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| **Legislative Executive WorkFirst** **Poverty Reduction Oversight** **Task Force****August 21, 2025 9am to noon****Virtual: Zoom**Meeting Information* This will be a virtual meeting
	+ **Public Virtual Zoom link**: <https://dshs-wa.zoom.us/j/87410167518?pwd=bbGBI2ZeBXBf5QaNbW7LqWu1WkB1Pw.1>
	+ **TVW Viewing link**:[https://tvw.org/watch/?eventID=2025081033](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftvw.org%2Fwatch%2F%3FeventID%3D2025081033&data=05%7C02%7Cbabette.roberts%40dshs.wa.gov%7C0bc42c40c1a1403ed9c408ddc8772c63%7C11d0e217264e400a8ba057dcc127d72d%7C0%7C0%7C638887136356151995%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=kXN4qm%2BeNavA1bjmFlX%2FncMRaQDkVLiwBPYSBK1qyqA%3D&reserved=0)
	+ **ASL Services:** Provided by All Hands Community Interpreting Services

Please send questions and/or feedback to LEWPRO@dshs.wa.gov. | **Rules of Engagement:**1. Maintain a respectful body language, tone and volume when sharing my opinion.
2. Value the many different sources of knowledge; listening to the entire message without editorializing or interrupting.
3. Act in ways that edify the group’s self-esteem.
4. Seek first to understand before being understood.
5. Be honest and explain why.
6. Always assume good intentions; give people the benefit of the doubt.
7. Look for places to agree, connect and support – it helps us to get better solution.
8. Make it a safe environment to share – no personal attacks.
9. Listen to the entire message, literally and mentally: (a) don’t interrupt – we are modeling respectful behavior; and (b) our listening implies that we care, even if we don’t agree.
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**AGENDA**

| Item | Action | Lead | Time |
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| Opening – **Closed Captioning is available and enabled. If you cannot see the captioning, look to the bottom of your screen where it says “more”, click “show subtitle”** | Information  | Babs Roberts, Senior Advisor, Programs & Policy, Economic Justice Team - Facilitator***Housekeeping: LEWPRO Task Force members**** *LEWPRO members are designated “panelists” for and will have the ability to participate*
* *All other “attendees” will have be muted*
* *Please use your reaction/hand raise buttons to ask questions, speak and vote. Staff will count hands to determine outcome of the vote.*

***Housekeeping: Public/Attendees**** *Non-Task Force attendees can request to participate in public comment periods by raising their hand at the indicated time and will be “promoted” to panelist in order to speak.*
* *Chat function is turned off*

*If you have questions during the meeting the Q&A function is the best place to put those, but we ask that you not use the Q&A for “comments or discussion”.* | 9:00 am |
| Welcome and Introduction | Opening remarks and introductions | Representative Mia Gregerson, 33rd Legislative District Acting Secretary Bea Rector, Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)* Introduce new members:
	+ *Senator Liz Lovelett*
	+ *Daniel Zavala, Department of Commerce*
	+ *Dan Zeitlin, Employment Security*
 | 9:03 m |
| Consent Agenda* Agenda
* November Meeting Minutes
* May Meeting Minutes
* TANF information:
	+ [WorkFirst Performance Measures | DSHS](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/workfirst-performance-measures)
	+ TANF Spending Plan Update
 | Action and decision | Acting Secretary Bea Rector, Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) | 9:05 am |
| Advisory Council Co-Chair Remarks | Listening | *Livey Beha, Senior Program Manager, EJA Team**Johnathan Hemphill, Lived Expert EJA Advisory Council– co-chair**Amy Martinez, South Central Workforce Development Council, EJA Advisory Council co-chair* | 9:10 am |
| Public Comment | Listening | Babs Roberts, Senior Advisor, Programs & Policy, Economic Justice Team - Facilitator | 9:20 am |
| Impacts of HR.1 - One Big Beautiful Bill Act | Information and Discussion | Panel Discussion facilitated by *Lori Pfingst, Senior Director, EJA team*Overview of state and federal funding / discuss potential impacts to populations and state budget* Cumulative impact by population
* Mitigation strategies to reduce harm / meet basic needs
* North Star to guide decisions
 | 9:30 am |
| Strengthening Legislative Executive Collaboration | Updates and Requests for input & support | *Babs Roberts, Senior Advisor, EJA team** *Potential Trailer Bill update*
 | 11:00 am |
| Public Comment | Listening | Babs Roberts, Senior Advisor, Programs & Policy, Economic Justice Team – Facilitator | 11:10 am |
| Good of the Order | Closing | Representative Mia Gregerson, 33rd Legislative DistrictActing Secretary Bea Rector, Department of Social and Health Services  | 11:20 am |

**Next meeting:** November 20, 2025 from 9am to noon.

# Additional options to join the meeting: ***if necessary***

# Resources:

* Economic Justice Alliance site: [Home - Washington Economic Justice Alliance](https://waeconomicjusticealliance.com/)
* Meeting information/historical notes and resources: [WorkFirst Poverty Reduction Oversight Task Force | Governor Bob Ferguson](https://governor.wa.gov/boards-and-commissions/workgroups-task-forces/workfirst-poverty-reduction-oversight-task-force)