

Snohomish County Young Democrats Newsletter

January 2021

Insurrection in the Capitol

- There was a violent attempt by Trump supporters to overtake the capitol in order to stop the certification of Joe Biden's election which resulted in the deaths of five people, including one Capitol Police officer. (It seems like the blue lives matter folks do not actually care all that much about blue lives.)
- A second Capitol Police officer has since [committed suicide](#).
- There were viable pipe bombs placed at the RNC and DNC. Rioters entered the capitol with zip ties and guns. One rioter was arrested with a truck containing eleven molotov cocktails and an M4 carbine. As bad as the attack was, [these facts](#) indicate that the situation could have had a much more deadly outcome.
- House Democrats will vote on a resolution calling on Pence and cabinet officials to invoke the 25th amendment to remove Trump from office on Monday. If Pence does not act within 24 hours, the house will proceed with a vote for a [second impeachment of Donald Trump](#).
- If the House does impeach President Trump again, [it is not expected to be considered in the Senate before the inauguration on January 20th](#) due to the fact that the Senate is barred from conducting any business until January 19th without unanimous consent from every senator.
- An impeachment trial in the Senate after Trump is out of office could still be used as a means to bar Trump from [running for any future federal office](#), but it would require significant Republican support.
- Conviction in the Senate would require 66 or 67 Senators depending on if it was voted on before or after the Georgia elections are certified – meaning it would require the votes of 17 or 18 Republican Senators. This currently seems extremely unlikely, even as several Republicans are beginning to back away from the President.
- Many Republicans, including Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, are saying that impeachment [“would only divide us more.”](#) Funny how leading your caucus in voting to overturn the presidential election results in several states AFTER the coup attempt on the capitol was somehow not seeking to divide us.

What's Happening in Snohomish County and Washington?

- [All nine](#) Democratic members of Washington's congressional delegation support impeachment.
- Representative Jayapal told a [harrowing account](#) of what living through the insurrection attempt on the Capitol was like.
- State Representative [Robert Sutherland](#) of the 39th District has made several inciting statements over the past few months, including making statements about 'preparing for war' and discussing the possibility of a second civil war.
- In response, the chair of the 39th district Democrats, Jordan Sears, has called for Robert Sutherland to resign or to be expelled from his committee assignments. Since the attack on the capitol, he put out a statement renewing those calls:



For Immediate Release: Statement regarding capitol attack and Rep. Robert Sutherland

January 10th, 2020

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On December 16th, 2020 I put out a statement calling on Republican State Representative Robert Sutherland to be expelled from his committee assignments and calling on him to resign. On the 14th he had put out a Facebook post calling for his supporters to “prepare for war.”

Sutherland has blood on his hands, his dangerous rhetoric as well as the rhetoric of Donald Trump and other Republican officials resulted in the right-wing terrorist attack on the 6th which caused the death of 5 people including a capitol police officer doing his duty to protect our elected officials.

But it is not enough to just condemn the Republicans who openly called for this attempted coup, but the Republicans whose silence is overwhelmingly loud. Rep. Carolyn Eslick, Senator Keith Wagoner and County councilmember's Sam Low and Nate Nehring have not lifted a finger or made a statement regarding their colleague's disturbing rhetoric.

Since I made my statement only one anonymous republican is known to have contacted Rep. Sutherland, not condemning his actions, but how he phrased it, as “it harms the Republican brand.” We can not let this continue and we will be working over the next two years to oust every Republican who is silent on Sutherland's actions.

Sutherland and his cronies must resign immediately. They are not patriots. They are not fighting for freedom. They are fighting for fascism. I have already met with state party leadership and we are continuing to monitor Sutherland and his republican allies.

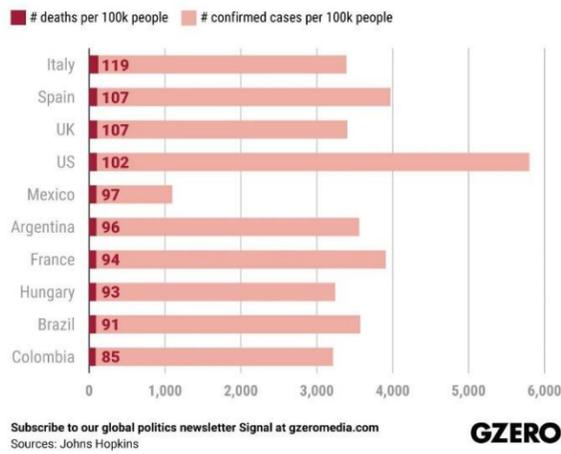
- Jordan Sears, Chairman of the 39th LDDO

- On the same day as the capitol attacks, Trump supporters [breached the gate](#) of the Governor's mansion. Some of the protestors were armed. Thankfully, they retreated before there was any violence.
- **SEE PAGE TWO FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE RECALL FORTNEY CAMPAIGN.**

But wait, wasn't there a pandemic and an economic crisis and stuff?

Unfortunately, yes, and we're still winning the 'most deaths per capita' award.

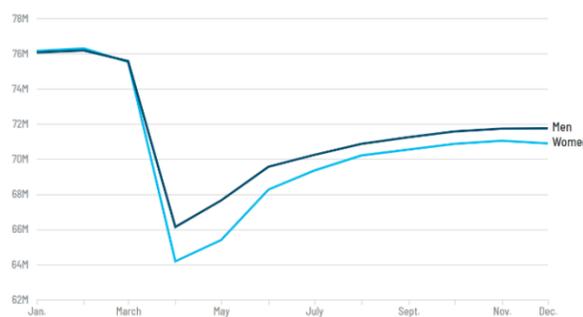
Where has COVID killed the most?



The economy lost jobs in December for the first time in eight months. US [employers cut 140,000 jobs](#) in December, with women losing 156,000 jobs, while men gained 16,000. White women also gained jobs, while Black and Latina women lost jobs.

Women lost more jobs than men in 2020

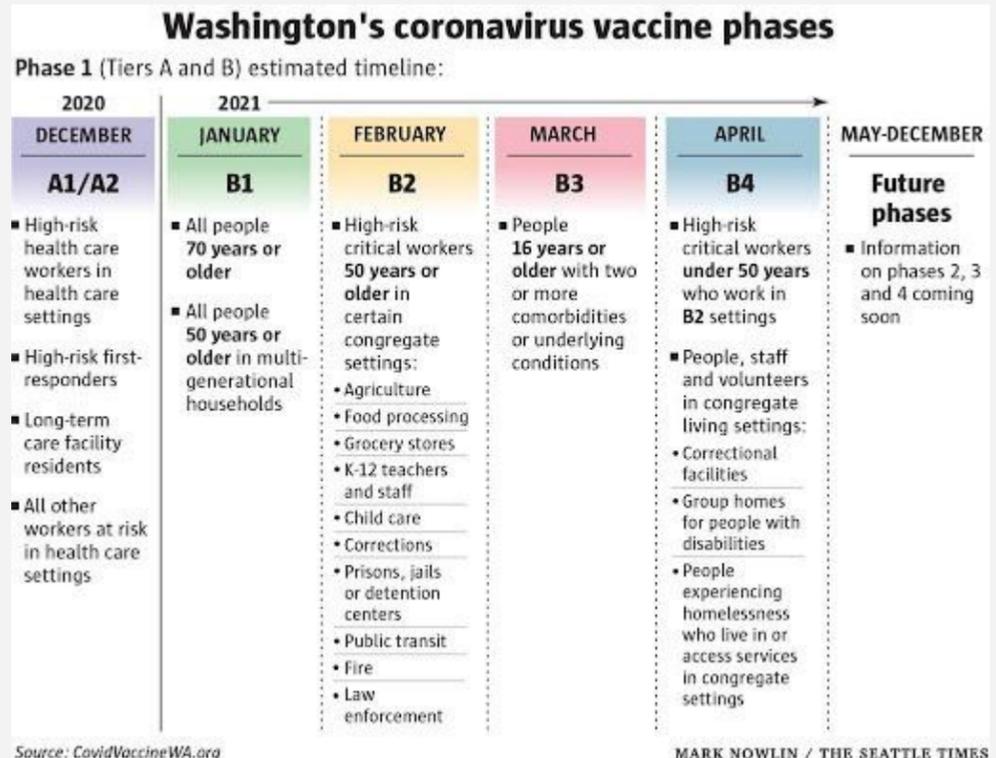
Women ended 2020 with 5.4 million fewer jobs than they had in February, before the pandemic began. Meanwhile, men lost 4.4 million jobs over that same time period.



Note: Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payrolls.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Graphic: Tai Yellin, CNN

- Approximately 163 Americans are diagnosed with Covid-19 every minute and one American death is reported [every thirty seconds](#).
- Like many other states, [Washington State has had a very slow rollout](#) of vaccine distribution with some long term care facilities and healthcare workers outside hospital systems still waiting for a vaccine. There has also been an unpredictable federal supply.
- On January 18, a [PhaseFinder tool](#) will be released so that people can be notified when they are eligible to receive a vaccine. This is the current expected vaccine timeline:



- Joe Biden plans to break with the Trump administration's vaccine rollout plan and [release nearly all available doses](#), instead of holding supply in reserve for the second shot, in an effort to speed up distribution.
- A CDC model found that [59 percent](#) of COVID transmissions come from people with no symptoms. Wear a mask, everyone!

New Executive Board

Snohomish County Young Democrats has elected new officers for its 2021-2022 executive board. Congratulations to all of our new officers and we look forward to a great year!

Your 2021-2022 executive board:

Chair: Jessica Corbman

1st Vice Chair: Ahamad Ceesay

2nd Vice Chair: Terra Pilch-Bisson

Treasurer: Kaitlyn Johnson

Secretary: Michael Ugrin

Sergeant-at-Arms: Carsten Glans

Committee chairs:

Endorsements Committee chair:

Antonio Aguilera

Membership Committee chair:

Denisa Ruxandar

Civic Engagement Committee chair:

Kevin Phan

Communications Committee chair:

Michael Ugrin

Exploratory Committee chair:

Carsten Glans

Message from the Recall Fortney Campaign

"We are just now kicking off our "Ground" campaign, which is where the action is really happening. We don't have much time to get this done, but we will be successful if we move quickly. The plan is to make calls to voters then drop literature at doors. We are looking to recruit people to make phone calls and drop literature at doors (no contact) throughout Snohomish County at the doors of Democrats.

We have training for Lake Stevens this Monday @ 7pm. We will begin phone banks for Lake Stevens on Tuesday, then will start dropping literature as soon as phone calls are completed. The 1st and 21st LDs are also kicking off next week. All trainings will be almost exactly the same - so if someone can attend Lake Stevens this Monday at 7pm and wants to work with other areas, that's fine. It's good to get an idea of what we are doing.

Anyone interested can register for the event here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsduyhqT8uH9HkhU_75L9cBM5ueaXBHKL_S

We would LOVE as much help as we can get. The message we are calling about is easy - telling people who we are, why we are doing this, and that we will be dropping literature at their home in the next 1-2 weeks. Are they interested in signing the petition?

Something else that is SUPER helpful is to share the information we are posting on Social Media. We have a YouTube channel and videos that don't get enough views. We don't have a presence on Instagram, so sharing our message there would be great.

Website: <https://www.recallfortney.com/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCk43DmJuTejDJH0tjLGd7BQ>

Public FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/recallfortney>

Thank you so much in advance. I'm really excited to have more people helping, this is so important." – Robin McGee, Recall Fortney Campaign