

Megan Stanley

Megan (she/her) is a policy maker and public administrator with a passion for finding ways that governments can create more equitable, accessible, and affordable housing. She is currently the Veterans Administrator in King County's Department of Community & Human Services and oversees all veteran services and veteran community investments within DCHS. In this role she was able to implement a first-in-the-nation program to help house more homeless veterans in King County by partnering with the King County Housing Authority and Department of Veterans Affairs. Megan is a 2020 transplant to the Seattle area, coming most recently from the City of Pittsburgh, where she worked in human rights and fair housing. Her proudest work moment there was co-founding and securing funding for Just Mediation Pittsburgh, a non-profit focused on preventing evictions through mediation and dispute resolution. Megan has served on the Board of Directors for Peer Support & Advocacy Network, Just Mediation Pittsburgh, and The Global Switchboard, and is currently still serving on the Board for Omicelo Cares as the Ombudsperson. In her free time, she enjoys reading, volunteering, and spending time with her very precocious toddler.



Sherry Wu

Sherry (she/her) was born in northern China and grew up on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations (Vancouver, Canada). She is graduating with a Master of Public Health in Community-Oriented Public Health Practice from the University of Washington. Prior to graduate school, Sherry had the privilege of working as a Registered Social Worker supporting unhoused folks living in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver for their right to adequate housing, safer drug supplies, and equitable treatment in the healthcare and justice system. During the pandemic, Sherry co-led the development, coordination, and delivery of a province-wide mobile response team that provided crisis mental health support for frontline healthcare workers. Sherry is passionate about shifting power structures to ensure the voices of those most impacted are present at tables where decisions are made. As a community-based participatory researcher, she has immersed herself in communities to collaboratively advocate for policy changes in areas of sex work decriminalization in Canada, expanding mental health care for underserved older adults, and supporting county and state departments to conduct health needs assessments and program evaluations. Sherry finds joy in recreating the flavors of home by perfecting her mother and grandmother's dishes and quieting her mind swimming at the local pool.





Derrick Belgarde

Derrick is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, and also Chippewa-Cree from Rocky Boy Montana. Derrick is currently the Executive Director of the Chief Seattle Club, a day-center that assists urban Native Americans. He serves on the boards of Capitol Hill Housing and DESC, and on the Housing Development Consortium (HDC). He completed his undergraduate in Public Affairs Magna Cum Laude, and went on to complete his Master's in Public Administration, both at Seattle University. He is a proud father of three and is married to the wonderful Lua Belgarde. Derrick has served on the Coalition's Board since 2018.

Jenn Romo

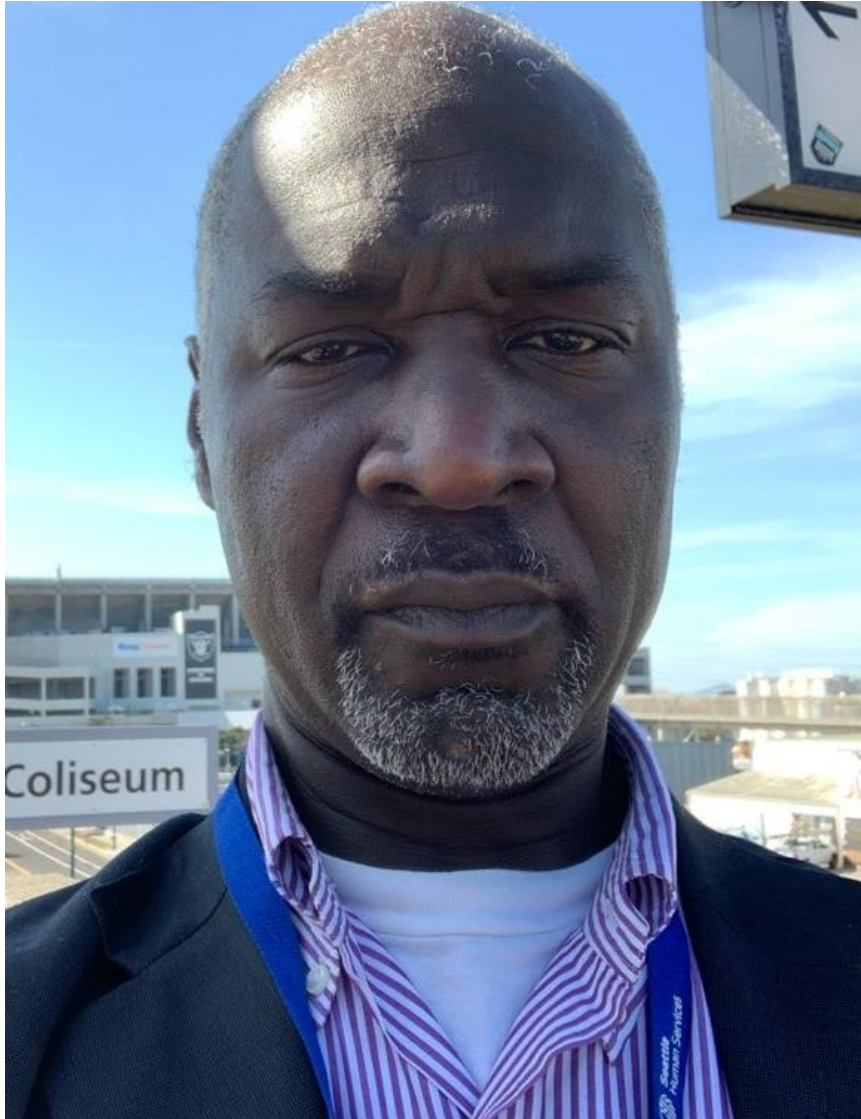
Jenn is a nearly-lifelong Seattle-ite currently working as an Assistant Recreation Coordinator for Seattle Parks and Recreation. She previously worked in nonprofit volunteer management and social work. Her goofy and opinionated toddler keeps her busy, and her family enjoys outings to the Seattle Aquarium, parks, and beaches (especially during low tides). Jenn has served two terms on the Coalition's Board and has been Board Secretary for three years.



Robin Koskey

Robin has spent nearly all her career advocating for policies and funding to address the root causes of homelessness and create affordable homes for all. She currently works at Puget Sound Regional Council as the Director of Government Relations and Communications. She previously worked at the City of Seattle Office of Housing and Office of Intergovernmental Relations where she focused on affordable housing policy. She is a passionate fan of the Seattle Housing Levy and any kind of funding mechanism that helps to create more housing. Robin loves living in Seattle and if she's not working you can find her walking her dog or enjoying being out on the water of Puget Sound.





Harold Odom

The child of civil rights activists, Harold Odom is a life-long advocate for people experiencing oppression. Harold has been directly impacted by homelessness and he has focused his advocacy work on issues impacting people experiencing homelessness. Harold completed a year-long AmeriCorps service position at the Seattle Human Services Department as a Learning Circle Coordinator, worked with S.H.A.R.E. for a year, was a Fellow at the Community Leadership Institute, served on the Community Advisory Board for the King County Health Care for the Homeless Network, and was the co-chair of the KCRHA Implementation Board. In these roles, and as Director of Policy and Community Outreach for the Lived Experience Coalition, Harold has been instrumental in building a regional approach to homelessness, and in developing policy that represents the needs of people experiencing homelessness.