PSRC 2026 Recommendations to the Washington State Legislature

Equity Advisory Committee

November 6, 2025





We are leaders in the region to realize equity for all. Diversity, racial equity and inclusion are integrated into how we carry out all our work.

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Federal Shutdown

- Government shutdown day 37
- Longest in history
- Bi-partisan negotiations
- Impacts:
 - SNAP funding
 - Air traffic control



Continuum of Care Reductions



<u>Letter to Senator Murray</u>

Trump admin looks at deep cuts to homeless housing program (Politico)

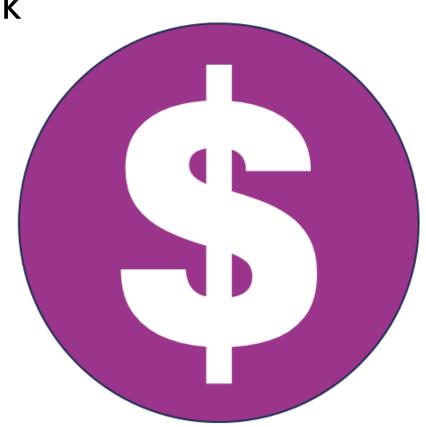


State Budget

Revenues down \$900m for 4-yr outlook

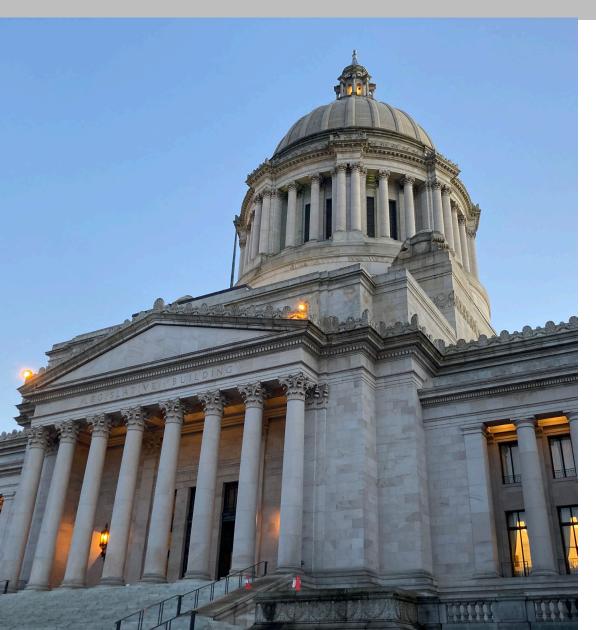
Additional Budget Pressures:

- Tort Claims
- Lawsuits on tax increases
- Caseload growth
- Impacts of HR 1, Medicaid and SNAP reductions
- Revenue?
- Transportation budget revenue changes keep accounts positive





Discussion Questions



- What are your suggestions as we develop the 2026 set of recommendations to the State Legislature?
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Process 2026 Recommendations to Legislature

July 2025

EAC Background

September 2025

Review Recommendations with Economic Development District & Executive Board

October 2025

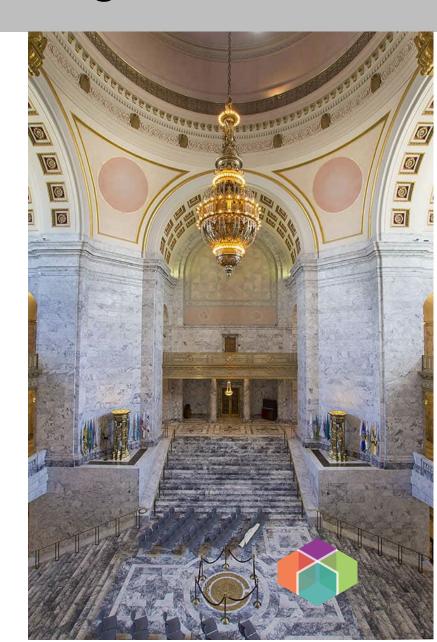
Review Recommendations with Growth Management Policy Board & Transportation Policy Board

November 2025

Equity Advisory Committee Review Recommendation by Executive Committee

December 2025

Proposed Executive Board Adoption

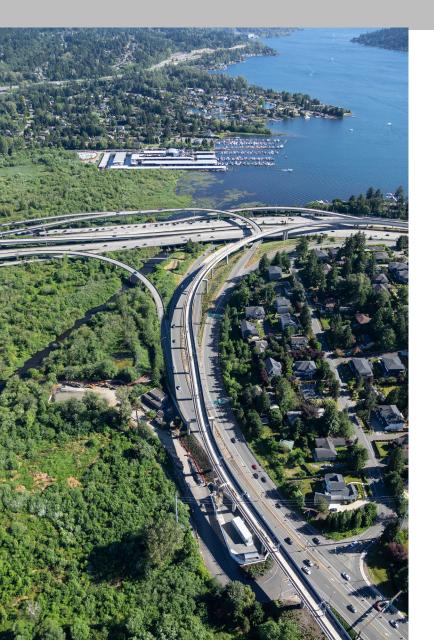


Recommendations to the 2025 State Legislature

- Keep the Region Moving
- Increase Housing Choices and Affordability
- Significantly Reduce
 Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Sustain a Strong Economy



Keep the Region Moving

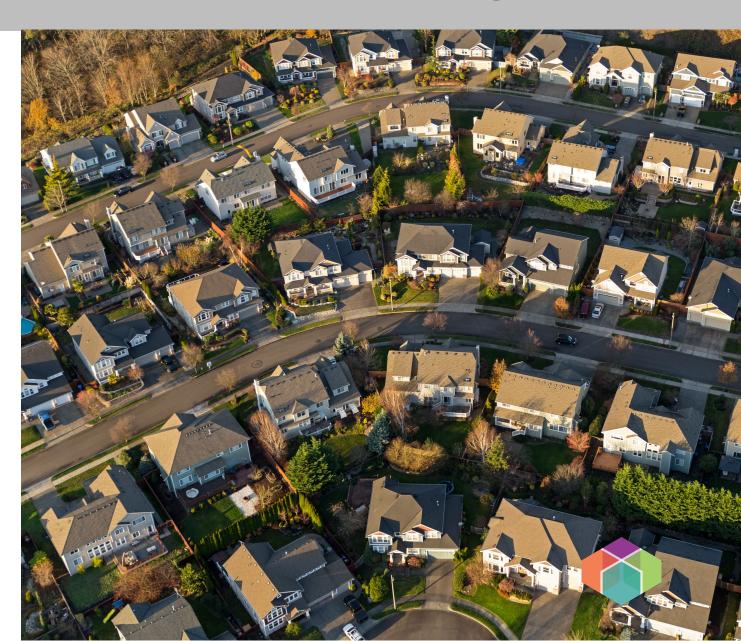


- Prioritize Safety
- Transportation investments
 - Stable revenue
 - Build projects of regional significance
 - Adequately fund maintenance and preservation
- Road Usage Charge
- Ferry funding

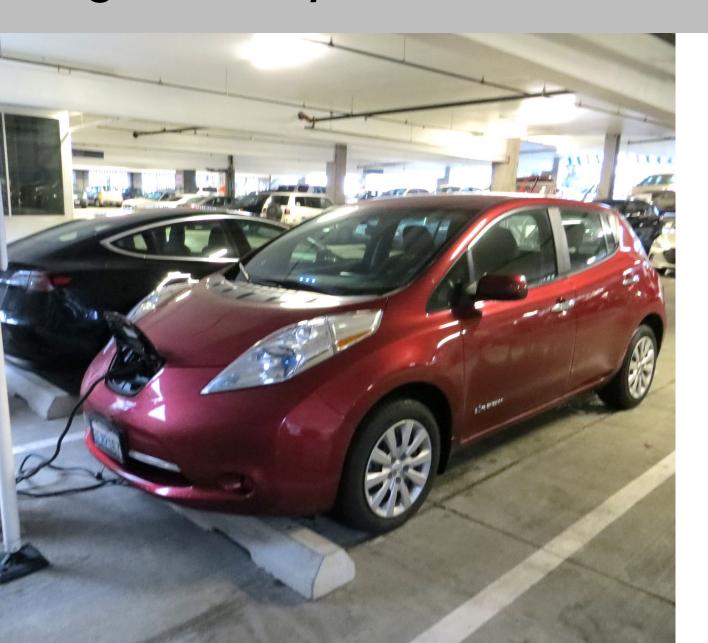


Increase Housing Choices and Affordability

- Supply
- Stability
- Subsidy
- Housing Futures
 Center



Significantly Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions



- Reduce Emissions
- Prepare for Climate Impacts



Sustain a Strong Economy

- Workforce development
- Critical infrastructure
- Clean energy industry technology



Example – Changes & Refinements

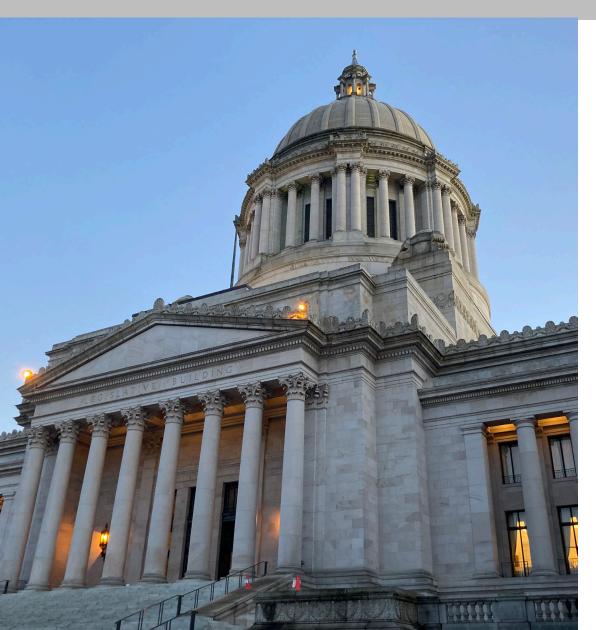


Sustain a Strong Economy

Workforce development programs to meet the needs of employers, workers and a growing economy, including electrification of the transportation system.



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