

VOTERS' PAMPHLET

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& Clallam County

General Election
November 7



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Ballots mailed out by **October 20**

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On behalf of the Office of the Secretary of State and election officials statewide, I am honored to present the 2023 General Election Voters' Pamphlet. This guide includes information about voting to help you make informed decisions as you exercise your right to vote.

To participate in the election, you must be registered to vote. Voter registration forms that are mailed or completed online must be received by Oct. 30. If you are already registered, review your registration information at **VoteWA.gov** to ensure it is up to date. After Oct. 30, you must visit an elections office or voting center during regular business hours or until 8 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 7, to register to vote or update your registration and receive a ballot.

After you have marked your ballot, be sure to sign the return envelope. Your signature is important because trained election officials check to ensure your signature matches the one on your voter registration record before they count your ballot. Next, return your ballot. If returning by U.S. mail — no postage necessary — remember that ballots must be postmarked by Nov. 7 to be counted. You can also use an official ballot drop box anywhere in the state. Drop boxes are open until 8 p.m. on Election Day. Go to **VoteWA.gov** to locate a ballot drop box or check the status of your ballot.

By voting, you are making your voice heard. Thank you for participating in our democratic process.

Sincerely,

Steve Hobbs
Secretary of State

Has my ballot been counted?

Tracking your ballot is easier than ever!

Sign up for text notifications when you register or update your info at **VoteWA.gov**.



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Deadlines

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 Register by mail, received by: October 30
 Register online by: October 30
 Register in person by: November 7, 8 p.m.
 Election Day: November 7

Where are the state candidates and measures?

i The state Voters’ Pamphlet informs voters about statewide candidates and measures. There aren’t any this year, so we at the Office of the Secretary of State are just including our educational pages alongside the *local* Voters’ Pamphlet produced by your county.

Voter tip:

Use **VoteWA.gov** to:

- Register to vote
- Update your info
- Track ballot status



Voter tip:

The ballot return envelope has free postage, but don’t let a late postmark disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail a week before Election Day.



i Political parties

<p>Washington State Democrats PO Box 4027 Seattle, WA 98194 (206) 309-8683 info@wa-democrats.org www.wa-democrats.org</p>	<p>Washington State Republican Party 11811 NE 1st St Ste A306 Bellevue, WA 98005 (425) 460-0570 info@wsrp.org www.wsrp.org</p>
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? Who donates to campaigns?

View financial contributors for state and local candidates and measures:

Public Disclosure Commission
 pdc@pdc.wa.gov
 www.pdc.wa.gov
 Toll Free 1 (877) 601-2828

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.



If you're 16 or 17 years old, you can sign up as a Future Voter and be automatically registered to vote when you qualify.

How do I register to vote?

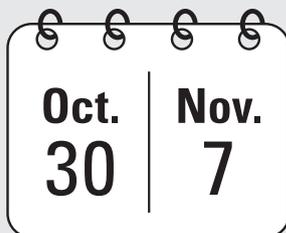
Online: Register at VoteWA.gov

By mail: Request a paper form be mailed to you or print your own at sos.wa.gov/elections

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

In person: Visit a county elections office (listed at the end of this pamphlet).

Registration deadlines



By mail or online: Your application must be received no later than October 30.

In person: Visit a local voting center no later than 8 p.m. on November 7.

Check your registration info at VoteWA.gov.

Moved? Update your voting address

Contact a county elections office to request a ballot at your new address.

By October 30: Have your application received by mail or updated online.

Or

By November 7: Visit a local voting center in person.



What if I'm not 18 yet?



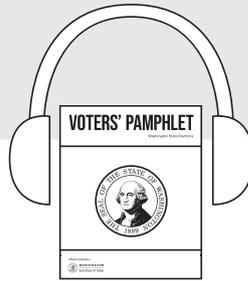
If you are 16 or 17, become a Future Voter!

**# Future
Voter**

Sign up online at VoteWA.gov with your Washington state driver's license, permit, or ID. Or you can fill out a paper registration form using the last four digits of your Social Security number and mail it in. You'll be automatically registered to vote when you qualify. If you will be 18 by the November Election, you can vote in the Primary Election.

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.

Are accessible voting options available?



Audio and plain text voters' pamphlets available at www.sos.wa.gov/elections

No internet access?

To receive a copy on a USB drive, call **1 (800) 448-4881**.

Contact a county elections office to find an **accessible voting unit** near you.

Felony conviction?



Your right to vote is restored when you are no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in prison.

You must re-register to vote in order to receive a ballot.

You may re-register to vote by mail, in person, or online at VoteWA.gov.



Are language services available?

Los votantes del estado de Washington pueden acceder a un folleto electoral para las elecciones generales y a un formulario de inscripción electoral en español en Internet en www.sos.wa.gov/elections.

Ingrese a VoteWA.gov para consultar su guía electoral personalizada en Internet o para inscribirse y actualizar su información electoral.

Los votantes de los condados de Yakima, Franklin y Adams reciben materiales electorales bilingües. Los votantes del condado de King pueden solicitar sus materiales de votación en español.

Para solicitar una edición impresa del folleto electoral o de un formulario de inscripción electoral en español, llame al **1 (800) 448-4881**.

華盛頓州的選民可以由線上取得中文版普選選民手冊以及選民登記表，網址為 www.sos.wa.gov/elections。

請瀏覽 VoteWA.gov 以查看您的個人化線上選民指南，或登記及更新您的選民資料。

金郡的選民可以索求中文版投票資料。

如欲索取中文選民手冊印刷本或選民登記表，請致電 **1 (800) 448-4881**。

Cử tri tại tiểu bang Washington có thể truy cập trực tuyến Sách Hướng dẫn Cử tri cho cuộc Tổng tuyển cử và mẫu đơn đăng ký cử tri bằng Tiếng Việt tại địa chỉ www.sos.wa.gov/elections.

Truy cập VoteWA.gov để xem trực tuyến hướng dẫn dành cho cử tri được cá nhân hóa của quý vị hoặc đăng ký và cập nhật thông tin cử tri của quý vị.

Cử tri tại Quận King có thể yêu cầu tài liệu bỏ phiếu đã được dịch sang Tiếng Việt.

Để yêu cầu bản in của sách hướng dẫn cử tri hoặc mẫu đơn đăng ký cử tri bằng Tiếng Việt, xin quý vị vui lòng gọi số **1 (800) 448-4881**.

The federal Voting Rights Act requires translated elections materials.

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 or election official 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 www.sos.wa.gov/acp

Student Engagement Hubs



College students are on the move. Public universities offer Student Engagement Hubs to ensure that students never miss an election just because they're away from home.

For dates, hours, and locations, contact student leadership at:

- CWU Ellensburg
- EWU Cheney
- TESC Olympia
- UW Bothell
- UW Seattle
- UW Tacoma
- WSU Pullman
- WSU Tri-Cities
- WSU Vancouver
- WWU Bellingham

How do I know if something is true?

When reviewing online or printed information, think about:

- Who made this, and who is it for?
- Why did they make it?
- When was this made?
- What makes it believable?
- How might other people read this message?
- Ask the experts — consult a fact-checking site or ask an official source. Get trusted info from your county auditor or elections office.



i During the 2023 session, the Legislature passed Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill (ESSB) 5082, which establishes a webpage with new, interactive budget information created by the Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program (LEAP) Committee and the Office of Financial Management (OFM).

WA Budget Summary:

<https://fiscal.wa.gov/budgetsummary>

Legislative Information Center:

1 (800) 562-6000



How can you access this new webpage?

- Type the URL into your browser
- Scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet
- Call the Legislative Information Center

What's in the budget?

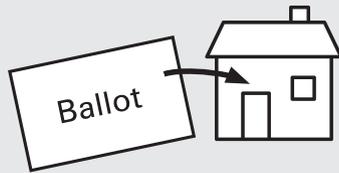
Operating Budget: pays for day-to-day operations of state agencies, colleges and universities, and public schools (including federal funds and dedicated funds).

Transportation Budget: pays for transportation activities, such as designing and maintaining roads and public transit.

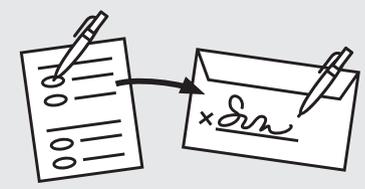
Capital Budget: pays for acquiring and maintaining state buildings, public schools, higher education facilities, public lands, parks, and other assets.

How do I vote and return my ballot?

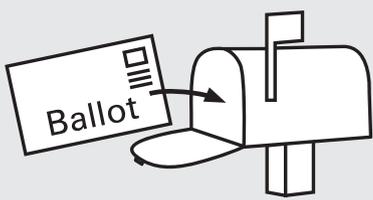
1 If you're registered to vote, there is no need to request a ballot. Your ballot will be mailed by **October 20** to the address you provide on your voter registration. If you need a replacement ballot, contact a county elections office listed at the end of this pamphlet.



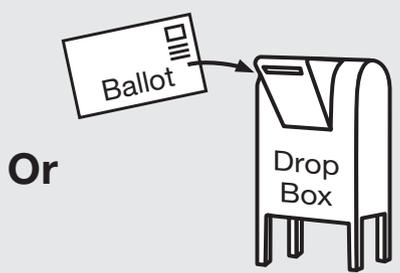
2 Vote your ballot and sign your return envelope. We need your signature to accept your ballot. You are not required to vote every race on your ballot. We encourage using this pamphlet to help you decide.



3 Return your ballot by mail, no stamp needed. If mailed, your ballot must be postmarked by **November 7**. Don't let a late postmark disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail a week before Election Day.



Or, return your ballot to an official ballot drop box. Drop boxes are open until 8 p.m. on **November 7**. Find drop box locations at **VoteWA.gov**.



If you cannot personally return your ballot, let only people you trust deliver it for you.

4 Check the status of your ballot on **VoteWA.gov** to see if it has been received by your county elections office.

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

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

View election results online

After 8 p.m. on election night, tallied results from each county are posted at **results.vote.wa.gov**.

Results are updated as counties report and unofficial until certification.

Clallam County Official Local

Voters' Pamphlet

November 7, 2023 General Election



View from Moose Peak
Photo by Silas Johnson

Message from the Auditor

Dear Clallam County Voters,

We are pleased to present the 2023 Clallam County Local Voters' Pamphlet for the November 7, 2023, General Election! This fall you are going to have an opportunity to shape the future of our community by participating in the election process. You will be voting on candidates that affect you, your family, and your neighborhood. When you vote, you have a direct say in our government at the local, state, and federal level.

This pamphlet is designed as a reference tool to help you make informed decisions. Inside you will find useful information about voter registration, deadlines for returning your ballot, and Official Ballot Drop Box locations. This pamphlet includes statements and photos from candidates that have submitted information about their candidacy.

A copy of this pamphlet will be mailed to each household countywide.

To be eligible to vote in the General Election, you must be a registered voter and live in one of the participating districts.

Your Signature Matters! Ballots returned without a signature or with a signature that does not match what we have on file are the two most common reasons preventing ballots from being processed. DON'T LET THAT BE YOU! Please follow the tips found on the following pages regarding signing your ballot before it is returned.

We want to help every eligible person register to vote and make sure that every registered voter receives their ballot. Contact the Elections Division early for options and assistance if you need a replacement ballot, want to register to vote and receive a ballot, or have other election related issues. You can call us at (360) 417-2221, send an email to elections@clallamcountywa.gov, visit our website at www.clallamcountywa.gov, or come in to our office at:

Elections and Voter Registration Office, 223 E 4th St, Basement Level, Room 042, Port Angeles WA.

Our office is open weekdays 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., and on Election Day 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Clallam County Elections Division is dedicated to assisting all voters, candidates, and jurisdictions in the election process while ensuring elections are conducted securely, accurately, and transparently in compliance with the laws of the State of Washington. I hope you find this Voters' Pamphlet useful, and of course, do not hesitate to contact my staff or me with any questions.

Shoona Riggs
Clallam County Auditor

Important Dates

- Ballots mailed on: October 18
- Register by mail, received by: October 30
- Register online by: October 30
- Register in person by: November 7, 8:00 p.m.
- Election Day: November 7



You will not be voting on every item in this voters' pamphlet. Use your ballot to identify the races to review.

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Local Jurisdictions Participating in this Election: Clallam County Commissioner District No. 1, Port of Port Angeles, Hospital District 1, Hospital District 2, City of Forks, City of Port Angeles, City of Sequim, Port Angeles School District 121, Crescent School District 313, Sequim School District 323, Cape Flattery School District 401, Quillayute Valley School District 402, Fire Districts 1, Fire District 2, Fire District 3, Fire District 4, Fire District 5, Fire District 6, Clallam County Park and Recreation District 1, Quillayute Valley Park and Recreation District, Black Diamond Water District, and Sundland Water District.

To Register to Vote, You Must Be

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington state for at least 30 days prior to election day.
- At least 18 years old.
If you are 16 or 17, you can sign up as a Future Voter and be automatically registered to vote when you qualify.
- Not disqualified from voting due to court order.
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections for a Washington felony conviction.
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.

How to Register to Vote

Online: www.votewa.gov

- To register to vote
- To change your address
- To change your name
- To check your voting history
- To check your ballot status

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to visit VoteWA.



Paper Form

Complete and return a Washington State Voter Registration form. Forms must be received in the Elections and Voter Registration Office by October 30.

In Person

Come in to the Clallam County Elections and Voter Registration Office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Registration Deadlines:

- Online (Washington I.D. required) and by mail through October 30, 2023.
- Elections and Voter Registration Office, in person through November 7, 2023 until 8:00 p.m.

Accessible Voting

Clallam County voters with disabilities have the option of voting independently and privately using an Accessible Voting Unit (AVU) at the Clallam County Elections and Voter Registration Office.

Available October 18 - November 7.



Replacement Ballots

If your ballot is lost, spoiled, or destroyed please contact the Elections and Voter Registration Office.

17-year old voters

Washington State Legislation passed in March of 2020 allows 17-year-olds who will be 18 by the November General Election to vote in the August Primary.



Sixteen and seventeen year-olds can pre-register and will automatically be registered when they are eligible to vote.

Pre-registering can be done through:

- Clallam County Elections and Voter Registration Office
- Department of Licensing
- Online at votewa.gov

#FutureVoter

For more information see Senate Bill 6313 – Washington State Legislature.

Felony Conviction & Voting Rights

Washington State Legislation went into effect January 1, 2022 regarding convicted felons and their right to vote.

When is my right to vote restored?

- If you were convicted of a felony in a Washington State court, your right to vote is restored automatically once you are no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in prison.
- If you were convicted of a felony in another state or in federal court, your right to vote is restored automatically as long as you are no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in prison.
- You **do not** lose the right to vote for a misdemeanor conviction or a conviction in juvenile court.

Registering to vote

Once your right to vote is restored, you must register to vote even if you were previously registered. You do not need a certificate of discharge to register to vote.

You can register to vote at:

- Clallam County Elections and Voter Registration Office
- Department of Licensing
- Online at votewa.gov

For more information see Substitute House Bill 1078 - Washington State Legislature.



Election Day, November 7, 2023

Office hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., regular business, M-F
Office hours: 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Election Day

223 E 4th St, Room 042, Port Angeles, WA 98362 • (360) 417-2221 • elections@clallamcountywa.gov • clallamcountywa.gov/elections

Voters with Disabilities



As a voter with a disability, you can request a reasonable accommodation or assistance to vote. Clallam County Elections Division is committed to ensuring accessibility for our voters. For

each Primary and Election we offer an Accessible Voting Unit (AVU) in order to provide you with the opportunity to vote privately and independently.

AVUs are available starting 20 days before Election Day, until 8 p.m. on Election Day. AVUs must be wheelchair-accessible and screened from other voters to maintain privacy. An AVU presents your ballot on a monitor. You select choices by touching the screen, using a select wheel, or by using a tool. You can use headphones to listen to the text and prompts on your ballot.

OSOS Voters with Disabilities:

<https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/voters/Voters-with-Disabilities.aspx>

ACP Address Confidentiality Program

Washington State's Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) can help maintain the security of your home, work, or school address.

The ACP will:

- Provide you with a legal substitute address and forward your first-class mail to you.
- Help you register to vote without the records being available to the public.

To be eligible for the ACP you must:

- Be an adult or parent/guardian acting on behalf of a minor(s); and
- Be a victim of a crime; and
- Reside in Washington State

How to enroll:

You must meet in person with a Certified Advocate, located throughout the state.

Call: (360) 753-2972

Toll free (WA only): (800) 822-1065

Mailing address:

Washington State ACP
PO Box 257
Olympia, WA 98507-0257

For more information: www.sos.wa.gov/acp

FAQs: What Should I Do?

My spouse/roommate signed my return envelope.

If someone has mistakenly signed your return ballot envelope, **draw a line through the incorrect signature and sign your name** directly above the correction.

I forgot to put my ballot in the Secrecy Sleeve and sealed my Return Envelope.

The Secrecy Sleeve is optional and not required.

I received a Signature Update letter saying my signature on my return ballot envelope did not match the signature on my voter registration record.

Promptly return the completed, signed Signature Update letter to our office via mail, email, in person, or by Official Ballot Drop Box (boxes will close promptly at 8:00 p.m. on Election day). Signature Update letters can be returned until 4:30 p.m. the day before Certification, November 27, 2023.

I lost/misplaced/damaged my original ballot.

You have options to receive a replacement ballot:

- Call or email our office
- Visit us in person
- Print a replacement ballot online at www.votewa.gov

Track Your Ballot!

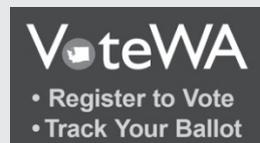


1. Scan the QR code, or
2. Visit Votewa.gov.
3. Enter your first name, last name, and date of birth.

4. On the left side of the screen you will see several options to click on.

5. Select Ballot Status.

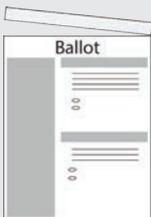
6. You will be directed to a page that will show your ballot status (Sent, Received, Accepted or Challenged).



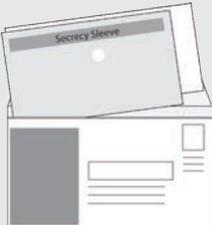
Voting Your Ballot

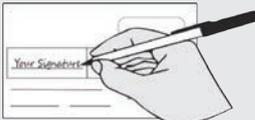
1 The ballot packet for the November 7 General Election will be mailed to you on October 18. This packet will include your official ballot, secrecy sleeve, and a postage-paid return envelope.

2  Fill in the oval to mark your vote as shown. You do not have to vote for every race or contest.

3  Remove and discard the top stub.

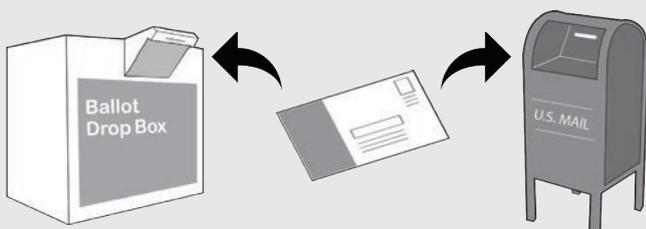
4  Place your voted ballot into the secrecy sleeve.

Place the secrecy sleeve into your return envelope. **(Secrecy sleeve is optional.)** 

5  **Sign, date and seal your return envelope.** Your signature is **required** for your ballot to be counted. We check every signature.

6 Return your ballot:

- Official Ballot Drop Box – no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- Mail – postmarked on or before Election Day.



Returning Your Ballot

By Official Ballot Drop Box

Drop Boxes are open 20 days before Election Day, 24 hours a day until 8:00 p.m. on Election Night.

Returning your ballot to a drop box reduces the cost of postage for the election.

CENTRAL

Clallam County Courthouse

223 E 4th St, Port Angeles

- Courthouse circular drive
- Courthouse sidewalk, across from disabled parking
- Elections and Voter Registration Office (only available during business hours 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., and until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.)

EAST END

Carlsborg – 261461 Hwy 101, near Sunny Farms, adjacent to Mill Rd

Sequim – 651 W Washington St, in the parking lot

WEST END

Clallam Bay – 16990 Hwy 112, in front of the Clallam Bay Branch Library

Forks – 500 E Division St, outside Forks City Hall

Neah Bay – 1450 Bayview Ave, in front of Washburn's General Store by the left Totem Pole

Sekiu – 15 Sekiu Airport Road, at the PUD in the drive-up lane

By Mail

No stamp is necessary if you use the return envelope that is provided with your ballot. Please make sure to have a postmark on or before November 7, 2023 when mailing your ballot. Check with your local Post Office for postmark cutoff times on Election Day.

Additional Resources

County Information

www.clallamcountywa.gov

State Election Information

www.sos.wa.gov

Campaign Finance Information

www.pdc.wa.gov

Get social with us

 twitter.com/clallamvotes

 facebook.com/clallamcountyAuditor/





**Mark
Ozias**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience

Two terms as District 1 Clallam County Commissioner

Other Professional Experience

Non-profit Executive Director and organizational consultant; Sequim-area small business owner 2005-2014

Education

BA in Politics and Government, University of Puget Sound

Community Service

Member of the Board of the Olympic View Community Foundation, the Sequim Food Bank, and the Olympic Peninsula Healthy Community Coalition

Statement

As your District 1 County Commissioner I am proud of the progress we've made toward building a more resilient and healthy community – but there is still much to be done and I will continue to work tirelessly for the needs of Clallam County. A top priority is ensuring that everyone in our community has access to safe, affordable housing. We have made significant investments in infrastructure and organizations to increase housing availability, but we must do more; I will work to improve access to quality affordable housing options, particularly for those who are most vulnerable.

A healthy community is a strong community. I will continue to focus on energy, disaster and climate resilience. I will continue to fund public health as well as supporting investment in the parks and recreational facilities we all enjoy. We must continue investing in entrepreneurship and supporting our vibrant local businesses for a strong economy.

I work collaboratively and believe that by doing so we will continue to build a community that is truly resilient and healthy for all. It is an honor to serve you and I respectfully request your vote.

Contact

markozias@nikola.com; markozias.org



**Stan
McClain**

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

Society of Camera Operators, President 1997-1999; Republican Party of Los Angeles County; Central Committee 41st A.D. 2012 - 2014; Republican Liberty Caucus of California, Director of L.A. County 2012 - 2014

Other Professional Experience

Film Industry Camera Department 1972- current. Resume IMDB.COM; Director's Guild 1985- current; Society of Camera Operators 1978- Retired 2020; Owner 52 bedroom Assisted Living Complex; London International Advertising Awards- Cinematography 1982

Education

De Anza College Film Major

Community Service

Ron Paul Campaign 2008 2012; Society of Camera Operators Lifetime Achievement Awards Distinguished Service

Statement

Clallam County is a smooth running community in contrast to other counties that don't punish crime, and allow violent protesters who disrespect law and order. On the State level Governor Inslee just passed SB 5599 which allows our government to conduct genital surgery on children without parental consent, and our county has been silent. In neighboring Jefferson County a female impersonator was caught in the YMCA girl's locker room and Port Townsend celebrated. Uncle Sam is now in our children's bedrooms and this needs to stop. All of my friends who are parents agree from both sides of the isle that we need governance that appeases the moderate left and moderate right. We need to nudge the social pendulum back towards normalcy by adding a moderate to our County Commission. I am running to restore Parent's rights to have the final word in their children's education, and both their mental and physical healthcare. If my goals agree with yours, let's dig in and restore our moral society together- you and me.

Contact

(360) 683-0623; stan.mcclain@gmail.com



Lee Whetham

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Port Angeles City Council, 4-year term.

Other Professional Experience

Clallam County Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Chairman; City of Port Angeles Utility Advisory Committee, Chairman; Olympic Peninsula Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO, Executive Secretary; United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 32, Business Representative and Tribal Employment Rights Office - TERO Liaison and Clallam County Transit Board Member.

Education

Plumber Apprenticeship with Washington State Commercial Journeyman Plumber/Pipefitter Certification.

Community Service

Rescue Every Dog Animal Rescue, Habitat for Humanity, Moose Family Center, Friends of Olympic National Park, Port Angeles Salmon Club.

Statement

Our community is filled with citizens who want to make a difference. I have been honored to learn from those citizens during the last 33 years I have lived on the Peninsula. I believe in our community. It has given me many years of happiness and I am privileged to be able to give something back. That's why I'm running for office. If elected, I will fight to further rejuvenate our Elwha Tyee King Salmon. If the salmon return to our shores, it will be a boon to business and biodiversity alike. I have worked with people in city, county, state, tribal and federal government, as a city council member and as a leader in UA Local 32, in parts of the Peninsula that range from Sequim to the West End. I believe in supporting business and industry, I proudly fought for our timber, aviation and maritime industries as a city council member and will keep up that fight if elected this year. I believe that if we work collaboratively and honestly, we can leave this community, which has given us all so much, a better place for our children. I look forward to connecting with you during this campaign.

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Connie Beauvais

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Commissioner, Port of Port Angeles 2016-Present; Commissioner, Charter Review Commission 2016; Trustee, Crescent Water Association 2007-2014

Other Professional Experience

Connie has worked in the public and private arenas and owned 3 of her own businesses. Currently Manager/Operator of Crescent Water Association.

Education

Associate of Business Arts Degree, Heald Business College, Sacramento, CA; WA Certified Water Distribution Manager and Water Treatment Plant Operator.

Community Service

Commissioner of Public Lands' Solution Table, State Trustland Transfer Beneficiaries' Representative, Clallam County Planning Commission Chair, Crescent Community Advisory Council Chair, Clallam Economic Development Council Ag Representative, Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Statement

It has been my privilege and honor to serve as District 3 Port Commissioner. Some highlights: appointment by the State Lands Commissioner to the Solutions Table to find ways to make our forests resilient to climate change and explore innovative ways to make value-added products from this vital, renewable natural resource; cleanup of the K-Ply Mill Site, the fastest the Department of Ecology has seen to date; developing the future Marine Trades Center; adoption of Federal legislation recognizing emergency response to facilitate maintaining runway lengths; renovation of the Fairchild Airport terminal; stormwater infrastructure at the marine terminals and surrounding uplands; Clean Marina certifications for both marinas; spearheading legislation for ports to develop workforce training; and continuing the Port's commitment to transparent collaboration.

As we begin the next 100 years at the Port, I will work to further the Marine Trades Center and the Intermodal Handling & Transfer Facility, support workforce training and access to broadband, advance value-added wood products, and push forward green initiatives to make your Port more environmentally friendly and our harbor cleaner.

I ask for your vote again as I continue to work collaboratively for your Port to help lead economic improvements in our county.

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Chuck
Carlson

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Pharmacist 1997- present; Small business owner 2007
-present

Education

University of Washington; Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy
1997

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

The rural health care system of today is broken and in crisis. Critical access hospitals such as Forks Community Hospital face many challenges in a very complex health care industry. My 26 years of working as a pharmacist and business owner in a rural community would provide experience and new ideas for FCH.

Born and raised in Washington State I always wanted to live in a small town to raise our children. We could not have picked a greater community to live and work than the West End of Clallam County.

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Sandy Schier

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Six plus years on the Hospital Board, currently the Board Chairman

Other Professional Experience

Owning/Operating a bookkeeping business since 1997, and a Real Estate and Property Management Business since 2011. Previous banking and similar work experience.

Education

High School equivalency, various college classes through the years, continuing education real estate education courses. Board continued education courses.

Community Service

Served on the Timber Museum Board for a number of years, membership and sponsorship of Forks Chamber of Commerce, member West End Business & Professional Association.

Statement

I am running for Forks Community Hospital (Clallam County Hospital District 1) Position 4 seat. I was recently appointed as the Board president. I believe I can continue to bring a sensible approach to maintain a productive board to help steer our hospital district in the needed direction; providing the services the district needs to maintain viable healthcare options for the citizens of the area. I have lived in this district for 42 years and as the owner of two businesses in the area, I know that the hospital and its services are the backbone in creating a healthy growing community as well as healthy residents. I will listen to you the voter and support decisions, even difficult ones, to keep healthcare options available. I believe in this community and the importance of retaining our critical access hospital. As a small business owner with experience in banking, bookkeeping and real estate, I understand the challenges we are all faced with. Serving on the board has been rewarding. I look forward to continuing this work; doing what is best and maintaining a board that can work together and do what is in the district's best interest, even in difficult times.

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Amy Kitchel Ruble

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

I have owned and operated my own hair salon for the past 32 years.

Education

Forks High school graduate; Trade school graduate

Community Service

Provided salon services for the residents of the Forks Long Term Care facility for over 20 years; Help with the spring and fall Veterans fishing day on our local rivers

Statement

I am running for the Forks Community Hospital board position with the plan to help be instrumental in making a difference in the healthcare system in our community. Focusing on the retention and hiring of providers with long term goals to reside in Forks and make a positive impact in our rural healthcare.

Continue to keep growing services provided locally for the ease of the patient, and revenue for the hospital district.

I am also a strong supporter of the current long term care facility continuing to be operational as is for our growing, aging population and the successful reintroduction of necessary obstetric services to serve our rural community for patient ease and revenue for the hospital district.

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John B.
Nutter

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Previously elected to the hospital board in 2009, 2011, and 2017.

Other Professional Experience

Currently employed by the Port of Port Angeles as the Director of Finance and Administration. Previous experience includes the Port Angeles Police Department and Finance Director at OMC.

Education

Port Angeles High School, Peninsula College, Western Washington University MBA.

Community Service

14 years of hospital board participation.

Statement

As one of longest tenured members of the hospital board, I look forward to bringing my skills and experience to help OMC succeed in serving our local community.

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**Philip
Giuntoli**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Career focused in healthcare design, construction and management. Registered Architect; CollinsWoerman, Seattle (Principal); Washington-Oregon Architecture for Health Panel (Chair); Group Health Cooperative, Seattle (Director of Facilities Management); International Facilities Management Association (Chair, Seattle Chapter and US National Healthcare Council); Seattle Major Institutional Master Plan Ordinance (Seattle Area Hospital Council Representative); The Balzhiser Group, Eugene-Seattle (Partner); Ellerbe, Minneapolis (Intern Architect)

Education

Bachelor Of Architecture-High Honors, University of Illinois, Urbana; Master of Architecture-Highest Honors, University of California, Berkeley

Community Service

Clallam County Planning Commission; Elevate PA (Welcoming Design); Coach Youth Baseball and Soccer Teams, Eugene and Seattle

Statement

It has been a pleasure to serve you since my appointment in May of 2022. Efficient and effective healthcare delivery is my passion. I have spent my career planning healthcare facilities as an informed designer, building and maintaining medical campuses as a responsible steward and now helping to guide medical operations as a thoughtful Commissioner. I have always employed empathy for patients, providers, staff and leadership with a sense of responsibility to each role. I ask for your vote continuing this phase of my involvement in healthcare during this important time.

Like many of you I love this place, the people and the possibilities. We share abundant natural beauty. We find our community at an interlude during which it has been forced to alter its course while preserving everything that is positive about living here. Olympic Medical Center must play an important role not just maintaining the health of the community, but also in helping to set the tone for how we will succeed in our future. Accessible, affordable, quality healthcare will support our sustainable change.

Health is Important to each of us individually. Each other's health is important to all of us together. Please help me continue to help.

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No photo submitted

Nettie Grant
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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No photo submitted

Jeff Gingell
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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No photo
submitted

Hickory
Grant
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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**Drew
Schwab**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

From 2010 to 2015, Drew was elected to the board of the Port Angeles Downtown Association. In 2016, Drew was appointed to serve on the Port Angeles Planning Commission and is the current Vice Chair. In 2021, he was appointed to serve on the Port Angeles Public Safety Advisory Board and is the current Chair.

Other Professional Experience

In 2010, Drew opened the downtown Port Angeles store Anime Kat which he still owns and operates.

Education

Drew went to Peninsula College earning several business degrees including a BAS in Applied Management in 2009.

Community Service

The last 13 years of public service was voluntary and uncompensated.

Statement

I'm Drew Schwab, and I moved to Port Angeles in 2003 after graduating from high school. While I initially moved here to attend Peninsula College when my father was stationed at the Coast Guard base, I chose Port Angeles as my permanent home because of the natural beauty, community strength, and expanded family roots I gained by marrying a Port Angeles native. I'm running for Council Position 2 for the City of Port Angeles. After advising the City Council for over 7 years by serving on different advisory boards and commissions, I want to take a direct role in improving Port Angeles. I'm experienced in small business ownership. I want to strengthen small businesses so they can provide living wages. Serving on the Planning Commission gives me a greater understanding of the difficulties of land use and development. My wife and I have experienced the difficulties of becoming homeowners. I want to increase the number of homes available for rent and purchase in town. Serving on the Public Safety Advisory Board gives me a greater understanding of the public safety issues our town faces. I want to reduce the homeless population through a combination of social services and law enforcement.

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Amy Miller

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Selected as the top applicant to fill a vacant City Council position

Other Professional Experience

Port Angeles Police Department/Olympic Peninsula Community Clinic 2017- 2022; Co-Responder, REdisCOVERY Program Director; Peninsula Behavioral Health, 2016-2018; Designated Crisis Responder

Education

State University of New York; Bachelors & Masters in Social Work

Community Service

2016-2022 Clallam County Behavioral Health Advisory Board- At-Large Member/2019 Chair; 2016 International Overdose Awareness, Prevention, and Remembrance Event - Co-Organizer; 2016-2020 National Suicide Prevention events- Collaborator; Annual National Homeless Persons Memorial - Local Lead Organizer since 2019; 2016-2019 Homeless Connect Event - Volunteer, Board Member; 2016-2019 Queen of Angeles Thanksgiving Meal - Volunteer

Statement

I'm proud to serve our community and bring real experience in solving challenging social problems. I have served on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board for Clallam County since my first year in town and was awarded Port Angeles Citizen of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce in 2018. I initiated the Shelter Challenge where several elected officials in Clallam County participated, bringing hard conversations to the public about solving homelessness and demonstrating my commitment to advocating for the changes our community is asking for.

Throughout my career, I've led teams that achieve compassionate, desirable, and effective results. I engage with our community to build support for real solutions. I'm grateful for the incredible support and encouragement from the Port Angeles community, and fully intend to be the voice of those citizens that continue to prove that the majority is not silent, but often soft-spoken.

We can move forward together!

My work in Port Angeles City Council is my first experience in politics, but not in leadership. With a fresh vision and energy, I will continue to represent our community's desire to solve tough problems collaboratively and with integrity.

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Jim Haguewood

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

This is my first time seeking elected public office. I am ready to serve and offer my extensive knowledge and experience to the Council.

Other Professional Experience

Business ownership; executive and consulting leadership in regional economic development; public, private and non-profit sectors; residential and commercial housing ownership and development; Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Board; Real Estate broker.

Education

BA in Hotel/Restaurant Management, Washington State University.

Community Service

40+ years of community service and volunteer projects; President of the Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Association of Realtors and Downtown Association. Additional service; ElevatePA, Big Spring Spruce Up, Winter Ice Village, and volunteer youth coach.

Statement

As a lifelong resident, business owner, volunteer, enthusiast of, and advocate for Port Angeles, I am ready to contribute more. With 40+ years of experience supporting local and national economic development initiatives, I am ready to be an active partner in the future of our community.

My focus will be on the fundamentals of good City government supporting: police, fire, utilities, parks, facilities, and empowering citizens to affect change. Our government should be effective, efficient, listen, and be a genuine partner with nonprofits, Tribes, the business community, and other agencies that support our area.

It is time to direct our efforts with vision and accountability. Our City government authority and resources should not over regulate or mandate, but rather enable all citizens, businesses, and organizations to feel safe, achieve their goals, and make Port Angeles thrive.

The evolution of my experience working in various communities using my analytical skills, strategic and creative thinking, and proven ability to align differing views for a common goal, makes now the right time for me to serve our community.

I have deep pride in our community, optimism for our future and together, with your vote, we will enact positive change together.

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Navarra
Carr

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Port Angeles City Council, elected 2019 (Deputy Mayor, 2 years)

Other Professional Experience

Rule 9 Law Clerk, Clallam Public Defender; Law Clerk, Attorney General of Washington; Drop-In Center Coordinator, First Step Family Support Center; Office Manager, North Olympic Land Trust; Office Manager, AmeriCorps VISTA, Arcata House Partnership.

Education

Seattle University Law School, JD candidate 2024; Sacramento State University, BA 2014.

Community Service

I support the residents of Port Angeles through volunteering with North Olympic Development Council (Secretary); Port Angeles Fine Arts Center (Treasurer); Port Angeles Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (Chair); Clallam County Board of Health (Chair and Vice Chair); and Clallam County Homelessness Task Force.

Statement

I've been honored to serve the people of Port Angeles on City Council for the past four years and I'm running for reelection to keep building a Port Angeles where everyone can thrive - not just survive. As both the youngest member of City Council and the only renter, I have served as a voice for people otherwise not represented in our local government and I know firsthand how hard it can be to get by.

During my time on City Council, we have accomplished a lot including restarting the code enforcement program; removing barriers to housing; and expanding upstream and cost saving approaches to public safety through the Rediscovery, Community Paramedic, and Downtown Resource Officer programs. We have also increased accessibility for meetings and provided over \$800,000 in rental, mortgage, and utility support during the pandemic.

I love Port Angeles and work to make it better. Our community can be a place where everyone is treated with dignity and respect, where everyone has a safe and affordable place to live, and where everyone can enjoy the unparalleled natural beauty of our home.

I'd be honored to receive your vote and continue serving our community on City Council. Thank you.

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Mark
Karjalainen

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

I was elected twice as President of IAFF Local 656

Other Professional Experience

Promoted to Company Officer

Education

I graduated from Oak Harbor High School and attended the IFSAC firefighter I academy with Oak Harbor Fire as well as my EMT from South Whidbey Fire in 1998. I attended Central Washington University for my Paramedic certificate and finished my Fire Science degree from Columbia Southern University.

Community Service

I was awarded the Outstanding Public Service award from the City of Port Angeles. I have worked with several groups including COTN, AGCI and IJM with a focus on preventing and combating human and sex trafficked individuals

Statement

This is my first venture into politics, and thank you for considering me to serve. I have lived in, and worked for, the City of Port Angeles for nearly 20 years. The two decades that I have publicly served within the City as a Firemen and Paramedic has granted me intimate access into the lives of the citizens of this beautiful and unique City. Within these interactions I have gleaned a unique perspective on what the city's citizens want and need from a servant leader. Although this is a nonpartisan race, I will unashamedly declare myself as both fiscally and socially conservative. I believe there is more than enough room in the conversation for multiple ways to attack a problem. I am willing and able to work with and for others that may have a different political view in order to solve problems that plague our city. I have seen the serious decline in the health, safety and security for our citizens and businesses within our city due to well-intended, but mistaken policies. With the right leadership, I foresee Port Angeles having the possibility for massive growth potential, and a return to the safe and thriving home it was.

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Kalli Mae Jones

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

I have no prior elected experience.

Other Professional Experience

I am a board-certified pediatric nurse practitioner with eight years of practice in primary care.

Education

I graduated from PAHS in 2003. I earned a Bachelor of Science in biology, *summa cum laude*, from Saint Martin’s University in Lacey, WA (2007) and then a Master of Science in nursing from Vanderbilt University School of Nursing in Nashville, TN (2009).

Community Service

I have an extensive history of community service through Dry Creek Grange, volunteer at my church and my children’s school, and the Junior American Citizens with service to veterans living and deceased in our area.

Statement

Port Angeles is proudly my hometown and my family has deep roots in our community. I am a regular mom running for Council to speak for families; our children’s safety *and* their environment is paramount. My husband and I chose to return to Port Angeles to raise our five children alongside their cousins, but the town is not how I remember it. I hesitate to take my young children to parks because they are contaminated from drug use, grocery stores don’t feel safe, sidewalks are littered with garbage, and our trails have been overrun. While local groups have done great work, the heart of the issues are not resolving; as a city we can do better! I am resolute in my constitution and am eager to represent other parents who feel the same way that I do; we want our city to be welcoming, yet conscientious by equipping individuals to succeed rather than incentivize them to remain disadvantaged. Ultimately, we want to eliminate programs that breed crime *and* regulations that stifle growth, so our children can thrive and be happy and our city can be wholesome and beautiful once again. Help me do this – vote for Kalli!

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Brendan Meyer

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Port Angeles City Council 2019-2023, Deputy Mayor City Of Port Angeles 2022-2024

Other Professional Experience

Carpenter, Auto-body Technician, Factory Worker, Photographer, Self-Employed Streaming New Media Marketing

Education

Associates of Applied Science in Advertising and Graphic Design

Community Service

Utility Advisory Committee, Clallam Transit, The Peninsula Regional Transportation Organization, The Chamber of Commerce, and The Olympic Peninsula Tourism Commission

Statement

Thank you for trusting me to represent Port Angeles on the City Council these past four years. Throughout my tenure, I’ve striven for steadfast leadership, prioritizing your needs even amidst the challenging Covid-19 pandemic. I have consistently prioritized thoughtful debate and innovative solutions over simply conforming to consensus or special interests. My 6-1 votes testify to my commitment to vote my conscience, undeterred by the pressure of dissent.

My focus for another term is the future of our city, requiring us to work together today. I promise not only to listen to active community members but also to seek out those often unheard. I will fight for our first responders and city workers, ensuring they have the necessary support and resources. Addressing rising property taxes, revitalizing downtown, and promoting careful spending are key issues I plan to tackle.

I will also advocate for smarter investments, including mentorship programs that encourage economic growth and practical solutions to homelessness. As your councilor, I will continue upholding the Constitution and its guaranteed rights, speaking up for our community, and moving Port Angeles forward. Your vote in this Election will enable us to keep making progress together.

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**Kathy
Downer**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Sequim City Council 2021 to present. Sequim Planning Commission 2019 2021. Marietta, Ohio City Council 2014 to 2019. (3 two-year terms.)

Other Professional Experience

Registered Nurse from 1980 until 2014. Licensed Vocational Nurse from 1972 until 1980.

Education

A.A. degree 1972 El Camino College, A.D.N., 1980 Santa Monica College

Community Service

Red Cross CPR and First Aid instructor, Disaster Shelter nurse, Sunday school teacher and other church volunteer work. Sports scorekeeper for many sports. Host parent to eight foreign exchange students. Wrote and implemented grant for child development program.

Statement

In 2019 my husband and I chose to move from Ohio to Sequim for our retirement. Sequim is a beautiful town with parks, beaches and mountain views. We were immediately welcomed by our new church family and fellow volunteers. Soon we realized that Sequim was suffering from two pandemics- Covid-19, and misinformation about our impending Medically Assisted Treatment clinic. Now, four years have passed, and Covid-19 numbers have declined. Our MAT clinic is giving Opioid addicts hope that they can return to a normal family life. Soon, we will have a much-needed mental health clinic, compliments of our local Jamestown S'Kallam Tribe and our state elected officials. As a council member, I hold stewardship of Sequim's money and existing infrastructure, so the decisions I make on council must be evidence based. I feel we need more broadband and should start considering it a public utility. I remain committed to bringing workforce housing to Sequim. We want the people who work here to be able to live here. Homelessness is prevalent nationwide, including our small town. Many people are one paycheck away from being homeless and may need temporary housing and services. Vote for kathy Downer 11/7/23

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**William
Armacost**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Appointed to the Sequim City Council; Elected to the City Council; Elected Mayor of Sequim by my fellow Councilors.

Other Professional Experience

Independent business owner (currently Changes Salon&Spa, previously Sound Cutters chain) National spokesperson for Revlon; Owner of residential and commercial income property in Sequim and Clallam County

Education

Nationwide Beauty Academy, Columbus, Ohio ; Apprentice at Vidal Sassoon , London, England

Community Service

Advisory Board Member for the Jamestown S'Klallam Healing Clinic; Clallam Transit System Board Member; Economic Development Council Board Member; North Olympic Legislative Alliance and Sequim Health and Housing Collaborative

Statement

I'm a Father and Grandfather, devoted to maintaining Sequim as the great place to raise a family, start a small business or enjoy a satisfying retirement. An independent business owner, I have experienced firsthand how City Government can help or impede small businesses. When Mayor, I navigated Sequim through the Covid-19 pandemic. We created the Rapid Relief Small Business Grant program that provided over half a million dollars which kept our business afloat. We froze utility rates and removed restrictions for Senior low-income utility discounts. We supported Jamestown S'Klallam , negotiating sewer services for their new hotel. After the past four years our city is in a better place than ever. Our hiring of City Manager Huish has been a game changer. He applied his business background to update our systems, providing tools for staff to perform at a higher level of efficiency while maintaining total transparency. Through his citizen fact sheets he improved citizen communication, an important goal of mine in office. I'm passionate about giving back to the community by continuing to serve on the City Council. My extensive business experience, common sense strategic skills and commitment to collaborative solutions will continue to make our community thrive .

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Jim Black

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

First time running for elected office.

Other Professional Experience

I worked for 36 years in Information Technology developing and maintaining business applications as a Software Engineer, Project Leader, and IT Manager. I was a rental property owner and manager for 9 years.

Education

Bachelor of Business Administration-Management Information Systems - University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Community Service

I served 8 years as a Scoutmaster with the Boy Scouts of America

Statement

Sequim is a wonderful town! I prize our wonderful people, excellent local businesses, and our area’s natural beauty. With a growing population, it is critical that we have a pragmatic, solution-oriented city council. I have the desire to serve and the experience to contribute to this team.

We’re seeing concerning signs of change for the worse including tent encampments, locked up merchandise at local stores, and people living on the streets. After working 25 years in Seattle I know where this leads: downtown homeless showers, home share programs, and lime-colored scooters for the elderly. These are dangerous “solutions”.

With high inflation and taxes, we need affordable and creative real lasting solutions to address local drug abuse and mental health issues, and affordable housing for our workforce and people on fixed incomes.

With 36 years experience as a software engineer, project leader, and IT manager my approach is methodical: research, design, and implement comprehensive well-tested solutions. My experience expediting complex IT solutions through team building have equipped me well for listening to citizens, collaborating with Sequim City Counselors and city employees which is all needed to guide Sequim into the future.

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Dan Butler

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

This is my first time running for public office. I have been serving on the City of Sequim Planning Commission since being appointed in April 2021.

Other Professional Experience

I work at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Sequim, in administration as I complete 43 years working in global administration and leadership for the Summer Institute of Linguistics (SIL International) and Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Education

BS in Business Administration, Portland State University

Community Service

City of Sequim Planning Commission. Coordinator weekly “Soup’s On!” at St. Luke’s Sequim; Vice President, Mariners Outlook Homeowners Association

Statement

My wife and I decided to settle in Sequim, the place we plan live out the rest of our lives following a career spent working overseas. We were both born and raised in the Pacific Northwest. We have two remarkable adult children and three beautiful grandchildren.

I am running for Sequim City Council because I am committed to being of service. Through my work on the Sequim Planning Commission, I have become familiar with the challenges and opportunities we have as a city. It has been my pleasure to to get to know and work with the dedicated professional city staff who keep our city services running day to day.

While it would be easier to sit back and relax as we move into retirement, I am wired to look for ways to be of service.

Sequim’s people depend on council members who are committed to ethical conduct, integrity, and transparency. We need council members who value diverse perspectives, consider them, and seek consensus. We want to thrive and grow responsibly while considering those among us who have the least.

These are the values I will bring to City Council Position 2 and I ask for your vote.

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Harmony Rutter

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Served on Residence Hall Council at Pacific Lutheran University 3 times, including President of the Council.

Other Professional Experience

Self-Employed Horticultural Specialist; Program Assistant - Clallam County WSU Extension; Music Director - Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Education

Klahowya Secondary School - Silverdale, WA; BA - Pacific Lutheran University - Tacoma, WA

Community Service

WSU Master Gardeners, OUUF Community Outreach; I am an advocate working to create a better world through sustainable living, horticulture, and music. I grew up in Kitsap County and love my Sequim home. I have been involved in non-profit, education, and private sector projects. My partner Dan and I have two school-aged children.

Statement

I consider serving on the Sequim City Council as the highest form of community service. Several of my friends and community members have encouraged me to run for Sequim City Council this season. I am honored by their requests and look forward to serving my city. Counselors must be good stewards of tax-payer funds and I will bring my experience with WSU Cooperative County Extension and small business entrepreneurship when proposing or reviewing city expenditures. My approach is one of equity and I will work to include and engage all citizens and stakeholders in council decisions.

As a mom of two young kids, I care deeply about the future of our planet and community. In Sequim this means I will help ensure that we prioritize innovative development and housing solutions that safeguard our natural resources, farmland, and open spaces for those to come. We need access to quality housing for all members of our community. I will build partnerships with local organizations and businesses to meet the needs of our city. I want to promote civil discourse and civic engagement. I would be honored to have your support and look forward to serving you.

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Patrick Day

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

(CCPOA)California CorrectionalPeace Officers Association Retired Chapter Board; Currently (CCPOA) Union Board of Director for (CCPOA) local chapter; Union Chapter President, CCPOA local chapter; Union Trustee, Union CCPOA Benefit Trust Fund (statewide organization)

Other Professional Experience

Independent consultant and professional Tustee; Peace Officer, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; US Military Veteran; Guard, Brinks Armored Car Service.

Education

Bachelor of Science Degree (College of Alameda); Associate of Arts Degree (Community College of the Air Force); 24 Certification for administrator, retirement and medical benefits (International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans)

Community Service

Member of the Elks Club; Local political action committee for ccpoa (10 years)

Statement

I learned that Experience in communicating with people are essentials in elected offices. I served 27 years as a Peace Officer for the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. With 25 years of being a very active union representative in the California Correctional Peace Officer Association, our state and local union. I am recently a retired elected trustee for the CCPOA Health and Welfare Benefit Trust. I joined the military, eventually becoming an Explosive Ordinance Disposal Expert serving in the Gulf War. A Brinks Armored Car messenger . I have acquired many skills in problem-solving, finance management dealing with a Half a billion dollar budget from the trust, crisis management, and conflict resolution from my years of public service and union activities. Together,they have given me great wisdom and experience with issues and finding resolution to those issues. I wish to employ these skills by serving the people of Sequim. I believe all fire, Police, city workers should be fully supported by the city council. All city business must be conducted in an efficient and transparent manner. I will work hard to help grow Sequimin in a manner that ensures this beautiful city is clean and safe for all.

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Tom
Ferrell

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Mayor, Sequim

Other Professional Experience

Aerospace executive, Aerojet; USAF officer; Proprietor, Leaders Associates; Owner, Price Engineering Systems, LLC; CEO, World Trade Center Sacramento; Executive Director, Economic Development, Sacramento Metro Chamber; Teacher, Strategic Management, University of Phoenix

Education

BS Accounting, Gannon University; MA Management, Central Michigan University; All-But-Dissertation, Business Admin. Golden Gate University

Community Service

Planning Commission, Sequim; Matsuyama Sister Cities, Sacramento

Statement

Views Economic Development as the road to build opportunities for citizens. Utilizes common sense and objectivity as the key towards successful political life.

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No photo
submitted

**Stan
Williams**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

welder & heavy equipment mechanic.

Education

Darrington hi school. tank mechanic school us army. welding school Renton votec

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

every child should be able to have an education to prepare them to succeed in whatever type of work they want to do. I also think parents have a responsibility and a right to be involved in what their children are taught in a class room. Teachers are looked up to by students (as they should be) there for I believe they teach subject matter not personal beliefs.

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No photo submitted

Sandy Long
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve two full terms on the PASD Board of Directors.

Other Professional Experience

As a retired public school teacher and university professor I bring many years of experience in education to this position.

Education

I hold masters’ degrees in Education and Counseling and a Ph. D. in Psychology.

Community Service

My community service includes terms on the Boards of Directors of the United Way and Peninsula Behavioral Health. I currently serve on the Vestry of St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church.

Statement

Working as an advocate for the students, families and staff of the PASD has been an important part of my life for the past eight years. School board members are non-partisan volunteers who are responsible for a variety of specific tasks dictated by the state. Those include hiring and evaluating a superintendent, developing policies that guide the district, approving curriculum, and overseeing the district’s budget. During my tenure on the board we were successful in passing a capital levy that will provide funds to build a new middle school, safety vestibules in the elementary schools, and a new sports field. We hired an outstanding superintendent whose leadership has taken the district to new heights. A new strategic plan will guide us through the next 3 to 5 years. The Port Angeles community has a long history of providing funding for our children’s growth and development. I look forward to working with those citizens to enhance the educational experiences for each student in the Port Angeles school district.

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**Kirsten
Williams**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Index School District, Director, 2002 to 2005

Other Professional Experience

Illustrator and writer primarily for training and certification materials in the software industry; Special event management

Education

Bachelor of Arts, Art and Art History, University of Washington

Community Service

Currently volunteering with the North Olympic Historical Center. Former volunteer as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for dependent children. Previous leadership roles in other communities include School Levy and Bond Committees, Athletic Booster Club, Volunteer Fire Department, Fair Advisory Committee, Friends of the Library, and Community Club.

Statement

The past several years was an unprecedented and tumultuous period in public education. As we return to a sense of normalcy, I look forward to supporting students, educators, staff, families, and the greater community through well-researched and effective decision-making.

In addition to the standard school director responsibilities, I am particularly interested in legislative advocacy to appropriately and equitably fund schools. I was a school director for a small, rural district 20 years ago, and this is *still* a fundamental challenge. Because of my background in the software industry, I am passionate about using technology to enhance student achievement and streamline processes-while at the same time, mitigating the ramifications of new technologies on teaching and learning.

I appreciate this opportunity to serve the Port Angeles community and thank you for your vote.

Contact

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**Deandra
Cowden**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

I have no previous elected experience.

Other Professional Experience

I have most of my applicable experience though working for the Lower Elwha Tribe as a Toddler teacher.

Education

I have an Associate degree in culinary arts and am in the process of getting a BA in education.

Community Service

I have dedicated my community service endeavors through donation of my time to raise funds to feed food insecure families within my community.

Statement

I am running for School Board of Directors because I want to safeguard equity for all students in receiving a quality education and to support the teachers within the district however they need to fulfill their roles as educators. My name is Deandra Cowden, and as a parent of a child with special needs who attends Crescent district I have a veasted interest in the success of our district. I will strive to support all children, their families, and educators in their right to a fulfilling scholastic experience.

Topics I intend to support: STEM; The arts; connections with local tribal leadership; equity for all children; supporting teachers to provide and maintain the best educational experience; safeguarding a child's right to a quality education; strong response to bullying; Pursue financial policies which provide an outstanding return on the community's investment to our district; develop morale and a positive relationship with educators, community, and the district

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No photo
submitted

Susan
Hopper
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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No photo
submitted

**Bryan
Murphie**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Wildlife Biologist for 27 years.

Education

AAS, Fish and Wildlife Management, 1993, Grays Harbor Community College; BS, Wildlife Biology, 1996, University of Montana.

Community Service

Crescent School Board Director, board appointed, September 2022 to present.

Statement

In September 2022, I was appointed by the Crescent School Board to serve out the final year of a departing board director's term. As that appointment is scheduled to end in 2023, I am seeking your support to continue serving on the Crescent School Board for another four years. The mission statement of the Crescent School District has three main tenets: "...to provide a quality education for every student in a safe and supportive environment; focusing on student success, relevant learning experiences, and building a strong, family-like community; and to provide encouragement and support necessary for every student to become a life-long learner and a contributing citizen." This is a mission I truly support and would love to continue working with students, faculty, staff, and the community at large to achieve. I would greatly appreciate your support.

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**Lawrence (Larry)
Jeffryes**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Sequim School Board Director, 2019-23

Other Professional Experience

Middle and high school biology, chemistry teacher, 35 years; Track and cross-country coach, 20 years; Certified Health and Safety Training Specialist, Los Alamos National Laboratory, worker radiation protection and Los Alamos Fire Department, 9 years; Curriculum developer and workshop leader, New Mexico State University. technology in classrooms, 10 years.

Education

Ed Spec and MS degrees, University of New Mexico; BS Degree, Adams State University (Colorado)

Community Service

Sequim Strategic Planning Committee, 2018 and 2023; District Community Truancy Board; Sequim Education Foundation Board; Meals for Sequim Kids Fund; Dream Catcher/Morning Star balloon crew; B&G Club summer meal distribution volunteer.

Statement

Excellent education for all students is essential for our American democracy. I believe that all students are capable of successfully achieving high academic and learning excellence. No exceptions! My promise is to continually promote improved educational outcomes and success for our students. I believe teachers and staff are capable of helping all students reach high levels of student academic and learning success. I believe our parents and community expect the Sequim Schools to achieve high standards and become schools of distinction. To do that we need an effective school board/superintendent/community/educational staff team to set a vision and implement strategies for improved learning experiences for all our students. That excellence not only influences our students' lives, the Sequim community deserves outstanding schools. Over the past 4 years I have been part of several changes that have moved the school district towards more positive outcomes. Are there areas still in need of improvement? Yes! If elected, I will continue to support strong and innovative initiatives that demonstrate improved student learning and to become a more effective board member. There is still much to be done. I promise to promote continuous improvement of student success and learning.

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**John
Graham**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

4 years Treasurer of local Teamsters managers' union; 3 years Vice president of local Teamsters managers union

Other Professional Experience

Park Ranger since 1996 for State Parks and Clallam County Parks. Security and Loss Prevention for retail store chains.

Education

Bellevue College degree in Recreation Leadership; Lake Washington Vocational Technical Institute Certification in Security and Loss Prevention; EDGE Educator for Relationship & Leadership Education for Middle & High School Youth

Community Service

Volunteer Firefighter 1997 – 2001; Mentor for after school drop in center; Church youth group leader/volunteer

Statement

I've sat by long enough. I can no longer tolerate the failure to educate our children in core subjects like math & reading. I can't watch our children being indoctrinated by taxpayer funded schools that America and its core constitutional values are 'bad'. Our children are suffering the consequences of poor decisions in their public education – they deserve to be fully equipped to succeed in life.

Common sense and science get shelved, replaced by CRT and 'woke' policies. Why are we teaching our children to discriminate on the basis of skin color? Hard work matched by opportunity is how any kid gets ahead. I know the school board's authority is limited and Olympia dictates state curriculum. I, however, live in Sequim, not Olympia, so running for this school board position is what I can do to support solid education in the classroom. Reading, writing, math and history are what we need to teach – not sex-ed to children and who can use what bathroom. Parents have the right to be involved. Sadly, I have been the only parent at a school board meeting. I would like all Sequim school district parents emailed invites to each meeting, to increase participation.

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Eric Pickens

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Sequim School Board from
2019-Present (Board President from

2021-Present), Regional President- Washington Education Association Olympic Council, Board Director - Washington Education Association, Board Director - Sequim Farmers and Artisans Market, Former President- Port Angeles Education Association

Other Professional Experience

Elementary Teacher – Port Angeles School District, 10+ years of business management experience directing call centers and retail stores. Additionally, I served 4 years in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Education

Graduate Chimacum High School, Middlesex College-AA, University of Phoenix BA -Management and MA-Elementary Education.

Community Service

Actively served on coalitions lobbying our state legislature to provide adequate funding to underfunded communities including the Sequim School District.

Statement

As a current elementary teacher, U.S. Coast Guard veteran, and a parent of children who attended or are attending public school in Sequim, I am passionate about public education and service. The most rewarding aspect of being a teacher is seeing students realize their fullest academic potential.

As a school board member, I will continue to fight to ensure that every student is equipped with the tools, resources, and opportunities to ensure their academic success. Sequim School District must provide the best for our children, support our dedicated teachers and staff, and effectively prepare graduates to be ready for college or careers. Despite budget constraints, we must push our schools even more to provide better choices for families, strive for higher standards, and improve our facilities.

I am proud to be a pro-labor, pro-public education candidate endorsed by the Washington Educations Association and the Sequim Education Association. I will continually strive for excellence, ask difficult questions, and demand thorough and transparent answers. Furthermore, I believe that being raised here on the Olympic Peninsula gives me additional perspectives on the specific needs and priorities important to our community.

For passionate, dedicated, and experienced leadership, vote for Eric Pickens.

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Unopposed



Maren Halvorsen

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Appointed to the Sequim School Board in 2022.

Other Professional Experience

Principal and Director, Saturday and Summer Programs (grades K-8), Robinson Center for Young Scholars, University of Washington; Instructor, Writing Across the Curriculum, University of Washington; Lecturer, History Department, University of Washington; Instructor and Principal, Transition School, Robinson Center (college prep); Curriculum writer, Educurious (National Geographic project).

Education

B.A., University of Oregon; Ph.D., University of Washington (History)

Community Service

Parent Volunteer, Seattle Public Schools; Civics Education Committee, Clallam County League of Women Voters; Volunteer, Sequim Boys & Girls Club, Summer Lunch Program; Member, Family & Parent Advisory Group, Sequim Public Schools

Statement

I believe in public schools. My father was president of our small town's school board, and my mother was a school nurse. All the kids in our family went to public K12 and state universities. I am convinced that public schools can help heal the polarization that is devastating our public discourse. Education is the key to our future on this planet.

We need to make sure that we equip our students for the challenges they will face. We must hold ourselves accountable for achievement: are our students finishing high school with a solid set of core skills, and a flexible mindset to navigate the challenges ahead? Are our teachers provided with support and resources to teach effectively? Are our schools connected to our community, with a recognition that we should invest the time and money it takes to have good schools? Let's build on our successes and work together for our students' futures.

As a Board member, I will continue to see to the best interests of our students. From the moment they arrive at our doors as kindergartners to that final walk across the stage as senior graduates, they are our responsibility first and foremost.

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Derek Huntington

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

I ran for the Sequim school board in 2022.

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

I graduated from Sequim High school in 2004.

Community Service

Attended all eight of the strategic planning committee meetings for the school. I also help with my daughter's 4-H. Her auction and at the fair.

Statement

As a candidate for the Sequim school board, I understand that recent decisions made by the board have not been well received by the community. It's important to have a board that is responsive to the needs of students, parents, and community members. If elected, I will work collaboratively with my fellow board members to ensure that all voices are heard and that decisions are made with the best interests of our students in mind. I am committed to transparency, accountability, and open communication. I am also committed to ensuring the success and thriving of every student in our community. Especially with the changes that are starting this fall. I believe that the foundation of a strong and successful school district is a supportive and engaged community that values education and invests in our children's future. As a board member, I will work to foster a culture of academic excellence, provide resources and support for our teachers and staff, and collaborate with families, community organizations, and local businesses to ensure that our students have the skills, knowledge, and opportunities to succeed in college, career, and life. Together, we can build a brighter future for all students in Sequim. Thank you.

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**Michael
Rocha**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Incumbent School Board

Other Professional Experience

Local business owner

Education

Criminal Justice degree from Chaminade University of Honolulu

Community Service

Vice President of Sequim Graduation Party 2021; Sequim Junior Soccer coach; Sequim Youth Basketball coach

Statement

As an incumbent candidate for the Sequim School Board, I am deeply committed to our district’s success. With gratitude, I’ve had the privilege of serving on the board, witnessing the progress we’ve made. As a local business owner, veteran, and parent with children currently in elementary, middle, and high school within the district, I bring a unique and comprehensive perspective to the table.

Understanding the diverse needs of our students at different stages of education is key. I have firsthand experience as a parent, navigating the elementary, middle, and high school years. This perspective allows me to advocate for the resources and programs that will foster their growth, ensuring each student receives the support they deserve.

One area of particular importance to me is easing the burden on families. That is why I am motivated to reintroduce drivers education within our high school curriculum. By offering this course on-site, we can alleviate the logistical and financial challenges families face when seeking external options. Ensuring accessibility and convenience will benefit our students and their families.

Transparency and accountability are paramount to me. As a board member, I believe in open communication, fostering trust between parents and the district.

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**Sandra
Kellso**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

First Time School Board Candidate

Other Professional Experience

Registered Nurse, Jefferson Healthcare, Port Townsend, WA; Air Force Flight Medic, 446 Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, United States Air Force Reserve, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA

Education

Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing (BSN) Concordia University, Portland, OR

Community Service

“Gallon Club” Blood Donor; Toys for Tots Volunteer; “Be the Match” Donor; Wreathes across America

Statement

As a community, we have navigated many changes both during and post-pandemic. As a healthcare provider, military member, and mother, these challenges were daunting. I learned a lot about what it meant to be operating at maximum capacity. I also watched a community come together over shared experiences and hardships.

Another shared experience recently impacted our community in the form of the school realignment. I did my due diligence to keep up with the fast-moving proposal, despite the lack of transparency in the public discussions. I found it increasingly difficult to get simple answers to the reasoning/solutions behind this proposal. The most dubious of all was how this realignment was used as a solution to a budget shortfall which was then abandoned.

As a parent and community member, I understand the importance of trust in our schools. I have seen the impact that it can have on student achievement and overall school culture. When students, parents, and teachers trust each other, they are more likely to work together to create a supportive and inclusive learning environment.

We deserve to *trust* our elected leaders.

Vote Sandra for Sequim.

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**Michael John
Lawrence**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Served as a Makah Tribal Councilman for 9 years, with 2 years as the MTC Chairman and currently serving on the Cape Flattery School District Board of Directors.

Other Professional Experience

Served two terms in the U.S. Army, traveling across the United States and Korea, commercial fisherman for 8 years, and currently manage the Makah Commercial Fishing Dock in Neah Bay.

Education

Graduated from Neah Bay High School in 1984 and completed the US Army, Professional Leadership Development Course in 1991.

Community Service

Coached V/JV basketball at Neah Bay High School, active in my culture and local community.

Statement

It has been an honor to serve on the School Board for the Cape Flattery School District for more than 2 years. I believe that positive educational experiences are instrumental in ensuring that all students receive an inclusive and equitable education, enriched with multiple learning opportunities and pathways to succeed beyond high school. I remain committed to providing positive leadership to help our schools grow in the best interest of students, staff and the community. I look forward to your support in my bid for re-election to the Cape Flattery School Board.

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**Cathy
Walde**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

I am Cathy Walde, and I am running for the Cape Flattery School District #401 for School Board Director District No. 4. I am a long-time resident of Clallam Bay in Clallam County, dating back to 1986, originating from the first settlers at Dickey Lake near Lake Ozette, which had one of the first schools located in Clallam County, WA. I have a proven track record of success in the community of Clallam Bay as a Fire Commissioner for Fire District #5.

Other Professional Experience

Department of Corrections.

Education

BS in Legal Studies, Kaplan University

Community Service

Board Member of New Hope Food Bank

Statement

If there is ever a time to pay attention, the time is now. What families once trusted to be a safe haven for children is no more. You can see the results across this great nation regarding radical education changes implemented in our communities. You *must* understand the direction the school board is taking your district and vote wisely at the polls. What is happening is changing this country. All children have the right to grow without suggestive rhetoric, learning how to think critically and independently. I strongly advocate for parental involvement in education, bringing back common sense and educational core values because our children *must* come first. Education must be free from an agenda that breaks down pride in our country, the normal development of childhood innocence, and parental rights. I bring common sense measures and strong abilities to simplify problems with solutions. I am passionate about education and want to make a difference in all our students' lives. I am committed to providing all students with a quality education, regardless of their background or zip code. Every child deserves the opportunity to succeed and be on the right path to graduation.

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No photo
submitted

**Donald
Baker**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

I'm happy to share that I have been on the board for 13 years and I am also just proud of the opportunity to help move our students onward and past covid.

Other Professional Experience

I'm a proud member of the Clallam Bay Lions club and have been with them 15 plus years. also I'm on the timber task force to D.N.R. and Regional director to small schools

Education

Grad. 1974 Clallam Bay and 3 years of extended classes from Washington state; Peninsula college

Community Service

Lions club 15 plus years.

Statement

I'm proud of our students and their achievements to their life goals the learning that we all share in equal setting and the gifts that each one has brought to the schools. I'm just proud to be a part.

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No photo
submitted

Leanne
Ellis
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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**Shannon
Dahlgren**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

I have been serving on the Quillayute Valley School Board since November 2021 as an appointed member.

Other Professional Experience

I have been employed at Department of Social and Health Services for almost 30 years. For the last 22 years I have been working as a Public Benefit Specialist.

Education

Lake Washington Technical College and Peninsula College.

Community Service

I served on the West End Youth League board from 2006-2019. Currently I am serving on two high school booster clubs. I have volunteered at all of the Forks schools when needed.

Statement

I have lived in Forks since 1977 and am a proud 1991 graduate of Forks High School. My husband and I have raised 3 boys here with our youngest graduating next year. I have consistently volunteered in the district throughout the time my children attended school as a classroom helper, PTA, fundraisers , school events and now school board member.

During my time serving on the board we have seen many positive changes in our district. One of those changes was the completion of the new Spartan Stadium which has created excitement in our community and students. Another positive change was the approval of a school resource officer to help with behavioral issues and insure safety for the students and staff. We have been working hard to insure that students have what they need for their social and emotional needs after the pandemic.

I believe in preparing our students for the future and will continue to strive for new curriculum that will help our children meet those goals.

With your vote I can continue to be a constructive voice for parents, students and our community.

Thank you for your consideration of District 1 School Board Director.

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No photo submitted

William H Rohde
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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No photo submitted

Michael A Reaves
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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**Dustin
Kraft**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

I've served for 6yrs as your Commissioner and played a key role in expanding the services the district provides while increasing district revenues by tens of thousands of dollars without the increased tax burden.

Other Professional Experience

I've worked in EMS for 10yrs as a paramedic, and director in EMS.

Education

My education is diverse. I began my education at Peninsula College where I became an EMT and volunteered with Forks for over 5 years. My university education experience began at UW-Seattle where I then transferred to begin the B.S. Paramedicine program at CWU-Ellensburg.

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

Today I continue to work hard for our community and district as well as continue to learn as a provider by traveling to work with other local agencies and gain more experience that I am able to bring back to the community on a regular basis. I sincerely enjoy and love serving not only the Fire District and its personnel, but the citizens who entrust myself and the rest of our elected officials to direct the service for our community.

I look forward to being able to continue my service as a Commissioner of the Board for Fire District #1.

Contact

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No photo
submitted

**Chet
Hunt**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

Contact

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**Dan
Huff**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Small business owner, Manager of a building material supply yard, Treasurer of First Baptist Church, Fire 1 Instructor, EMT-B, EMS Evaluator, Assistant Chief, fleet and facilities manager for the district.

Education

Graduated from Port Angeles High School, Fire One academy, Fire one instructor, EMT-B certification through Peninsula College, Hazmat Incident Command,

Community Service

Dan was privileged to join fire district 2 in 1977 as a volunteer firefighter. Became a First Responder then EMT-B. Continuing his service and training Dan worked his way up through the ranks from Lieutenant to Captain, then promoted to Assistant Chief in 2012.

Statement

Dan Huff is a lifelong resident of Clallam County. Dan has worked in the area as a fulltime residential & commercial painter, at Olympic Drywall Supplies, first as a warehouseman/store manager. Currently Dan is the owner of a Painting Company.

Dan has been active in the community for the past 50 years, serving on the board of First Baptist Church of Port Angeles ,supporter of the Young Life on the Olympic Peninsula as well as other local charities & organizations.

He takes pride in the 45 years of service that he was privileged to provide to the citizens and personnel of Fire District 2. During his time, he was able to take part in the growth and modernization of the department through modern firefighting equipment, improved PPE, for personnel safety, new apparatus, along with 24/7 staffing providing fire suppression and emergency medical to the community.

Dan retired from his role as a volunteer at the end of 2022 and accepted an appointment to the board to fill a vacancy. His goal is to use his experience to ensure that the needs of the community are being met for years to come along with a fiscally responsible approach to growth.

Contact

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Mike
Mingee

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Retired Chief Fire Officer, including Fire Chief for the City of Port Townsend and East Jefferson Fire Rescue. Currently I serve in the Fire Service as a Leadership Instructor for the U.S. Fire Administration and the Washington State Fire Marshal.

Education

I possess a Bachelor Degree in Public Administration and a Masters Certificate in Labor / Management Relations.

Community Service

For the past 5 years I have served as a Volunteer Fire Lieutenant for Clallam County Fire District 3 at Diamond Point. I also volunteer for the ONP as a National Ski Patroller at Hurricane Ridge.

Statement

I am Michael (Mike) Mingee and I am honored to be running for the office of Fire Commissioner in Clallam County Fire District 3. I hope you agree that I possess both the experience and knowledge to lead our Fire District through its current and future challenges. During my time as a Fire District 3 resident and volunteer, I have gained great respect for the members who work selflessly every day to serve us all. Their skills and abilities are second to none compared to all the Fire Departments I have had the good fortune to serve.

While our Fire District provides exceptional service, it is challenged by the district's growth, calls for service and customer demographics. Currently our District responds to nearly 9000 calls for service annually, and that number stands to rise. I believe my experience of leadership makes me the most capable candidate to lead our Fire District through their current and future challenges. I humbly ask for your vote to elect me, Mike Mingee, as your next Fire District Commissioner.

Contact

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Marcus (Ben)

Pacheco

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

17 years as Joyce Fire Commissioner.

Other Professional Experience

2 years Board Member for Crescent Water Association;
Previous Department of Natural Resources Advisory
Committee member.

Education

B.S. Wildlife Biology from Colorado State University. Various
Fire Commissioner seminars and classes primarily through
the Washington Fire Commissioners Association.

Community Service

Various projects through Joyce Fire Department and
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training.

Statement

Marcus (Ben) Pacheco has been a Clallam County Fire
Protection District No. 4 Fire Commissioner for 17 years and
for the last several years has been Chairman of the Board.

Ben ran a successful construction company for 13 years and
is now semi-retired so he can focus primarily on his farm and
Joyce Fire. In 2002, Ben and his wife came to the area with
the desire to be a part of the community. Both enjoy helping
their community and try to give as much as they can.

Ben's Wildlife Biology degree from Colorado State University
helps immensely in understanding several aspects of his role
as Commissioner, especially when it comes to forestry and
the importance of logging to bring timber taxes to our district
and the community.

Ben looks forward to continuing his service in this role and is
excited about what the future has in store for the District and
the Joyce community.

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**Bruce
Leiper**

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

My name is Bruce Leiper. As a Joyce resident for 23 years, I'm currently serving under appointment as one of five Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 4 commissioners. I have not held an elected office.

Other Professional Experience

My wife and I served public schools in the U.S. and international schools overseas for over 35 years, as teachers, administrators, and leaders.

Education

I hold a Masters Degree in Education Administration.

Community Service

I once served as a trustee for the Crescent Water Association. I'm a long-standing member of the Joyce Emergency Planning and Preparation board and captain of the Joyce Emergency Response Team (CERT).

Statement

I would like to continue serving as a member of the CCFPD4 Board of Commissioners. Since filling a vacancy in March 2022, I have served as chair of the board's Building Finance Advisory Committee, seeking funding options for a new apparatus bay. I've also attended conferences and workshops and have devoted many hours to developing a deeper understanding of the district's goals and aspirations. I've been impressed by the professionalism exhibited by CCFPD4 and by its general effectiveness, efficiency, and commitment to the community. I am confident my background and knowledge will continue to add value to the CCFPD4 board and help advance its mission. I welcome the opportunity to further serve through applying my organizational and leadership skills, including my earlier work with conflict resolution and with an approach known as the "seven norms of collaboration." When not volunteering, I enjoy grand-parenting, landscaping, gardening, outdoor activities, travel, reading, writing, volunteer service work, and other pursuits here in the beautiful Northwest.

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Dan

Peacock

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Taught Physical Education in Ellensburg for three years. Taught Physical Education in the Port Angeles School District for 30 years retiring in 2002. Worked for Olympic National Park in the summer months in various capacities, one of the jobs was Fire Crew Lead at Lake Crescent. Also, was part of the Future Builders program in Port Angeles supervising young men and women in construction work for nine years.

Education

Graduated from high school in Port Angeles, WA. Graduated from Central Washington State College with a degree in Physical Education.

Community Service

Board member of Friends of Olympic National Park for 17 years.

Statement

I am a strong supporter of Fire District 4. Fire District 4 has done an incredible job of serving our community in both fire and medical emergencies. In running for Position 4, I would be a strong supporter of the construction of the new fire station and the addition of the upgrades to Fire District 4. I would be open and interested to hear what community members have to say about Fire District 4's future. Please seriously consider voting for me for Position 4 in Fire District 4.

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Tony
Pendleton

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

Tony came to the United States in 1981 and joined the Fire Department in Hartford, South Dakota two months later. He spent 11 years as the Assistant Fire Chief, bringing his total years of service to the department to 14 years. During that time he also spent 6 years as a crash rescue fire fighter at the Sioux Falls airport. In 2015 he moved to Clallam bay and worked at the post office for 6 years. During his time at the post office he was able to learn about the community and build meaningful friendships and connections that helped create a deep care for the community. Three years ago he answered the call to serve as a commissioner for Fire District #5, and has spent that time working diligently to help the department maintain growth, and excel in the standard of care Emergency Medical Services and Fire Response are providing. Tony finds great pride in his work while always has the best interest of the community at heart and hopes to continue to do so by serving as Clallam County Fire District #5 Commissioner for another term.

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**Scott
Horton**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Scott Horton serves as one of three commissioners for District 6. He has lived in the district since 1990.

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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**Jason
Bushman**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Human Resources Professional - City & Borough of Juneau, AK - Bartlett Regional Hospital; Health Insurance Benefits Manager; Architectural Designer

Education

Washington State University - B.S. Architecture

Community Service

Project SEARCH - Program Manager: Providing local internships for young people with significant disabilities, that result in competitive and integrated employment opportunities at the end of each program. Puget Sound Anglers - member; City of Edmonds -Parks & Recreation Summer Camp

Statement

My name is Jason Bushman, I am a born and raised Washingtonian, and most importantly, a dedicated father and husband. I am seeking the seat of Parks and Rec Commissioner because I see this as an area in Clallam County that is just craving to be enriched and promoted for our community. The Olympic Peninsula provides our families with a unique experience that is seldom found anywhere else in our country, and our parks are a direct representation of what we want to display and share with our fellow Washingtonians. I understand what it takes to enhance our parks, and with a fresh set of ideals from our community members, I would like to create opportunities for the residents of Clallam county to engage, develop, and stimulate recreational development throughout the Olympic Peninsula. I look forward to earning your vote.

Contact

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**Robert
Kellso**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Farm Manager, Rain Shadow Lavender Farm. Sequim, Wa 2018-present; Internal Accountant, Financial Advocates. Olympia, WA. 2013- present

Education

B.A. Hospitality Business Management, Washington State University. Pullman, WA; Viticulture certificate, Washington State University, Prosser, WA

Community Service

Boy Scouts of America, Eagle scout, 10y volunteer activities. Sigma Iota, Washington State University, 1000 volunteer hrs

Statement

I believe that parks and recreation play a vital role in promoting physical and mental health, fostering community engagement, and enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

If elected, I will work to improve our parks and recreational facilities by prioritizing maintenance, upgrades, and promoting community engagement. I will work with community members and local businesses to identify areas of need and develop plans to address them.

Finally, I am committed to ensuring that our community has access to safe, well-maintained facilities that should be accessible to all members of our community.

I am passionate about parks and recreation and believe that they are essential to the health and well-being of our community. I ask for your vote and support in this important endeavor.

Contact

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**Dick
Neal**

(Nonpartisan)

Elected Experience

Present incumbent appointed in 2020.

Other Professional Experience

Assistant Professor, San Diego State University; Ethics Director for General Dynamics Space Systems Division; Human Resource Manager for General Dynamics and Battelle Institute; Retired Lt Col, USAF with 22 years of service.

Education

Bachelor Degree, Industrial Management, Purdue University; Master Degree Secondary Education, Boston University; Armed Forces Staff College and Air War College.

Community Service

Past President Olympic Peninsula Military Officers Association; Past Senior Warden, St Lukes Episcopal Church; Commissioner, Position 3, Park and Recreation District Number 1 (SARC); Vice President West Camden Home Owners Association, Sherwood Village.

Statement

I was appointed to Position 3 of the Parks and Recreation District in 2022. I am running for the SARC commissioner position as I believe that our community owned recreation facility is a very important facility, vital to the health and well being of its members, and I wanted to exert all my efforts to insure the future viability of the facility. Having lived in Sequim for over 20 years, I personally have and continue to use the facility to maintain my own health. Although the YMCA now operates the facility thru a lease agreement, the comissioners have an important oversight role of the YMCA agreement. I will exert all my efforts to insure the maintance, affordability, and availability of what I consider to be one of the crown jewels of the Sequim area.

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Al

Mundy

(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

I have been a Parks and Rec Commissioner since 2019.

Other Professional Experience

I am a 25-year retired USAF Officer and have serviced in numerous capacities including: Project Manager, Acquisitions Officer, Executive Officer, and Service Academy Professor. I am currently a Real Estate Agent in Sequim.

Education

BS Computer Engineering -- Clemson University; MS Computer Engineering -- Syracuse University; PhD - Electrical Engineering -- University of Colorado

Community Service

In addition to meeting and getting to know a large percentage of the local services industry through my real estate business, I also have offered free math and science tutoring for youth in the area.

Statement

As I approach my 60's, I see the benefits of having access to recreational facilities as well as fitness activities. I support equal access to publicly owned facilities for all residents of Clallam County. I look forward to another term as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner.

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**Jean
Monro**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Retired Certified Surgical Technologist

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

I have been involved SARC almost since its inception and want what is best for the community.

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No photo submitted

Susie Brandelius
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

Past Secretary Forks Elk Lodge; Current Treasurer Soroptimist International of the Olympic Rain Forest

Other Professional Experience

Social Worker for 20 years currently with Olympic Area Agency on Aging in Forks for the past 15 years. Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisor for 12 years. Paralegal in Family Law for 5 years. Business administration for 10 years and restaurant management for 15 years.

Education

BA in Communications/Journalism - University of California San Diego; Paralegal Certification - University of San Diego

Community Service

Forks Elks Lodge; Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisor; Soroptimist International of the Olympic Rain Forest; Patient Family Advisory Committee Member - Forks Community Hospital

Statement

I would like to continue to be a part of the decision-making process that keeps the Parks and Recreation District solvent as well as an asset to the community of Forks.

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David Gedlund
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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Nedra Reed
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

No information submitted

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**Gordon
Gibbs**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

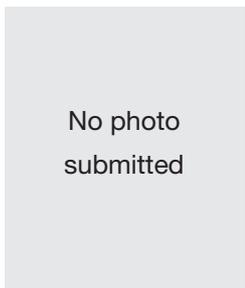
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Statement

I would like to continue serving people within the Quileute Park and Recreation District for the health, safety, and recreation benefits.

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**Andy
Brett**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education

No information submitted

Community Service

No information submitted

Statement

My wife Melissa and I moved to Black Diamond Road in 2019 and have been putting down roots here since then. I have enjoyed meeting many of you already (usually by explaining the latest project in our backyard), and I look forward to meeting more of my neighbors as your commissioner.

Contact

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No photo
submitted

**John
Lewis**
(Nonpartisan)

Unopposed

Elected Experience

I served two terms as a member of the Division 17 HOA Board of Directors and previously as the Exterior Maintenance Coordinator. I served for four years on the Board of the Yamhill County Historical Society as Secretary, Treasurer, and President.

Other Professional Experience

Licensed Professional Engineer (civil) for over 50 years. Currently retired.

Education

Bachelor of Engineering (civil). Additional courses in accounting and land surveying and engineering related seminars.

Community Service

Community advisory committee for planning and zoning. Chamber of Commerce member in the small town.

Statement

Anita and I have been residents of Sunland for the last 7 years. Before moving here we lived on Camano Island, then McMinnville and now we are back home in Washington. As a licensed civil engineer I have had many and varied work experiences with emphasis on utilities design, and the management of facilities, construction, and manufacturing. My last 15 years was with the Snohomish County Public Utilities District and retired as Manager Substation Engineering.

I believe in public service and giving back to one's community and it will be my honor to serve. I also believe my experience gives me the skills to do so and I am committed to work as a team member of our Board of Commissioners.

I respectfully request your vote, and thank you for your consideration.

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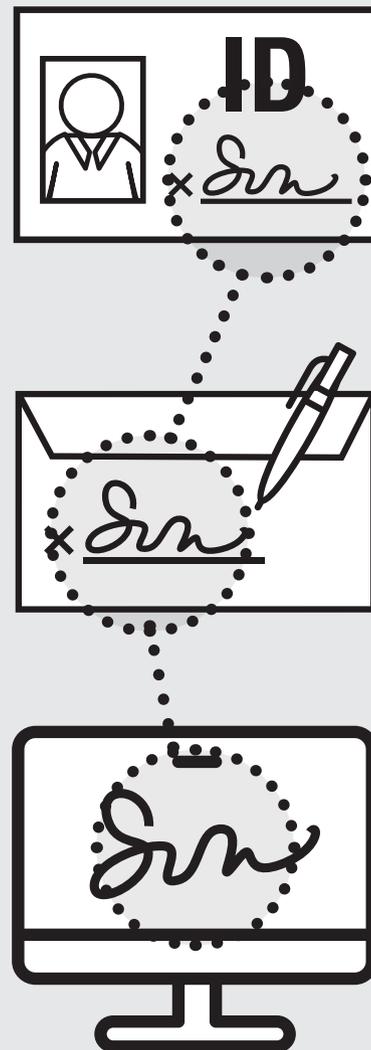
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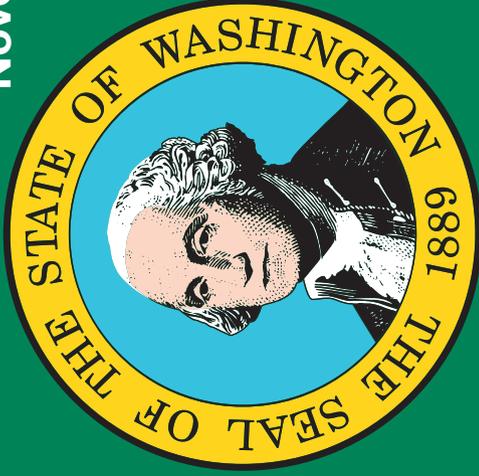
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