FEDERAL FUNDING CUTS AND THE EFFECT ON HUMAN

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COALITION

ABOUT US

Member Coalitions

- Seattle King County Coalition on Homelessness
- Seattle Seniors Coalition
- Seattle Food Committee
- Meals Partnership Coalition
- King County Early Learning Coalition
- Community Health Council of King County
- Coalition Ending Gender Based Violence

Goals and Mission

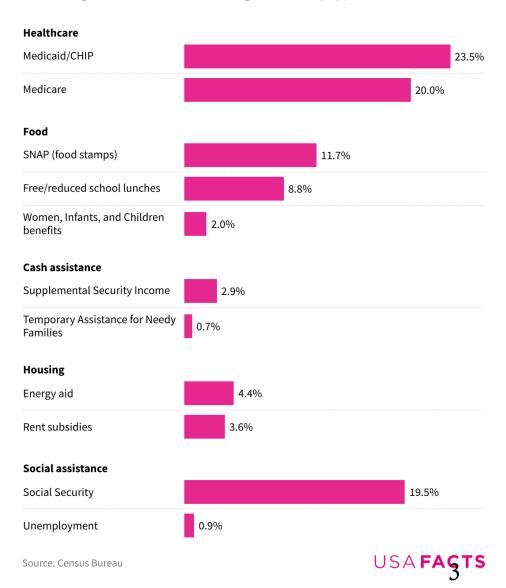
- The Seattle Human Services Coalition is a coalition of seven coalitions, representing over 250 human service agencies across Seattle.
- Our organizations are found in every neighborhood and district across the city.
- For nearly four decades, we have crossed barriers between sectors to present a unified voice for the Seattle community.
- Together, we work to ensure that every resident of our city is offered a life of dignity, where their basic needs are met.

FEDERAL CUTS TO HUMAN SERVICES

- "One Big Beautiful Bill" reconciliation bill signed into law on July 4
- Over \$1 trillion in cuts to safety net programs, including SNAP, Medicaid, and Medicare Congressional Budget Office estimates that the 10% of households with the lowest incomes will lose an average of \$1,600 per year because of cuts to assistance programs
- Loss in individual assistance brings increased need = increased demands on human service agencies

How many Americans receive government assistance?

Percentage of individuals receiving benefits by type, 2022



BROAD EFFECTS ON HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES: LOSS OF FEDERAL

FUNDS Multi-service organization located in Seattle:

- \$10 million annual budget, 9% is in direct/non-direct federal funding
- Loss would mean: Nutrition education programs in SPS, loss of SNAP-funded education
- Sexual assault service center located in King County:
 - \$7.5 million annual budget, 43% in direct/non-direct federal funding
 - Loss would mean: unable to serve over 2,000 survivors annually, cutting prevention staff, cuts to rural programs and overburdening of urban programs
- Senior center located in Seattle
 - \$1.25 million annual budget, 85% in braided government funds, Food Lifeline major provider
 - Loss would mean: reducing social services staff, reducing hot meals for food insecure seniors

- Federal Funding Loss Survey, SHSC, 2025

BROAD EFFECTS ON HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES: FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

- "In many cases, [our organization] has had to whitewash our outward facing messaging and proposal content to ensure funding can continue to be possible with certain funders."
- "The reduction in federal funding and the reduction in private funders open to DEI missions has grown competition for funding by 300%."
- "...out of scope language on direct federal grants address gender ideology and immigration specifically."
- "The Recipient: (1) shall not use grant funds to promote "gender ideology," as defined in E.O. 14168, Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government;"
- "No state or unit of general local government that receives funding under this grant may use that funding in a manner that by design or effect facilitates the subsidization or promotion of illegal immigration or abets policies that seek to shield illegal aliens from deportation."

- Federal Funding Loss Survey, SHSC, 2025

EFFECTS ON COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS: MEDICAID/MEDICARE

- Sea Mar Community Health Center (locations across WA): 65% of revenue comes from Medicaid; served 137,016 Medicaid patients in 2024.
- **HealthPoint (20 King County locations):** 77% of revenue comes from Medicaid; served 61,849 patients on Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program, and other public insurance.
- Neighborcare Health (30 Seattle-area locations): Served 28,004 Medicaid patients in 2024.
- **King County's Public Health Centers and Clinics:** 31% of total revenue comes from Medicaid; serve approximately 27,000 patients annually.
- Seattle Roots Community Health (seven Seattle locations): 47% of revenue comes from Medicaid; serve 7,373 Medicaid patients annually.
- Seattle Indian Health Board (Int. District, Pioneer Sq., Lake City clinics): 73% of revenue from Medicaid; served 6,062 Medicaid patients in 2024.

EFFECTS ON COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS: MEDICAID/MEDICARE

- Proposed cuts to Medicaid enrollment 1/3 of current enrollees would lose coverage in the next 10 years
- Number of uninsured patients Prior to Affordable Care Act 44% of patients at one health center were uninsured. Post ACA, 21% are uninsured
 - Local funding covers the gaps in funding for uninsured patients
 - City/County would be required to fill in this increase in need, or risk losing community health centers, who provide primary care and preventative care for 18% of the City of Seattle population
- Medicaid cuts will devastate our community health centers: hubs for vaccination, prenatal and maternal care, child health care, primary care, and services for vulnerable community members.

THANK YOU

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