

The 32nd district is represented by Senator Maralyn Chase, Representative Cindy Ryu, and Representative Ruth Kagi, and is located in North West King County. Data below is for King County and the Edmonds School District.



MINERVA'S STORY

In 2011, Minerva found herself in a situation she never expected - fleeing a dangerous relationship.

Surviving domestic violence and living safely afterward is challenging enough, but as the mother with another child on the way, Minerva didn't have many options. She fled to Washington state from Georgia because she had friends here who could help, and when her children were eventually returned to her custody she could keep them safe.

At first, Minerva was couch surfing, and though her friends provided her a temporary place to lay her head, she could never call those places home. Eventually, she moved into a shelter, where she was able to safely bring her youngest child into the world. Shortly after, Minerva moved into a one-bedroom apartment in Trinity Place, a transitional housing program through the YWCA that assists homeless women and their children.

Now living in a stable home, Minerva was able to access YWCA's Family Village, a program which could provide Minerva and her family with a more permanent living situation. The program also offers parenting classes and counseling, both of which Minerva participated in to help get her life on track. In 2014 she graduated from the program.

YWCA assisted Minerva in getting a Housing Choice voucher, so she can afford to continue living on a Family Village property. Now that she can care for her family in a safe, healthy, affordable home, Minerva has been able to focus on getting her GED and working on her health. Her children are in school and are thriving in a stable educational environment.



15,291

Housing Trust Fund supported homes



10,730

people counted without a home during the Point in Time Count, 4,505 unsheltered



661

homeless school children



\$23.56^{PER HOUR}

income needed to afford a 1-bedroom rental, \$29.29 per hour to afford a 2-bedroom



80,450

families who are severely cost burdened and need access to affordable homes



\$494,500

median home price