



Candidate Questionnaire October 2018

Food Lifeline’s goal is to elevate the issue of hunger with candidates during the election cycle. Each candidate for state and federal office received our questionnaire. For every candidate that replied, their original responses are presented as submitted. See results at foodlifeline.org/advocacy.

Irene Bowling	Candidate for Washington State Senate, District 35 (Bremerton)
If elected, what will you do to end hunger, alleviate poverty, and create opportunity in Washington state?	I will support and vote for legislation for the poor in this state along with our citizens that are more fortunate.
In Washington, 1 in 5 children experience food insecurity. What steps or legislative actions would you take to address child poverty and hunger?	School food programs should be enhanced along with food banks throughout the state. As a teacher, I know how many kids depend on the schools for a good meal.
Food insecurity is a major contributor to poor health and higher healthcare costs, what steps or legislative actions would you take to help food insecure people with chronic diseases, like diabetes, have access to nutritious food?	Gleaning and different local farm groups have fresh produce available. This should be more readily available to the public.

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