



UNITED WAY OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY'S 2022 PUBLIC POLICY PRIORITIES

United Way of Snohomish County advocates for public policy that leads to better 2-generational outcomes for children prenatal to age 8 and their families with low income.



ADVOCACY PRIORITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The 2021 Fair Start for Kids Act advances early learning access and affordability for Washington families, but the positive impacts have not been felt by Snohomish County families and providers yet. In 2022, we must:

- Ensure investments and implementation of the Fair Start for Kids Act centers the needs of families and providers and includes opportunities for input and feedback.
- Guarantee high quality, culturally and linguistically relevant, affordable early learning for all children, especially Black, Indigenous, and families of color.
- Advance family stability and economic recovery by providing working families with early learning and childcare options that meet their needs.
- Support stability for early learning providers and provide living wages for the early learning workforce.
- Reduce the benefit cliff effect of childcare subsidies.

ABOUT US

United Way of Snohomish County works with community partners to help local families with young children who are fighting to escape poverty. We believe the most effective way to achieve this goal is by focusing on systemic change, ensuring that families live to their fullest potential for generations to come regardless of race, place, and ability. Underlying everything we do is a commitment to equity.

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