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Save the Children Action Network and Children's Campaign Fund Launch Virtual Seattle Mayoral Forum to Elevate Issues Impacting Kids and Youth

Top Seattle mayoral candidates answer questions about Seattle Preschool Program, childcare, child nutrition, youth homelessness and juvenile justice

Seattle, WA (June 28, 2021) – Today, Save the Children Action Network and Children's Campaign Fund have launched a first-of-its-kind virtual mayoral forum, [The Future for Kids in the Emerald City](#), an exclusive video series featuring top Seattle mayoral candidates discussing issues critical to Seattle's children and families. In six videos, candidates Colleen Echohawk, Jessyn Farrell, Lorena González, Bruce Harrell, Andrew Grant Houston, and Casey Sixkiller discuss their views on the Seattle Preschool Program, childcare, child nutrition, youth homelessness and juvenile justice.

"We're thrilled to launch this virtual Seattle mayoral forum, a way to safely inform Seattle voters about the candidates' positions on issues vital to Seattle's kids and families, many of whom have faced unimaginable difficulties since the onset of COVID-19," said Ryan Murphy, Director of Save the Children Action Network's State and Electoral Campaigns. "This virtual forum elevates issues and articulates solutions to ensure Seattle's youngest have the chance to recover from the pandemic and thrive like never before. We sincerely thank each and every candidate, as well as our incredible partners, for taking part in this incredibly important video series."

"This virtual forum has certainly fulfilled its goal – to prioritize children, youth and families in the race for Seattle's next mayor," said Jess Agi, Executive Director of Children's Campaign Fund. "To hear Seattle mayoral candidates focus on issues crucial to kids' success and passionately discuss ideas and ways forward is truly exciting. I look forward to voters watching the videos themselves to better inform their decisions at the ballot box this November."

To watch the virtual forum, please visit: <https://www.childrenscampaignfund.org/seattlemayoralforum>

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Save the Children Action Network was created in 2014 as the political advocacy arm of Save the Children, to be the political voice for kids. We work to ensure that the issues critical to children's lives and futures are given top priority by our elected leaders, building bipartisan support to make sure every child has a strong start in life. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

Children's Campaign Fund (CCF) is dedicated to electing state leaders who will champion the health, well-being, safety, and learning and development of the children and youth of Washington State, especially those who are under-resourced and have been historically marginalized. CCF provides a non-partisan, collective voice for the people of Washington to elect state leaders who will prioritize children and their families, represent the communities they serve, and expect to be held accountable. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).