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## Tulalip Tribes backing proposed legislation allowing prosecution of drug-related crimes



Tulalip Tribes' Board of Directors at its headquarters meeting with Representative Rick Larsen on August 6, 2024, being brief on the PROTECT Act. (Top L-R) Chair Teri Gobin, Vice Chair Misty Napeahi, and Councilman Glen Gobin. (Bottom L-R) Lisa Koop, Federal Advocate, Summer Hammons, Legislative Policy Analyst for Treaty Rights & Govt. Affairs Office at Tulalip Tribes, Representative Rick Larsen, and Interim Chief of Police Chris Gobin. Lynnwood Times | Kienan Briscoe.

By KIENAN BRISCOE

**TULALIP**—The Tulalip Tribes' headquarters resounded with thanks on Tuesday, August 6, directed toward Representative Rick Larsen (WA-02) for introducing in the US House of Representatives the PROTECT Act—Protection for Reservation Occupants against Trafficking and Evasive Communications Today—which, if passed, will give Tribal courts and law enforcement the ability to prosecute

drug-related crimes for the first time in nearly half a century.

Since the landmark 1978 Supreme Court ruling, *Oliphant v. Suquamish Indian Tribe*, tribal courts have been unable to prosecute non-American Indians for most crimes including drug trafficking. In a time when opioid-related deaths are at an all-time-high, this has rendered many tribes helpless to combat the wave of organized crime that has taken advantage of, what Tu-

lalip Tribal leaders consider, a broken law “very much steeped in racism.”

“The cartel, the people that bring the drugs in, they’re not dumb – they understand jurisdictional issues and they fully capitalize on it,” said Tulalip Tribes Vice Chair Misty Napeahi. “I hope this [the PROTECT ACT] gets passed, I hope you stand strong on this. You’re going to be standing up

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## Unofficial primary election result recap for key local races

By KIENAN BRISCOE

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY**—Statewide election results in Washington state are officially being tallied. Some races we can call early and others, we will have to wait as ballots are counted over the next several days.

Garth Fell, Snohomish County Auditor, informed the Lynnwood Times the county is expecting final voting turnout percentage to approach 40%, similar to previous years ranging from 26.5% in 2023 to 53.7% in 2020 (also a presidential year).

“[W]e encourage people to learn more about our secure and transparent process for delivering accurate results for every election and that includes visiting our new Elections Center on Snohomish County’s main campus in Everett,” Fell told the Lynnwood Times.

Note that these results are not official as of Wednesday, August 7. County Canvassing Boards will have until August 20 to certify results.

Washington Governor picks Bob Ferguson (D) and Dave Reichert (R) appear to be advancing to the General Elections this November out of a pool of nearly two dozen candidates.

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## Ferry workers' union say poor management, low pay pushing WA Ferry system into crises



By KIENAN BRISCOE

**SEATTLE**—Washington State Ferry engine room workers, backed

by their union Marine Engineers Beneficial Association (M.E.B.A.), launched a public petition Tuesday asking

Governor Jay Inslee to direct the state in providing competitive pay to retain and recruit engine room crew, which they say is paramount to restoring a safe and reliable ferry system.

The announcement came at a press conference held on Tuesday, August 6, at the Seattle Ferry Terminal on Pier 52’s Colman Dock where several workers

spoke about how the state’s ferry system’s low pay and poor management have resulted in canceled sailings and a backlog of repairs and maintenance.

Ferry ridership is returning to pre-pandemic levels, but service is unreliable, Kristin Hyde, Press Secretary for the M.E.B.A. union told the

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# School Districts facing massive budget cuts

By OLIVIA THIESSEN

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY**—The Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office is still struggling to keep up with its ever-increasing criminal case backlog four years after the pandemic closed and restricted the court systems.

Multiple Snohomish County school districts face massive budget cuts entering the 2024-25 school year, including Northshore, Edmonds, Mukilteo, and Marysville. These budget cuts follow a trend of Washington schools struggling to balance their budgets amidst drops in enrollment and the nearing end of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds—monies earmarked under the American Rescue Plan.

At the beginning of 2024, Washington had spent over 74% of its allocated ESSER funding, more than any other state. Meanwhile, local districts have begun to slash their budgets.

Northshore School District plans to cut the 2024-25 general fund by \$26 million. Edmonds School District plans to cut \$10.6 million. Mukilteo plans a further \$9.8 million cut after its \$24 million reduction last year.

Some districts have resorted to a more drastic solution—closing schools. Marysville School District, currently in a \$1.26 million deficit (which they got down from \$17.5 million), recently proposed closing three schools in the 2025-26 school year—Cascade Elementary, Liberty Elementary, and Totem Middle School—for an estimated savings

of \$2,749,811. The Marysville school board will make its final decision on the proposal in March 2025.

"It is far-fetched and disingenuous to say that current budget challenges are due to anything other than a volatile financial landscape impacting schools and school districts across the state and nation," said Marysville Superintendent Zachary Robbins, who took the position June 1, 2022.

At the start of the 2023-24 school year, Marysville entered into binding conditions with the OSPI when the district was unable to balance the budget.

## WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?

As soon as ESSER funds became available, school districts began to push the money into their General Fund budget, even though ESSER funds were designed to temporarily cover costs associated with COVID-19 learning loss. As schools hired more teachers and added more programs, yearly expenses went up.

In 2017-18, Washington expenditures came to roughly \$12,800 per student. This last school year, expenditures reached \$18,286 per student. That is a 42% increase over six years.

Schools also saw an uptick in levy funding after the pandemic, as voters seemed to support additional funding to recover learning loss and for capital projects. Those funds were added to the per-student expenditures.

But recently more and more levies have been shot down, and ESSER funding expires September 30. Washington schools have also seen a dramatic drop in enrollment in the last three years. With fewer students enrolled, school districts receive less state funding.

## WHAT THIS MEANS FOR STUDENTS

Nearly all local districts are experiencing some form of layoffs. Marysville plans to cut 34 full-time positions this year after having already cut 132 full-time positions in the previous year. The other districts plan dozens of layoffs across all positions, including teachers, administrators, coaches, and paraeducators.

"Due to the fact that 85.5% of our current budget expenditures is staffing, to balance our budget we must eliminate or reduce some positions and programs," said Northshore Superintendent Michael Tolley.

Layoffs affect the programs a school can offer. The first programs that get reduced in most school districts include sports, band, special education, pre-K, etc.

But more importantly, layoffs lead to larger classes, which will be a major blow to student success. School closures and consolidation will have the same effect.

A famous 1980s Tennessee study found that students in a class of 13 to 17 performed better over time than those in classes of 22 to 25 students. They also found large classes affected minority children more adversely.

In one survey, 90% of teachers agreed that smaller classes can have a "strong" or "very strong" impact on student achievement.

"People talk about 'silver bullets' in education, but the only thing that we know works is 'small class size,'" one teacher told the NEA.

One thing that is unlikely to change is the free lunch programs. House Bill 1238 (HB 1238) requires schools to provide free meals if at least 30% of students are eligible.

That means if students received a free meal last year, they will likely receive a free meal next year. You can see if your school is providing free meals on the OSPI website.

It's clear what school officials want—more state funding. District leaders do not want to rely on uncertain grants and levies to cover their costs. But Washington state spends more per student than the national average.

In 2022-23, Washington spent \$18,286, compared to the national average of \$15,633 in the same year. Comparatively, Washington students stand 35th in the nation for SAT scores and 49th for number of students per teacher.

And despite spending going up, students are performing worse each year. In 2022-23, only 39.1% of students hit proficiency, compared to 49.5% in 2017-18. The same trend is occurring in English Language Arts and Science.

# Snohomish among 13 counties suing DCYF for decision to keep juveniles in local jails

By GRACE DENG, WASHINGTON STATE STANDARD

The Washington State Association of Counties is suing the state over its decision to suspend intakes at two juvenile detention centers and house newly convicted youth in county jails due to overcrowding.

The association, which represents all 39 of Washington's counties, is asking King County Superior Court to reverse the intake suspension. The lawsuit was filed Wednesday, July 31, and lists 13 county governments as plaintiffs, including Pierce, Clark, Spokane, Snohomish and Thurston Counties. WSAC Interim Executive Director Derek Young said, "This extraordinary an-

nouncement [to suspend intakes] was made without notice or consultation with county officials. The State apparently gave no thought to the impact this decision would have on the rest of the system or the youth and young adults and their families. DCYF has a statutory obligation to admit youth and young adults into its JR facilities, and their decision not only risks the safety of our youth in the justice system but also transfers the State's current overcrowding and safety issues directly to counties. This is unacceptable."

In the lawsuit, the counties argue the Department of Children, Youth and Families is failing to meet its legal obligations and that local jails are not equipped for housing juveniles long-

term and providing rehabilitative programming. The department has said the suspension may last for months.

The counties also say that despite Department of Children, Youth and Families director Ross Hunter's reassurance that juvenile offenders will not be released early due to the decision, "Secretary Hunter does not have the authority to ensure no offenders are released early."

"The counties remain uncertain that a court somewhere won't order that youthful offenders be released early if they can't be housed at a DCYF facility," said Rob Coffman, the association's vice president and Lincoln County Commissioner.

The lawsuit comes amid recent calls for Hunter's resignation from two state lawmakers and a letter sent to Gov. Jay Inslee by the Washington State Partnership Council on Juvenile Justice asking the governor to fire Hunter. Young said the counties did not discuss asking for Hunter's removal.

The counties' association said the Department of Children, Youth and Families "failed to plan for the expected growth of young people in their facilities due to changes in the law," referring to a 2018 law known as "Juvenile Rehabilitation to 25" that expanded the ages eligible to be housed in juvenile facilities.

The department has two facilities, Green Hill in Chehalis and Echo Glen in Snoqualmie. The state closed one of its juvenile detention centers, Naselle Youth Camp, in 2022, which held up to 150 young men ages 16-25.

Lisa Janicki, president of the Washington State Association of Counties, said it was "obvious and foreseeable" that the department's capacity would need to expand after the 2018 law passed.

"Instead, the agency reduced capacity but acted like the overcrowding problems at Green Hill and Echo Glen are a surprise," said Janicki, also a Skagit County commissioner.

In a statement to the Standard, the Department of Children, Youth and Families said freezing intakes was "necessary to mitigate ongoing threats to safety caused by overcrowding."

"Without safety we cannot provide a therapeutic environment and offer programming to young people at our facilities," said agency spokesperson Nancy Gutierrez. "We anticipated legal actions but hope for a quick resolution based on our shared interests of balancing both public safety and juvenile rehabilitation."

## THE LAWSUIT

According to the counties' association, the Department of Children, Youth and

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# Deputy Parks Director resigns after 26 years with Lynnwood

BY KIENAN BRISCOE

**LYNNWOOD**—Lynnwood Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Deputy Director Sarah Olson announced her resignation today, Monday, July 29, after 26 years with the city. Olson's resignation is effective on August 9 but with a planned vacation, her last day of physical work will be on August 2.

"Seeing the Lynnwood community for nearly 26 years, including the past ten years as Deputy Director, has been an immense honor," Olson wrote in an email addressed to colleagues Monday. "Together, we have achieved significant milestones in enhancing accessibility and equity through multi-modal planning, transit access, capital projects, neighborhood plans, fire service, and so much more. I am confident that our collective efforts have made a lasting impact, and I hope the city will continue to advance great work." Olson shared the announcement with "mixed emotions," she said. Her resignation comes at a time shortly after Lynnwood Mayor Christine Frizzell appointed Parks Superintendent Joel Faber to Interim Director, despite former Parks Director Lynn Sordel's recommendation to transition Olson in as Director.

Sordel informed the Lynnwood Times he had been training Olson for the role for nearly a decade.

Faber's interim position is ending and the city is scheduled to announce a permanent Parks Director on August 12.

Olson joined the City of Lynnwood staff in 1998 as Assistant Aquatics Supervisor where she implemented a new swim lesson program that serves 6,500-7,000 participants annually and conducted on-going program evalua-



Senator Marko Liias (center) with (L-R) Julie Moore, Monica Thompson, Lynnwood Mayor Christine Frizzell, and Sarah Olson attending the groundbreaking ceremony of the Orange Swift BRT Line in Lynnwood on April 19, 2022. Lynnwood Times

tion. During this time, she also managed and coordinated a six-agency joint program, guided the department's Sponsorship Committee in annual strategic planning, and review of policies and procedures. She also created the department's Blood Borne Pathogen program and procedural response.

In 2005 Olson became Lynnwood's Community Programs Supervisor where she led a citywide implementation of GovDelivery electronic news service; a communication tool for community members, coordinated a promotional campaign for reopening of the Lynnwood Recreation Center after a \$25 million renovation and expansion capital improvement project, and served seven years as chair for the countywide Get Movin', a multi-agency, collaborative health program, seeing it through organizational development and program expansion.

While in that role, Olson also managed

sion.

Olson became the City of Lynnwood's Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Deputy Director in 2014 where she served as the City's lead negotiator project manager for the development and adoption of a regional fire authority plan with successful formation and transition to the South Snohomish County Regional Fire Authority and developed over \$25 million in capital and planning grant awards. She also managed over 20 capital projects representing more than \$40 million in park capital investment and adopted and implemented park impact fee program securing dedicated revenue source for park system capital program, according to her LinkedIn profile.

Olson holds a master's degree in public administration from Seattle University and a bachelor's degree in science and biology from Western Washington University.

Olson's resignation follows a string of long-term Senior- and Director-level departures from the City: Evan Chinn, Human Resources Director, Art Ceniza, Assistant City Administrator, Corbitt Loch, Strategic Planner, and Lynn Sordel, Lynnwood Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Director.

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# Celebrating 25 years of the Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary

By KIENAN BRISCOE

EVERETT—Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers joined Washington State Representative Rick Larsen (WA-02), Paine Field Airport Director Joshua Marcy, local nonprofit Friends of Narbeck and members of the original Narbeck planning team on Wednesday, July 31, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary wetlands mitigation bank, the first ever in Washington State.

Mitigation banking is when a new wetland is created in advance of adversely affecting current wetlands. Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary, located at 6900 Seaway Boulevard in Everett, is a 42.76-acre park accessible for passive recreational use with trails, interpretive signs, viewpoints, picnic tables, and restrooms.

There are also two walking trails, a small loop trail, and a half mile interpretative trail around the perimeter with educational signs and self-guided tours. During the school year, Park Rangers can even be scheduled to give students educational demonstrations on the park, its function as a wetland mitigation site, and the various wildlife that call it home.

Since opening in 1999, the Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary has since become the model for wetland mitigation sites statewide. Today there are about 20 wetland mitigation banks in Washington including the Skykomish Habitat Bank and the Snohomish Basin Bank both located in Snohomish County.

“We need to think of wetlands as critical infrastructure here in the Northwest,” said Representative Larsen. “When we do that we learn that our infrastructure can have major benefits to the economy and the environment.”

Representative Larsen served with Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers on the County council when the council approved the project back in the late 90’s.

Executive Somers said Wednesday that the project benefits the local economy as well as the environment as a whole. He thanked the several community partners that made the project possible and looks forward to celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2049.

According to Bill Lewallen, Friends of Narbeck member and former Paine Field’s Director of Land Development when the project kickstarted, the driving mantra of the project was “how we do things is just as important as what we do.”

They did this, he said, by casting a vision that was big enough so they could invite regulatory partners to take a risk that was worth investing in the project. Secondly, the Friends of Narbeck surrounded themselves with quality people who bought into that vision.

Lewallen also belongs to the Friends of Harbor Hill nonprofit, which he and his fellow Gig Harbor neighbors created after he shared the inspiration and vision of what could be based on his work to create Narbeck, Kirstin Banfield, Public Information Officer for Paine Field, told the Lynnwood Times.

In its first six years Friends of Harbor Hill raised \$750,000 in donations. Last summer the nonprofit completed its first phase of construction with that storm retention bond to create the Harbor Hill Environmental Sanctuary—a 25-acre environmental park that’s open to the public in Gig Harbor. The second phase of that project begins next summer adding environmental education signs and new plants.

“That’s part of your legacy and I’m honored to be in the hunt with you,” said Lewallen. “If you worked in creating or supporting Narbeck you helped make that happen. Lives are going to be changed in all sorts of ways that you can’t even imagine.”

One example of “changing lives” Lewallen gave was during an event called the “Sanctuary Stroll” that is dedicated to mobility challenged individuals. It was the first time these individuals had ever had the opportunity to stroll the 25-acre environmental park since a 15-foot-wide paved trail was added during the first phase of the construction project.

The experience LeWallen shared, was a mixture of tears, smiles, and high-fives.

When the Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary was dedicated and opened on July 31, 1999, as a passive recreation and environmental education public park, the idea was innovative.

Before Snohomish County, which owns and operates Paine Field Airport, could impact several small wetlands on airport property for runway safety projects, it needed to create new wetlands. The 50-acre Narbeck Wetland site was one of the resulting wetlands the Airport enhanced and built.

In April of 2008, regulatory agencies determined the Narbeck Wetland Mitigation Bank and the Swanson Wetland Mitigation Bank fully met all environmental performance standards and the mitigation credits were made available for use.

A month later, Snohomish County received top honors from the Washington State Department of Ecology for

its approved wetland mitigation banks, the first in the state to receive full local, state and federal accreditation.

The Friends of Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary has protected the conservation values of Narbeck since it opened.

“There’s always somebody in here making sure that this asset that we stays an asset that we have and we manage it effectively,” said Paine Field Airport Director Joshua Marcy.

The Narbeck Wildlife Sanctuary has received numerous federal, state and regional environmental awards, and volunteers from Friends of Narbeck conduct several environmental educational group tours annually. The park hosts approximately 300 business and residential users daily, the county said.

### WHAT MATTERS TO YOU?

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## Second Dine and Donate event on August 10 for the family of Jayda

BY KIENAN BRISCOE

LYNNWOOD—Cedar Way Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) raised over \$1,400 from its Red Robin of Lynnwood fundraiser on Friday, July 12, to support the Jada Woods-Johnson Family who lost their daughter to a fatal shooting in the Alderwood Mall food court. A second fundraiser is in the works for August 10 at Buffalo Wild Wings, Everett Mall location.

Kelcie Trine, President of Cedar Way Elementary PTO, in an email to the Lynnwood Times shared that a total of \$7,119.21 in sales were reported by Red Robin of Lynnwood who donated 20% for the Woods-Johnson Family. Jayda was a former student of Cedar Way Elementary and her brother is currently a student at the school.

The donation from Red Robin of Lynnwood excluded sales from catering, 3rd party ordering, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Because of the fundraiser exposure, Costco is also donating a \$500 gift card to the family.

Ryan Eastman, the manager of Buffalo Wild Wings at the Everett Mall, who also has children attending Cedar Way Elementary, is collaborating with Trine to offer a second Dine and Donate event for Jayda’s family, this time on August 10, at his restaurant—all are welcomed to participate.

One of the biggest annual events hosted by Cedar Way Elementary PTO is its Cedar Way Circus Arts and Tumbling Squad (CCATS). Introduced to the school by its Physical Education teacher, Coach Kyle Gray, the program is designed to inspire and empower kindergarten through sixth-grade students through the exhilarating world of circus arts and tumbling.

Jayda was part of CCATS and Coach

Gray said she was a leader in this program. To learn more about the CCATS program, click here.

Cedar Way Elementary PTO also hosts a monthly Food Bank that supports on

average 45-50 families per month.

“We find that this is a huge need not only [for] our school but the larger community,” Trine said.

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# Sound Transit seeking public feedback on first phase of its 2025 Service Plan

By SOUND TRANSIT

Sound Transit invites the public to learn more about potential options



to restore some ST Express service in the South Corridor in 2025 and provide feedback on Phase One of the Service Plan.

As part of the service change in March 2024, Sound Transit reduced service on specific ST Express routes in the South Corridor due to industry-wide workforce challenges related to the pandemic that affected Sound Transit's operating partner Pierce Transit.

The agency is committed to equitable restoration of ST Express service once staffing levels allow. We are working with operating partners to determine if we can restore the recent reductions

subject to current operating constraints and staffing levels and are seeking public input about service restoration priorities.

However, if restoration is unachievable, Sound Transit will request Board authorization for continued service reductions.

In addition, Phase One of the 2025 Service Plan will include the opening of 2 Line service to Downtown Redmond. This extension will begin operating in the spring, with new stations at Marymoor Village and Downtown Redmond. Trains will run between Downtown Redmond and South Bellevue every 10 minutes between 5:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. seven days a week. ST Express Eastside bus service will not change in 2025.

The public can learn about the 2025 Service Plan – Phase One at [www.soundtransit.org/2025serviceplan](http://www.soundtransit.org/2025serviceplan)

The website includes an online survey for visitors to provide feedback. Both the website and survey are also available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Tagalog and Russian.

The website is available now through August 26.

Sound Transit remains committed to working closely with its partners to continue serving the public. Efforts will continue to prioritize serving riders who depend on Sound Transit's services, including seniors, people with disabilities, Title VI protected populations (race, color, national origin), low-income and limited-English-proficiency populations.

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# Community Transit six-year plan for service improvements

BY COMMUNITY TRANSIT

The Community Transit Board of Directors yesterday, August 1, approved the agency's 2024-2029 Transit Development Plan (TDP). The updated TDP comes at a historic time for Snohomish County transit riders, with Link light rail and an improved and expanded local bus network arriving soon. The plan outlines agency goals and strategies that will bolster new transit options over the next six years, provides a financial forecast and identifies resources needed to deliver more transit service than ever before.

A significant milestone over the next six years is aligning and connecting bus service with Link light rail as four new stations open in August 2024, two in Snohomish County. The Lynnwood City Center station will be a hub for frequent bus and train connections so that people can access destinations around the region. Major changes to the Community Transit bus network will take place on September 14, shortly after the launch of the Lynnwood Link extension. More changes are on the horizon with expanded local service, new express routes, and micro transit pilots in Arlington, Darrington, and Lake Stevens.

"The tremendous improvements coming to transit in Snohomish County are just weeks away and will positively impact people's lives for generations to come," said Community Transit CEO Ric Ilgenfritz. "People will get to experience phenomenal changes with more frequent buses, more late night and weekend service, new express routes and easy connections to traffic-free light rail. We are excited to greet new riders, as well as our long-time customers, as these new options transform the everyday transit experi-

ence here in the county."

TDP highlights include:

- **Light rail connections, frequent bus service** – Snohomish County riders will have easy connections between light rail, Swift bus rapid transit (BRT) service and more frequent local bus service in their community. Community Transit's service plan for 2024 and beyond contains 35 routes with approximately 480,000 annual service hours, representing 32% more service than in 2023.
- **Expanding the Swift bus rapid transit (BRT) network** – 2024 saw the opening of the Swift Orange Line and the Swift Blue Line extension to Shoreline in time for the opening of Link light rail. Planning is underway for the future Swift Gold Line from Everett to Marysville and Arlington.
- **Investing in Innovative Services** – The success of Zip Alderwood Shuttle, Community Transit's microtransit, on-demand rideshare service paved the way for similar programs that are slated to start later this year in Arlington, Darrington and Lake Stevens. Other communities in Snohomish County will continue to be assessed for future deployments. The cost for these services is the same as a standard bus fare.
- **Testing zero emissions buses** – Soon Community Transit riders will see two new buses with a bold, eye-catching design on the road: A battery electric bus and a hydrogen fuel cell electric bus will go into testing later this year. This will help determine a long-

term strategy as the agency transitions its fleet to zero emissions vehicles.

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requires transit agencies to adopt a six-year Transit Development Plan that is updated every year. Annual updates include activities, accomplishments and performance reports from the previous year, and a refreshed six-year forecast of agency financials, service levels, and capital projects.




Community Transit provides bus and paratransit service, vanpool, and innovative transit options in Snohomish County. The agency is expanding the Swift bus rapid transit network to connect people to light rail and provide fast, frequent service throughout the county.

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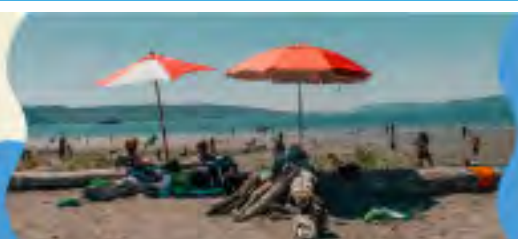




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# Green-maritime manufacturer Echandia opens first US-based facility in Marysville

By MARIO LOTMORE

MARYSVILLE—Leading Swedish provider of maritime battery systems, Echandia, opens its first US-based production facility in Marysville, adding over two dozen living-wage jobs to the region's expanding Cascade Industrial Center (CIC)—a 4,000-acre manufacturing and industrial zoned land approved by the state legislature to attract businesses to the cities of Marysville and Arlington.

"I would really like to thank Washington state and the Governor for all of the support we are getting, and I think we will have a really great future together at expanding our business in North America and expanding electrification for the maritime world," said Fredrik Hellström, Chief Executive Officer of Echandia.

Swedish for "big house," Echandia, headquartered in Solna, Sweden, was originally founded in 2018 to meet the electrification for naval submarines. It is now a leading provider of green solutions to the maritime industry for reducing fossil fuel emissions in the global shipping industry: "making our collective place [Earth]—our big house—a little bit better every day," its website says.

The 20,000-square foot facility in Marysville will be home to the Echandia's "safest and most advanced heavy-duty" LTO battery production facility. Its rechargeable lithium-titanium-oxide (LTO) battery charges faster than other lithium-ion batteries in the industry. This is possible by utilizing the lithium-titanate nanocrystals in its battery design, that provides at least 30x more surface area for charging on the anode than its carbon alternative.

Besides providing zero-emission for maritime uses such as ferries, Echandia's battery systems is certified for "rigorous maritime use," says its CEO.

"We build a battery system for heavy duty applications where you have lots of requirements for charging and discharging per day—up to 25 times a day—and still have a lifetime of 10 to 15 years," Hellström told the Lynnwood Times.

Hellstrom informed the Lynnwood Times that a typical ferry would require between 1 Mega-Watt hours to 4 Mega-Watt hours to operate daily. An LTO rack contains up to 30 battery modules with total capacity of approximately 50 kWh. Because Echandia's battery system design can be "rightsized" making it scalable for design needs, this would equate to a typical ferry on Washington's waters requiring anywhere from 20 to 80 LTO racks to operate depending on the route.

"It is safer to go with a maritime vessel than it is with your EV," Hellström replied when asked about what he would say to those who are hesitant to ride a ferry with an electric battery.

With its 21 auto-passenger ferries across 10 routes serving 19 terminals, Washington State Ferries (WSF) is the country's largest. As the state's top government agency greenhouse contributor—19 million gallons of diesel annually—WSF launched an audacious goal to be emission-free by 2050. To achieve



Governor Jay Inslee (center-left) with Fredrik Hellström, Chief Executive Officer of Echandia, and Marysville Mayor Jon Nehring at the ribbon-cutting ceremony of Echandia on Tuesday, July 30, 2024. Lynnwood Times | Mario Lotmore.

this, the agency must convert six existing vessels to hybrid-electric power, build 16 new hybrid-electric vessels and add shore charging to 16 terminals with an estimated cost of \$3.98 billion.

Currently, \$1.68 billion of the \$3.98 billion price tag for electrification is funded according to WSDOT—\$1.03 billion from Move Ahead Washington and \$599 million from the Climate Commitment Act (CCA). Governor Jay Inslee shared with the Lynnwood Times the importance of Climate Commitment Act dollars to a cleaner and greener Washington ferry system.

"We need new ferry boats desperately and the CCA is where the money is coming from to build the next five ferry boats," Governor Inslee told the Lynnwood Times. "So, if you want ferry boats, we have to have the Climate Commitment Act, it is the only revenue source we have."

On May 30, WSF initiated requests for bid to shipyards for construction of five new hybrid-electric, 160-automotive-capacity ferries after the Legislature, in 2023, directed the agency to build the boats. In July, WSF contracted with Swiss-based marine electrification experts ABB to select and integrate the technology to power the new vessels, from the engine and batteries to the propellers. ABB will also design a complete propulsion system, oversee the timely delivery of equipment, and offer expertise in equipment installation and commissioning.

Recently, gubernatorial candidates—Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Senator Mark Mullet, former Congressman Dave Reichert and former School Board District Director Semi Bird—have called on Governor Inslee to forego hybrid-electric for diesel-powered vessels citing time and/or cost constraints.

"The state has been running this procurement [for electric ferries] for months and is deep within the procurement process," Drew Orvieto, Vice president of sales for Marine Systems, ABB U.S. office told the Lynnwood Times. "So, I think it would be a mistake to turn back now; it would delay the program significantly. I don't think you would get diesel boats any faster. It will set us back multiple years to get a new diesel design; whereas we have a really pretty cutting-edge design on the hybrid side."

Analysis from WSF shows that changing course would delay a new boat by two years.

Orvieto shared that the current hybrid-electric design is "mature," and that formal bidding is to begin later this year with contracts scheduled to be awarded in early 2025.

According to Matt von Ruden, WSF system electrification program administrator, the first two hybrid ferries are scheduled to begin construction in 2026 with an estimated completion in 2028.

## ECHANDIA: 'A CHANCE ENCOUNTER'

On a trip to Australia in 2023 to bring new investment to Washington state, Governor Inslee made a stop in Tasmania to look at innovative new electrification systems. The island state since 2020 has been able to meet all its electricity needs with renewable energy.

There, Inslee had "a chance encounter," with a representative from Echandia where they began the journey that led to the opening of the company's new LTO facility in Marysville.

"Sometimes a chance needs a really good vision and a state that is welcoming a high-tech future in entrepreneurship," Inslee said during his speech to

attendees.

Inslee shared with the Lynnwood Times that, "Companies want to locate in states that get it when it comes to the future, and I think they [Echandia] saw a state that really gets it."

Echandia is one of ABB's approved suppliers and is one of two suppliers being considered for powering the new hybrid-electric ferries; the other being Corvus Energy located in Bellingham.

Echandia is the second maritime-battery firm to start production in Washington, after Norwegian-owned Corvus Energy opened at the Port of Bellingham in January of 2023, following a growing trend of renewable energy companies setting up shop in the Evergreen state.

The Evergreen state is now home to electric plane manufacturer ZeroAvia, electric powertrain manufacturer MagniX, electric truck and bus manufacturer Vicinity Motor Corp, two leading battery manufacturing companies Sila and Group14 in Moses Lake, and Silfab Solar which is North America's leading solar panel manufacturer.

To top it off, the world's first 100% hydrogen fuel cell-powered commercial ferry called "Sea Change" that started operation in July of this year in the San Francisco Bay, was built by All American Marine in Bellingham.

## ECHANDIA'S BIG ANNOUNCEMENT

Captain Jim Bandy, Director of Business Development for McKay, during Tuesday's ribbon cutting ceremony, announced that Golden Gate Ferry, operated by the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District in San Francisco will be using Echandia batteries for its new boats.

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# Kelly Ortberg named new Boeing President and CEO

By LYNNWOOD TIMES STAFF

ARLINGTON, VA—Boeing announced on Wednesday, July 31, that its Board of Directors has elected Robert K “Kelly” Ortberg as the company’s new president and chief executive officer (CEO), effective August 8, 2024. Ortberg will also serve on Boeing’s Board of Directors.

“I’m extremely honored and humbled to join this iconic company,” said Ortberg. “Boeing has a tremendous and rich history as a leader and pioneer in our industry, and I’m committed to working together with the more than 170,000 dedicated employees of the company to continue that tradition, with safety and quality at the forefront. There is much work to be done, and I’m looking forward to getting started.”

He will succeed Dave Calhoun, who earlier this year announced his intention to retire from the company, having served as president and CEO since January 2020, and as a member of Boeing’s Board of Directors since 2009.

Boeing President and CEO Dave Calhoun along with BCA president and board chair announce resignations on Monday, March 25, after a plethora of safety and quality incidents arising after the near-fatal Alaska Airlines Flight 1282 in-flight mid-cabin door blowout in January.

“The Board conducted a thorough and extensive search process over the last several months to select the next CEO of Boeing and Kelly has the right skills and experience to lead Boeing in its next chapter,” said Steven Mollenkopf, Chair of the Board. “Kelly is an experienced leader who is deeply respected in the aerospace industry, with a well-earned reputation for building strong teams and running complex engineering and manufacturing companies. We look forward to working with him as he leads Boeing through this consequential period in its long history.”

“The Board would also like to thank Dave Calhoun for his strong leadership at Boeing, first as Chair and then as CEO, when he stepped in to steer the

company through the challenges of recent years,” added Mollenkopf.

Ortberg, 64, holds a bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Iowa and brings over 35 years of aerospace leadership to this position.

He began his career in 1983 as an engineer at Texas Instruments, and then joined Rockwell Collins in 1987 as a program manager and held increasingly important leadership positions at the company prior to becoming its president and CEO in 2013. After five years leading Rockwell Collins, he steered the company’s integration with United Technologies and RTX until his retirement from RTX in 2021.

He has held a number of important leadership posts in industry, including serving on the Board of Directors of RTX. Additionally, he serves on the Board of Directors of Aptiv PLC, a global technology company and an industry leader in vehicle systems architecture. He is the former Chair of the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) Board of Governors.

Local Leaders Reaction to new Boeing CEO

Senator Maria Cantwell (D-Washington), Chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

“The company needs to move back to Seattle. The notion that somebody thinks they can run the company from anywhere other than Seattle is a big mistake.”

“It’s a good first step that the CEO will be based in Seattle, and now the rest of the headquarters needs to move back home to rejoin our world-class aviation workforce. When it comes to quality and safety, being close to the workforce on the ground matters.”

Representative Rick Larsen (WA-02), lead Democrat on the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee:

“I am encouraged about the announcement of Kelly Ortberg as the new President and CEO of The Boeing Company. Mr. Ortberg is a mechanical engineer. I hope that means he will ensure that his top message for everyone is building the best airplane means building the safest airplane in the world.

“First, he has to ensure a continued commitment to the safety and quality plan that is Boeing’s pathway to earning the trust and confidence of the traveling public.

“Second, he needs to listen to the women and men of the Machinists Union in the current labor negotiations to ensure they are compensated for their work and treated well for carrying much of the burden for the company over the last several years.

“Finally, Boeing needs to complete the acquisition of Spirit AeroSystems, bringing back a key part of its supply chain into the company.

“I look forward to meeting Mr. Ortberg soon, but that is not as important as focusing on Boeing returning to the top of its game.”

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Bandy shared with the Lynnwood Times that although the initial cost to build an electric-powered boat is higher, the long-term reduction in maintenance cost will pay for itself.

“The boat in New Zealand for two years has been running with almost no maintenance...the actual drive system, there is nothing,” Captain Bandy said. “You plug it in, it charges, unplug it, and you run your trips.”

He shared that the primary challenge in the U.S. has been the lack of charging infrastructure. To get around this, clients are building battery barges or battery banks at the dock so while the boat is away, batteries can be charged then swapped out when needed.

Monique Moyer, Board Vice Chair of the San Francisco Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA), also shared that its five new electric-powered ferries will be powered by Echandia batteries. She was joined by fellow board member Jeff Delbono. The primary reason her Board went with Echandia was the reliability and long lifespan of its batteries.

## WHY CASCADE INDUSTRIAL CENTER?

Companies in this economic zone in North County pay no state, county, or city property tax on new construction or improvements for 10 years. However, the eligibility criteria are:

The building and/or improvements must be at least 10,000 square feet with a minimum value of \$800,000

The company must create at least 25 new full-time jobs paying at least \$23/hour

The use must fall within SIC Division D Manufacturing as defined by U.S. Department of Labor

“This has been several decades in planning,” Mayor Nehring told the Lynnwood Times. “In the last five to six years we have put a lot into this, and it is fun to see all of the businesses coming in.”

Amazon, Frito Lay, Coca Cola, Gravitics and Blue Origin are a few major companies in the CIC. On January 16,

2024, the Washington State Department of Commerce presented the Governor’s Smart Communities Award to the City of Marysville for more than 25 years of planning that led to the creation of the Cascade Industrial Center.

Representative Mary Fosse (D-Everett) shared with the Lynnwood Times her role in making the CIC a reality for North County when she was working as staff in the state legislature several years ago.

“This is like full circle,” Representative Fosse said with excitement. “This is a passion area of mine when it comes to looking how we are attracting businesses to come to Washington state.”

This economic corridor in North County currently supports approximately 12,000 jobs, 45% of which are directly in manufacturing. The zoned land is anticipated to sustain 25,000 jobs in total by 2040, strengthening the local economy.

The CIC has newly built multi-modal transportation access: freeway and major highways, BNSF main line and spur tracks. The Arlington municipal airport is within its boundary and the Seattle-Paine Field International airport is 15 miles away. Also, the Port of Everett international deep-water seaport is within minutes of the CIC.

Harry Birak, Business Development Manager with the Washington State Department of Commerce’s Office of Economic Development and Competitiveness, shared with the Lynnwood Times that Washington’s climate commitment policies is what is attracting innovative companies to the state. Since 2021 he has been recruiting, retaining and expanding Washington’s green energy industry.

“I have always wanted to drive the clean energy technologies and clean energies industry because it is the biggest impact I can make in my life to decarbonizing the economy and making a better world for my son, so he can enjoy the natural beauty as it is and hopefully his children and his children’s children will have that same luxury,” Birak said. “I don’t want this to be a one generational issue.”

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# Waiting for justice: Teen trafficked by a man she met on Tinder

By **KELSEY TURNER,**  
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As online recruitment and exploitation of child sex trafficking victims rise, Washington may need to pass legislation for exploited minors seeking justice.

It started as a way to get her mind off things. Hannah Power was 16 when she first saw Max—one face among a sea of adult men that she scanned on her phone screen.

In June 2022, the anxiety and depression that she experienced from a young age had engulfed her again. She'd quit ballet, her favorite hobby, after losing her passion for dance. She felt increasingly isolated at school and at home. So, she downloaded Tinder, one of the most popular dating apps in the world, and entered a fake birth date to get around the requirement that users be at least 18.

She flicked through Max's dating profile — 34 years old, a photo of him at the gym, a picture of a dog. She swiped right. A match, the app told her.

They exchanged phone numbers and coordinated a time to meet. He paid for the 45-minute Uber ride from her home in Federal Way to a hotel in Lynnwood, Hannah said.

Then, he encouraged her to do drugs, put on a little blue dress and perform in front of a video camera, broadcasting her to thousands of people on a popular porn site, she said.

He wasn't forceful, Hannah remembers, which made her feel safer somehow. This type of activity was new to her, and he was older, more experienced. She cared what he thought of her.

"I knew that if he does these types of things, then he must have high standards," Hannah said. "I just didn't want him to think of me badly."

Hannah's experience that night — performing sex acts for hours on camera while being given powder and pills — left her physically sick, she said, throwing up throughout the next morning. But it wasn't until the Lynnwood Police Department took on her case, following a report by her therapist, that she learned what it had meant: The detective suspected she'd been sex trafficked.

"She told me what crime was committed, and it felt unbelievable," Hannah said.

Hannah thought sex trafficking meant being kidnapped, taken overseas, held hostage, beaten, sold.

Her experience highlights a gap in Washington's efforts to stop child trafficking. Dating sites and social media have become the top recruitment locations for sex trafficking in the nation, according to data from the National Human Trafficking Hotline, yet state legislation has done little to address cases like Hannah's. Meanwhile, local police departments like Lynnwood often lack the resources to investigate abusers who recruit kids online, and tech companies have been slow to enact safety measures that prevent online



Hannah Power is still waiting for justice two years after being commercially sexually exploited by a man she met on Tinder at age 16. (Mike Kane/InvestigateWest)

child sexual exploitation, experts and advocates say.

In 2021, the national hotline recorded 583 cases in which a sex trafficking victim's recruitment location was known. Two-thirds of them were recruited over the internet, including 14% on dating sites and 16% on Facebook and Instagram, according to an analysis by Polaris, a nonprofit that operates the hotline.

"Unfortunately, social media and these dating apps — Tinder and Bumble and things like that — are just fertile ground for people who want to exploit minors," said Alex Voorhees, the lead prosecutor for commercial sexual exploitation cases at the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Voorhees estimates at least half of her cases start with alleged abusers meeting their victims online.

The trend is increasing at an alarming rate, data shows.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's CyberTipline, the nation's centralized reporting system for online exploitation of children, received 17,353 reports of child sex trafficking in 2023, a 47% increase since 2019.

"The growth in online child sexual exploitation is outpacing our capacity to respond," the U.S. Department of Justice wrote in a 2023 report to Congress. Congress responded with the REPORT Act, a bipartisan bill passed in April to protect kids from online exploitation and further hold social media companies accountable.

On a state level, the Washington Legislature passed SB-6006 in March—sponsored by Senator Manka Dhingra (D-Redmond) and co-sponsored by Senator Keith Wagoner (R-Sedro Woolley)—that aims to increase prosecutions of trafficking cases and provide more resources for child victims. But the legislation doesn't specifically address the online recruitment and exploitation of children. Age verification on dating apps didn't come up in conversations among legislators, said state Senator Dhingra.

"I think that's definitely something we're going to have to look at for the future," Dhingra said.

Hannah's 18 now, and the investigation into her case is ongoing. She knows

very little about her alleged abuser — she doubts that Max is even his real name. The long wait for justice has left her feeling unsafe, blamed and unable to move on, she said.

"Some people are telling me that what is happening is traumatizing and stuff. But the way that the police and everyone is handling things, it's just not seeming like..." Hannah said, trailing off. "I just feel like no one's really on my side."

## THAT NIGHT

The Lynnwood Police Department would not comment or release reports from Hannah's case due to the ongoing investigation, and no charges have been filed. But Hannah says she remembers key points from that night. Her account matches the one she told her grandma right after it happened, her grandma confirmed to InvestigateWest, and police found evidence on Hannah's phone supporting the statement that she gave them about the incident, according to her emails with the detective.

Hannah said it was a cool June night in 2022 when she slid into the back seat of an Uber to meet Max. On the drive, she tried not to think about the odd things he'd said to her.

Before the Uber arrived to pick her up, Max video-called her and had Hannah take her clothes off in front of the camera, she recalls. He told her not to wear underwear to the hotel and to text him a selfie with her tongue out. He said he was into the "porn star lifestyle."

He's not serious, Hannah told herself. He probably just likes the idea of it.

She arrived at the hotel in Lynnwood around 11 p.m., she said. Max led her up the elevator and into the room he'd booked, where she noticed a tripod set up with lighting and a camera. On the floor were two suitcases filled with costumes, underwear, swimsuits and high heels. A laptop hooked up to the TV in the background played porn.

Another young woman inside the room stood naked, Hannah said. The woman introduced herself as Kristy and said she was 19. Kristy was flirty, friendly, confident. Hannah liked her.

Max ushered Hannah to the desk in the room and showed her a white powder piled on its wood surface. A mix of ecstasy and Adderall, Hannah remembers

him telling her. He wanted her to take some. Hannah was hesitant, but gave in, leaning down to snort the powder.

He had Hannah exchange her black leggings and wool sweater for a halter dress that plunged in a deep V down her chest, she said. He made sure she wasn't recording anything on her phone and then told her to put her phone under the bed. She waited as he swiped on Tinder, searching for more matches, and periodically got up to rub more of the white powder over Hannah's gums.

When Max asked for her ID to check her age, she got nervous. She didn't have one, she admitted. She was only 16, not 18, like she'd indicated on her dating profile.

"I know he heard me. I know that for a fact," Hannah said.

He let her stay.

Kristy, who had left the room, returned and asked Hannah if she wanted to smoke fentanyl with her. Hannah had turned down Kristy's offers earlier that evening, she said, but this time she agreed. Hannah quickly began feeling heavy, her vision blurred, like she was in a dream.

The details in her memory become foggy after that, she said, but the main aspects of the exploitation, later supported by digital evidence gathered by police, stuck with her.

Max explained the rules. Hannah would perform with Kristy on Chaturbate, a popular online platform with uncensored live webcam shows. She remembers Max telling her that his livestream typically has nearly 7,000 viewers who can comment asking the two teenagers to perform for tips or request custom videos for an additional fee. Hannah would get some of the profits, he told her.

Hannah and Kristy sat in a chair in front of the camera while Max stood behind it, narrating and reading the comments aloud, Hannah said. Max then got a private request for a custom video of Hannah and Kristy performing sex acts with him. But as he filmed it, Hannah started bleeding, a side effect of her birth control.

Max stopped recording, seemingly annoyed. Hannah washed off the blood and got back on camera, but the mood was altered. Shortly after, around 3 a.m., Max ordered her an Uber back to Federal Way, Hannah said.

She took her phone from under the bed and walked down to the lobby alone. She never saw Max again.

## JUSTICE PROCESS

Later that summer in 2022, Hannah found herself once again driven to Lynnwood to meet with a stranger, taking the same exit off of Interstate 5 and passing the same hotel where she met Max. This time, she continued another half mile to the Lynnwood Police Department.

She took an elevator up to the lobby and waited for Lynnwood Detective Jacqueline Arnett to lead her to an in-



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interview room. Seated at a small, bare table, she told Arnett about that night and gave up her phone to be analyzed for evidence.

Hannah's case isn't unusual as far as child sex trafficking goes. In addition to the relatively commonplace recruitment of kids over the internet, research shows that abusers often target girls like Hannah — a mixed-race teen coping with mental health issues — and often use drugs as a means to control their victims.

"It's everything from alcohol and marijuana to methamphetamine, fentanyl, heroin," said Voorhees, the King County prosecutor. "It obviously reduces that individual's inhibitions. It reduces their ability to stand up for themselves."

Yet while the circumstances of her case aren't uncommon, progress remains slow. These types of investigations can take significant time and resources for police as they gather digital evidence and sift through large amounts of data. Investigations are made even more difficult by platforms that allow user anonymity, don't retain messages or livestreamed videos, and operate outside the jurisdiction of the United States, police say.

As Hannah waited for any updates from the detective, she said the impact

of that night began to sink in.

"I just slowly started becoming more and more depressed over what had happened," she said.

When she went to stay with her grandma, Lauri Power, for a few weeks in Kitsap County, as she does intermittently, Hannah spent her days shut away in her bedroom on her laptop, Lauri says. She stopped going out in public. She'd cry at the smallest things.

"We didn't know what she needed or what we could do to help her," Lauri said. "She just seemed really, really distraught."

Lauri tried to encourage Hannah to come out of her bedroom and spend less time alone. But her efforts didn't seem to make much difference.

"I think that the situations she's been in have not been healthy and probably will hang onto her her whole life and affect her. I know that much," Lauri said.

By the time Hannah's junior year of high school started in fall 2022, Hannah couldn't motivate herself to go for more than a few days. She worried her classmates might recognize her from the video, which, as far as she knows, is still circulating somewhere online. A close family member died around the same time, sending Hannah deeper into depression.

A few months into the school year, she dropped out entirely. "I just didn't see a point," she said. She has no plans to go back.

Finally, in late December 2022, six months after the incident, Hannah got an email from Arnett, who declined an interview with InvestigateWest due to the ongoing investigation. The detective had reviewed Hannah's phone and didn't find any identifying information about the suspect.

"This case is currently closed," Arnett wrote, adding to contact her if Hannah remembers additional information that could help with the case. "Take care!"

It must not have been a big deal after all, Hannah told herself. "I kind of just thought I was overexaggerating that whole situation," she said.

Shortly after, however, the department reopened her case. The police had found other possible victims and identified a suspect, according to Hannah's emails with Arnett.

But by then, Hannah's faith in the justice process had waned.

"They were willing to just close it and not even investigate," she said.

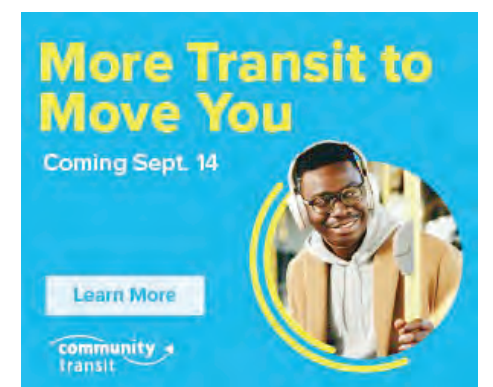
She'd hoped that by working with the police, she would feel safer and less alone, maybe connect with a community of other survivors, she said.

Instead, after two years, she feels like she has more questions than answers. She's unsure if her case will be prosecuted or if she'll ever know the identity of her alleged abuser. She wonders about Kristy, if the teen had been a victim, too. She hardly leaves her house anymore, afraid Max could have connections in the area.

"I just don't feel safe around anyone honestly," she said.

She wishes she could move on and start fresh, like her family wants her to. But she still remembers the social media handle that Max used that night. She looked it up recently and found over 5,000 followers on X. She scrolled past faces, videos and livestreams of other young women on his channels across various porn sites.

Then she panicked, scared he would somehow see that she'd checked his account, and quickly closed the tab.

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against racism while you're on the floor. You will feel that institutional racism, but I hope that you guys stand strong and do what's right for every single citizen across this nation."

Napeahi challenged Representative Larsen at their meeting on Tuesday to speak with anyone living in Tulalip lands and try to find a single individual who has never had someone close to them, or known someone from a distance, die from fentanyl.

According to the Tulalip Tribes, more than 63 members have died from fentanyl overdoses since 2017.

In 2023 alone, the Lummi Nation had seven fentanyl overdose-related deaths, with five of those occurring in just a two-month span from September to October.

Lummi Nation Chairman Tony Hillaire testified to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs in November 2023 that more than 70 Tribal members currently live in squalor with no sanitation facilities at a homeless camp in Bellingham. Therefore, some tribes have declared fentanyl and the opioid crisis a public health emergency.

"The saddest part about it is the children," said Tulalip Tribes Chair Teri Gobin Tuesday. "So many children are being left orphans from both of the parents passing away from overdose and we're having a lot of children being born with [fentanyl] in their system."

Last year the Tulalip Tribes held the National Opioid Summit which addressed the intersection of COVID-19 and the opioid crisis throughout tribal communities. Representative Larsen was a guest at that event and heard the challenges many tribal leaders face. From those conversations, and with other stakeholders in the area, Larsen formulated his report on the opioid epidemic which he released in January earlier this year.

The four pillars of Larsen's proposed solution were prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery. It was out of the intervention portion of this solution plan that gave birth to the PROTECT Act, which is co-sponsored by Republican colleague Ryan Zinke (MT-01), on Tuesday, August 6. Representatives Tom Cole (OK-04), Derek Kilmer (WA-06), Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (WA-03) and Adam Smith (WA-09) also joined as original cosponsors of the legislation.

Supporters of the bill include Tulalip Tribes, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, Lummi Nation, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation

If passed, the PROTECT Act would provide parity for Tribal courts to issue search warrants for certain electronic communications, including social media, by adding Tribal courts to the list of courts with "competent jurisdiction" under the Stored Communications Act.

The PROTECT Act would also expand Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction (STCJ) to crimes associated with drug trafficking, and amends the Bureau of Prison's (BOP) Tribal Prisoner Program (TPP) by expanding eligibility to offenders who commit drug-trafficking-related offenses.

"With this bill going forward it will give us the tools to prosecute criminals, which we always should have had but in a time that blatant racism was rampant they said we didn't have jurisdiction," said Tulalip Tribes Interim Chief of Police Chris Gobin. "This will help all of Washington State. These drugs just don't stay on the reservation they go out to all of the surrounding areas. A lot of drug dealers like to come here because they think they have that safety. With this, it will help us have that tool to help curb it."

Chief Gobin noted that Tulalip Police Officers are forced to rely upon other law enforcement agencies when dealing with suspected criminals but oftentimes they don't respond. According to the most recent WASPC annual crime data report Washington State ranks last in the nation for commissioned Police Officers per capita.

In the five counties that Rep. Larsen represents, opioid-related deaths have more than doubled since 2019. According to the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention (CDC) tribal communities around the nation had the highest rate of drug deaths in both 2021 and 2022.

Larsen said Tuesday that the PROTECT Act is only one step towards combatting the opioid epidemic while calling upon the Biden-Harris administration to do more for its tribal communities.

"I raise my hand to all of you for the important work that you're doing to save lives and make your communities safer," said Rep. Larsen. "I look forward to working with you all to get the PROTECT Act passed and signed into law to ensure the tribes have the tools to combat the opioid epidemic and save lives."

Just last month, Larsen introduced the Workforce Opportunities for Communities in Recovery Act with Rep. Pramila Jayapal (WA-07) and Sen. Edward Markey (D-MA) to create employment opportunities for people in recovery and support communities impacted by widespread opioid use.

Larsen also plans to introduce two additional opioid-related bills to provide funding opportunities for multi-jurisdictional drug task forces and to support harm reduction initiatives.

"Across the nation there is a fentanyl epidemic that every state is dealing with," said Tulalip Tribes Councilman Glen Gobin. "For tribes it's even more difficult because of the jurisdictional questions that come up; who has criminal authority over non-Indians on reservations?"

Since 2020, more than 650 people in Snohomish County have died of opioid-related overdoses. In 2022, more than seventy-five percent of Washington's overall drug overdose deaths were linked to opioids. Even though the United States saw a three percent decline in overdose deaths overall during this period, deaths in Washington state increased by more than 21 percent.



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# LEGAL NOTICE: SUMMONS

## DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: JUSTIN CAYSE BRANDT | PETITIONER: ASHLIE MARIE ANTONITIS | CASE NO.: 23D005073

**SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW)**  
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name): Justin Cayse Brandt  
AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): Justin Cayse Brandt

You have been sued. Read the information below and on the next page. Lo han demandado. Lea la información a continuación y en la página siguiente.

Petitioner's name is: Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
Nombre del demandante: Ashlie Marie Antonitis

CASE NUMBER (Número de caso): 23D005073

**FILED**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF ORANGE  
JUL 24 2023  
DAVID H. YAMASAKI, Clerk of the Court  
BY: E. MIYODA, DEPUTY

**NOTICE—RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2:**  
These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

**FEE WAIVER:** If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may order you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for you or the other party.

**1. The name and address of the court are (El nombre y dirección de la corte son):**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE  
Lamoreaux Justice Center 341 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92668-3205

**2. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney, are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante si no tiene abogado, son):**  
Ashlie Marie Antonitis 24092 Nova Circle Mission Viejo, CA 92691 United States  
9496062797

Date (Fecha): JUL 24 2023  
Clerk, by (Secretario, por) E. Miyoda, Deputy (Asistente)

**STANDARD FAMILY LAW RESTRAINING ORDERS**  
Starting immediately, you and your spouse or domestic partner are restrained from:

- removing the minor children of the parties from the state or applying for a new or replacement passport for those minor children without the prior written consent of the other party or an order of the court;
- cashing, borrowing against, canceling, transferring, disposing of, or changing the beneficiaries of any insurance or other coverage, including life, health, automobile, and disability, held for the benefit of the parties and their minor children;
- transferring, encumbering, hypothecating, concealing, or in any way disposing of any property, real or personal, whether community, quasi-community, or separate, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life; and
- creating a nonprobate transfer or modifying a nonprobate transfer in a manner that affects the disposition of property subject to the transfer, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court. Before revocation of a nonprobate transfer can take effect or a right of survivorship to property can be eliminated, notice of the change must be filed and served on the other party.

You must notify each other of any proposed extraordinary expenditures at least five business days prior to incurring these extraordinary expenditures and account to the court for all extraordinary expenditures made after these restraining orders are effective. However, you may use community property, quasi-community property, or your own separate property to pay an attorney to help you or to pay court costs.

**NOTICE—ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE:**  
Do you or someone in your household need affordable health insurance? If so, you should apply for Covered California. Covered California can help reduce the cost you pay towards high quality affordable health care. For more information, visit www.coveredca.com. Or call Covered California at 1-800-300-1506.

**WARNING—IMPORTANT INFORMATION**  
California law provides that, for purposes of division of property upon dissolution of a marriage or domestic partnership or upon legal separation, property acquired by the parties during marriage or domestic partnership in joint form is presumed to be community property. If either party to this action should die before the jointly held community property is divided, the language in the deed that characterizes how title is held (i.e., joint tenancy, tenants in common, or community property) will be controlling, and not the community property presumption. You should consult your attorney if you want the community property presumption to be written into the recorded title to the property.

**ÓRDENES DE RESTRICCIÓN ESTÁNDAR DE DERECHO FAMILIAR**  
En forma inmediata, usted y su conyuge o pareja de hecho tienen prohibido:

- desahuciar del estado de California a los hijos menores de las partes, o solicitar un pasaporte nuevo o de reemplazo para los hijos menores, sin el consentimiento previo por escrito de la otra parte o sin una orden de la corte;
- cobrar, pedir prestado, cancelar, transferir, deshacerse o cambiar el nombre de los beneficiarios de cualquier seguro u otro tipo de cobertura, como de vida, salud, vehículo y discapacidad, que tenga como beneficiario(s) a las partes y su(s) hijo(s) menor(es);
- transferir, gravar, hipotecar, ocultar o deshacerse de cualquier manera de cualquier propiedad, inmueble o personal, ya sea comunitaria, cuasicomunitaria o separada, sin el consentimiento escrito de la otra parte o una orden de la corte, excepto en el curso habitual de actividades personales y comerciales o para satisfacer las necesidades de vida; y
- crear o modificar una transferencia no testamentaria de manera que afecte la asignación de una propiedad sujeta a transferencia, sin el consentimiento por escrito de la otra parte o una orden de la corte. Antes de que se pueda eliminar la revocación de una transferencia no testamentaria, se debe presentar ante la corte un aviso del cambio y hacer una entrega legal de dicho aviso a la otra parte.

Cada parte tiene que notificar a la otra sobre cualquier gasto extraordinario propuesto por lo menos cinco días hábiles antes de realizarlo, y rendir cuenta a la corte de todos los gastos extraordinarios realizados después de que estas órdenes de restricción hayan entrado en vigencia. No obstante, puede usar propiedad comunitaria, cuasicomunitaria o suya separada para pagar a un abogado que lo ayude o para pagar los costos de la corte.

**AVISO—ACCESO A SEGURO DE SALUD MÁS ECONÓMICO:**  
Necesita seguro de salud a un costo asequible, ya sea para usted o alguien en su hogar? Si es así, puede presentar una solicitud con Covered California. Covered California le puede ayudar a reducir el costo que paga por seguro de salud asequible y de alta calidad. Para obtener más información, visite www.coveredca.com. O llame a Covered California al 1-800-300-0213.

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De acuerdo a la ley de California, las propiedades adquiridas por las partes durante su matrimonio o pareja de hecho en forma conjunta se consideran propiedad comunitaria para fines de la división de bienes que ocurre cuando se produce una disolución o separación legal del matrimonio o pareja de hecho. Si cualquiera de las partes de este caso muere antes de que se divida la propiedad comunitaria de tenencia conjunta, el destino de la misma quedará determinado por las cláusulas de la escritura correspondiente que describen su tenencia (por ej., tenencia conjunta, tenencia en común o propiedad comunitaria) y no por la presunción de propiedad comunitaria. Si quiere que la presunción comunitaria quede registrada en la escritura de la propiedad, debería consultar con un abogado.

**PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY**  
NAME: Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
FIRM NAME:  
STREET ADDRESS: 24092 Nova Circle  
CITY: Mission Viejo  
STATE: CA ZIP CODE: 92691  
TELEPHONE NO.: 9496062797  
FAX NO.: (626) 807-0486  
EMAIL ADDRESS: gary.antonitis@cox.net  
ATTORNEY FOR (name):  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE  
STREET ADDRESS: 341 The City Drive South  
MAILING ADDRESS: 341 The City Drive South  
CITY AND ZIP CODE: Orange 92668-3205  
BRANCH NAME: Lamoreaux Justice Center

**PETITIONER:** Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
**RESPONDENT:** Justin Cayse Brandt

**PETITION FOR**  
 Dissolution (Divorce) of:  
 Legal Separation of:  
 Nullity of:  
 Marriage  
 Marriage  
 Marriage  
 Domestic Partnership  
 Domestic Partnership  
 Domestic Partnership

**1. LEGAL RELATIONSHIP (check all that apply):**  
a.  We are married.  
b.  We are domestic partners and our domestic partnership was established in California.  
c.  We are domestic partners and our domestic partnership was NOT established in California.

**2. RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS (check all that apply):**  
a.  Petitioner  Respondent has been a resident of this state for at least six months and of this county for at least three months immediately preceding the filing of this Petition. (For a divorce, unless you are in the legal relationship described in 1b., at least one of you must comply with this requirement.)  
b.  Our domestic partnership was established in California. Neither of us has to be a resident or have a domicile in California to dissolve our partnership here.  
c.  We are the same sex, were married in California, but currently live in a jurisdiction that does not recognize, and will not dissolve, our marriage. This Petition is filed in the county where we married.  
Petitioner lives in (specify): Respondent lives in (specify):

**3. STATISTICAL FACTS**  
a.  (1) Date of marriage (specify): 07/20/2019 (2) Date of separation (specify): 05/20/2022  
(3) Time from date of marriage to date of separation (specify): 2 Years 10 Months  
b.  (1) Registration date of domestic partnership with the California Secretary of State or other state equivalent (specify below):  
(2) Date of separation (specify):  
(3) Time from date of registration of domestic partnership to date of separation (specify):

**4. MINOR CHILDREN (children born before (or born or adopted during) the marriage or domestic partnership):**  
a.  There are no minor children.  
b.  The minor children are:  
Child's Name Birth Date Age  
(1)  Continued on Attachment 4b. (2)  a child who is not yet born.  
c. If any children listed above were born before the marriage or domestic partnership, the court has the authority to determine those children to be children of the marriage or domestic partnership.  
d. If there are minor children of the Petitioner and Respondent, a completed Declaration Under Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCCJEA) (form FL-105) must be attached.  
e.  Petitioner and Respondent signed a voluntary declaration of paternity. (Attach a copy if available.)

**PETITIONER:** Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
**RESPONDENT:** Justin Cayse Brandt

CASE NUMBER: 23D005073

Petitioner requests that the court make the following orders:

**5. LEGAL GROUNDS (Family Code sections 2200-2210, 2310-2312)**  
a.  Divorce or  Legal separation of the marriage or domestic partnership based on (check one):  
(1)  irreconcilable differences. (2)  permanent legal incapacity to make decisions.  
b.  Nullity of void marriage or domestic partnership based on:  
(1)  incest. (2)  bigamy.  
c.  Nullity of voidable marriage or domestic partnership based on:  
(1)  petitioner's age at time of registration of domestic partnership or marriage. (4)  fraud.  
(2)  prior existing marriage or domestic partnership. (5)  force.  
(3)  unsound mind. (6)  physical incapacity.

**6. CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)**

	Petitioner	Respondent	Joint	Other
a. Legal custody of children to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Physical custody of children to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Child visitation (parenting time) to be granted to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

As requested in:  form FL-311  form FL-312  form FL-341(C)  form FL-341(D)  form FL-341(E)  Attachment 6c(1).

**7. CHILD SUPPORT**  
a. If there are minor children born to or adopted by Petitioner and Respondent before or during this marriage or domestic partnership, the court will make orders for the support of the children upon request and submission of financial forms by the requesting party.  
b. An earnings assignment may be issued without further notice.  
c. Any party required to pay support must pay interest on overdue amounts at the "legal" rate, which is currently 10 percent.  
d.  Other (specify):

**8. SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER SUPPORT**  
a.  Spousal or domestic partner support payable to  Petitioner  Respondent  
b.  Terminate (end) the court's ability to award support to  Petitioner  Respondent  
c.  Reserve for future determination the issue of support payable to  Petitioner  Respondent  
d.  Other (specify):

**9. SEPARATE PROPERTY**  
a.  There are no such assets or debts that I know of to be confirmed by the court.  
b.  Confirm as separate property the assets and debts in  Property Declaration (form FL-160)  Attachment 9b the following list. Item Confirm to

from page 1 **WA FERRIES**

Lynnwood Times, with more than 3,500 canceled sailings in 2023 and continuing disruptions to service through 2024.

“The lack of highly trained, essential engine room crew to run ferries each day is the number one reason for canceled ferry sailings, and low pay is the number one reason why the ferries are short staffed,” said Roland Rexha, Secretary Treasurer of the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association (M.E.B.A). “Engine room crew aren’t as visible to the public as deck crew, but ferries can’t run, get

needed maintenance or repairs without them.”

Approximately 400 of Washington State’s 1,800 ferry employees are marine engineers represented by the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, a nationwide union that represents marine engineers and deck officers.

Marine engineers and oilers are pivotal to the Washington State Ferry system to operate, repair, and maintain its vessels. Without a fully staffed crew, boats are tied up and cannot run, causing delays and canceled sailings that affect the peo-

ple, businesses, and communities that rely upon them.

“Some engine room crew members are being asked to work 100 hours of overtime per month,” said Eric Winge, Washington State Ferries representative for M.E.B.A. “It’s unreasonable, causes burnout and threatens safe operations. The state’s refusal to address pay disparity is pushing experienced crew to take early retirement or leave for better paying private sector jobs.”

Hayden Mackley, with the Washington Office of Financial Management, con-

firmed with the Lynnwood Times that bargaining is currently ongoing with the Marine Engineers’ Beneficial Association (MEBA) union, along with approximately 30 other groups of represented state workers.

“Because bargaining is ongoing, we are not able to comment on specifics, but we continue to have confidence in the bargaining process and that we will come to a successful resolution with the parties,” said Mackley.

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# LEGAL NOTICE: SUMMONS

DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: JUSTIN CAYSE BRANDT | PETITIONER: ASHLIE MARIE ANTONITIS | CASE NO.: 23D005073

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PETITIONER: Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
RESPONDENT: Justin Cayse Brandt

CASE NUMBER:  
**23D005073**

10. COMMUNITY AND QUASI-COMMUNITY PROPERTY
- a.  There are no such assets or debts that I know of to be divided by the court.
- b.  Determine rights to community and quasi-community assets and debts. All such assets and debts are listed
- in Property Declaration (form FL-160)  in Attachment 10b.
- as follows (specify):

11. OTHER REQUESTS
- a.  Attorney's fees and costs payable by  Petitioner  Respondent
- b.  Petitioner's former name be restored to (specify):
- c.  Other (specify):

Continued on Attachment 11c.

12. I HAVE READ THE RESTRAINING ORDERS ON THE BACK OF THE SUMMONS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY APPLY TO ME WHEN THIS PETITION IS FILED.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 7/12/23

Ashlie Marie Antonitis  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

*Ashlie Marie Antonitis*  
(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER)

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PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY OR ATTORNEY: NAME, FIRM NAME, STREET ADDRESS, CITY, TELEPHONE NO., E-MAIL ADDRESS, ATTORNEY FOR (name):

STATE BAR NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY AND ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
BRANCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PETITIONER: \_\_\_\_\_  
RESPONDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

RESPONSE  AND REQUEST FOR  AMENDED

Dissolution (Divorce) of:  Marriage  Domestic Partnership

Legal Separation of:  Marriage  Domestic Partnership

Nullity of:  Marriage  Domestic Partnership

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

1. LEGAL RELATIONSHIP (check all that apply).
- a.  We are married.
- b.  We are domestic partners and our domestic partnership was established in California.
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2. RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS (check all that apply):
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- b.  Our domestic partnership was established in California. Neither of us has to be a resident or have a domicile in California to dissolve our partnership here.
- c.  We are the same sex, were married in California, but currently live in a jurisdiction that does not recognize, and will not dissolve, our marriage. This Petition is filed in the county where we married.  
Petitioner lives in (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ Respondent lives in (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. STATISTICAL FACTS
- a.  (1) Date of marriage (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ (2) Date of separation (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Time from date of marriage to date of separation (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ Years Months
- b.  (1) Registration date of domestic partnership with the California Secretary of State or other state equivalent (specify below): \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. MINOR CHILDREN
- a.  There are no minor children.
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- | Child's name | Birthdate | Age |
|--------------|-----------|-----|
|              |           |     |
|              |           |     |
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- c. If any children were born before the marriage or domestic partnership, the court has the authority to determine those children to be children of the marriage or domestic partnership.
- d. If there are minor children of Petitioner and Respondent, a completed *Declaration Under Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act (UCC/JEA)* (form FL-105) must be attached.
- e.  Petitioner and Respondent signed a voluntary declaration of parentage or paternity. (Attach a copy if available.)

FL-120

PETITIONER: \_\_\_\_\_  
RESPONDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Respondent requests that the court make the following orders:

5. LEGAL GROUNDS (Family Code sections 2200–2210; 2310–2312)
- a.  Respondent contends that the parties never legally married or registered a domestic partnership.
- b.  Respondent denies the grounds set forth in item 5 of the petition.
- c.  Respondent requests
- (1)  Divorce  Legal separation of the marriage or domestic partnership based on
- (a)  irreconcilable differences. (b)  permanent legal incapacity to make decisions.
- (2)  Nullity of void marriage or domestic partnership based on
- (a)  incest. (b)  bigamy.
- (3)  Nullity of voidable marriage or domestic partnership based on
- (a)  respondent's age at time of registration of domestic partnership or marriage. (d)  fraud.
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FL-120

PETITIONER: \_\_\_\_\_  
RESPONDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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Continued on Attachment 11c.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR RESPONDENT)

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The original response must be filed in the court with proof of service of a copy on Petitioner.



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from page 1 **ELECTION RESULTS**

The race could be over for close contenders Republican-endorsed Semi Bird (R), who received 9.91%, and Mark Mullet (D), who received 5.87%.

Incumbent Denny Heck (D) for Lieutenant Governor with Dan Matthews (R) advance to the General Election.

Pete Serrano (R) and Democrats Nick Brown and Serrano will advance to replace Bob Ferguson as Attorney General.

As for the U.S. Senate, Maria Cantwell (D) is currently leading against Raul Garcia (R) and is expected to sail to a General Election win.

Representative Rick Larsen (R) advanced alongside MAGA Republican Cody Hart for Washington's second congressional district.

Suzan DelBene (D) is leading Republican challenger Orion Webster.

Current Secretary of State Steve Hobbs (D) sits above Republican Dale Whitaker.

Both Pat McCarthy (D) and Matt Hawkins (R) advance in the Auditor race.

Incumbent Mike Pellicciotti (D) and Sharon Hanek (R) both advance for Treasurer.

Jamie Herrer Buetler and Sue Pederson, both Republicans, both lead the race for Lands Commissioner.

Patty Kuderer (D) and Phil Fortunado (D) advance for Insurance Commissioner.

**BALLOT MEASURES**

Everett: Levy Lid Lift for Public Safety and Essential Public Services (\$2.19 per \$1,000 of assessed value)

Yes: 5685, 39.76%  
No: 8614, 60.24%  
Likely Outcome: Fail

Mukilteo: Levy Lid Lift of the Regular Property Tax Levy for Emergency Medical Care and Services (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value)

Yes: 2145, 48.50%  
No: 2278, 51.50%  
Likely Outcome: Fail

South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue RFA: Benefit Charge Continuation

Yes: 2422, 69.20%  
No: 10784, 30.80%  
Likely Outcome: Pass

Port of Everett: Concerning the Enlargement of the Port of Everett

Yes: 32,151, 31.44%  
No: 70,096, 68.56%  
Likely Outcome: Fail

Public Utility District No. 1 Commissioner District 2

Julieta Altamirano Crosby 20702, 51.28%  
Micah Rowland 9019, 22.34%  
Amber King 10462, 25.91%  
Likely Outcome: Julieta Altamirano Crosby

**LEGISLATIVE RACES  
(as of August 6)**

Legislative District 1

State Senator

Derek Stanford: 16,415, 96.06%  
Write-in: 281, 4.48%  
Likely Outcome: Derek Stanford (D)

State Representative Pos. 1

Davina Duerr: 15,293, 71.85%  
Mark Davies 5,965, 28.02%  
Likely Outcome: Davina Duerr (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

Shelley Kloba: 16,185, 95.95%  
Likely Outcome: Shelley Kloba (D)

Legislative District 10

State Senator

Denny Sandberg 1,605, 6.7%  
Janet St Clair 10,775, 44.99%  
Ron Muzzall 11,551, 48.23%  
Likely Outcome: Ron Muzzall (R)

State Representative Pos. 1

Carrie R. Kennedy 6,523, 27.52%  
Yvonne Gallardo-Van Ornam 4,698, 19.82%  
Clyde Shavers 12,455, 52.55%  
Likely Outcome: Clyde Shavers (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

Dave Paul 13,228, 55.61%  
Gary Wray 10,540, 44.31%  
Likely Outcome: Dave Paul (D)

Legislative District 12

State Senator

Keith W. Goehner 12,301, 54.52%  
Jim Mayhew 10,236, 45.37%  
Likely Outcome: Keith W. Goehner (R)

State Representative Pos. 1

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Heather Koellen 10,395, 46.22%  
Brian Burnett 9,048, 40.23%  
Jennifer Bumpus 3,029, 13.47%  
Likely Outcome: Heather Koellen (D) but Republican Brian Burnett is likely to win this race in the 2024 General Election.

State Representative Pos. 2

Mike Steele 13,150, 71.91%  
Daniel Scott 4,264, 23.32%  
Likely Outcome: Mike Steele (R)

Legislative District 21

State Representative Pos. 1

Riaz Khan 5717, 27.86%  
Jason Moon 4506, 21.96%  
Strom Peterson 10267, 50.03%  
Likely Outcome: Strom Peterson (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

Bruce Guthrie 2018, 9.99%  
Lillian Ortiz-Self 13506, 66.85%  
Kristina Mitchell 4641, 22.97%  
Likely Outcome: Lillian Ortiz-Self (D)

Legislative District 32

State Representative Pos. 1

Cindy Ryu 16,681, 74.87%  
Lisa Rezac 5,571, 25%  
Likely Outcome: Cindy Ryu (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

Lori Theis 5,525, 25%  
Lauren Davis 15,153, 68.71%  
Dunia Wabenga 1,354, 6.14%  
Likely Outcome: Lauren Davis (D)

Legislative District 38

State Representative Pos. 1

Bryce Nickel 2197, 13.80%  
Julio Cortes 9523, 59.82%  
Annie Fitzgerald 3389, 21.29%  
Likely Outcome: Julio Cortes (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

Mary Fosse 11278, 61.82%  
Marnie Claywell 6914, 37.90%  
Likely Outcome: Mary Fosse (D)

Legislative District 39

State Senator

John Snow 6,252, 30.68%  
Keith L. Wagoner 11,977, 58.77%  
Tim McDonald 2,134, 10.47%  
Likely Outcome: Keith Wagoner (R)

State Representative Pos. 1

Kathryn Lewandowsky 2,942, 14.38%  
Sam Low 7,712, 37.69%  
Zephaniah Borynack 4,232, 20.68%  
Robert J. Sutherland 5,561, 27.18%  
Likely Outcome: Sam Low (R)

State Representative Pos. 2

Carolyn Eslick 11,707, 66.34%  
Jackie Huey 5,418, 30.7%  
Likely Outcome: Carolyn Eslick (R)

Legislative District 44

State Representative Pos. 1

Brandy Donaghy 14466, 92.54%  
Likely Outcome: Brandy Donaghy (D)

State Representative Pos. 2

April Berg 12,748, 60.60%  
Sam Sim 8,264, 39.28%  
Likely Outcome: April Berg (D)

from page 10 **WA FERRIES**

The current bargaining started last spring and is for terms and conditions to be in place for the collective bargaining agreement which will be in effect from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027—the current agreement runs through June 30, 2025. Tentative agreements are due to the OFM director by October 1, 2024. The OFM director must then determine the financial feasibility of the proposed agreements.

With its 21 auto-passenger ferries across 10 routes serving 19 terminals, Washington State Ferries (WSF) is the country's largest. WSF launched an audacious goal to be emission-free by 2050 by converting six existing vessels to hybrid-electric power, build 16 new hybrid-electric vessels and add shore charging to 16 terminals with an estimated cost of \$3.98 billion.

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but "Pierce County alone is on track to commit up to 50 additional youth to DCYF's custody by the end of the year," the counties' lawsuit said.

When announcing the intake suspension, the department blamed longer sentences and more convictions for the overcrowding issue.

It's a sentiment echoed by Inslee, who has not directly addressed the calls for Hunter's removal but told the Standard he's focused on helping the department handle the "massive tsunami" of juveniles sentenced this year.

But the counties say overcrowding is "legally irrelevant." The counties also argue the state is violating the Juvenile Justice Act, which requires juveniles sentenced to more than 30 days to serve their sentence "under the supervision"

of the Department of Children, Youth and Families.

The lawsuit also argues counties are bearing the brunt of the costs of recent actions because the state has failed to provide adequate funding for housing youth in county jails as promised.

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