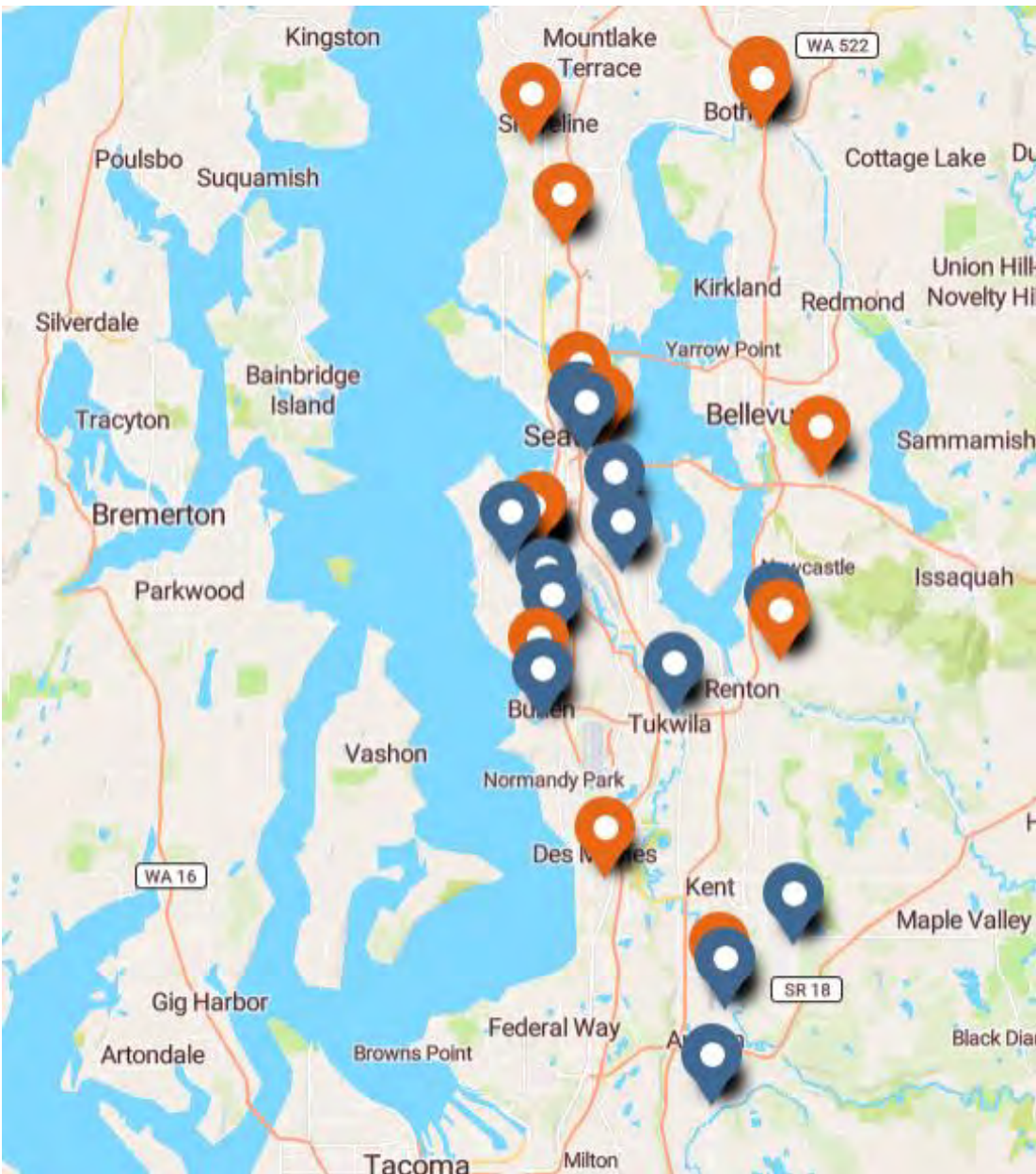




Neighborhood House

Strong Families. Strong Communities. Since 1906.





Neighborhood House
Locations

Partner Locations &
Co-located Staff

GET TO KNOW OUR TEAM @ NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

20+ Locations in King County

340+ Staff Members

40+ Languages Spoken

76% of Staff Identify as BIPOC

Partner with Highline, Auburn, Seattle,
Renton and Federal Way School
Districts

Program Overview



Aging & Disability
Services



Community Health



Early Childhood
Education



Employment &
Adult Education



Housing
Assistance
Services



Youth & Family
Services

HR.1 Timeline

SNAP

- Reduced Benefit Amounts
- ABAWD/ Work Requirements
- Citizenship eligibility changes
- Other allowance/ deduction changes

SNAP Nutrition Education expires

Student Loan Programs

- Student Loan Limits
- Pell Grant revisions
- Accountability for institutions

SNAP Administrative Cost Share Increase

ACA Marketplace

- Restrict premium tax credits for all other lawfully present non-citizens
- Prohibit premium tax credits if did not meet Medicaid work requirements

Medicaid

- Restrict provider taxes by reducing hold harmless safe harbor threshold for expansion states

Medicaid

- **Revise home equity limit for long-term care service**
- Reduce grandfathered state directed payments
- **Require checks against Death Master File (for providers)**

SNAP state matching requirements for benefits

Now

Oct '25

Jan '26

Jul '26

Oct '26

Jul '27

Oct '27

Jan '28

Jul '28

Oct '28

Medicaid

- Prohibit 2024 Eligibility Rules
- Prohibit May '24 Nursing Home minimum staffing rules
- Prohibit federal Medicaid funds to certain abortion entities
- Moratorium on new or increased provider taxes
- Revise payment limit for certain state-directed payments
- Modify waiver of uniform tax requirement for provider taxes

ACA Marketplace

- Disallow premium tax credits during periods of Medicaid
- Recapture excess premium tax credits
- Restrict premium tax credits for low-income lawfully present non-citizens

Medicaid

- **Eliminate expansion FMAP for emergency Medicaid**
- **Sunset temporary FMAP for states adopting ACA expansion**
- **Amend definition of qualified Alien**

Medicaid

- **Establish Work Requirements**
- **Increase frequency of eligibility determinations for ACA expansion population**
- **Appropriate address verification**
- **Limit retroactive coverage**
- Modify budget neutrality requirements for demonstration projects under section 1115 of the SSA
- **Require checks against Death Master File (for enrollees)**

Medicaid

- Adjust coverage of Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers

ACA Marketplace

- Require verification before enrollment
- Eliminates tax credits during verification period
- Restricts auto-renewals

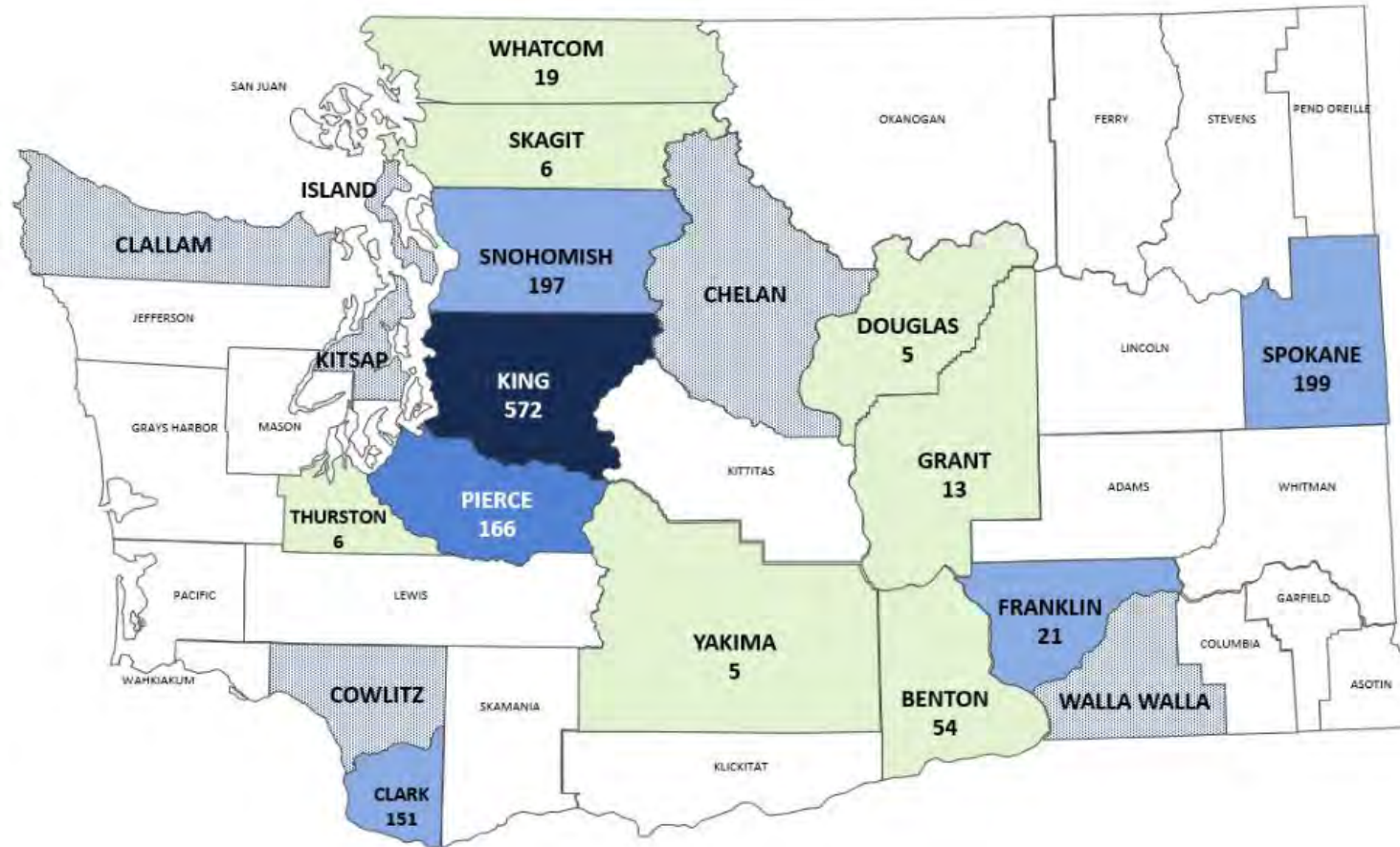
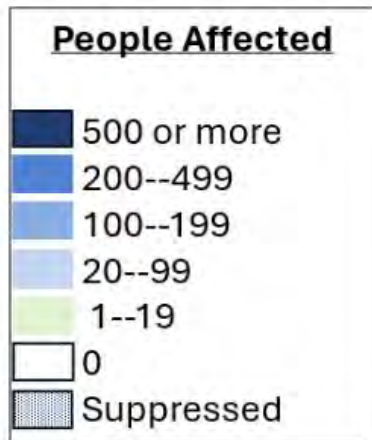
Medicaid

- Establish a new system to prevent duplicate enrollment

Impacts of this Portion of HR 1 in WA



Non-U.S. Citizen LTSS Clients Impacted by H.R. 1



- 1,200 of those receiving LTSS
- 150 Neighborhood House clients

A Double Blow

Loss of Medicaid insurance

AND

Loss of Medicaid-covered long-term services and supports (LTSS).



Limited/No Options

1. **Long Term Services and Supports:** WA State Legislature developed a state-funded program **Limited Benefit Community Access Program**, which maintains Medicaid insurance and LTSS for around 173 people statewide (13 at NH)
2. **Health Insurance:**
 - **Medical Care Services (MCS)** - Health care only for very low income
 - **Marketplace Plans**- \$600/month premiums
 - **Uninsured**- getting care through Federally Qualified Health Centers
3. **Adjustment of Status:** USCIS delays have been extensive especially for those from 'travel ban' countries. Some clients do not have a path to a green card at this time (many Ukrainian parolees)

Fighting Back!

Neighborhood House v. Health and Human Services

On August 25, 2026 Neighborhood House and their client (the Plaintiffs) filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.



What is Head Start?



- High quality early learning
- Timely developmental and sensory screenings and referrals
- **Medical and dental home**
- Social emotional learning
- Nutrition education, healthy meals and snacks
- Family goal setting
- Shared governance with Board and Parent Policy Council

Head Start Under Attack

- **Jan 2025** - Funding Freeze for some programss
- **Feb 2025- April 2025-** Firing Federal Head Start Staff, closing Regional offices (Preliminary Injunction)
- **Mar 2025** - Banning DEI (Preliminary Injunction)
- **May 2025** – Trump budget proposes to eliminate Head Start funding
- **July 2025** - Immigrant exclusion directive (Preliminary Injunction)
- **Dec 2025** – List of 200 banned words in Head Start grant applications (including "accessible," "belong," "Black," "disability," "female," "minority," "trauma," "tribal" and "women.")
- **May 2026** - OMB Uniform Guidance: Politicizing the grant award process (NPRM receives >500k comments, implementation delayed by CR 12/11/2026)



NPRM eliminates 90% of Head Start Performance Standards

- Requires instruction to be in only English
- Removes sections that address family support
- Reduced quality, safety, and individualization for children with higher student/child ratios
- Lowers the number of hours and days of service
- Caps administrative costs to 5% (from 15%)
- Strips sections on home visiting and serving children with disabilities.
- Enables programs to suspend or expel children from the program
- Removes timelines for health and developmental screenings
- Projects \$2.2b in "savings" creating 236k "new" slots without increasing funding

HHS has a new plan for Head Start.
One teacher. **Up to 32% more children.**

Today	Under The Proposal
	

Less attention for every child.

Take action
for Head
Start



**SUBMIT A PUBLIC
COMMENT BY
OCTOBER 6, 2026**

**Tell federal officials how these
changes could affect children,
families, staff, safety, language
access, and your community.**

**SCAN FOR EVERYTHING
YOU NEED**



Official Federal Register comment page •
Comment-writing guide • Parent sign-on form
• Resources • https://linktr.ee/NH_HeadStart