

**City of Enumclaw
1339 Griffin Avenue
Enumclaw, Washington 98022**

**City Council Regular Session
City Hall Council Chambers
February 23, 2026, 7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Pro Tem Martinell announced that all Councilmembers were present.

ATTENDANCE:

Councilmembers Corrie Koopman Frazier, Jan Martinell, Chance LaFleur, Sabrina Solmons-Waterhouse, Brodie Smith, Ed Storton, and Amber Stanley were present. Also, present were Mayor Anthony Wright, Assistant City Attorney Michael Reynolds, City Clerk Jessica Rose, Police Chief Tim Floyd, Community Development Director Chris Pasinetti (via Teams), Public Works Director Brian Spindor, Information Services Director Joe Nanavich, and Media Services Technician Zoie Raum.

2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

Council consensus to approve agenda as published.

3. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PUBLISHED:

A. Council Minutes 2/9/26

MARTINELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 9, 2026, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AS PUBLISHED. KOOPMAN FRAZIER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. *Coffee with the Mayor*, Monday, March 9, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., Express-o Yourself
Mayor noted the announcement.

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. State of the County Address - Reagan Dunn, King County Councilmember
Dunn provided Council with a PowerPoint presentation regarding the state of King County.

2. Employee Introductions - Tim Floyd, Police Chief
a. Riley Bedwell, Communications Officer

Floyd introduced Bedwell to Council and gave an overview of his background.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: (Please Limit Comments to Three Minutes)

Richard Meyer, who lives within the City limits, stated his concerns regarding the flooding event and announced a Rotary shredding event.

Pat Traube, who lives outside the City limits, stated her concerns regarding BESS.

Trip Hart, who lives outside the City limits, stated his concerns regarding BESS.

6. PUBLIC HEARING:

Resolution No. 1867 - Fee Schedule Amendment

MAYOR OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:32 P.M.

Rose stated the Clerk's Office received no correspondence regarding Resolution No. 1867, Fee Schedule Amendment.

City Clerk Reads Resolution by Title Only

RESOLUTION NO. 1867

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1866 TO AMEND FEES.

Staff Report:

Rose stated the City would like to modify the fee schedule to outline its current public records fees and to adopt additional fees pursuant to RCW 42.56.120 and WAC 44-14-07001.

Council Comments:

None

Public Input:

None

MAYOR CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:34 P.M.

7. TABLED BUSINESS:

None

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Community & Economic Development - LaFleur, Chair; Martinell, Koopman Frazier
LaFleur stated the Committee has not met since the last meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 9, at 4:30 p.m. at Stevenson Yerxa.

B. Community Services - Koopman Frazier, Chair; Smith,
Smith stated the Committee last met on February 17. They discussed pickleball, art sculpture donations, and golf course lease. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, at 5:00 p.m. at Stevenson Yerxa.

C. Finance & Technology - Koopman Frazier, Chair; Smith, Stanley
Koopman Frazier stated the Committee last met on February 23. They discussed Resolution No. 1867, Safe Surplus, Soft Resources Project Management agreement, and IT Capital Projects. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Finance Department.

D. Public Safety - Martinell, Chair; Solmonsens-Waterhouse, Storton
Martinell stated the Committee last met on February 17. They discussed EMC amendments for e-motorcycles and helmets, and Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT)/Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) update. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, at 6:00 p.m. at the Police Department.

E. Public Works - LaFleur, Chair; Solmonsens-Waterhouse, Storton
LaFleur stated the committee last met on February 23. They discussed Ordinance No. 2835, Resolution No. 1868, and gas hedging. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 9, at 5:30 p.m. at Stevenson-Yerxa.

F. Chamber of Commerce - Martinell, Liaison; Solmonsens-Waterhouse, Alternate
Martinell stated the Chamber last met on February 11. They discussed upcoming events. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, at 8:00 a.m. at the school district office.

G. Sound Cities Association - LaFleur, Liaison; Koopman Frazier, Alternate
LaFleur stated SCA has not met since the last meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

9. CONSENT AGENDA.....Motion to Approve

A. VOUCHER AND PAYROLL CERTIFICATION

1. Accounts Payable Vouchers #242539 - 242757 \$1,756,285.56; Void Check #s 242664 (\$23,769.00)
2. January 2026 Payroll Voucher #29140 \$2,480.00; Payroll Direct Deposits - \$802,947.10; Payroll Tax and Benefits - \$796,391.14
3. ACH & Wire Transactions - \$450,650.30

B. RESOLUTION

1. Resolution No. 1867, Fee Schedule Amendment

C. SURPLUS

1. Herring-Hall-Marvin Safe

D. APPOINTMENT

1. Arts Commission Position No. 1, Dan DeVries; Term expires 12/31/2026
2. Arts Commission Position No. 2, Jill Gardine; Term expires 12/31/2028
3. Park Board Position No. 4, Dave Hauge; Term expires 12/31/2026

E. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

1. Soft Resources - Project Management Assistance Agreement

LAFLEUR MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. KOOPMAN FRAZIER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2833 - BESS Moratorium Extension

City Clerk Reads Ordinance by Title Only for the 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2833

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE, PROCESSING, AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Report:

Pasinetti stated that he had nothing further to add to his report provided at the previous meeting.

Council Committee Report:

LaFleur stated that the Community and Economic Development Committee is in approval.

Council Comments:

None

Council Action:

LAFLEUR MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2833, BESS MORATORIUM EXTENSION. KOOPMAN FRAZIER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

2. Ordinance No. 2834 - NFC Northwest, LLC Franchise

City Clerk Reads Ordinance by Title Only for the 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2834

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, WASHINGTON, GRANTING TO NFC NORTHWEST, LLC, A STATE OF WASHINGTON CORPORATION, A FRANCHISE FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

Staff Report:

Reynolds stated he had nothing further to add to his report provided at the previous meeting.

Council Committee Report:

Koopman Frazier stated that the Finance Committee has reviewed and is in approval.

Council Comments:

None

Council Action:

KOOPMAN FRAZIER MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2834, NFC NORTHWEST, LLC FRANCHISE. SMITH SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

3. Ordinance No. 2835 - EMC Amendment Right of Entry

City Clerk Reads Ordinance by Title Only for the 1st Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2835

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON ADDING TO THE ENUMCLAW MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 14.12.070 RIGHT OF ENTRY TO AUTHORIZE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY ACCESS TO BUILDINGS IN WHICH NATURAL GAS IS SUPPLIED AND PROVIDING FOR A REMEDY IN THE EVENT THE INSPECTION IS NOT ALLOWED.

Staff Report:

Spindor stated that the Enumclaw Municipal Code (EMC) have provisions that allows for premise inspection for water, sewer, and stormwater, but not for natural gas. The code change will allow city natural gas crews on premises to conduct inspection of service piping, valving, and meters.

Council Comments:

None

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 1868 - 2026 Stormwater Management Program Plan

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RESOLUTION NO. 1868

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON REGARDING ADOPTION OF THE 2026 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PLAN.

Staff Report:

Spindor stated the 2025 Stormwater Management Program Plan (SWMP) has been reviewed and the content updated to reflect planned 2026 permit compliance objectives and activities.

Council Committee Reports:

LaFleur stated that the Public Works Committee has reviewed and is in approval.

Council Comments:

None

Council Action:

LAFLEUR MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1868, 2026 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PLAN. KOOPMAN FRAZIER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

12. NEW BUSINESS:

None

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

14. ADJOURNMENT:

LAFLEUR MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. KOOPMAN FRAZIER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessica Rose
City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: 3-9-26



COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

COUNCIL MEETING DATE: February 23, 2026

**This sign-in sheet is a public record and will be posted with the minutes on the City website.*

AUDIENCE SIGN-IN SHEET

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PAT TRAUB 26911 SE 456 St MOUNTAINRIDE@COMCAST.NET



PUBLIC HEARING:
Resolution No. 1867 - Fee Schedule Amendment

DATE: February 23, 2026

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PRINT NAME:

ADDRESS:

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King County Councilmember

Reagan Dunn

State of the County

City of Enumclaw

2026



King County
Council District 9

King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn

2025 Council Assignments

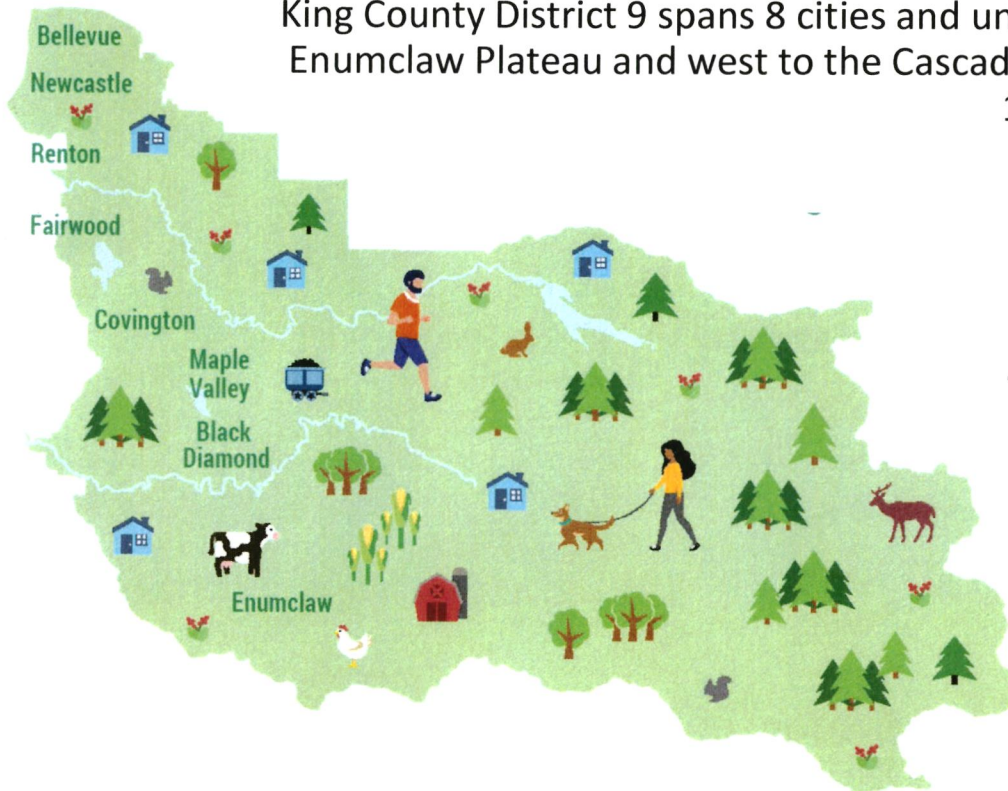
- **Vice Chair of the Metropolitan King County Council**
- **Chair of the Local Services and Land Use Committee**
- **Committee Assignments:**
 - Committee of the Whole
 - Government Accountability and Oversight
 - Transportation, Economy, and Environment
 - Regional Water Quality
 - Board of Health
- **King County Flood Control District**
 - Chair of the Board of Supervisors
 - Chair of the Executive Committee



King County Council District 9

Reagan Dunn

King County District 9 spans 8 cities and unincorporated communities, from south of I-90 to the Enumclaw Plateau and west to the Cascade Mountains. District 9 has nearly 300,000 residents, 100,000 of whom live in unincorporated King County.



Cities

- Bellevue
- Newcastle
- Renton
- Maple Valley
- Covington
- Black Diamond
- Enumclaw

Unincorporated

- Fairwood
- Mirrormont
- Hobart
- Ravensdale
- Lake Morton-Berrydale
- Lake Holm
- Neuwakum
- Wabash
- Cumberland

Muckleshoot Tribe

District 9 Voices

Constituent Issues – Recent Survey Results

TOP THREE ISSUES

- 1. Reducing Crime & Improving Public Safety (60%)**
- ↓11%
- 2. Reducing Property Taxes (54%) - ↓6%**
- 3. Reducing Inflation and Cost of Living (30%) -**
new top-3 issue this year

Public Safety

Do you want to see more or less law enforcement in your community?

- More (46%)
- Less (3%)
- Maintain the Same Amount (51%)

TAXES

When asked if constituents supported any of the five taxes passed last year, not a single tax received a majority of support.

Economy

Do you believe the economy will:

- Improve in the next year (17%)
- Worsen in the next year (60%)
- Stay about the same in the next year (23%)

Year in Review

Top Accomplishments of 2025 for District 9

- **White River Bridge Early Reopening**

- Worked with Governor and local leaders to announce the bridge would reopen weeks ahead of schedule.
- Advocated for “Stupid Motorist Law” to prevent future bridge strikes.

- **Housing Court Expansion**

- New commissioner positions created to reduce backlog & support affordable housing.
- Faster cases = lower costs for renters and landlords & safer communities.

- **Increased Funding for Law Enforcement Communities**

- Worked alongside Councilmember Sarah Perry to secure additional funding to reverse previous staffing reductions in unincorporated communities.
- The original reductions occurred despite my clear objections. Thanks to these efforts, KCSO restored minimum deputy staffing levels in unincorporated King County.



Year in Review

Top Accomplishments of 2025 for District 9

- **Grant Oversight Reform**

- In September, KCC voted unanimously to approve my reform package to overhaul oversight of taxpayer-funded grants within the Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS).
- This follows the findings of an audit I requested years ago—one that revealed widespread oversight failures and potential fraud in County contracts.
- This legislation and the Council's oversight function, we are putting in safeguards that will ensure we never see this level of waste or potential fraud again.

- **Saving the Cedar River**

- Preserved as public open space, no industrial development.
- This is a result of years of community advocacy & partnership.



2026 Preview

The Year Ahead

New Leadership:

- **Executive:** Girmay Zahilay
- **Council Leadership:**
 - Sarah Perry, Council Chair
 - Reagan Dunn, Vice Chair
 - Jorge Barón, Vice Chair
- **New Councilmembers:**
 - Councilmember Rhonda Lewis (District 2) – Recently appointed to fill the vacancy left by King County Executive Girmay Zahilay.
 - Councilmember Steffanie Fain (District 5) – Recently elected to permanently fill the vacancy left by Land Commissioner Dave Upthegrove and replace Councilmember Quinn

Upcoming Legislative Issues facing KCC:

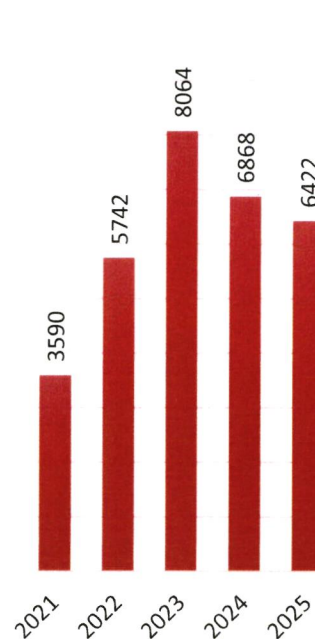
- MIDD implementation plan (First half of 2026)
- Best Start for Kids Levy Renewal planning for 2027
- DCHS audit update: Ombuds investigation of DCHS due in April; Auditor's continued oversight; and DCHS report to Council on reform implementation (March)
- Transportation Benefit District tax to benefit Metro and Roads
- Potential Metro Tax
- Flood Response - reprioritization flood protection infrastructure and investments

Substance Use & Recovery

A Continuing Public Health Crisis

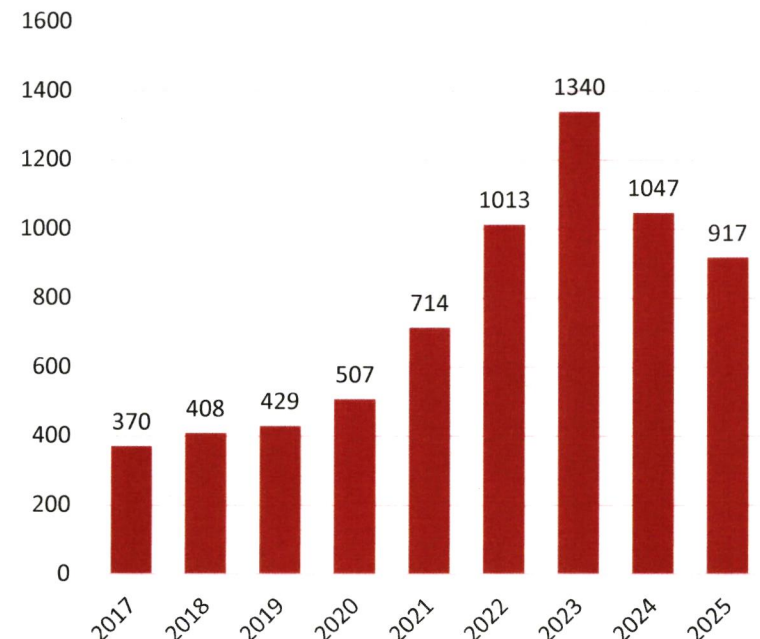
- **Overdoses Rapidly Rising** – In King County, overdose deaths increased 312% between 2019 and 2023.
- **2025 fatal and non-fatal overdoses** – Overdoses are still 2x that of pre-pandemic levels.
 - 917 Overdose deaths
 - 6,422 Nonfatal overdoses treated by King County EMS
- **Fatal overdoses in King County** – largely driven by fentanyl, a synthetic opioid that is 100 times stronger than morphine
 - 75% of all overdose deaths in 2024 involved Fentanyl
 - 56% of all overdose deaths in 2024 involved Methamphetamines

Non-Fatal overdoses treated by KC EMS



Annual Trends in Fatal Overdoses in King County

Data source: King County Medical Examiner's Office



Substance Use & Recovery

Initiatives

Fentanyl as a Public Health Crisis

- King County Council declared fentanyl a public health crisis and asked Public Health to develop strategies to combat overdose deaths (2022)

Public Awareness Campaigns

- **Don't Count Us Out** – Anti-stigmatization
- **Laced & Lethal** – Fentanyl Awareness for Youth
- **Talk Even If** – Fentanyl Awareness for Parents

Crisis Cares Centers

- **5 Crisis Care Centers:** North, East, Central, South, Youth
- **Mobile Crisis Unit** – King County Behavioral Health launched 10 new mobile crisis teams in December

6th Annual King County Conference on Substance Use Disorders

- 2026 Conference will take place in July



Homelessness Crisis

Homelessness Rises Despite Investments

Since the creation of the King County Regional Homelessness Authority, there has been a rapid rise in the number of people who are homeless and the percentage of those living unsheltered, despite a \$250,000,000 budget in 2024.

Point-in-Time Count

	2019	2020	2022	2024
Count	11,199	11,751	13,368	16,285
Unsheltered	47%	47%	57%	60%

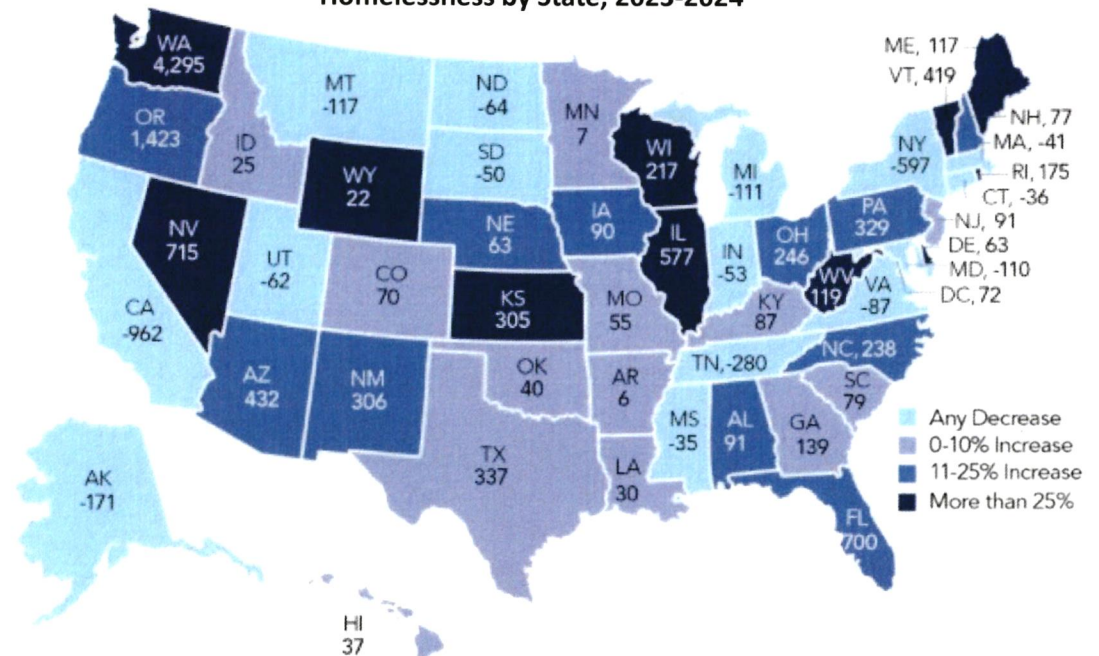
* 2021 Counties were not required to do a Point-in-Time Count due to the pandemic

* In 2023 King County sought exemption from the Point-in-Time Count

Washington has the third-largest homeless population in the nation, after California and New York.

- Washington had the largest increase in chronic homelessness in the nation between 2023 and 2024
- Washington had 16,222 unsheltered homeless on a given night in 2024; New York had just 5,638.
- An increase of 1,500 to 2,000 unsheltered for 2025-2026 is expected per KCRHA.

Changes in the Number of Individuals Experiencing Chronic Patterns of Homelessness by State, 2023-2024



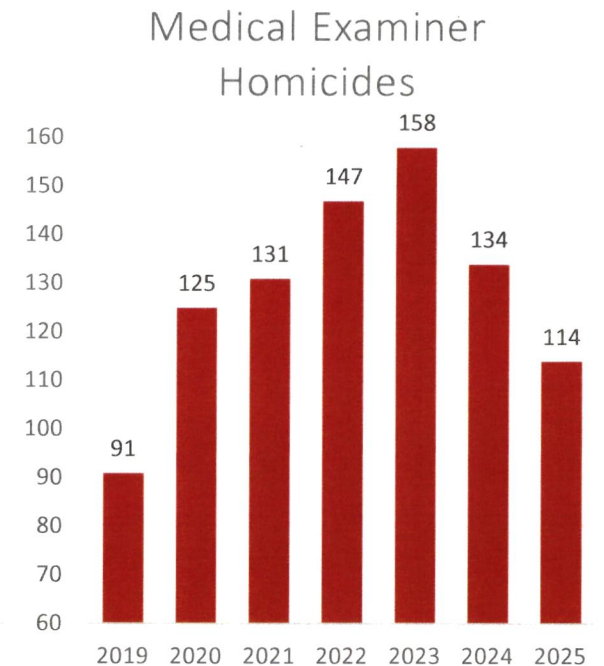
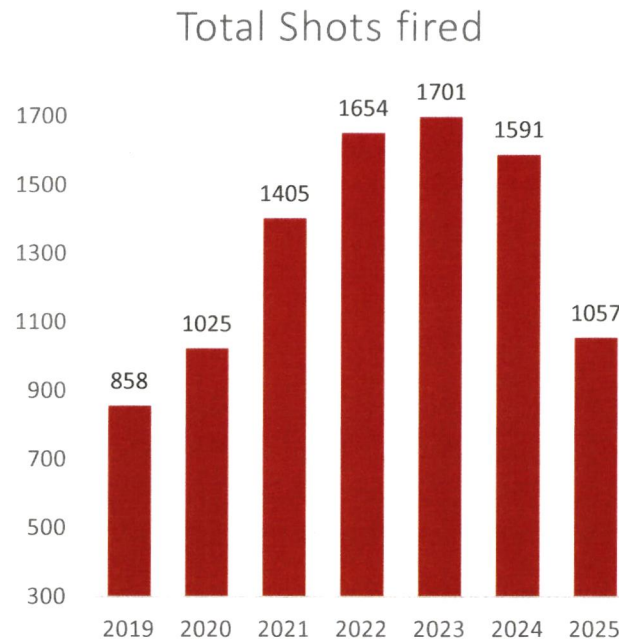
Our Criminal Justice System:

Violent Crime in King County

King County experienced a dramatic increase in violent crimes in recent years

- Homicides spiked 73% between 2019 and 2023
- Shootings doubled since 2019 and 2023

While shootings and homicides are down from the peak in 2024, they are still far above the 2019 pre-pandemic levels



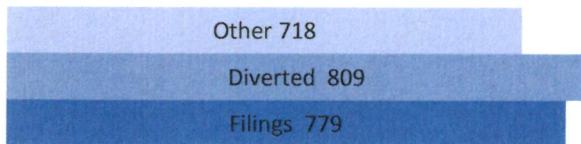
Our Criminal Justice System:

Juvenile Crime Continues to Rise

Between 2021 and 2024, Juvenile crime referrals increased by over 104%

- Crimes against a person or involving a firearm increased by 138%
- Property, drugs and other felonies increased by 314%
- Sex offenses increased by 77%
- In 2025, there was small decline, but juvenile crime is still up 83% from 2021

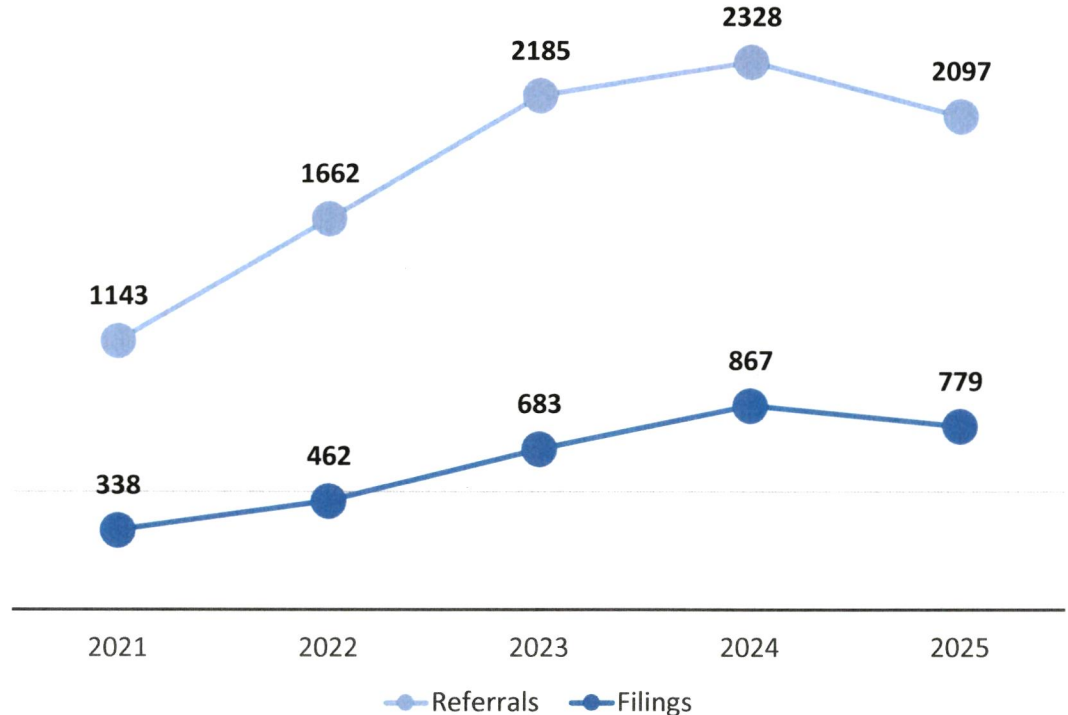
Juvenile Referral Outcome for 2025



Other Diverted Filings

Note: Other includes variety of reason that charges not filed

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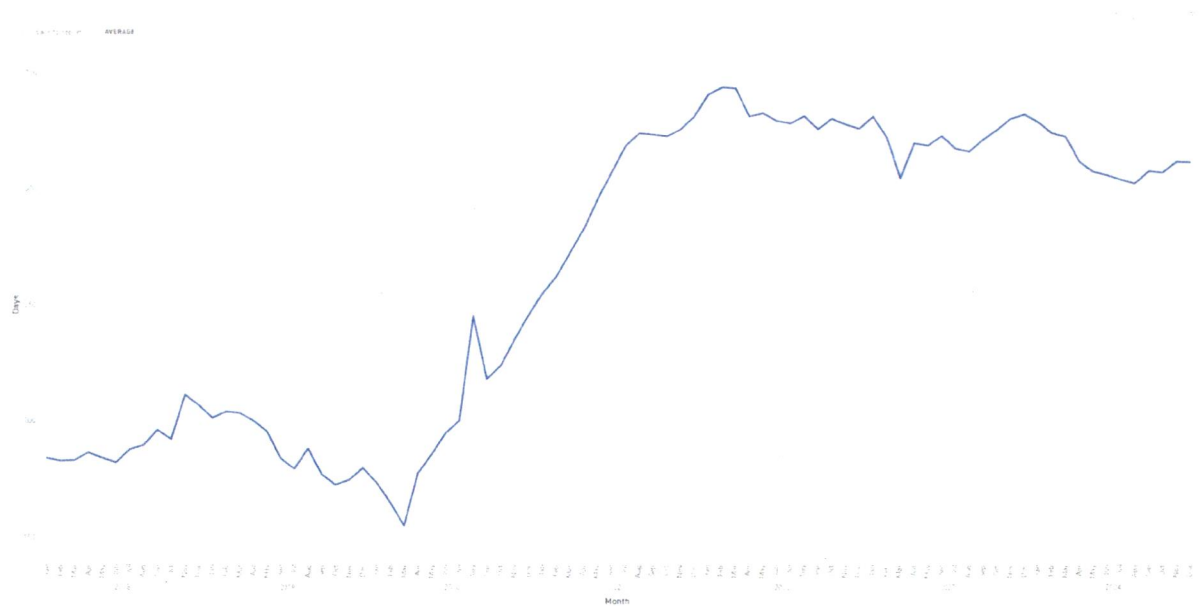
Many Violent Crimes Left Unresolved

The caseload at the King County Superior Court has become severely backlogged and record levels of felony cases have been left pending.

Open Cases Above the Pre-Covid Average

- Pre-COVID Average: 3,281
- Pandemic High: 6,144 (+87% Above Ave)
- January 2024: 4,341 open cases (32% over the pre-COVID average)
 - **Murder Homicide +92%**
 - **Burglary +13%**
 - **Sexual Assault & Child Abuse +24%**
 - **Vehicle Theft +87%**

Criminal Cases – Average Time to Disposition: 311 Days



Our Criminal Justice System:

KCSO Hiring and Retention Challenges

- **Shortage in KCSO Deputies** – Over the past few years, the King County Sheriff's Office has experienced a dramatic rise in vacancies.
 - **Peak Vacancies:** At the peak (June 2022), there were 114 vacancies of commissioned deputies, 14.6% of the 781 authorized FTE's (Does not include non-deployable deputies due to training, injured, leave, etc.)
 - Additionally, there were 62 non-commissioned vacancies
- **Budget Allocation for Hiring and Retention** – Advocated for \$4 million for retention & hiring bonuses for deputies & a dedicated recruiter.
- **Latest Statistics:**
 - Commissioned Budget 819
 - Vacancies 106
 - Training 31;
 - Deployed 648
 - Non-Commissioned Budget 422.5 – Vacancies 44.5



Community Investments

Grant Opportunities

- **District 9 Councilmanic Grant Programs**
 - Youth and Amateur Sports Grant
 - VSHSL Community Grants
 - Veteran Service Organization
 - Waterworks Grant
 - Food Security Grants
- **Parks Levy Grant Programs**
 - Parks Capital and Open Space
 - Aquatic Facilities Grant
 - Health Communities and Parks Fund
 - Youth and Amateur Sports
- **Veteran, Senior, and Human Services Levy (VSHSL) Grants**
- **Conservation Futures Grants**
- **WaterWorks Grants**
- **4Culture Grants**
- **Budgetary Appropriations**



To connect with grant opportunities, contact my office at reagan.dunn@kingcounty.gov

Recent Community Investments

2026 COMMUNITY GRANTS

- \$10,000 City of Enumclaw
- \$10,000 Enumclaw Chamber of Commerce
- \$10,000 Enumclaw Expo Center
- \$5,000 Enumclaw Plateau Historical Society
- \$5,000 Enumclaw School District - Enumclaw High School
- \$5,000 King County Fair 4H & FFA (Enumclaw Expo and Events Association)
- \$5,000 King County Junior Livestock
- \$5,000 Plateau Kids Network
- \$17,500 Plateau Ministries Outreach
- \$25,000 Plateau Ministries Outreach - Building Generator
- \$5,000 Rainier Foothills Wellness
- \$5,000 VFW 1949
- \$100,000 City of Enumclaw Capital Improvements for 250th Anniversary of the USA
- \$87,000 Enumclaw Expo ADA Compliant Bathroom



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Thank you!

Contact me anytime:

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