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STUDENT ENGAGEMENT NETWORKS

Advancing equity, higher education attainment, and robust financial aid by elevating the diverse voices of Washington's students

Building Support

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Identifying your campus needs



South Puget Sound
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

6,000



UNIVERSITY *of*
WASHINGTON

47,000

What is WA-SEN? What does WA-SEN do?

- ❖ **Write and share with a partner your best elevator pitch about WA-SEN is all about**
- ❖ **Use the following 4 bullets as a guideline on what to include in your pitch**
 - **State Need Grant**
 - **Educate Legislators**
 - **Make your voice heard as a student**
 - **Foster Change**

Finding WA-SEN Resources

- ❖ WA-SEN Resources
 - WA-SEN.org : Logos, Flyers, Presentations
 - Create your own mass emails to send to profs/student Leaders or use a template
 - Create your campus network: Contact List
 - Contact with WA-SEN Staff

Finding Campus Resources

- ❖ Finding campus resources:
 - Navigating through the correct channels is key
 - Get connected with your:
 - Office of Student Life or Registered Student Organization Office (RSO)/ Clubs : Tables or Chairs, Printing
 - Events Coordinator: Registering your event

Finding Partners Pt 1

- ❖ You can find partners everywhere but strategic, focused, and organized
- ❖ You don't want to work alone!
 - Find students on campus that want to be engaged in this work
- ❖ Contact your Professors
 - Split up the work amongst departments (Poli Sci, Bio)
 - Plan ahead: when you are emailing and making visits
 - Mass Cold Email

Finding Partners Pt 2

- ❖ Registered Student Organizations /Clubs
 - Presenting at club meetings
 - Reaching out to club leaders
 - SPSCC vs UW (15 vs 200)
 - Split up the work
- ❖ Student Senate Office
 - Office of Legislative Affairs
 - Attend a Senate Meeting
- ❖ Other Empowered Students
 - 9/10 there are students on campus that are already active in this work or something similar, find them and work together

Setbacks & Suggested Solutions

Setbacks

- ❖ “I don’t have the time”
- ❖ “I’m not outgoing enough to go and share my story”

Solutions

- ❖ Be a part of a letter writing campaign/ tweet or share our posts
- ❖ Put your story in writing and we will make sure someone hears about it!

Have you experienced any setbacks that you want to share and get advice for?

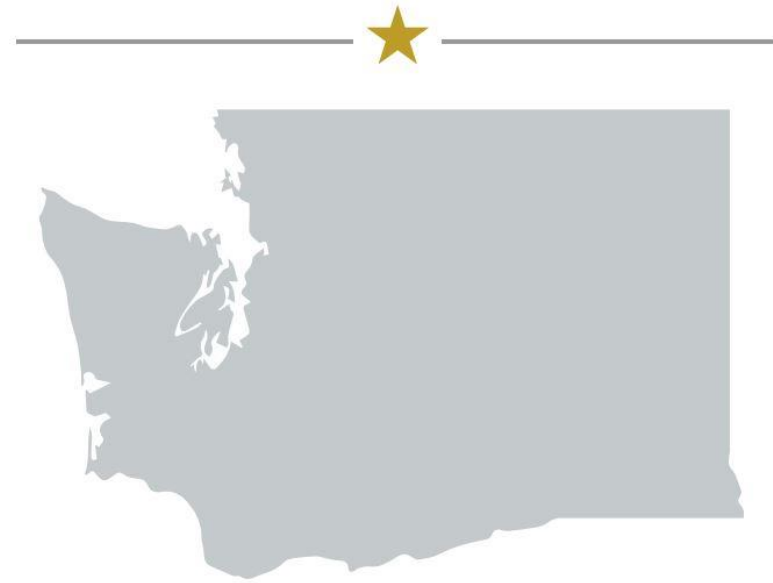
Why are partnerships and relationship so important?

- ❖ Legislator Story
 - Senator Ranker Chair of Senate Higher Ed Story
- ❖ Keep in touch with your fellow students and check in with them
- ❖ Be respectful when being a guest in a lecture or club meeting
 - First impressions are important, but so are interactions after that
- ❖ You never know when you are going to need someone else's help

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