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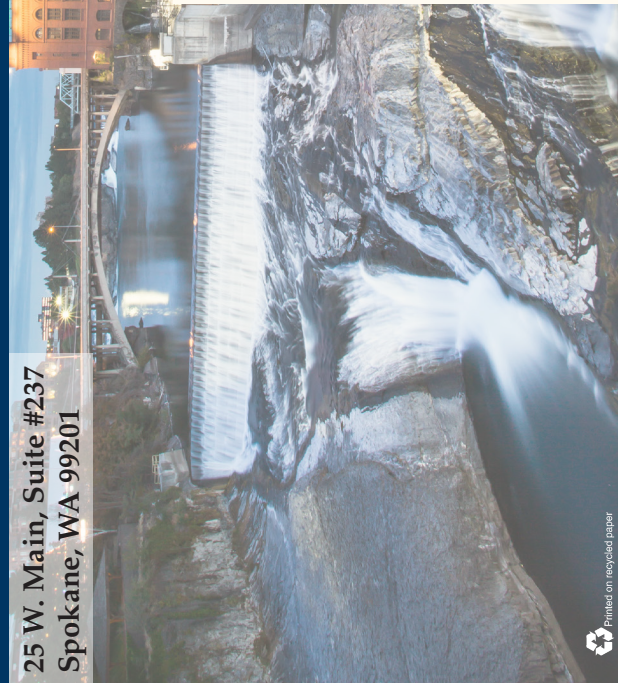
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2018 Update



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We are honored to serve you and share the progress of the 2018 legislative session. Our focus on putting people first produced historic legislation in a range of areas. We value your input and activism as we work to build opportunity and prosperity for our community. If you have a comment, idea, or question, please contact us.

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Opportunity

“The Legislature has focused on providing opportunities for all Washingtonians to achieve their fullest potential.”
— Sen. Andy Billig

- The opportunity to vote is at the foundation of our democracy. The Legislature took historic steps this year to increase voting access by passing a package of bills including: automatic voter registration, same day voter registration, youth pre-registration, the Voting Rights Act, and the DISCLOSE Act.
- Reliable high-speed internet service is a basic necessity in today’s world. The Legislature just passed the first net neutrality law in the country to protect consumers from discriminatory practices, foster innovation, and provide a level playing field for small businesses, students, and our whole community.



- Access to quality and equitable education opportunities is essential for individual and community success. This year we continue to make progress with K-12 investments, full funding of the State Need Grant to help low income students attend college, and more resources for Home Visiting, an effective early learning model that sets young children on the path to success.



Values

“We passed a balanced, sustainable budget that puts people first and meets the needs of the people of Washington state.”
— Rep. Timm Ormsby

- A decade ago, we promised one million kids to fully fund their public schools, and we crafted a budget that keeps that promise. We’re honoring our constitutional and moral obligation to amply fund schools and provide opportunities for all students to reach their potential.



- Democrats also made critical investments to improve our mental-health system, reduce homelessness, and provide tax relief to families in Spokane and across the state – all while keeping a healthy reserve.
- We’re proud of this budget, and grateful to our colleagues and legislative staff that worked so hard. It’s a plan that reflects our values as a state, invests in our common future, supports families in need, and protects the most vulnerable members of our communities.



Community

“We’re investing in critical infrastructure that will serve families and our community well into the future.”
—Rep. Marcus Riccelli



- Our state capital construction budget kick-starts projects that will improve the health and wellbeing of Spokane families and students and bring jobs to all corners of our state. We have funded nearly \$125 million in local projects over the next two years to upgrade infrastructure, fix schools, improve our community, and help those who need it most.
- For those struggling with finding affordable housing or feeding their families, we banned discrimination against tenants who receive rental assistance, and expanded programs that help kids from low-income families receive nutritious meals each morning at school.
- Access to dental care is expanding thanks to new investments from the capital and operating budgets. In our community, two new clinics and a dental residency program are funded, serving 12,000 new patients - particularly those with low incomes.

