King County IRC WORKPLAN

Timeline
Commission formation & structure - complete by January 2019
Workgroup formation - February 2019
Workgroup to identify & establish work plan - March 2019
Workgroup to report findings to commission - April-May 2019
Reassess work plan, priorities, and establish work for remaining 2019 - June 2019

Top Issue Priorities

1. Housing issues: eviction rates have escalated for immigrant communities, housing rights are critical; homelessness
2. Employment and small business needs
3. Barriers to accessing services and insufficient investment in immigrants and refugees; Investing + funding in Ethnic Based Community Organizations (visibility, collaboration)
4. Criminal justice, youth engagement and community safety
5. Health, mental health and nutrition
6. School, education and childcare
7. Transportation, parking and roads
8. Parks, recreation, and facilities

We Need to:
- Form working groups under each priority area
- Establish work plan within each priority area, reporting back to commission
- Working groups to gain understanding with respective county department on what is currently being done

Health & Education workgroup (Issue Priority 5, 6 & 8)
Department of Education
Department of Health and Human Services
Department of Parks and Recreation

Immigration and social justice workgroup (Issue Priority 3 & 4)
Addressing immigrant and refugee resources in King County
Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention

Economic Equity Workgroup (Issue Priority 1, 2 & 7)
Housing & Homelessness
Department of Transportation and Roads

Other work
National review needed of successful integration strategies?
Communication/community outreach plan?
Establishment of a King County IRC to act as connective hub and coordination between IRCs or city government per task force report?