
MEMORANDUM

TO: Megan Dunn, Snohomish County Council Chair

FROM: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

DATE: April 1, 2022

RE: Appointment of Ashvi Shah to the Snohomish County Children's Commission

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Ashvi Shah to the Snohomish County Children's Commission to serve an initial one-year term.

Ashvi Shah resides in Council District 4. Ashvi is currently a high school honors student that interns with the University of Maryland School of Public Health with an interest in policy that provides a tangible impact on the health and wellness of children. Ashvi is an active volunteer with the Indian American Community Services organization, working as an advocate on issues that include mental health, climate change, and other issues of significance to the Indian American Community. Ashvi also volunteers with the Everett Kaiser Permanente Medical Center.

The Children's Commission was created to advise the County on "issues of health, safety and social services for infants, young children and youth in the community." It is composed of 25 members, including at least two youth commissioners. Three members are appointed from each council district, while the remaining ten at-large appointees may reside anywhere within the county. Commissioners serve four-year terms with the exception of youth commissioners, who serve one-year terms. Commissioners may not serve more than three consecutive terms. The Snohomish County Children's Commission currently has 8 members and 17 vacancies. Human Services staff and the Commission are actively engaged in recruitment to fill vacancies.

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I recommend Council confirmation of Ashvi Shah to be appointed to the Snohomish County Children's Commission to serve an initial one-year term.

Thank you for your consideration.