



	GOALS	ACCOMPLISHMENTS	NEXT STEPS
CHILDCARE YOU CAN COUNT ON	<p>Affordable care for children and livable wages for teachers – so communities can rely on a strong early learning and care system.</p>	<p>Proposals to fully fund affordable childcare and equitable teacher compensation by 2025 are due to legislature in 2020 (HB 1344).</p> <p>Access to subsidized childcare is expanded to students in community, technical or tribal colleges (HB 1303).</p> <p>1,169 additional early learning slots for children and increased subsidy rates for providers are funded in the 2019-21 state budget.</p>	<p>Meet the goals of HB 1344 through expanded state investments in teacher and caregiver compensation and training, reimbursement rates, and family support.</p>
A PATH TO UNIVERSAL HEALTHCARE	<p>Reduce out-of-pocket costs, leverage federal funds, and start on the path toward universal coverage, so all Washingtonians have quality healthcare at every life stage.</p>	<p>Cascade Care will lower costs in the individual market by capping reimbursements for premiums and lowering deductibles (SB 5526).</p> <p>People gained new protections from crippling medical debt, predatory collection practices, surprise billing, and escalating drug prices (HB 1531, HB 1065, HB 1224).</p> <p>First-in-the-nation long-term care insurance program will begin in 2025, funded by payroll premiums (HB 1087).</p>	<p>Cascade Care is a framework, and it can be expanded – but affordable health care for all needs more funding.</p> <p>Out-of-pocket costs for all consumers must come down further and other barriers to care be removed.</p>
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR ALL	<p>Create more affordable housing now and plan for future generations, to protect all families from eviction and homelessness.</p>	<p>Stronger tenant protections from eviction adopted, increasing required “pay or vacate” notice from 3 days to 14 (SB 5600).</p> <p>New local govt. funding for affordable housing (HB 1219); state investment in Housing Trust Fund increased to \$175 million.</p> <p>Expanded access to reduced property taxes for lower-income seniors, disabled veterans, and their heirs (SB 5160).</p>	<p>Washington will need ongoing, increased investments in housing and support services in order to end homelessness and rehouse people.</p>

A FAIR DEAL AT WORK	<p>Workplace standards that promote fair wages and benefits, gender and racial equity, healthy workers and families, and family economic security.</p>	<p>Employers may no longer ask salary history; job-seekers/employees have access to information on pay levels (HB 1696).</p> <p>Nurses will have the right to uninterrupted breaks during long hospital shifts (HB 1155).</p> <p>Updates made to landmark Paid Family & Medical Leave program (passed 2017) to smooth full implementation in 2020 (HB 1399).</p>	<p>Unemployment Insurance update needed for workers w/ caregiving responsibilities.</p> <p>Non-traditional workers need access to basic protections and portable benefits.</p>
ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY	<p>Race, gender, class and background should not prevent access to jobs and opportunity.</p>	<p>New Hope Act helps people with former convictions rebuild their lives by making it easier to vacate convictions (HB 1041).</p> <p>Keep Washington Working Act protects immigrants and families (SB 5497).</p> <p>Low income individuals and families will have more economic security with extended access to TANF benefits (HB 1603).</p> <p>Public agencies and colleges can better provide opportunities for racially diverse students and workers by considering race along with other factors in hiring and admissions (I-1000).</p>	<p>Much more remains to address the impacts of mass incarceration on individuals and communities, and to end the school-to-prison pipeline.</p>
A BALANCED TAX CODE	<p>With low-income families paying 17% of their income on state and local taxes, and the wealthiest paying just 3%, we can't make the investments our state needs.</p>	<p>Passed progressive funding measures for priority public services:</p> <p>Real Estate Excise Tax changed from a flat tax to a progressive tax by lowering the tax rate for homes selling for less than \$500,000 and raising the rate for homes over \$1.5 million.</p> <p>New business taxes on financial institutions and business services.</p>	<p>For sufficient revenue and a fair tax code, Washington needs:</p> <p>Capital Gains Tax Working Families Tax Credit</p> <p>Progress on redesigning the state's tax structure.</p>