



2025 VOTER GUIDE

Who is WMFHA?

Washington State's foremost rental housing resource.



**3100 +
Members**



**367,000 +
Units**



**420 +
Suppliers**



**200 +
Management
Companies**



**7
non-profit
partners**

The operation of Washington's apartment homes contributes **\$4.7B to the local economy** each year, including **\$1.4B in property taxes**, creating **7K jobs**⁽¹⁾

(1) [WE ARE APARTMENTS](#)

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Your Voice in Government: WMFHA Government Affairs Committee & PAC

Washington's rental housing industry is deeply impacted by public policy—at the local, state, and federal levels. That's why WMFHA's Government Affairs Committee (GAC) plays a vital role in shaping the policies and leadership that guide our industry forward.

About the Government Affairs Committee (GAC)

The GAC is a member-driven advisory group that provides strategic direction on public policy, legal matters, and political engagement. The committee:

→ Reviews and recommends positions on legislation, regulations, and legal actions that affect the multifamily industry

→ Helps identify and prioritize jurisdictions where local advocacy is most needed

→ Serves as a forum for discussion on active policy issues and emerging challenges

→ Engages directly with local officials and policymakers through briefings, meetings, and events

→ Oversees the endorsement process for local and state candidates who align with our industry's values and priorities

The GAC meets monthly and is open to all WMFHA members who want to participate in advocacy.



The WMFHA Political Action Committee (PAC)

Our Political Action Committee is the funding engine behind our advocacy work. Through voluntary contributions, members help us:

- Support pro-housing, pro-business candidates
- Build strong relationships with lawmakers across the state
- Ensure multifamily housing has a voice in the political process—at every level

Unlike many PACs, WMFHA's is proudly non-partisan. We don't endorse based on political affiliation. We support leaders who understand housing—whether they're Republicans, Democrats, or independents.

Why It Matters

The work of the GAC and PAC directly protects your business and your residents. From defending against harmful rent control policies to advancing pro-housing policies, our collective advocacy ensures that housing providers stay at the table—not on the menu.



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

State

WMFHA Endorsed
Candidate

Received PAC
Contribution



District 5

State Senator
Chad Magendanz



District 26

State Senator
Michelle Caldier



District 33

State Representative
Kevin Schilling



District 48

State Senator
Amy Walen



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WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

King County

WMFHA Endorsed
Candidate

Received PAC
Contribution



**King County
Executive**
Claudia Balducci



**King County
Council District 5**
Steffanie Fain



**King County
Council District 7**
Peter Von
Reichbauer (i)



**King County
Council District 9**
Reagan Dunn (i)



(i) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Bellevue / Everett / Federal Way

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Candidate

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Contribution



**Bellevue City
Council Position 4**
Jared Nieuwenhuis (i)



**Bellevue City
Council Position 5**
Claire Sumadiwirya (i)



Everett Mayor
Cassie Franklin (i)



**Federal Way City
Council Position 4**
Melissa Hamilton



(i) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Issaquah / Kirkland

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Candidate

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Contribution



Issaquah Mayor
Mark Mullet



**Issaquah City
Council Position 6**
Katia Zakharoff



**Kirkland City
Council Position 3**
Catie Malik



**Kirkland City
Council Position 7**
Jon Pascal (i)



(i) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Redmond / Renton

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Candidate

Received PAC
Contribution



**Redmond City
Council Position 2**
Vivek Prakirya



**Renton City Council
Position 1**
James Alberson (i)



**Renton City
Council Position 2**
Mary Clymer



(I) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Seattle

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Candidate

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Contribution



Seattle Mayor
Bruce Harrell (i)



Seattle City Attorney
Ann Davison (i)



**Seattle City
Council District 2**
Adonis Ducksworth



**Seattle City
Council Position 9**
Sara Nelson (i)



(i) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Spokane

WMFHA Endorsed
Candidate

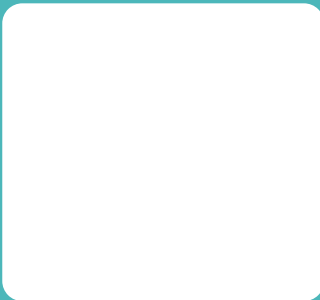
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Contribution



**Spokane City
District 1**
Council Position 2
Jonathan Bingle (i)



**Spokane City
District 2**
Council Position 2
Alejandro Barrientos



**Spokane City
District 3**
Council Position 2
Christopher Savage



(I) indicates an incumbent



WMFHA Endorsed Candidates

Tacoma

WMFHA Endorsed
Candidate

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Contribution



Tacoma Mayor
John Hines



**Tacoma City
Council Position 4**
Sandesh Sadalge (i)



**Tacoma City
Council Position 5**
Joe Bushnell (i)



**Tacoma City
Council Position 6**
Jessica Johnston



(i) indicates an incumbent



Ballot Initiatives

Bellingham

→ City of Bellingham, Initiative 25-03 – Vote NO

→ The City Council considered Initiative No. 2025-03 during a regularly scheduled meeting on July 21, 2025, and declined to adopt it

Ferndale

→ City of Ferndale, Initiative 25-01 – Vote NO

→ Ferndale City Council declined to adopt the initiative as presented at the July 21, 2025 meeting

For additional information on WMFHA endorsed candidates, please visit our website at: <https://www.wmfha.org/endorsements>

