



**NEWS UPDATE 03-10-2016**

**→ WA Legislative Update – Please take action today**

The Senate wants to prevent WA from accepting federal \$\$ to address homelessness. Tell your lawmaker to adopt the House's budget. Lawmakers are negotiating the Supplemental Budget right now - Tell them you support \$37 M for homelessness

It is looking increasingly likely that there will be a special session. We won't know for sure until later today, but all signs point towards that. The Governor is still posturing about vetoing all the bills currently on his desk if they don't reach a budget agreement.

Again, please help us keep the pressure up for the House Operating Budget to be passed. Now is the most important time to keep the messages coming because it is the time in negotiations when serious and final decisions are made. Please call your lawmaker (1-800-562-6000) and leave them a message like this: "We must do more to prevent & end homelessness. Please pass the House's Operating Budget." The hotline is open this week Monday - Thursday from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

**Click here:** [http://org.salsalabs.com/o/2685/p/dia/action3/common/public/?action\\_KEY=19273](http://org.salsalabs.com/o/2685/p/dia/action3/common/public/?action_KEY=19273)

Housing Bills – Status as of 03-09-2016:

Bill	Title	Status	Date	Original Sponsor
3SHB 1682	Homeless students	H Passed FP	03/08/2016	Fey
ESHB 1875	WorkFirst, "work activity"	H ref/S recede	03/08/2016	Walsh
ESHB 2834	Homeless youth	S Rules X (dead)	03/08/2016	Senn
<b>EHB 2971</b>	<b>Real estate/local government</b>	H Passed FP	03/08/2016	McBride
SB 5894	Unlawful activity/properties	H Rules R (dead)	02/26/2016	Sheldon
SSB 6211	Nonprofit homeownership dev.	S Passed FP	03/08/2016	Dammeier
2SSB 6239	Affordable housing options	H Rules R (dead)	02/29/2016	Fain
SSB 6337	Tax foreclosed prop./housing	S Passed FP	03/08/2016	Darneille
SSB 6342	Private activity bond alloc.	Del to Gov	03/04/2016	Miloscia
<b>ESB 6413</b>	<b>Landlord-tenant provisions</b>	S Passed FP	03/09/2016	Mullet
SB 6647	Homelessness	S Ways & Means	02/05/2016	Nelson
SSB 6671	Homelessness efforts review	S Rules 2	03/04/2016	Hill

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## ➔ Veterans Homelessness Discussion

Please consider joining HUD in this important discussion on ending Veterans Homelessness. It is open to everyone – not just communities that signed on to the Mayor’s Challenge.

You are cordially invited to join HUD Secretary Julian Castro and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti to discuss our shared continuing commitment to end veteran homelessness and how we keep the momentum going in our communities.

We welcome all Mayors, City Staff, Stakeholders, Community Leaders and Partners to join us.

### Call Details:

Date: Tuesday, March 15th, 2016

Time: 11:15-12:30pm PT

Call-in: 800-230-1059

If you have any questions, please email us back at [MayorsChallenge@hud.gov](mailto:MayorsChallenge@hud.gov).

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## ➔ Sign on by Friday 03-11 to support an expansion of the Housing Credit!

Once you sign on, please share this letter with your networks to build even broader support for the Housing Credit. The deadline for signing on is this Friday, March 11.

More than one in four renter households in the U.S. – roughly 11 million– spend more than half of their monthly income on rent, leaving too little for other necessities like food, medical care, and transportation. Though the need for Housing Credit-financed housing has long vastly exceeded its supply, Congress has not increased Housing Credit authority in 16 years. To make a meaningful dent in the affordable housing supply gap, the ACTION Campaign is urging Congress to increase the cap on Housing Credit authority by at least 50 percent. Such an expansion would support the preservation and construction of 350,000 to 400,000 additional affordable apartments over a ten-year period.

[All existing ACTION Campaign members](#) will be included in the letter, so if you are already an ACTION Campaign member you do not need to sign on. However, we encourage you to share the letter with your networks to help us show broad support for the Housing Credit and build ACTION Campaign membership.

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## ➔ HUD awards \$49M to support 172 highest priority local Homeless Projects in Washington:

WA-503-Tacoma-Lakewood-PierceCnty CoC	Pierce County / A Place For Us Too	Tacoma	Renewal	\$175,439
WA-503	Pierce County / Bridges Village	Tacoma	Renewal	\$35,197
WA-503	Pierce County / Bright Futures	Tacoma	Renewal	\$244,917
WA-503	Pierce County / Campbell Court	Tacoma	Renewal	\$70,456
WA-503	Pierce County / CoC Planning Project Application FY2015	Tacoma	Planning	\$100,077
WA-503	Pierce County / Collaborative Housing	Tacoma	Renewal	\$572,341

WA-503	Pierce County / Family Permanent Housing	Tacoma	New	\$99,323
WA-503	Pierce County / GLMH/MDC Sponsor Based Rental Assistance	Tacoma	Renewal	\$179,477
WA-503	Pierce County / Housing First	Tacoma	Renewal	\$547,116
WA-503	Pierce County / Independence Housing Opportunity	Tacoma	Renewal	\$36,157
WA-503	Pierce County / Manresa Permanent Supportive Housing	Tacoma	Renewal	\$37,429
WA-503	Pierce County / Nativity House Apartments	Tacoma	Renewal	\$177,665
WA-503	Pierce County / Pierce County HMIS Project	Tacoma	Renewal	\$63,261
WA-503	Pierce County / Randall Townsend	Tacoma	Renewal	\$74,763
WA-503	Pierce County / Rural Bright Futures	Tacoma	Renewal	\$51,515
WA-503	Pierce County / Safe Choices	Tacoma	Renewal	\$189,229
WA-503	Pierce County / South Sound Rapid Re-Housing	Tacoma	Renewal	\$65,869
WA-503	Pierce County / Spanaway Commons	Tacoma	Renewal	\$99,570