



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.

Sydney Gillman Wissel	Candidate for Washington State House of Representatives, District 36, Position 1 (Seattle)
If elected, what will you do to end hunger, alleviate poverty, and create opportunity in Washington state?	Work to create policy that reduces taxes on everyday necessities like fuel for vehicles and to heat our homes. I would work to end unnecessary regulation on building and employment to create more housing and jobs.
In Washington, 1 in 5 children experience food insecurity. What steps or legislative actions would you take to address child poverty and hunger?	I would make sure food banks are well-funded and stocked, that these kids could continue to get free lunches and breakfasts at school. WIC and food stamps would be protected.
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?	I would work to end government subsidies of grain producers which artificially lower the cost of unhealthy foods.

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