and enhance services. The Department's spending strategies originate from thoughtful assessment of service needs and sound performance metrics. This effort establishes credible benchmarks to methodically indicate when and how to invest in service sustaining resources. This prudent approach also considers how to most efficiently do so while maintaining equity among the taxpayers who must fund it.

Keeping Pace

As our community grows, so too, have the demands for life-saving medical services. With forward-looking vision and our continued support as taxpayers, Poulsbo Fire Department has admirably kept pace without extravagant spending. This EMS levy renewal will preserve our vital EMS services and will help our community meet ever increasing service level demands. As community members, and voters who rely on these essential services, this is our opportunity to close the gaps and maintain essential emergency medical services.

A yes vote to renew this measure will sustain these life-saving services we all rely on.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

No committee formed for rebuttal.

Argument prepared by Eric Quitslund, Chair; Jeff Uberuaga and Bill Whiteley, Committee Members, committee for the measure. For more information, email CitizensforPFD@gmail.com or call (360) 977-0797.

Argument Against the Measure

No committee formed.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

No committee formed.

No committee formed.

Proposition No. 1

Emergency Medical Services Property Tax Levy

Official Ballot Title

The Board of Commissioners of North Kitsap Fire & Rescue adopted Resolution No. 2024-02 concerning a property tax levy to fund emergency medical services. For the purpose of providing emergency medical services (EMS), will North Kitsap Fire & Rescue be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection starting in 2025 and replacing the final year of the current EMS levy?

- Yes**
- No**

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

In 2013 and 2019, the voters approved North Kitsap Fire and Rescue’s six-year Emergency Medical Service (EMS) property tax levy at a rate not to exceed fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The 2019 EMS levy will expire at the end of 2025 unless the voters approve this measure. If approved by the voters, this measure will authorize the renewal of the District’s EMS levy at a rate not to exceed fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation to be collected through 2030.

The District’s Board of Commissioners has determined that renewing the levy is necessary to maintain an effective level of services, staffing, equipment and facilities; approval of this measure will allow the District to maintain the level of emergency medical services currently provided on a continuing basis. The revenue from this levy will be used exclusively for emergency medical services.

North Kitsap Fire & Rescue

Argument For the Measure

The EMS levy helps those who help us.

North Kitsap Fire & Rescue (NKF&R) consistently delivers professional and compassionate emergency response when we need it.

This is not a new tax.

It is a continuation of the same levy that voters have approved consistently for more than 40 years.

Continue vital funding.

Support for the EMS levy continues vital funding for our community's critically important response to heart attacks, strokes, car crashes and other medical emergencies.

Vote "Yes" for EMS to help those who help us.

Approve the funding that preserves our excellent levels of emergency medical services now and into the future.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

No "against" committee formed for rebuttal.

Argument prepared by Patrick Pearson, Chair; Debra Holland and Judy Dougherty, Committee Members; Vote Yes for NKFR, committee for the measure. For more information, email voteyesforkfr@gmail.com.

Argument Against the Measure

No committee formed.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

No committee formed.

No committee formed.

North Mason Regional Fire Authority Property Tax Levy for Emergency Medical Services

Information about the North Mason Regional Fire Authority measure can be found at the Mason County Auditor's website at masoncountywaelections.gov

Proposition No. 1

Bainbridge Island Metropolitan
Park & Recreation District
Ray Williamson Pool Renovation Bonds

Official Ballot Title

The Board of Commissioners of the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District has adopted Resolution 2024-04, regarding financing the renovation of the Aquatic Center facilities.

If approved, this proposition would authorize the District to renovate, rehabilitate, reconstruct, refurbish, expand, and/or undertake other improvements to the existing Aquatic Center, including the 54-year old Ray Williamson Pool and related capital facilities. It would authorize issuance of not more than \$10,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within no more than 20 years and the annual levy of excess property taxes to pay and retire such bonds, all as provided in Resolution 2024-04.

Should this proposition be approved?

- Yes**
- No**

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

The Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District provides a large variety of recreational and cultural opportunities on Bainbridge Island, including swimming activities (including lessons, recreation, and competition opportunities) at the 54-year old Ray Williamson Pool, which was built in 1970 and has reached the end of its useful life. This proposal would provide financing for the District to renovate, rehabilitate, reconstruct, refurbish, expand, and/or undertake other improvements to the existing Aquatic Center, including the Ray Williamson Pool and related capital facilities. Depending on completion of design, cost estimates, public input, and the availability of supplemental funding, it may include expanding capacity for swimming activities by adding lanes to the existing Ray Williamson Pool.

If approved, this proposition would authorize the District to issue not more than \$10 million of general obligation bonds maturing within 20 years or less to be repaid from annual property tax levies made in excess of regular property tax levies. If the entire amount were issued in 2025, the District estimates the tax rate to be about \$0.06 per \$1,000 of assessed value (or about \$45 per year for a \$750,000 home or \$60 per year for a \$1 million home) over 20 years. Exemptions from excess taxes may be available to qualifying senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and low-income homeowners. For more information, please call the County Assessor's Office.

Argument For the Measure

Now is the time to update the Island's heavily used 54-year-old pool.

The deteriorating Ray Williamson pool is in desperate need of renovation. Funding for this renovation comes from passage of this bond, Park District capital improvement funds, and private donations. The planned renovation addresses critical mechanical, structural, and safety issues. This includes expanding the Ray pool by two lanes (increasing pool capacity by 33%) and creating a uniform depth.

Bainbridge urgently needs additional pool capacity.

In the summer of 2023, 935 children were on swim lesson waitlists. Some groups, such as the youth water polo teams, practice 7:30-9:30 pm, the only time pool space is available. Water exercise programs are at capacity. The overcrowding isn't surprising. The Ray was built in 1970 when half as many people lived on the island as do now. Twenty-one community groups use the pool for everything from physical therapy to Washington State Ferry training. A yes vote ensures more open and equitable access to aquatics.

Let's give our old pool new life.

In the last several years various community groups have explored constructing a new aquatics facility to address deterioration and capacity limits at the Ray pool. These dreams have been dashed by financial reality. Renovating and expanding the Ray pool is a cost-efficient way to meet the high demand our community puts on our aquatics facility.

Vote yes to make aquatics more accessible to islanders of all ages and abilities for decades to come.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

The opposition have their facts wrong. The bond requests no more than \$10M to renovate the Aquatic Center (not \$15.5M as suggested). This includes already scheduled architectural, mechanical, and safety upgrades to prevent further deterioration of the facility. Previously planned renovation costs are folded into this bond. This is not a bond solely to expand the pool; it's a bond to appropriately rehabilitate our 54-year-old aquatics center to facilitate access for generations to come.

Argument prepared by Joy Archer, Chair; Ken Bennett and Katherine Fort, Committee Members, committee for the measure. For more information, email yes4biaquatics@gmail.com, or go to yes4biaquatics.com

Argument Against the Measure

We encourage voters to look critically at this Proposition in the context of our priorities as a community. As families who use the Aquatic Center regularly, we support the \$5.5 million pool renovations already underway, without asking taxpayers for an additional \$10 million.

A Misleading Proposition

The Proposition fails to state that a \$5.5 million renovation to Ray Williamson Pool has already been approved. The \$10 million requested is specifically *to add two additional lanes*, expanding the entire foundation of the pool at a high cost to taxpayers.

Who Would Benefit?

Both pools serve a diverse range of users and are important community resources that should be maintained. However, the two-lane expansion would primarily benefit specialty swim teams - less than 0.01% of our population.

Is this What the Community Needs?

Bainbridge is fortunate to have public swimming facilities that greatly exceed those in similar-sized communities: a competitive pool with six lanes; a community pool with four lanes, a family swim beach, water slide, river, and dive pit; and an outdoor recreation pool. We should prioritize funding staff and programs to better utilize our existing facilities for the whole community.

What is the True Cost?

Bonds and levies are important tools for investing in our island. Bainbridge is a caring community with critical funding decisions ahead about our schools, housing, environment, and infrastructure. Given the \$10 million cost of this proposal, we have to look at the big picture: is this our priority as a community?

Rebuttal to the Argument For

Parents know waitlists are long because we need more swim instructors for the Nakata Pool - built in 2001 and home to nearly all programs mentioned above - not two more lanes for Ray Williamson. The \$5.5 million necessary renovations to Ray Williamson (adding 20-50 years) have already been approved and don't require an additional \$10 million from taxpayers. The proposal is misleading and benefits very few at the expense of more equitable and urgent priorities.

Argument prepared by Chelsea Minola, Chair; and Caitlin Lombardi, Committee Member, committee against the measure. For more information, email committeeagainsthemeasure@gmail.com, or call (206) 915-1200.

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