



# **Washington State is the best place in the country to work, live, and raise a family.**

King County's economy – fueled by innovation and a skilled workforce – creates jobs and helps drive economic growth throughout Washington State. Businesses in the Puget Sound region influence the global economy, provide jobs for our residents, and keep local communities thriving.

Ensuring King County remains a place where everyone has the opportunity to reach his or her potential is a responsibility we share with our state and federal partners, and it's our promise to serve all those who call this region home. The Washington State Congressional delegation members are vital partners in our continued prosperity.

The King County Executive and Council have constructed an agenda that includes continued investment in infrastructure, maintaining support for critical health and human service programs, tackling the opioid crisis affecting too many Washington families, and working to protect the environment. King County has been, and will continue to be, a strong partner and a good investment for the federal government.



## Infrastructure for a Strong Economy

From airplanes and lumber to apples and wheat, millions of dollars worth of goods grown, processed, or manufactured in Washington State move through King County on a daily basis. Thousands of commuters make their way to job centers every morning via King County roads, rails, trails and waterways. We need a transportation system that effectively moves people and goods.

- Maintain, replace, and repair aging bridges and roads; fund and finance transit projects. Programs including TIGER and TIFIA should be funded to ensure we meet the transportation needs of our economy.
- Improve failing Army Corps of Engineers infrastructure, including the Ballard Locks, Howard Hanson, and Buckley Diversion Dams; and invest in flood protection infrastructure to protect industry, manufacturing, farmlands, and working families.
- Increase regional competitiveness through development of the Eastside Rail Corridor, connecting job centers and neighborhoods on the Eastside of Lake Washington.
- Preserve the ecological and environmental uniqueness of the Puget Sound region by designating the Mountains to Sound Greenway as a National Heritage Area; funding federal programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and continue investing in the clean up of Puget Sound and the Duwamish River.

## Investing in Healthy Communities

King County must continue to work with our local and national partners to address a statewide homelessness crisis. Our approach must include strategies that address the root causes of the crisis.

- Support national efforts to combat opioid addiction and transition people safely off heroin and opioids.
- Secure resources for permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing, and reemployment services to help communities address family, youth, chronic, veteran, and all homelessness. Federal programs that provide resources to address these challenges should be fully funded, including the CDBG and HOME grant programs.
- Continue access to affordable, quality health care for King County residents. Because of our federal partnership, we have seen a 50% reduction in the overall uninsured rate, and 98% of King County children have health insurance.
- Support federal programs and initiatives that address issues important to King County families, including: gender pay equity, paid family leave, immigration reform, gun violence, disproportionality in the criminal justice system, human trafficking, and equal protection for all people including those in the LGBTQ community.

## A Strong Investment

Existing federal investments in King County have led to positive stewardship and outcomes. We seek continued federal partnership with King County and the 2.1 million Americans who are proud to call this place home. We effectively leverage federal resources to drive economic growth, and serve working families and vulnerable populations. In the 2017/2018 biennial budget anticipated federal investments of:

### Criminal Justice

#### Prosecuting Attorney's Office **\$10,758,465**

- Child support enforcement
- Grant funding for STOP grants (domestic violence & youth victims)
- Grant funding for Project Safe Neighborhoods
- Grant funding for children's advocacy
- Grants for Data-Based Prosecution/Police Prosecutor Partnership
- Grant funding for GEAP
- Crime Victim's assistance

#### Superior Court **\$2,110,000**

- Child support enforcement
- Grant funding for Family Treatment Court
- Grant funding for Commercially Sexually Exploited Children
- Medicaid Match

#### Sheriff's Office **\$2,050,000**

- Child support enforcement
- Grant funding for sex offender monitoring
- Traffic safety training
- Violence against women prevention

#### Adult and Juvenile Detention **\$1,230,000**

- Criminal Alien Assistance Program
- Grant funding for school meals

#### Judicial Administration **\$2,588,499**

- Child support enforcement

### Health and Human Services

#### Public Health **\$156,904,856**

- Medicaid administrative match
- Grant funding
- Medicaid payments

#### Community and Human Services **\$402,600,000**

- Employment and education services for adults and youth
- Housing and community development programs
- Therapeutic courts
- Behavioral health prevention, treatment, and services to support recovery
- Early intervention for babies & toddlers with developmental disabilities
- Employment services for adults with developmental disabilities

### Infrastructure

#### Transportation Department **\$162,900,000**

- FTA formula and discretionary funding
- Roads funding
- Marine funding

### Emergency Preparedness

#### Office of Emergency Management **\$5,476,000**

- Terrorism response and recovery
- Regional preparedness
- All hazard emergency preparedness system