



ANNOUNCEMENTS, COUNCIL BUSINESS, & LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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New Staff

tự do

freedom

bình đẳng

equality

quyền lợi

rights

ăn học

education

phát huy, tiến thân

development, advancement

tương lai

future





Some Council Strengths

- A place to build connection
- Dedication to addressing health disparities
- “A place where disparities have a voice.”
- Hear from communities and programs around the state
- Link health outcomes to opportunity
- Health Impact Reviews
- Operating principles



Transitions

- Council members



2022 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Summit – Virtual

- Acknowledging Our Past, Transforming Our Future

“We welcome your engagement on this journey to understand how our past impacts our present, and work to identify what actions you can take toward an anti-racist and equitable future where all voices are included.” (Office of Financial Management)
- For employees of WA executive branch agencies
- [Event information and registration](#)



Executive Order 22-04

- Establishes a new Pro-Equity Anti-Racism (PEAR) Plan and Playbook for state agencies.
- Roles:
 - Agencies – accountable for achieving PEAR outcomes.
 - Office of Equity – provide tools, guidance, assistance, and training
- [Watch](#) Governor Inslee sign [Executive Order 22-04](#).



Comment Letter on the CEJS Tool

- The proposed [Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool](#):
 - Is meant to “help Federal agencies identify disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution”
 - Will inform fiscal investments through the Justice40 Initiative
 - Currently omits race and ethnicity as indicators in identifying “disadvantaged communities”
- See the comment letter in today’s [meeting materials](#).



Health Equity Zones (HEZ) Initiative

- [E2SSB 5052](#)
- [Implementation website](#) (Department of Health)
- Partners:
 - Communities disproportionately impacted by health inequities
 - Accountable Communities of Health
 - Local health jurisdictions
 - Health Disparities Council
 - Other community health organizations and agencies



Public Health Advisory Board

- [E2SHB 1152](#) (Comprehensive public health districts)
- [Advisory Board website](#)
- Membership includes the Health Disparities Council



2022 Legislative Update

- See the legislative recap document in today's [meeting materials](#)

How can staff and Council members prepare each other for legislative session each year?

What information or opportunities would be helpful?



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THANK YOU



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