

April Town Hall



King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci



ABOUT ME

- 25 year resident of Lake Hills, Bellevue
- Former labor lawyer
- Neighborhood advocate
- 12 years on Bellevue City Council, including 2 years as Mayor
- Former County Jail Director
- County Councilmember since 2016
- Husband Jim, son Victor, furry family members Sabrina and Angel



SELECTED 2019 ASSIGNMENTS

- Vice Chair King County Council
- Chair of Council Budget and Fiscal Management Committee
- Chair of King County's Executive Finance Committee
- Chair of Council Regional Transit Committee
- Vice Chair of Local Services, Regional Roads and Bridges
- Sound Transit Board Member
 - *Chair of Systems Expansion Committee*
- PSRC Executive Board
- Eastside Human Services Forum Board
- Chair of ERC Regional Advisory Council

What does the County do?

- Public Safety
 - *Courts*
 - *Prosecution, Public Defense*
 - *Jails*
- Transportation
 - *Metro Bus Service*
 - *Water Taxi*
 - *King County Airport (Boeing Field)*
- Community Health
 - *Public Health Clinics*
 - *Food Safety & Restaurant Inspections*
 - *Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Services*
- Voting and Elections
- Assessments
- Parks and Natural Resources
 - *Waste Water Management*
 - *Solid Waste*
 - *Regional Parks and Trails*
- Animal Services
 - *Animal Control*
 - *Pet Adoptions & Licensing*
- Records and Licensing
 - *Marriage licenses*
 - *Property records*
- Local Services in Unincorporated Areas
 - *County Roads*
 - *Surface Water Management*
 - *Law Enforcement*

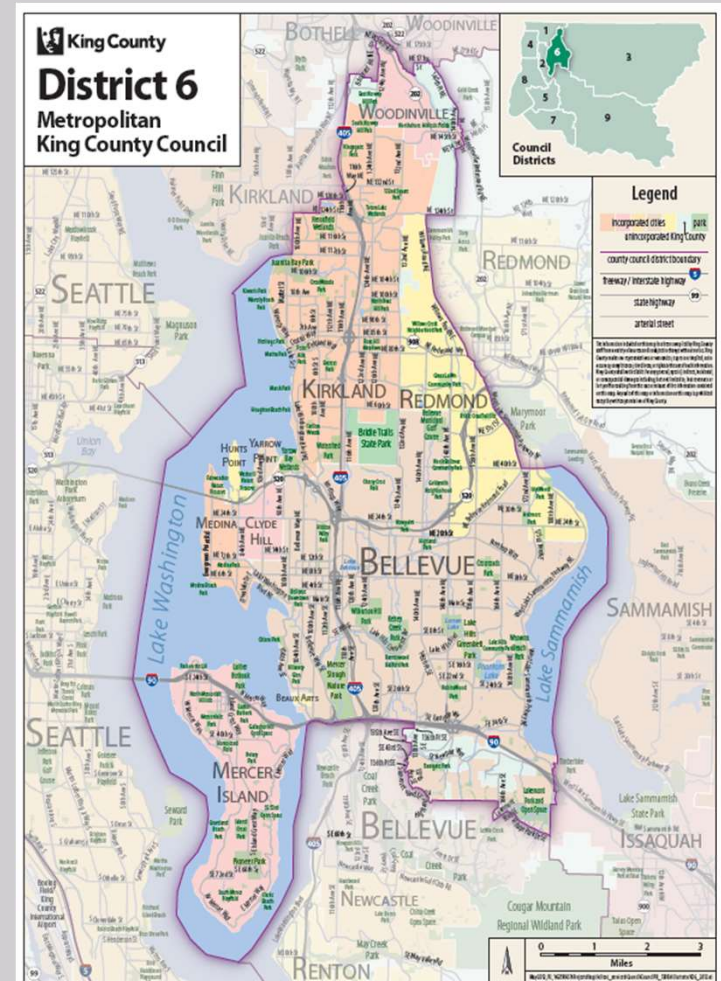
District 6

■ All of:

- Mercer Island
- Beaux Arts
- Clyde Hill
- Hunts Point
- Medina
- Yarrow Point

■ Parts of:

- Bellevue
- Redmond
- Kirkland
- Woodinville
- Bothell



County Council Update

- Access to Government
 - *Prepaid postage for ballots*
 - *Initiative/Referendum code*
 - *Looping Council Chambers*
- Equity in Government
 - *Combatting discrimination and harassment*
 - *Fare enforcement process reform*
- Public Safety
 - *AFIS levy renewal*
 - *Re-establish gang task force*
 - *Trafficking awareness*
- Taxes
 - *No increase in Flood Control Dist.*
 - *AFIS levy reduction*
 - *Parks levy renewal*



- Trails/parks/open space proposal
 - Investments in Eastside parks and trails, pools, open space, floodplains
- Transportation
 - 25,000 new hours outside Seattle
 - Last mile connections: Ride2 Eastgate
 - Metro fare structure simplified/reduced

Transit Service Update



- Sound Transit 50% Milestone
 - *Eastlink construction now halfway complete; on track for 2023 opening.*
- North Eastside Mobility Project
 - *Changes to 255 and more connections coming in March 2020*
- Working to improve bus service
 - *I-90: Seattle Squeeze; 7 midday trips restored to 554; improvements to downtown bus stops.*
 - *520: Resolved bus base capacity risk*
 - *Local:*
 - Restored Saturday service to 240 on MI
 - Helped restore Points-area bus stops
- Building momentum to grow transit countywide
 - *Planning for how to invest in new transit to meet growing & changing demand*

Affordable Housing and Homelessness



Affordable Housing: Regional Affordable Housing Task Force

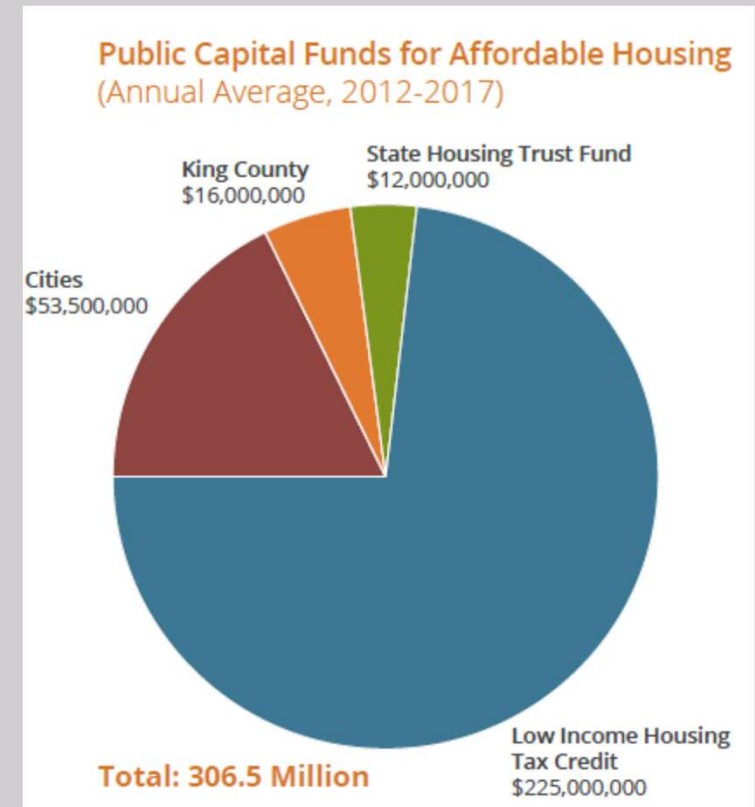


Source: Regional Affordable Housing
Task Force Final Report

- Scope of the problem
 - 100,000+ households pay over half their income on housing
 - Oldest and youngest residents, people of color most likely to be cost-burdened
 - 156,000 new affordable homes needed now, 244,000 by 2040
- Overall Goal: Eliminate cost burden for households 80% AMI and below, prioritizing households 50% AMI and below
- Five Year Goal: Build, preserve, or subsidize 44,000 new homes affordable for households at or below 50% AMI
- Next Steps: Establish Affordable Housing Committee to increase collaboration and impact of local jurisdictions
- Full Report: kingcounty.gov/initiatives/affordablehousing

Affordable Housing: King County Investments

- 2019-2020 Budget Investments
 - *KCHA Acquisition/Preservation: \$30M*
 - 180 units at Kirkland Heights
 - 94 units at Juanita View
 - *TOD Investments: \$30M (\$8M in East King County)*
 - *Redmond TOD Project: \$5M*
 - *Affordable Housing Committee staff resources*
- Funding Sources
 - *VSHSL Housing Funding: \$115.5M over 5 years*
 - *Lodging Tax: \$661M over 24 years*
 - *Short-term Lodging Tax: \$4M per year*



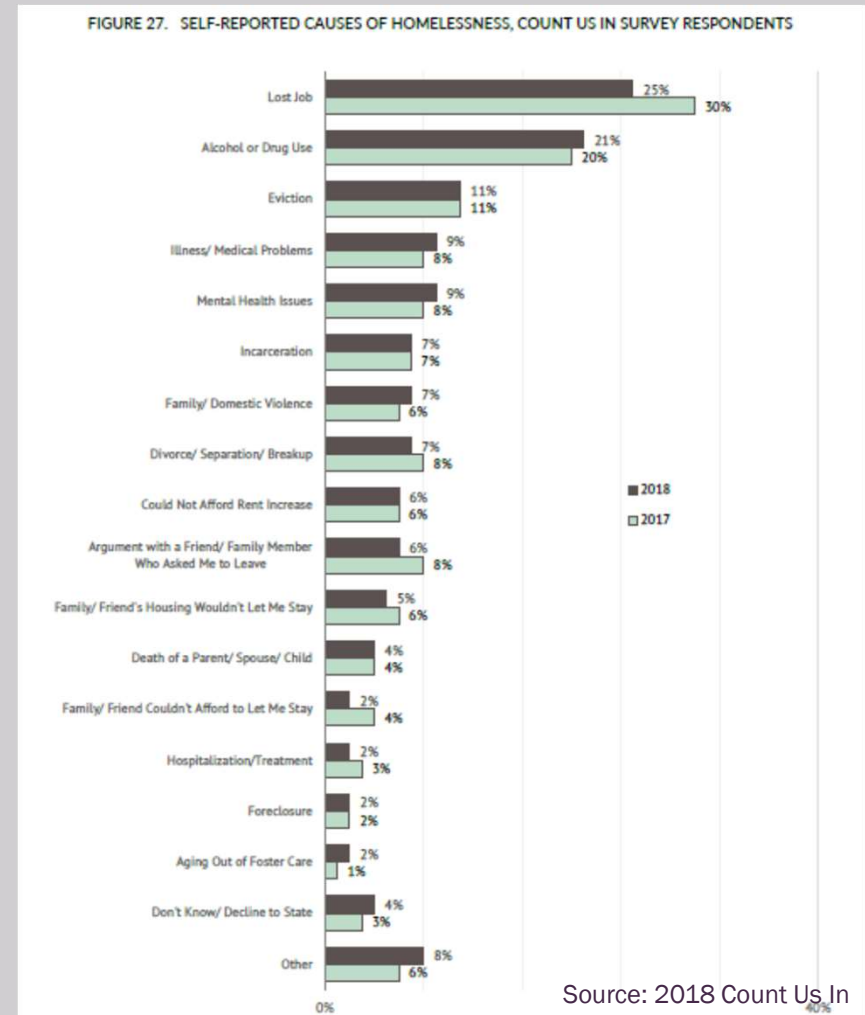
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Homelessness: Causes

- In King County in 2018:
 - 12,112 people experiencing homelessness, sheltered and unsheltered
 - 6,320 unsheltered Countywide
 - 393 unsheltered on the Eastside

- Root Causes*
 - Affordable Housing
 - Behavioral Health
 - Child Welfare
 - Criminal Justice
 - Employment

*As identified by One Table



Homelessness: What King County is Doing

■ Prevention

- *Youth and Family Homelessness Prevention: kept 3,000 people in their homes in 2017*

■ Emergency Shelter Investments and Partnerships

- *Kirkland permanent women and family shelter*
- *Bellevue permanent men's shelter*
- *Federal Way shelter*
- *Harborview Hall in Seattle*
- *West Wing of Jail in Seattle*

■ Criminal Justice

- *LEAD*
- *Familiar Faces*
- *Drug Court*
- *Mental Health Court*

■ Intervention

- *Housed 86% of homeless senior veterans by end of 2018*

■ Behavioral Health Services

- *Increasing access to medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for people experiencing homelessness and substance use*
- *Decreasing time spent waiting for substance use disorder treatment*
- *Access to mental health services through mobile medical van*

■ Building, Preserving, & Subsidizing Housing

■ Outcomes and Report

- *Consolidated human services reporting*

Climate Change



Photo Source:
Washington DNR

Climate Change: How It Affects King County

HOW DOES A CHANGING CLIMATE AFFECT OUR REGION?

CHANGES ARE ALREADY AFFECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY, AND HUMAN HEALTH. THE CHOICES WE MAKE TODAY ABOUT REDUCING GREENHOUSE GASES WILL AFFECT THE SEVERITY OF FUTURE IMPACTS.



Climate Change: What King County is Doing

■ Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- *External Government Services and Advocacy*

- K4C Partnership
- Advocacy with the state legislature
- Moratorium on oil infrastructure
- Doubling transit ridership by 2040
- Planted 831,598 trees towards 1M trees by 2020

- *Internal Operations and Planning*

- Strategic Climate Action Plan
- All-electric bus fleet by 2040
- Reduce GHG emissions by 20% and save \$5M over 10 years through PSE Green Direct
- Land Conservation Initiative: \$24M in 2019-20
- Installing solar panels at Enumclaw and Vashon transfer stations to almost double solar energy production at County facilities

■ Preparing for Climate Impact

- *Puget Sound Climate Preparedness Collaborative*
- *Public Health Climate and Health Blueprint*
- *Updating stormwater design, wastewater service plans, and flood hazard mitigation*
- *Comprehensive sea level rise strategy by 2020 for shoreline homes and businesses*
- *Integrating climate preparedness into updated Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan*



UPCOMING: Strategic Action Climate Plan Update in 2020

Photo Source:
King County Metro

Adult Beverage Code Update



Adult Beverage Code Update: Background



- *Current winery code adopted in 2003*
- *Proliferation of wineries throughout King County in last 15 years*
- *Code did not anticipate how the industry would grow*
- *Unclear code and insufficient code enforcement led to the problem we have today*
- *Good actors unable to comply with code and violations go unchecked*
- *Proposed code revisions under consideration and public comment period underway*

Adult Beverage Code Update: Values

- *Preserve the Sammamish Agricultural Valley and the rural character of unincorporated King County*
- *Comply with the Growth Management Act*
- *Wineries etc. can be compatible with the agricultural areas and can help keep them economically viable*
- *Provide a path for businesses that want to comply with the code*
- *Adopt a code that makes sense and people can follow*
- *Enforce the code!*



Adult Beverage Code Update: New Code Will Be More Restrictive

- *Must have a business license*
- *Clear categories will allow County to regulate based on size and scale of business*
- *60% of product sold in Agricultural zones must be grown on site*
- *At least two phases of production must occur on site*
- *Increased fees from \$100 to \$500 for first violation and from \$500 to \$1000 for subsequent violations*
- **MORE CODE ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES**
- *Next steps:*
 - *SEPA assessment*
 - *Public hearing after SEPA (expected June)*
 - *Public comment period through*

Investments in District 6

- Get Active, Stay Active Grants
 - \$200,000 to 19 organizations, including IAWW, DASH, Old Friends Club, Rainier Athletes, and WheelLab
- Retired Metro Vanpool Van Donations
 - 2019 donations to CFH, SJCC
- VSHSL Funding
 - \$13K for VFW Post 2995
 - \$32K for Peter Kirk Community Center
- Building for Culture
 - \$733K for KidsQuest
 - \$43K for Kirkland Performance Center
 - \$45K for Music Works NW



In the Community



- Anti-Islamophobia proclamation
- Meydenbauer Park Opening
- LWV Impactful Women of King County Panel
- Lunar New Year Celebration
- MLK Service Award to Pastor Jim McEachran
- IAWW Gala
- Redmond Festival of Color
- Densho Community Dinner
- Mercer Island Arbor Day Celebration
- Saturday morning constituent meetings

Discussion



We are here to help!



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