



WASHINGTON LOW INCOME
Housing Alliance

Advocacy Checklist

Prevent the cliff in state homelessness funding and help secure a new state investment in the Housing Trust Fund. Please pledge to undertake several of these key advocacy strategies this summer and fall.

- ✓ **Educate your state and local lawmakers.**
 - * Arrange a meeting this summer or fall.
 - * Invite lawmakers to attend community events where they can learn more about affordable housing and homelessness.

- ✓ **Collect stories and share your own.**
 - * Stories that highlight the importance of the services funded by document recording fees,
 - * Stories that illustrate the need for more resources for homelessness services,
 - * Success stories that show the positive impact of affordable housing and homelessness services,
 - * Send all stories to KateB@wliha.org

- ✓ **Use social media to educate and raise the urgency.**

- ✓ **Write letters to the editor to raise awareness.**

- ✓ **Attend candidate forums and ask questions of candidates.**

- ✓ **Make sure you are registered to vote and that your voter registration is current.**

- ✓ **Assist your clients, tenants and fellow advocates in registering to vote.**
Contact KristinaN@housingactionfund.org to learn more.

- ✓ **Are you a nonprofit? Get your board involved in advocacy.**
See wliha.org/board-advocacy-project for more.

- ✓ **Directly address myths and stereotypes about homelessness.**
See the new Toolkit to Combat the Criminalization of Homelessness at wliha.org/resources/toolkit for more.

- ✓ **Check out the Housing Alliance's sister organization the Washington Housing Alliance Action Fund to learn how you can get involved in supporting housing champions.**
See www.housingactionfund.org for more.

The Housing Alliance team is ready to assist you and our website has many advocacy resources.

Please contact Teresac@wliha.org for more information and with any questions. Contact Kate Baber to get involved in the Campaign to Prevent the Cliff: Kateb@wliha.org | 206-442-9455 x200