## **Complaint Description**

## **David Johnson** (Fri, 3 Aug at 11:05 PM)

Mr. Franklin is listed as the administrator for the domain ikwa.info. The registration cost and operation of this website (under a political committee calling itself "Indivisible Kirkland") and associated e-mail addresses constitutes an engagement in an independent expenditure supporting Washington State legislative candidates. There is no address or phone number listed to contact this organization, and no names listed on the website.

In the "Home Page", events are clearly visible to recruit volunteers for political candidates. These include:

"Senator Manka Dhingra Canvassing"

"Sign waving for GOTV/Patty Kuder[er/Cindi Bright]"

On the "Take Action" page other candidates are promoted:

"Canvass with Amy Walen, who is running for State Representative in the 48th legislative district, on Saturday, 8/4 from 10am-1pm. To rsvp, please email info@ikwa.info."

There is no indication on the web page as to it being paid for by another committee, and the committee "Indivisible Kirkland" has not registered with the PDC.

His organization is listed as having paid GoDaddy, INC. for this domain on April 26, 2018:

DBFNet, LLC 6513 132nd Ave NE Box 200 Kirkland, WA 98033

Phone: (425) 610-8625

Per RCW 42.17A.205(1), Indivisible Kirkland has two weeks from that date to file a statement of organization with the PDC. As it has been more than two weeks and no statement has been filed, they are in violation.

## What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

This committee is performing campaigning activities for multiple Washington State legislative candidates, including recruiting for doorbelling, sign waving, and phone banking. In their own words they are "[h]elp[ing] build the blue wave". Because they have made no filings, it is unclear who they are, where their money is coming from and how much they are spending on these activities beyond operating their website. Voters deserve to know who is paying to organize campaigning activities in their community.

## List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.

Attached screenshots/printouts of the website, and www.ikwa.info (Home) and http://www.ikwa.info/take-action/ (TakeAction).

WhoIsIKWAINFO shows Daniel Franklin listed as the administrator of this website.

## List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.

## **Complaint Certification:**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.











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Registry Domain ID: D50330000096689480-LRMS

Registrar WHOIS Server: whois.godaddy.com

Registrar URL: http://www.godaddy.com Updated Date: 2018-04-26T00:32:33Z Creation Date: 2018-04-26T00:32:32Z

Registrar Registration Expiration Date: 2019-04-26T00:32:32Z

Registrar: GoDaddy.com, LLC

Registrar IANA ID: 146

Registrar Abuse Contact Email: abuse@godaddy.com

Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.4806242505

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Domain Status: clientDeleteProhibited

http://www.icann.org/epp#clientDeleteProhibited

Registry Registrant ID: CR319553330

Registrant Name: Daniel Franklin

Registrant Organization: DBFNet, LLC Registrant Street: 6513 132nd Ave NE

Registrant Street: Box 200 Registrant City: Kirkland

Registrant State/Province: Washington

Registrant Postal Code: 98033

Registrant Country: US

Registrant Phone: +1.4256108625

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Registrant Email: domains@dbfnet.com

Registry Admin ID: CR319553332

Admin Name: Daniel Franklin

Admin Organization: DBFNet, LLC Admin Street: 6513 132nd Ave NE

Admin Street: Box 200 Admin City: Kirkland

Admin State/Province: Washington

Admin Postal Code: 98033

Admin Country: US

Admin Phone: +1.4256108625

Admin Phone Ext:

Admin Fax:
Admin Fax Ext:

Admin Email: domains@dbfnet.com

Registry Tech ID: CR319553331

Tech Name: Daniel Franklin

Tech Organization: DBFNet, LLC Tech Street: 6513 132nd Ave NE

Tech Street: Box 200 Tech City: Kirkland Tech State/Province: Washington

Tech Postal Code: 98033

Tech Country: US

Tech Phone: +1.4256108625

Tech Phone Ext:

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Tech Email: domains@dbfnet.com

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http://wdprs.internic.net/

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For more information on Whois status codes, please visit https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/epp-status-codes-2014-06-16-en

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## Take Action

# Members of United States Congress

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- Sen. Patty Murray (D) (202) 224-2621 | Send email
- Sen. Maria Cantwell (D) (202) 224-3441 | Send email
- Rep. Suzan DelBene (D 1st) (202) 225-6311 | Send email
- Rep. Dave Reichert (R 8th) (202) 225-7761 | Send email
- Rep. Adam Smith (D 9th) (202) 225-8901 | Send email

# Members of Washington State Legislature

(Not sure what Legislative District you're in? Check here.)

1st Legislative District:

- Sen. Guy Palumbo (D) (360) 786-7600 | Send email
- Rep. Derek Stanford (D) (360) 786-7928 | Send email
- Rep. Shelley Kloba (D) (360) 786-7900 | Send email

45th Legislative District:

- Sen. Manka Dhingra (D) (360) 786-7672 | Send email
- Rep. Roger E. Goodman (D) (360) 786-7878 | Send email
- Rep. Larry Springer (D) (360) 786-7822 | Send email

48th Legislative District:

- Sen. Patricia Kuderer (D) (360) 786-7694 | Send email
- Rep. Vandana Slatter (D) (360) 786-7936 | Send email
- Rep. Joan McBride (D) (360) 786-7848 | Send email

\*\*Our Action Items are now also shared over email and on our Facebook page. To register for our email list, please use the tool on the bottom of this page or email us at info@ikwa.info.

As always, you can check our calendar for upcoming events! Also...

Action Items (7/22/18)

Hi folks,

Here are a bunch of different actions for the next few weeks. We've tried to give you a variety of options for getting involved: sign-waving, canvassing, letter writing, even hosting a lemonade stand for a good cause!

1) **VOTE! Ballots must be mailed by August 7th.** Please encourage your friends and family to vote. The primary may not seem important, but it is. And it's the perfect time to flex our democratic muscles to prepare for voting in November. And don't forget, no stamp needed this year!

## 2) Help local candidates with their campaigns heading into the primary election on August 7th:

Canvass with Amy Walen, who is running for State Representative in the 48<sup>th</sup> legislative district, on Saturday, 8/4 from 10am-1pm. To rsvp, please email info@ikwa.info.

Remind folks to vote with sign-waving for Patty Kuderer and Cindi Bright:

- Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8-9am, Kirkland location TBD
- Monday, August 6th, 8-9am, Kirkland location TBD.

To rsvp to either/both of these sign-waving events, please email info@ikwa.info. Signs are provided! (FYI, you don't need to be from the 48th to wave signs with us!)

Patty's primary race for State Senator is critical as she's running against someone who is running as a Democrat but has strong ties to the Republican Party. Patty's primary win is the only way to ensure we have a strong progressive candidate on the ballot in November. Cindi Bright is running against Amy Walen for State Representative in the 48th.

For more information on these candidates:

Patty Kuderer (https://www.pattykuderer.com/)

Amy Walen (https://amywalen.com/)

Cindi Bright (http://votecindibright.com/)

## 3) Help build the blue wave in November:

- Use the Indivisible phone banking tool to call voters in key states to flip Senate seats. Shifts are available 7/28, 7/29, 7/30: https://www.indivisible.org/100daysout-phonebank-signup/.
- Phone bank from home with Flippable to reach out to voters in Texas. Shifts run until 7/29: https://events.mobilizeamerica.io/flippable/event/2560/.
- Or Join Beto O'Rourke's texting team directly to help him kick Ted Cruz to the curb: https://secure.betofortexas.com/page/s/text-for-beto.
- 4) Take action to stop the Census citizenship question. The Department of Commerce is accepting public comments on this issue until August 7th. Use this tool from the League of Women Voters to learn more about why a citizenship question on the census undermines the value of the process, as well as to send a letter to the Department of Commerce demanding that they drop the citizenship question from the 2020

Census: http://participate.lwv.org/c/9163/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action KEY=13432

5) The administration's "zero tolerance" policy and ICE are STILL terrorizing immigrant families.

TWEET & DONATE: Leverage your social media network to support & share the Flights for Families fund created by the Families Belong Together Campaign, which directly supports separated families. Awesome sample social media graphics can be found in the Flights for Families TOOLKIT. More than \$93,000 has been raised to support reunification efforts, but more funding is still needed to cover travel costs and related expenses for families that have been separated by the administration. The donation page isactable.com/donate/flighsforfamilies.

Host or Attend "Kids Take A Stand" on Saturday, July 28th at 10:00 am

- 1. On July 28th at 10am host a lemonade stand in your neighborhood and invite friends, families, and neighbors.
- 2. Make signs using the Kids Take A Stand logo, which you can find on this Facebook page under Photos: https://www.facebook.com/KidsTakeaStand/?ref=br rs.
- 3. On July 28th, post pictures of your lemonade stand to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter using the hashtag: #kidstakeastand.
- 4. Donate all proceeds from your stand to Project Corazon using this link:https://www.lawyersforgoodgovernment.org/project-corazon/.
- Send supportive cards and notes to kids who have been separated from their families and are feeling isolated and scared: https://raisingourvoices.today/2018/07/03/cardsforkids/.
- Donate: ActBlue has created an easy "Support Kids at the Border" link that aggregates 14 important groups so you can easily donate to the organizations on the ground helping immigrant families: https://secure.actblue.com/donate/kidsattheborder.
- 6) Indivisible Kirkland is gathering information to help craft our 2019 Legislative Agenda. We would like to hear from all of our members on what issues they feel most passionately about. Please take our Legislative Input Survey by August 1st: http://www.ikwa.info/legislative-agenda/. It will take you less than 5 minutes, and it really helps point us in the direction our members want to go when it comes time to lobby our legislators in the fall and winter.

Thanks so much!

# Action Items (7/15/18)

- 1) Attend the Candidate Forum for the 48<sup>th</sup> LD on Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Temple B'nai Torah in Bellevue. All candidates from the 48<sup>th</sup> LD have been invited, and the attendance for all State Senate candidates has been confirmed. Doors open at 6:30pm. (Temple B'nai Torah: 15727 NE 4<sup>th</sup> ST Bellevue)
- 2) To support local gun safety efforts in Kirkland, attend the July 17<sup>th</sup> Kirkland City Council meeting. On the 17<sup>th</sup> the city staff will present to the Council all of the input and ideas it has gathered from the community. It should be quite interesting to see the presentation of this report, as well as to hear Council comments. The meeting is on

Tuesday, July 17th, at 7:30pm at Kirkland City Hall. (If possible, wear orange to show support for reducing gun violence.)

3) Take action to stop the Census citizenship question. The Department of Commerce is accepting public comments on this issue until August 7<sup>th</sup>. Use this tool from the League of Women Voters to learn more about why a citizenship question on the census undermines the value of the process, as well as to send a letter to the Department of Commerce demanding that they drop the citizenship question from the 2020 Census: http://participate.lwv.org/c/9163/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action KEY=13432

Thank you!

# Action Items (7/1/18)

There is so much happening right now. It's overwhelming and demoralizing. We've tried to focus this action email on a few key issues: ICE, SCOTUS, gun safety, and midterm elections. And we've tried to give you a variety of ways to get involved: rally, donate, call, show up, write, text/phone bank from home, canvassing. These last few weeks have been some of the hardest yet, but taking action is our best possible response. Thank you.

1) ICE is terrorizing immigrant families.

Attend a #FamiliesBelongTogether Rally on Saturday, 6/30:

- Seattle: 11am-2pm, Federal Detention Center, 2425 S 200th ST, SeaTac https://www.facebook.com/events/1805746032846977/
- Bothell/Kenmore: 10am, Intersection of Bothell Way NE and Woodinville DR https://act.moveon.org/event/families-belong-together/20351/signup/?akid=&zip=&source=FBTsite622

Donate: ActBlue has created an easy "Support Kids at the Border" link that aggregates 14 important groups so you can easily donate to the organizations on the ground helping immigrant

families: https://secure.actblue.com/donate/kidsattheborder

Consider attending the We Stand With Immigrants: Symposium for Activists and Allies:

- Saturday, July 7, 11:30am-4pm, for more information and to RSVP: https://www.facebook.com/events/187535548528078/
- 2) With Justice Kennedy retiring, it is imperative that Democrats fight against Trump SCOTUS nominees.

Call our Senators to demand that they fight hard against any of the nominees on Trump's shortlist:

- o Senator Patty Murray: DC 202-224-2621; Seattle 206-553-5545, Email: https://www.murray.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/contactme
- o Senator Maria Cantwell: DC 202-224-3441; Seattle 206-220-6400, Email: https://www.cantwell.senate.gov/contact/email/form

Call Republican Senators Collins and Murkowski to remind them that they have committed to protecting women's health care and women's reproductive rights. To do so, they must not allow Trump shortlist confirmations to happen:

- o Senator Susan Collins (ME): DC 202-224-2523
- o Senator Lisa Murkowski (AK): DC 202-224-6665

Call Democratic Senators Heitkamp, Donnelly, and Manchin, all of whom voted to confirm Neil Gorsuch. We absolutely need a different vote from them this time. Please ask that they vote no on any of the nominees on Trump's ultra-conservative shortlist.

- o Senator Heidi Heitkamp (ND): DC 202-224-2043
- o Senator Joe Donnelly (IN): DC 202-224-4814
- o Senator Joe Manchin (WV): DC 202-224-3954

Points you may consider making:

- o The fate of reproductive choice is in the hands of the Court, and Trump's shortlist only includes nominees who will overturn Roe v. Wade.
- o LQBTQ rights would easily come under attack with a conservative Court.
- o Civil rights and voting rights would also be under further attack.
- o Presidents under active criminal investigation should not get to make lifetime court picks.
- o Mitch McConnell has set the precedent here: SCOTUS appointments should not happen in election years.
- 3) To support local gun safety efforts in Kirkland, attend the July 17th Kirkland City Council meeting. On the 17th the city staff will present all of the input and ideas it has gathered from the community to the Council. It should be quite interesting to see the presentation of this report, as well as to hear Council comments. The meeting is on Tuesday, July 17th, at 7:30pm at Kirkland City Hall. (If possible, wear orange to show support for reducing gun violence.)

If you want to take one last opportunity to share your input on gun safety in our community with the Kirkland City Council, please write a letter to the City. You may send letters to Jim Lopez, Assistant City Manager. (123 5th Ave Kirkland 98033)

4) We know how important the midterm elections are. Here are several ways to help:

Phone bank and text bank from home to help flip Congressional seats for the midterm elections:

Flippable.org has virtual phone banking options for contacting voters in PA and TX. Phone banking shifts start this weekend: https://events.mobilizeamerica.io/flippable/? utm\_source=flippable&utm\_medium=web&utm\_campaign=act-now&utm\_content=act-now-actionbar

Join Beto O'Rourke's texting team to help him kick Ted Cruz to the curb: https://secure.betofortexas.com/page/s/text-for-beto

Weekend canvassing opportunities with local candidates:

- o Canvassing with Senator Manka Dhingra, Saturdays & Sundays at 10am and 1pm. To sign up: https://act.myngp.com/Forms/1694571643540081152.
- o Canvassing with Senator Patty Kuderer, July 1<sup>st</sup> @ 10am, July 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm, to learn more email Tanya Lavoy at tanya@pattykuderer.com.
- o Canvassing with Kirkland Mayor Amy Walen, who is running for state rep in the 48th, July 14th/July 22nd/August 4th at 10am, to learn more email Michelle Hansmann atmichelle@amywalen.com.
- o Events for Cindi Bright, who is also running for state rep in the 48th, can be found here: http://votecindibright.com/volunteer/
- 5) Indivisible Kirkland is beginning to gather information to help craft our 2019 Legislative Agenda. We would like to hear from all of our members on what issues they feel most passionately about. Please take our Legislative Input Survey: <a href="http://www.ikwa.info/legislative-agenda/">http://www.ikwa.info/legislative-agenda/</a>. It will take you less than 5 minutes, and it really helps point us in the direction our members want to go when it comes time to lobby our legislators in the fall and winter.

# Action Items (6/17/18)

Hi Indivisibles,

Two actions on two important upcoming events we want to make sure you're aware of. We need your help to make these events successful and to demonstrate our community's deep desire for gun safety action in Kirkland and beyond.

# 1. Kirkland Town Hall on Gun Safety, THIS WEDNESDAY, June 20th, 5:30pm, Lake Washington High School Theater

- We need EVERYONE to show up for this! (We're forgoing a June meeting in favor of having everyone use that time to attend the Town Hall instead.)
- This is an important opportunity to share your input with the City on how it should fulfill the mandate of the Gun Safety Resolution, which passed in early May. What actions do you want to see taken?
- In addition to allowing audience members to offer comments and suggestions, the City will also provide information through several short panel discussions.
- If possible, please wear orange to demonstrate support for reducing gun violence.
- The flyer for this event is attached.

**2.** Please join our Community Conversation, a small-group discussion with City staff about gun safety actions in Kirkland on Thursday, June 28 at 6:30pm at City Hall. There's no need to prepare – the staff will lead the process and facilitate the conversation. To join, RSVP at info@ikwa.info.

# Action Items (6/10/18)

Hi Indivisibles,

I know we're all busy and worn out. And I know that summer is around the corner. But we need a bit more of your energy – especially for the month of June – before we all scatter to enjoy the sunshine.

#### Actions:

- Mark your calendar: Kirkland Town Hall on Gun Safety, June 20th, 5:30pm, Lake Washington High School Theater
  - We need EVERYONE to show up for this! (We're forgoing a June meeting in favor of having everyone use that time to attend the Town Hall instead.)
  - This is an important opportunity to share your input with the City on how it should fulfill the mandate of the Gun Safety Resolution, which passed in early May. What actions do you want to see taken?
  - If possible, please wear orange to demonstrate support for reducing gun violence.
  - For more information and to RSVP: https://www.facebook.com/events/243318316416989/?ti=icl
- 2. If you would like to be part of a small-group discussion with City staff about gun safety actions in Kirkland, please join our Community Conversation on Thursday, June 28 at 6:30pm at City Hall. To join, RSVP at info@ikwa.info.
- 3. We must raise absolute hell about immigrant families being separated at the border. Separating families is cruel, and is a terror tactic we cannot stand for. The damage being done to innocent children is horrific and unthinkable. The United Nations Human Rights High Commissioner just listed the U.S. in a memo on human rights concerns:

"The practice of separating families amounts to arbitrary and unlawful interference in family life, and is a serious violation of the rights of the child...Children should never be detained for reasons related to their own or their parents' migration status. Detention is never in the best interests of the child and always constitutes a child rights violation."

- Take a quick moment to read the entire document here: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23174&LangID=E.
- Our members of Congress (MoC) are all cosponsoring the HELP Separated Families Act (HR 5414, S2937)
- Please contact each MoC regarding this issue. Some points to make in your communication:
- Thank each MoC for cosponsoring the HELP Separated Families Act.
- · Request that they act as champions of this bill. They need to talk about this alarming issue EVERY DAY.
- · They should consider visiting the SeaTac detention center to better understand the issue and educate the public.
- Make sure they are aware of the United Nations memo detailing the human rights abuses that are happening when families are separated. (See above)

Sen. Patty Murray: DC: (202) 224-2621; Seattle: (206) 553-5545 Email: https://www.murray.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/contactme Sen. Maria Cantwell: DC: (202) 224-3441; Seattle: (206) 220-6400

Email: https://www.cantwell.senate.gov/contact/email/form

Rep. Suzan DelBene: DC: (202) 225-6311; Bothell: (425) 485-0085

Email: https://delbene.house.gov/contact/

4. It's time to **start gathering signatures for I-1639**, the Safe Schools, Safe Communities Initiative, which includes a number of important gun safety measures. If you're interested in helping with signature gathering, please email us at info@ikwa.info and we'll keep you posted on opportunities to help. For more information on I-1639: https://gunresponsibility.org/news/ballot-initiative-assault-weapon/.

5. Indivisible Kirkland is beginning to gather information to help craft our 2019 Legislative Agenda. We would like to hear from all of our members on what issues they feel most passionately about. Please take our Legislative Input Survey: http://www.ikwa.info/legislative-agenda/. It will take you less than 5 minutes, and it really helps point us in the direction our members want to go when it comes time to lobby our legislators in the fall and winter.

## Action Items (5/29/2018):

- Mark your calendar: Kirkland Town Hall on Gun Safety, June 20th, 5:30pm, Lake Washington High School Theater
- This is an important opportunity to share your input with the City on how it should fulfill the mandate of the Gun Safety Resolution, which passed in early May. What actions do you want to see taken?
- Please wear orange to demonstrate support for reducing gun violence.
- Bring family and friends we need a HUGE turnout in order to maintain the momentum surrounding this issue.
- Consider making a public comment. (If you would like some guidance on this, don't hesitate to let us know: info@ikwa.info.)
- 2. In addition to the Town Hall, the City of Kirkland will be collecting community input on gun safety through small meetings and focus groups. If you would like to participate in a gun safety focus group, please send us an email so that we can add you to the participant list: info@ikwa.info. Thank you!
- 3. The current administration is attacking women's health again. The international gag rule that we fought so hard against over a year ago is now coming home. From NARAL:

"The Trump-Pence gag rule would:

- Make it impossible for patients to access birth control or preventative care from comprehensive reproductive health care providers like Planned Parenthood
- · Leave doctors, nurses, hospitals, and community health centers unable to refer patients for legal abortion care.
- Weaken medical standards for those receiving funding from Title X making room for fake women's health clinics to receive these federal taxpayer dollars to promote anti-abortion lies and propaganda"

Please use this link to leave a strong comment for HHS opposing the gag rule: http://actnow.prochoiceamerica.org/sign/180522-hhs-domestic-gag-rule-aff/?source=washington#.Ww1UWIplCfA.

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Legislative Input Survey: http://www.ikwa.info/legislative-agenda/. It will take you less than 5 minutes, and it really helps point us in the direction our members want to go when it comes time to lobby our legislators in the fall and winter.

Also, if you have an extra moment, check out our new website! We've put our new name and updated logo together with a new look. You can find us at www.ikwa.info AND www.indivisiblekirkland.com. (They will take you to the same page.)

# Action Items (5/14/2018):

# Two action updates for today:

- 1. Take the City of Kirkland Community Survey:
- 2. Take action to protect children in the immigration system:

This week, May 14th to May 18th, is a state-wide effort to pressure our Congressional representatives to take action to protect children in the immigration system. Each day this week has its own focus. I'll send you all of the phone numbers and information you'll need. If we all call about the same issue, on the same day, our voices will be amplified in a truly powerful way. Thank you for your help on this incredibly important issue.

### Monday, May 14th: Stop Separating Families in Detention

**Background:** DHS has been toying with separating families detained at the border since the start of the Trump administration. To deter illegal entry and asylum seekers, DHS Secretary John Kelly announced a separation policy in March 2017, but backed off under intense criticism.

Nevertheless, the New York Times discovered that more than 700 children have been taken from adults claiming to be their parents since October 2017, including more than 100 children under the age of 4. In one prominent case, a 7-year-old Congolese girl was separated from her mother for over four months, despite the fact that her mother broke no laws when she presented herself to border agents in order to apply for asylum.

Attorney General Sessions recently announced a policy of charging every person apprehended crossing the border with a crime. This move would guarantee separation of families, by sending children to the Health and Human Services' Office of Refugee Resettlement while their parents are held in detention centers to await trial.

ACTION: Call Congress

Sen. Patty Murray: DC: (202) 224-2621; Seattle: (206) 553-5545

Email: https://www.murray.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/contactme

Sen. Maria Cantwell: DC: (202) 224-3441; Seattle: (206) 220-6400

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Rep. Suzan DelBene: DC: (202) 225-6311; Bothell: (425) 485-0085

Email: https://delbene.house.gov/contact/

Tips when calling

- Be polite, but passionate. Use your own words when possible;
- For the most impact, call the local and national office, and follow up with an email;
- · Have staffers repeat back your key points to ensure they've got it.

**Script:** DHS needs to stop terrorizing children to deter migrants and asylum seekers. It's cruel, it's immoral, and it's unnecessary. It is a violation of U.S. law to separate children from their parents in order to deter illegal immigration.

ICE must not separate families who are apprehended entering the country, or who ask for asylum. Despite repeated assurances to the contrary, instances of asylum-seeking families being separated are common and well documented.

DHS should abandon their plan to charge all people apprehended at the border with a crime. They should keep families together in family detention centers, or release them on bond while they wait for a decision on their status.

## Resources:

"Trump administration to step up family separation at the border." Ted Hesson, Politico, May 7, 2018.

"Hundreds of Immigrant Children Have Been Taken From Parents at U.S. Border." Caitlin Dickerson. New York Times. April 20, 2018.

"Top Homeland Security officials urge criminal prosecution of parents crossing border with children." Maria Sacchetti, Washington Post, April 26, 2018.

"Watchdog to investigate DHS family separations in immigration custody." Tal Kopan. CNN Politics, April 16, 2018.

"ACLU sues over separation of mother, 7-year-old daughter seeking asylum." Nomaan Merchant, Associated Press. Chicago Tribune, February 26, 2018.

## Action Items (5/10/2018):

- 1. Please mark your calendar for Saturday's Indivisible Kirkland meeting: Saturday, 5/12, 3-4pm, Peter Kirk Room in Kirkland City Hall. (The Peter Kirk Room is downstairs, so plan on parking and entering through the lower level, off of 2nd Street.). Our meeting will include a number of quick updates on ongoing efforts, including our gun safety work. And, of course, cake. See you there! (For more information and to RSVP: https://www.facebook.com/events/171197337045946/?ti=icl.
- 2. Become a PCO! Our election strategy for this year is all about maximizing the blue wave locally. One very important way to do this is to become a PCO, a role that focuses on getting community members engaged and voting. See the attached handout (below) for more information on PCO status for Kirkland's precincts and how to become a PCO. Also, check out this link: https://www.fileforpco.com/#who.
- 3. Join next week's efforts: Five Days of Action for Children in the Immigration System.

The current administration's gratuitous cruelty towards immigrants harms many thousands of children every year.

Over five days, organizations across Washington state are going to force a sense of urgency on our Congressional representatives, and demand they prioritize work on children in the immigration system. Each day will be a different issue:

- \* Monday, May 14th: Separating families in detention
- \* Tuesday, May 15th: Losing thousands of children placed into protective custody
- \* Wednesday, May 16th: Imprisoning pregnant women
- \* Thursday, May 17th: Letting children defend themselves alone in immigration court
- \* Friday, May 18th: Changing the meaning of "public charge"

You can sign up directly to receive information on how to help (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcv0XPtHH6hr5nLdwTIQfljhJlGQRYcNxZ8mtx3uGAptveUA/viewf orm) or you can watch our emails/Facebook page for details.

(Thank you to Alx Dark from Seattle Immigrant Rights Action Group for all of this important information.)

For more information related to these issues:

- Where Are The Children? http://time.com/5256734/government-missing-migrant-children/
- Information on "Public Charge" and proposed changes: https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/trump-proposal-would-penalize-immigrants-who-use-tax-credits-and-other-benefits/2018/03/28/4c6392e0-2924-11e8-bc72-077aa4dab9ef\_story.html?
   noredirect=on&utm\_c93fd6e7b78b

Thank you! See you Saturday!

# Action Items (4/7/2018): As always, check our calendar for upcoming events! Also...

Keep a citizenship question off the 2020 Census.

The Census count is important in several ways. It helps allocate funds and resources at state and local levels, and it helps determine Congressional representation. Including a question about citizenship in the Census is another way to attack immigrants in our country, and will lead to dramatically lower response rates. Many mayors and governors, from both parties, are begging Secretary of Commerce Ross to abandon this dangerous idea. How can we help?

Call WA Attorney General Bob Ferguson and thank him for joining a number of other states in suing the government over this issue. Our AG continues to be a leader for our state.

Call: (360) 753-6200, Email: https://fortress.wa.gov/atg/formhandler/ago/ContactForm.aspx

Call our members of Congress (MoCs) to ask for their support in protecting the 2020 Census. Rep. Pramila Jayapal has been a leader in rejecting this new attack on immigrants. Ask our MoCs to do the same. Here's some information on Rep. Jayapal's efforts: https://jayapal.house.gov/media/press-releases/jayapal-chu-grijalva-richmond-call-sec-ross-reject-citizenship-questions-2020

Representative DelBene: 202-225-6311, 425-485-0085, Email: https://delbene.house.gov/contact/

Senator Murray: 202-224-2621, 206-553-5545, Email: https://www.murray.senate.gov/contact/e-mail.cfm

Senator Cantwell: 202-224-3441, 206-220-6400, Email: https://www.cantwell.senate.gov/contact/email/form

Attend the Kirkland City Council meeting on April 17th (7:30pm, City Hall) when our group will request that Mayor Walen join the other 160 mayors from around the country who are asking for a fair 2020 Census. (For more information on this: https://www.usmayors.org/2018/02/06/over-160-mayors-to-secretary-of-commerce-ross-dont-undercut-cities-work-with-us-to-ensure-u-s-cities-are-treated-fairly-in-the-2020-census/.)

Support the King County Elections Department in its effort to get prepaid postage for all ballots starting in August of this year.

The Elections Executive in King County recently submitted a budget proposal to the King County Council asking for funding for these efforts, citing the significant increase in voter participation in the April 2017 special election where prepaid postage was provided. (The voter turnout numbers jumped 6 points in that election.) This is another step forward in making voting accessible to all, especially since the prepaid postage bill was not passed in this year's legislative session.

Please contact the King County Council to indicate your support for prepaid postage on all ballots.

Rod Dembowski: rod.dembowski@kingcounty.gov Larry Gossett: Larry.Gossett@kingcounty.gov Kathy Lambert: kathy.lambert@kingcounty.gov

Jeanne Kohl-Welles: jeanne.kohl-welles@kingcounty.gov
Dave Upthegrove: Dave.Upthegrove@kingcounty.gov
Claudia Balducci: claudia.balducci@kingcounty.gov
Pete you Peighboury: Pete you Peighboury@kingcounty.gov

Pete von Reichbauer: Pete.vonReichbauer@kingcounty.gov

Joe McDermott: joe.mcdermott@kingcounty.gov Reagan Dunn: reagan.dunn@kingcounty.gov

Attend the Kirkland City Council meeting on April 17th (7:30pm, City Hall) when our group will request that the City

of Kirkland draft a letter of support for prepaid postage to be sent to the King County Council.

For more information on this issue:

http://www.king5.com/article/news/local/push-for-prepaid-postage-on-king-county-ballots/281-532973267

https://southseattleemerald.com/2018/03/30/why-prepaid-postage-is-a-very-big-deal/

# Action Items (3/5/2018)

March 8<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the current legislative session. So this is it, friends. These next few days are our last chance to push for what we want. Here are some guidelines and updates to help you do that:

- The Automatic Voter Registration bill (HB 2595) has passed both chambers! This is fantastic news, but there is still some concern that this bill will get watered down as the two chambers reconcile their versions of the bill. One group is pushing to drop the Health Benefit Exchange from the agencies that can register people. We do NOT want this to happen. Please use this letter-writing tool from the League of Women Voters to tell your reps this. This only takes a moment. http://participate.lwv.org/c/9163/p/dia/action4/common/public/? action KEY=13284.
- SB 6620, Improving Security in Schools This bill improves security in schools and the safety of students by requiring the same background check process to purchase certain rifles and shotguns as is currently required for pistols. It also prohibits persons under the age of 21 from purchasing certain rifles and shotguns. Additionally, it creates a grant program for school districts to implement emergency response systems and creates a program to provide students and the community with the means to report unsafe or violent activities. Please contact all of your representative to ask them to support this bill. (Sponsors: Kuderer, Dhingra)
- HB 1144, Amending state's greenhouse gas emission limits to be consistent with most recent assessment of climate change science This bill passed the House and needs to pass the Senate this week. Please contact your senator to ask for support for this bill.
- SB 6617, Concerning Public Records Disclosures by the Legislative Branch Take a break on this one, everyone! The Governor and our legislators received so much feedback on this bill, and specifically on how this bill was rammed through the process, that the Governor has vetoed it and there is an understanding that the Governor, the Legislature and the community will work together to create a more thoughtful and transparent bill for next session. Many of the legislators from our districts were among those who apologized for the bad process and who asked the Governor to veto the bill so that they could start over. It's exciting to see civic engagement working so quickly and so effectively. For more information about this bill and the backstory behind it: https://mailchi.mp/lwvwa/march-voter-newsletter?e=06a61cf290.

## Action Items (2/28/18)

SB 6620, Improving Security in Schools – This bill is new! The bill improves security in schools and the safety of students by requiring the same background check process to purchase certain rifles and shotguns as is currently required for pistols. It also prohibits persons under the age of 21 from purchasing certain rifles and shotguns. Additionally, it creates a grant program for school districts to implement emergency response systems and creates a program to provide students and the community with the means to report unsafe or violent activities. Please contact all of your representative to ask them to support this bill. (Sponsors: Kuderer, Dhingra)

HB 2595/SB 6353, Automatic Voter Registration – The AVR would expand the number of registered voters by having state agencies register those who have proven citizenship. This bill would have a significant impact on voter participation. Sadly, in committee, this bill was watered down, with fewer state agencies being included in this process. That said, there is hope that once the bill passes those agencies can be added again later. Please contact your Senator and your House members to ask that they pass the strongest possible version of this bill. (Sponsors: Kuderer, Dhingra, Palumbo, Stanford, Goodman)

SB 6219, Reproductive Parity Act – This bill would ensure reproductive parity in all Washington state health plans. Access to the full range of health benefits and preventative services, as guaranteed under the laws of this state, provides all Washingtonians the opportunity to lead healthier and more productive lives. This bill establishes contraceptive coverage requirements for health plans and an abortion coverage requirement for health plans that

provide coverage for maternity care. This bill passed the Senate and moved out of committee in the House. **Please contact your House members to ask them to vote in favor of this bill.** (Sponsors: Dhingra, Kuderer, Palumbo)

## **Action Item (5/12/17)**

1.Start thinking about what you would like to tell our elected officials about healthcare: do you or a family member have a personal story to share? Do you want them to know how you feel about the role of healthcare in our society? Very soon we will be asking for as many stories and comments as possible...watch this space for more info...

2.If you haven't already been calling our Senators to ask them to stand strong against Trumpcare, please do so. (Senator Murray: 202-224-2621 Senator Cantwell: 202-224-3441)

Here's a script you may use during your call:

Hello, my name is [NAME] and I am a constituent from [YOUR CITY].

I'm calling today because I want to ask Senator [Murray/Cantwell] to oppose the so-called American Health Care Act in every way possible. I ask that she delay, obstruct, and fight the repeal of the Affordable Care Act because citizens all across the country will die if the Republicans get their way. I also ask that she speak out publicly and often to point out the effects of this terrible legislation on the American people.

[If leaving a voicemail, leave your full street address to make sure your call is counted]

[If you have a personal story about how the ACA has affected your life, please use it instead of this script. Constituent stories are the most effective way to help our Senators make an effective case to their colleagues.]

# Action Items (5/5/17)

1. (From the Indivisible WA Enviro Network)

## **Oppose Tesoro's Proposed Fossil Fuel Exports**

What to do – Submit a public EIS comment before May 8, 2017, asking the Skagit County Planning Commission to oppose the Tesoro "Clean Products Upgrade Project".

Why it's important – Tesoro proposes additions and upgrades to an existing facility in Anacortes, WA to produce lower-sulfur gasoline from higher xylene content Bakken oil (creating more fracking demand for this oil) and to produce 15,000 barrels per day of mixed xylenes, most of which will be exported to Asia for use in clothing, synthetic products and plastics.

This increase in shipping traffic, means up to five extra tankers a month entering and exiting Fidalgo Bay. Since Tesoro already has a crude oil rail terminal on March Point, the new marine oil terminal affords Tesoro the capacity to 'transship' export crude oil in future by oil tanker, turning March Point into a "back-door" oil export terminal. Tesoro as a company has been fined by the EPA for violations after an explosion and fire at the refinery in 2010 that resulted in seven deaths. They've also been fined by the courts for continued high levels of dangerous air pollution near their oil refineries.

Leave your comments at: tesoroanacorteseis.com/comment

2. Thank WA State Congressional Reps for their NO vote on ACH. Let's show them some support for listening to their constituents.

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CD 1: Suzan DelBene (D) 202-225-6311
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CD 2: Rick Larsen (D) 202-225-2605

CD 3: Jaime Herrera Beutler (R) 202-225-3536

CD 6: Derek Kilmer (D) 202-225-5916

CD 7: Pramila Jayapal (D) 202-225-3106

CD 8: Dave Reichert (R) 202-225-7761

CD 9: Adam Smith (D) 202-225-8901

CD 10: Denny Heck (D) 202-225-9740

(The only YES was from Cathy McMorris Rodgers in CD 5. Dan Newhouse in CD 4 did not vote.)

## **Action Items (4/20/17):**

1. The People's Climate Movement is a broad based coalition of communities, workers, and environmental organizations dedicated to advance solutions to the climate crisis that are rooted in racial, gender, social, and economic justice.

They are hosting an Earth Day to May Day Action Week with several meetings, marches and trainings between April 23 and May 1. The full list is here: earthday2mayday.org/

Events include: April 22nd Environmental Racism Conference, April 29th People's Climate March, and May 1 Climate Justice Feeder March and May Day Rally.

2. Escalation with North Korea (thanks to re:act newsletter for this info)

## **Background from Politico:**

"Former Ambassador Christopher Hill, who led the Bush-era negotiations to get rid of North Korea's nuclear weapons program, said Sunday that President Donald Trump is "trying to out-North Korean the North Koreans" with his aggressive rhetoric against the totalitarian state." As the White House was talking about sending a naval "armada" to the Korean Peninsula, and a U.S. official calling it a "show of force" in response to recent provocations, the very ships in question were on their way to participate in military exercises in the Indian Ocean, some 3,500 miles in the opposite direction—a mix-up that officials blamed on a "lack of follow up." Further confusion resulted after Secretary of Defense James Mattis indicated the exercises were cancelled. The Wall Street Journal reports that the episode "sparked ridicule in some corners of Asia and wariness in others."

To do: Call your reps to request congressional approval before any further escalation, and ask them to clarify their position on efforts with North Korea.

Sample Script: "Hello, I'm [NAME] from [PLACE]. I'm asking that [REPRESENTATIVE X] publicly call for President Trump to get congressional approval before any further military escalation in North Korea. What is [REPRESENTATIVE X]'s position on what to do next?"

For more information: https://www.globalzero.org/get-the-facts? utm source=web&utm medium=carousel&utm campaign=GZ

# **Action Items (4/14/17):**

1. The EPA has an open public comment period on their regulatory reform (or, utter dismantling). You can read the Executive Orders and submit comments on them here:

www.epa.gov/laws-regulations/regulatory-reform

2. Washington Conservation Voters is kicking off their 100 Days of Action campaign on April 23 at Wilde Rover Pub in Kirkland.

From their page: Join WCV and other community partners to kick off election season with 100 days of action! We will share with you some of our strategies this election season, discuss some key issues and themes for this election, and talk about how we will engage our friends, communities, and neighbors in this critical election. wevoters.org/events/100-days-action-kickoff/

## Action Item (4/5/17):

(From 350 Seattle, a climate justice organization – thanks to Janetmarie for sending this along.)

Can you call the Seattle Mayor today and ask that he make a public statement in support of fossil fuel divestment of the pension fund?

Mayor Murray: 206-684-4000

Suggested call script: "I am calling to ask that Mayor Murray issue a public statement in support of fossil fuel divestment of the City's pension fund. Our city has no business investing in companies like Energy Transfer Partners and TransCanada, corporations that are destroying our shared climate and abusing treaty rights."

Some background from 350:

Monday, after 350 Seattle activists helped to draft the resolution, the Seattle City Council voted unanimously to seek out financial institutions that do not provide TransCanada or the Keystone XL pipeline with project-level loans. This is our first big win in the renewed battle against KXL—and it sends a powerful message to banks that TransCanada is a toxic investment.

Now, we need to keep working to ensure that the City's \$2.5 billion pension fund divests from fossil fuels.

Following the February delivery of a letter to the Mayor by environmental justice, faith, labor, and community leaders, we were met with six weeks of silence....so after our victory at City Council Monday, over 100 activists visited the Mayor's office to ask if he supports fossil fuel divestment. Still we've received no reply.

# **Action Items (4/4/17):**

## 1. Call your state reps and encourage them to support HB 1611.

From Washington Conservation Voters:

House Bill 1611, concerning oil transportation safety, passed out of the House Finance Committee last week and is now awaiting a floor vote. The provisions include increasing the barrel tax and expanding it to pipelines to fill the \$3.6 million shortfall in oil spill prevention and clean up funding are likely to become an important part of the budget negotiations.

## 2. Help support HB 2182.

HB 2182 will help add \$50 million of critical revenue to the budget for toxic clean-up, prevention and public participation grants.

Watch the House Budget Committee hearing live at 9AM, Tuesday 4/4. Or you can watch archived videos about two hours after the live session happens. The State Legislature website will link to the videos, as well as give more specific information about this bill and give an easy link to comment on the bill:

## http://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=2182&Year=2017

From Washington Conservation Voters:

This week's phone bank will be on this important budget bill, HB 2182.

Each week we call on the most pressing environmental legislation in Olympia and we could use your help! If you are in the Seattle area, RSVP back to Kat Holmes (kat@wcvoters.org) to join our phone bank this Thursday (4/6) from 5:30-8pm at our downtown Seattle office (1402 3rd Ave. suite 1400). If you cannot make it in person, join us for our weekly phone banks remotely! Watch our "phonebanking 101" video and then tune in via Webinar to our briefing and phonebank session!

## 3. Call your state reps to support SB 5472, the voter drop box bill.

(From the League of Women Voters:)

Under current law, each county is only required to have one drop box, except for very large counties, which are required to have two. Far too many people cannot easily and reasonably get to a drop box, and therefore miss the opportunity to vote.

SB 5472 would require a ballot drop box for every 15,000 registered voters.

In the last few weeks of the session we see increasing competition for the legislature's time and attention. We need massive contacts from constituents to get this bill pulled to the floor and passed. The bill has passed in the State Senate, but needs help getting through the House.

For more information on the bill:

# **Action Item (3/30/17):**

(From 350 Seattle, a climate justice organization)

Tell Seattle City Council President Harrell and Council Member Gonzalez we need a #DefundKXL Vote!

The Trump Administration just approved permits for Keystone XL, but the project still needs funding from the banks. If we stop that funding we can stop Keystone XL Seattle started a national movement by dropping Wells Fargo. We can do it again by promising to dump any bank that directly funds Keystone XL.

The City Council is considering a resolution to do just that, but Council President Harrell has yet to schedule it for a vote, and Council Member Gonzalez hasn't taken a position on it. We need them to hear that people in Seattle and across the country need them to act now. Can you call Council President Harrell and Council Member Gonzalez and ask them to vote yes on the Defund Keystone Resolution this Monday?

Sample script for Harrell (206-684-8804): Hello my name is XX, and I'm calling about the Defund Keystone XL resolution. I'm calling to ask that Council President Harrell schedule the vote on the resolution for **this Monday**, April 3rd. I'm also asking that Council President Harrell vote yes on this resolution. KXL threatens our climate and the livelihoods of indigenous peoples and landowners along its route. Seattle should set an example for the country and make sure our city isn't financing this dangerous project.

Sample script for Gonzalez (206-684-8802): Hello my name is XX, and I'm calling to ask Council Member Gonzalez to vote yes on the Defund Keystone XL resolution in full council this Monday. KXL threatens our climate and the livelihoods of indigenous peoples and landowners along its route. Seattle should set an example for the country and make sure our city isn't financing this dangerous project.

# Action Items (3/28/17):

1. Do you know your state legislative district? Do you know who your state senator and two state representatives are?

If not, find them! http://app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder

Then, follow your Reps on Twitter, FaceBook, Newsletters:

http://www.1stld.democrat/

https://www.45thdemocrats.org/

https://www.kcdems.org/organizer/48th-district-democrats/

2. Contact the House Finance Committee and ask them to vote YES on HB 1611

 $(Find \ the \ Committee \ members \ here: \ http://leg.wa.gov/House/Committees/FIN/Pages/MembersStaff.aspx)$ 

On Thursday, the House Finance Committee is considering HB 1611, which would improve oil transportation safety.

### Information on the bill:

From the bill digest: Addresses oil transportation safety to: 1) Enhance safety measures that protect against the risk of oil spills occurring on land and water; (2) Provide a sustainable source of funding for the state's oil spill preparedness and response program; and (3) Ensure the state's ability to recover from a large oil spill.

From the WA Environmental Priorities Coalition: Current Elements of HB 1611

Funding and Financial Responsibility

-Update the barrel tax to provide reliable funding for oil spill prevention and oil

transportation safety by eliminating the export tax credit and expanding the barrel

tax to pipelines.

Marine Protection

-Direct the state to adopt rules to protect Puget Sound from increased threat of barge

traffic and risk of new tanker traffic carrying tar sands

-Improve transparency and decision making if an existing facility changes from

importing crude oil to exporting oil.

Pipeline Safety

-Ensure a fair review and public input on projects to build a new pipeline or expand

capacity of an existing pipeline.

## 3. Special Elections – (from re:act newsletter)

These elections may not be happening in our state, but there are still ways to help – you can donate, you can phone bank, you can be part of their social media efforts, etc.

Jon Ossoff for Congress (GA)

Background: Democrat Jon Ossoff, a former John Lewis staffer, is running in the Georgia special election for Tom Price's vacated seat. Hostility toward Trump gave the president just a 48–47 win in the previously red district. Election is April 18. https://electjon.com/

Rob Quist for Congress (MT)

Background: Quist is the Democratic nominee in a special election to fill Montana's lone house seat. A local report wrote how **Quist "ranches in Creston** and toured the state as frontman for the Mission Mountain Wood Band, and he has a kind of rock star appeal. When he stumps about the Affordable Care Act, people cheer him on, as though singing along to the chorus." Election is May 25. http://robquist.org/

James Thompson for Congress (KS)

*Background:* Thompson is a civil rights attorney and Army veteran who is running to fill the seat vacated by Mike Pompeo (R), who went on to lead the CIA. Election is April 11. http://www.votejamesthompson.com/

Prince Chestnut for Alabama House of Representatives

Background (from Flippable): "Prince Chestnut is the presiding municipal court judge for the city of Selma. He has operated a successful law practice for 10 years and has served the Alabama Black Belt for 15 years. His clients list as a lawyer includes major nonprofits in Central Alabama, rural water authorities and other local governmental entities." Election is April 18. http://www.princechestnut4house.com/

## Action Item (3/21/17):

Four voting rights bills are being heard tomorrow (Wednesday) in the State Senate Government Committee.

(WA Voting Rights Act HB1800, Extending time for voter registration HB1468, Youth preregistration HB1513, DISCLOSE Act HB1807)

Please contact your senator and the senators on the State Government Committee to support these bills.

State Government Committee:

- Senator Mark Miloscia (chair, 30th LD): 360-786-7658
- Senator Hans Zeiger (25th LD): 360-786-7648
- Senator Kirk Pearson (39th LD): 360-786-7676
- Senator Sam Hunt (22<sup>nd</sup> LD): 360-786-7642
- Senator Patty Kuderer (48th LD): 360-786-7694

# Action Item (3/21/17):

The state legislature is currently working on budgets. Contact your state senator to ask for a plan to generate state revenue in a fair and adequate way. We need a progressive revenue plan that will generate enough to fully fund education.

From the League of Women Voters:

The Governor has already released his ideas regarding a balanced budget and the sources of revenue. The House and Senate will release their versions in the next two weeks. They then must agree on one version to send to the Governor for his signature. These competing versions must be balanced and identify where the revenue / cuts will come from. At this point the two versions are far, far apart.

Washington has the most regressive tax structure in the US. We rely too heavily on the sales tax which is grossly unfair (regressive) while at the same time more and more tax breaks are being awarded to corprations. In addition we are transitioning from a manufacturing based economy to a service based economy. High paying industries, like financial services, can pay the same B&O rate as other businesses. Businesses need to stop asking the taxpayer to clean up the pollution impacting our health and environment. A carbon pollution tax is a fair way to clean up the pollution impacting our health and environment. Fairness means we all share proportionately in supporting our state as a great place to work and live now and in the future.

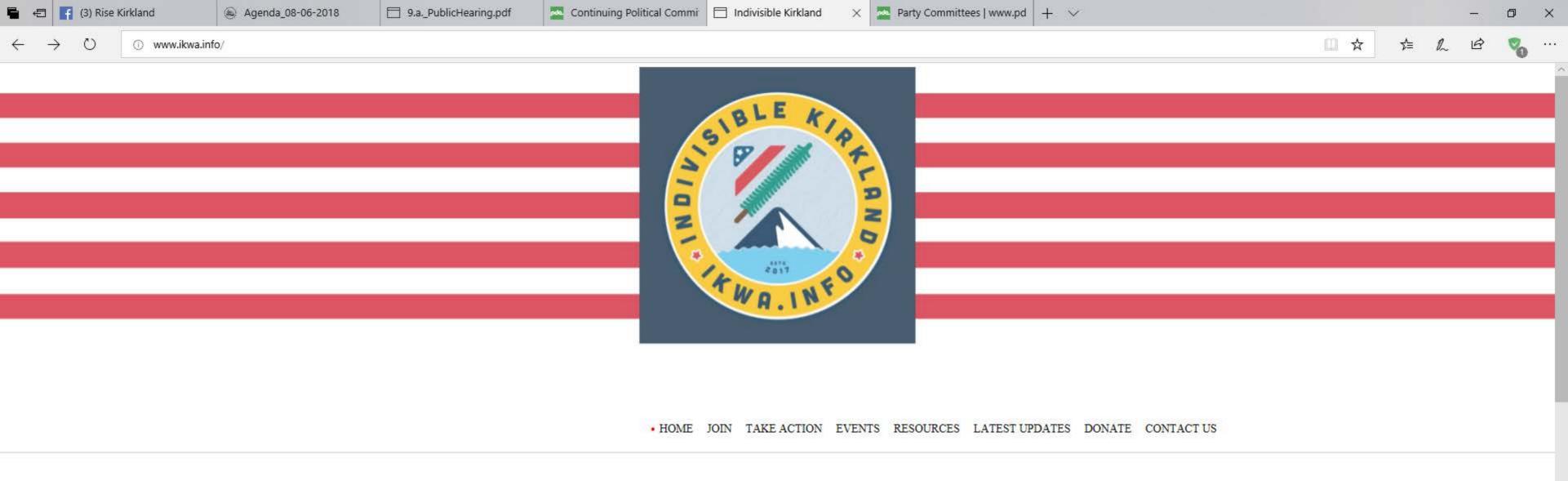
Another way to progressively generate revenue, from the League of Women Voters:

Over the years many tax loopholes/preferences have been given to businesses needing a competitive boost. But times have changed. Many of these tax adjustments clearly do not serve our state or our residents. Each tax exemption or preference is money that could be used for educating our children, protecting our environment, or effectively governing our state.

Exempting people buying personal airplanes from a sales tax; giving tax credits to soft drink sellers on their purchases of carbonated beverage syrup; or giving preferential tax rate for re-sellers of prescription drugs- These are examples of tax exemptions that need review in light of our changing times.

## Other Actions to Take:

- Read the Indivisible Guide
- Familiarize yourself with our state legislature



# Current News & Actions

1. On May 1, 2018, The City of Kirkland City Council passed Resolution R-5312, a resolution on gun safety and community safety! This is a fantastic first step in promoting responsible gun ownership and reducing gun violence.

How can you help?

- > Attend the Town Hall: Wednesday, June 20th; 5:30pm; Lake Washington High School
  - > Please wear orange to demonstrate support for reducing gun violence
  - > Bring friends and family
- > If you live or work in Kirkland, consider speaking up at the Town Hall. (If you would like guidance, please contact us at info@indivisiblekirkland.com.)
- 2. We are beginning to turn our attention to our legislative priorities for the 2019 Washington State Legislative Session. Following our approach from last year, we will collect member input throughout the summer in order to write our 2019 Legislative Agenda, which guides our lobbying efforts in the fall and winter. Please take 5 minutes to complete our legislative input survey so that we know which issues matter most to you. Thank you!



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# Welcome to Indivisible Kirkland Our Mission: Indivisible Kirkland is deeply committed to local action. We value a community where where all voices are heard, where hate has no place, where the sick and struggling are supported, where the planet is treated as precious, and where democracy is strong. We utilize all levels of government to implement this vision - federal, state, and local. Our group is actively engaged with the community: with our elected officials, with other organizations, with sister Indivisible groups, with businesses, and with concerned citizens looking for support. **Principles:** Inclusion - we want to hear from diverse perspectives, knowing that this diversity makes us stronger. Respect – we are a safe and supportive community. Truth - we deal with fact, not allowing ourselves to slip into the emotional frenzy that is so tempting in these times. Peace – we promote our values using peaceful tactics. Democracy - we know that our country is strongest when our democracy is strongest.

