



Take Action for Justice! 3/25/19

The budget is a moral document that should especially serve the poor and vulnerable in our communities. Even with the increased revenue coming into the State Treasury, many human service programs will need funding because of cuts made during the Great Recession, such as the **Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Department of Corrections housing vouchers, mental health programs, foster homes, and the Working Families Tax Credit. Contact your legislators to ask them to prioritize these items in the biennial budget.**

Two bills that you can support this week include:

- **Death Penalty Repeal bill (SB 5339)** This bill was heard on Monday in the House Committee on Public Safety and will be voted on soon. Follow the link below to send a message to your Representatives to repeal the death penalty so Washington can join the 21 other states and many countries around the world who have eliminated this inhumane practice.
fanwa.ourpowerbase.net/civicism/petition/sign?sid=76&reset=1
- **Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women bill (2SHB 1713)** FAN sent a letter to the Senate Committee on Ways & Means last week in support of this bill. They had a hearing on Monday and will vote on it soon. Follow the link below to send a message to your Senator to prioritize this important bill to support indigenous communities. fanwa.ourpowerbase.net/civicism/petition/sign?sid=73&reset=1

To see what committees your legislators are on, go to leg.wa.gov/legislature/Pages/CommitteeListing.aspx. To contact your legislators, use the email formula firstname.lastname@leg.wa.gov, or use the Legislative Hotline: **1-800-562-6000** between 8 AM and 7 PM, Monday through Friday. To find out who your legislators are, go to app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder.