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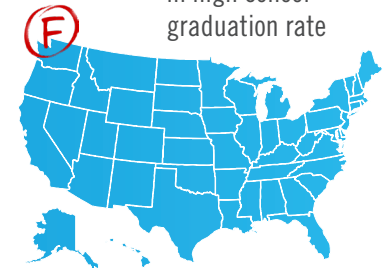
We know that state policy affects our community's ability to thrive. We need to address barriers that prevent sufficient funding to protect families from the triple pandemics of COVID-19, the economic downturn and structural racial inequities that exacerbate both.



Helping Students Graduate

- **Help young people get their education back on track.** Educational equity for youth of color can be improved through changes to Open Doors legislation.
- **Improve online access for home visiting through grade 12.** Remote learning has starkly highlighted disparities in online access. Passing a Digital Equity Initiative will improve student of color access to education services.
- **Ensure homeless families have access to 12 months of subsidized child care.**

44th Washington state ranks 44th in high school graduation rate



Break the Cycle of Poverty

- **Support the Working Families Tax Credit** to all Washington families struggling to meet basic needs to boost our economy.
- **Protect increases in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).** Washington's lowest-income families face significant hardships as we recover from the pandemic's economic impacts. Ensuring access to TANF is part of a range of economic recovery measures needed to protect families during times of high unemployment.
- **Increase access to adequate food** through school meals, food banks, and farmers' markets. Pandemic-fueled school closures and high unemployment have revealed how overburdened our food assistance system is in Washington.



Fight Homelessness

- **Avoid a surge in homelessness** through increased rental assistance when the eviction moratorium ends.
- **Increase housing stability** through tenants' rights protections.

Other

- **United Way capital funding request for roof replacement** and other facility improvements
- **Ensure adequate revenue to sustain human services,** avoid austerity budgeting in downturns and sufficiently fund basic survival needs of Washingtonians every day.