

PSRC 2027 Recommendations to the Washington Legislature & Legislative Update

Equity Advisory Committee

October 1, 2026



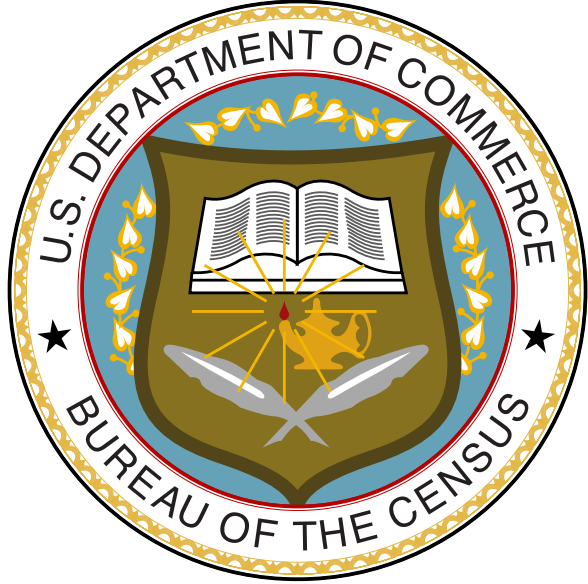
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Federal Updates

- FY 2027 Appropriations
- Surface Transportation Reauthorization



Proposed Changes to 2030 Census



- Proposes counting lawful permanent residents
- Removes all questions on race, ethnicity, and sexual orientation

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Continuum of Care (CoC)

- First Circuit Court of Appeals granted HUD a stay in CoC litigation
- HUD reinstated its previous FY 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity with a deadline of 9/30



State Updates



- Budget will continue to be a top issue – revenues down in short term
- Transportation revenues continue to decline
- Highway Use Fee bill will be introduced
- Agency budget requests:
 - \$146m for Continuum of Care backfill
 - \$88m homelessness services



Discussion Questions



- What are your suggestions as we develop the 2027 set of recommendations to the State Legislature?
- What emerging issues are you or your networks working on in advance of the 2027 state legislative session?



Process 2027 Recommendations to Legislature

September 2026

Review Recommendations with
Economic Development District

October 2026

Review Recommendations with Growth
Management Policy Board, Transportation
Policy Board, Equity Advisory Committee,
Regional Staff Committee & Executive
Board

November 2026

Recommendation by Executive Committee

December 2026

Proposed Executive Board Adoption



Recommendations to the 2026 State Legislature

- Keep the Region Moving Safely
- 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 & preservation
- Highway Use Fee
- Ferry funding



Increase Housing Choices and Affordability



- Supply
- Stability
- Subsidy



Significantly Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- Reduce Emissions
- Prepare for Climate Impacts



Sustain a Strong Economy



- Culture of partnership
- Economic competitiveness
- Workforce development
- Critical infrastructure
- Clean energy industry technology



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Thank You!

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