# GENERATIONS FORWARD CHILDREN'S COLLABORATIVE

WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



### WHO WE ARE

Generations Forward Children's
Collaborative is a growing
collaborative of over 150 Whatcom
County partners with a shared purpose
to promote the well-being of
Whatcom County's youngest children
and their families. Our Collaborative is
organized around nine collective
commitments to support children at the
individual level, the family level and the
community level.

## ABOUT US Mission & Vision

The mission of the Generations Forward Children's Collaborative is to promote the well being of all Whatcom County's youngest children and their families, and close opportunity gaps

### LEARNING COMMUNITY GOALS

During the learning community, Generations Forward Children's Collaborative is focusing on the following goal

- 1) Courageously address equity to build trust and understanding
- Formalize and support family centric processes, power, and leadership
  - 3) Build infrastructure needed to realize our collective commitments for children and families



### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

During the learning community, Generations Forward Children's Collaborative is focusing on the following specific priorities:

- 1) Honoring and supporting all families in Whatcom County with equal opportunity through building
  - 2) Simplifying access to services and resources for families.
    - 3) Improving access to quality, affordable child care.
- 4) Improving access to social-emotional and behavioral health supports for children, youth and families.
- 5) Prioritizing funds to support families from marginalized communities.

### **LEAD PARTNERS**

WHATCOM COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
DEPARTMENT AND THE OPPORTUNITY
COUNCIL

### **OTHER PARTNERS**

PARTNERS INCLUDE PARTICIPANTS FROM DIVERSE SECTORS
NUMBER TO 150+ MEMBERSHIP WHICH INCLUDE:
PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS, TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, K 12
SCHOOLS, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND SAFETY SUPPORTS,
HEALTH CARE, PRIVATE SECTORS AND FUNDERS, POLICY AND
GOVERNMENT, FAMILY SUPPORT AND BASIC NEEDS