

### **Council for Human Rights**

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#### Vision

Kitsap County shall be a caring, supportive, and safe community for all its citizens—a community which values each individual, celebrates individual differences, and recognizes the importance of each person's contribution.

#### Mission

The mission of the Kitsap County
Council for Human Rights is twofold:

1) To advise county government and
Kitsap County residents on issues
related to discrimination, violence and
harassment based on race or national
origin, religion, age, gender, gender
expression, sexual orientation,
disability, or economic status;

2) Promote the equitable treatment of
all citizens and reduce prejudice
through education, resource referrals,
and advocacy.

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## KITSAP COUNTY COUNCIL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

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Human Rights Advocates, Allies, and Activists of Kitsap County,

This year has been incredibly difficult for so many of us—our communities of color, our queer communities, our immigrant communities, our unhoused neighbors, and countless others. The weight of these challenges has been heavy, and the repercussions continue to unfold, leaving scars that will take years to heal. As we move forward through these turbulent times, we know the struggles are far from over. The path ahead will likely bring more hardship, and yet, we persist.

In the face of such adversity, the Kitsap County Council for Human Rights takes a moment to acknowledge and honor all of you who have stood unwavering in solidarity for human rights, both locally and beyond. Your commitment, your resilience, and your voices are the backbone of our collective work. We see you, we hear you, and in this shared struggle, we stand with you.

Despite the shadows that hang over us, our resolve remains unshaken. We are steadfast in our commitment to the work that lies ahead. Here's to the ongoing fight, in all its forms, for justice and human dignity.

In solidarity,

The Kitsap County Council for Human Rights

Visit our website to find resources, learn where to report a hate crime, or to connect with other organizations working to uphold Human Rights in Kitsap County and beyond.

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