



*2023 In Review*

# A MESSAGE FROM MARILYN



Dear Neighbors,

Thank you for the opportunity to represent you in Congress. As we strive for a nation that is safe, just, and secure for all people, it is my honor to be your voice in Washington D.C.

In 2023, I continued my work to improve our quality-of-life, support small businesses, protect Puget Sound, deliver for our servicemembers and their families, and fight for reproductive freedom. Since the start of this year, I have sponsored 12 bills, and my office has recovered more than \$3 million of taxpayer dollars to constituents through casework. I've also delivered over \$1.3 billion dollars in federal grant funding to our community.

In the coming year, I will continue to stand up for you. My priorities for 2024 include:

- Addressing quality-of-life and affordability issues,
- Ensuring that infrastructure funding is delivering on public transit, broadband, clean water, and contracting opportunities for small businesses,
- Protecting your rights,
- Supporting those who serve at Joint Base Lewis-McChord and their families,
- Expanding economic opportunity for all people

My offices here at home and in Washington D.C. are here to help you with a wide range of federal issues, from Medicare and Social Security to VA benefits, immigration and passport issues, and federal tax returns. Please reach out to us by calling (360) 459-8514 or visiting [Strickland.House.gov](https://Strickland.House.gov).

Thank you,

Congresswoman Marilyn Strickland

# 2023 BY-THE-NUMBERS



Returned over \$3 million to people in the district



Responded to 36,000 constituent letters



Secured over \$1.3 billion of federal grant funding for WA-10



Met with more than 350 residents and community groups



Responded to 600 federal casework requests



Delivered over \$20 million in federal funding to the district for critical community projects



721 votes cast on the House floor



244 bills sponsored and cosponsored



CONGRESSWOMAN  
**MARILYN STRICKLAND**  
WASHINGTON'S 10TH DISTRICT



# *PUTTING THE SOUTH SOUND FIRST*



# CONSTITUENT SUCCESS STORIES



**REP. STRICKLAND AT THE TACOMA PRIDE FESTIVAL**

## STEILACOOM, WASHINGTON

"I WAS UNABLE TO GET ANY IRS INFORMATION REGARDING MY DECEASED MOTHER'S 2020 TAX REFUND, I CONTACTED CONGRESSWOMAN **STRICKLAND'S** OFFICE. SHE AND HER STAFF WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN FINALLY GETTING THE TAX REFUND THIS YEAR - A HUGE RELIEF AS I CLOSED OUT MY MOM'S ESTATE."

## OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

"IN 2023, UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN HARVEY DRAHOS FINALLY RECEIVED HIS PURPLE HEART MEDAL AFTER A 78-YEAR WAIT; FROM WHEN HE WAS WOUNDED IN THE WORLD WAR II BATTLE OF OKINAWA. **STRICKLAND** HONORED DRAHOS ON THE HOUSE FLOOR, PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 16TH, 2023 AS HARVEY DRAHOS DAY."



**HARVEY DRAHOS**

## OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

"I HAD BEEN WORKING WITH CLAIMS AND APPEALS WITH THE VETERAN AGENCY FOR OVER A YEAR. I REQUESTED REPRESENTATIVE **STRICKLAND** TO STEP IN ON MY BEHALF. IT TOOK LESS THAN ONE WEEK TO GET RESULTS. SHE IS A FRIEND TO VETERANS!"



**REP. STRICKLAND W/ WSA HEAD START & ECEAP**

## OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

"I RETIRED FROM THE D.O.D (ARMY) CIVIL SERVICE AT JBLM AFTER 34 YEARS. BUT MY RETIREMENT CHECK AND PART B MEDICARE WERE IN LIMBO FOR 10 MONTHS. I FINALLY CONTACTED MARILYN **STRICKLAND'S** OFFICE FOR HELP. WITHIN TWO WEEKS, I RECEIVED A LUMP SUM PAYMENT FOR THE 10 MONTHS OF NON-PAY, A LETTER DETAILING THAT MY RETIREMENT HAD BEEN FINALIZED, AND CONFIRMATION THAT MY MEDICARE WAS APPROVED."



**REP. STRICKLAND AT TUMWATER'S 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION**

# FIGHTING FOR SOUTH SOUND FAMILIES

CONGRESSWOMAN  
**MARILYN STRICKLAND**  
WASHINGTON'S 10TH DISTRICT

## CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND DELIVERED FOR WORKING FAMILIES, SENIORS, VETERANS, AND SERVICEMEMBERS BY:

**DEFENDING** SENIORS AGAINST DIGITAL ONLY COUPON DISCRIMINATION.

**ENSURING** LIFE-INSURANCE POLICIES ACCOUNT FOR CHANGES IN THE ECONOMY, TO SUPPORT SERVICEMEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

**INTRODUCING** THE ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN (EIDL) RELIEF ACT - GIVING SMALL BUSINESSES TIME TO RECOVER FROM THE PANDEMIC.



# **PRIORITIZED** SERVICEMEMBERS AND MILITARY FAMILIES

CONGRESSWOMAN  
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WASHINGTON'S 10TH DISTRICT

**CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND ADVOCATED FOR  
ISSUES IMPACTING QUALITY-OF-LIFE FOR OUR  
SERVICEMEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES BY:**

**INCREASING** ACCESS TO  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

**ELIMINATING** MINIMUM  
RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS  
FOR SPOUSES.

**GIVING** SERVICEMEMBERS A  
RAISE TO ACCOUNT FOR THE  
COST-OF-LIVING AND THE  
PRICE OF CHILDCARE.

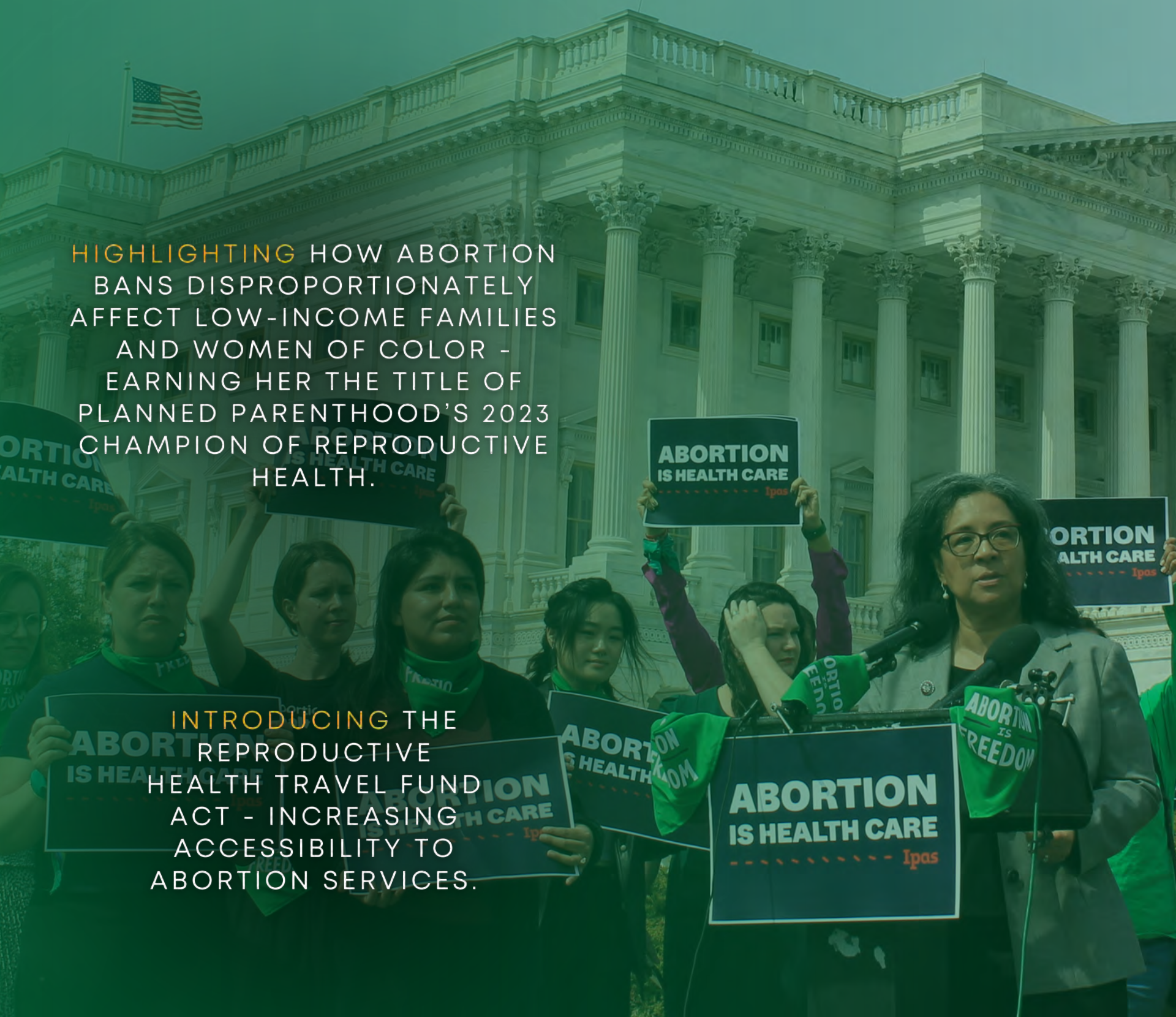
**STRENGTHENING** JOINT BASE  
LEWIS-MCCHORD THROUGH  
BARRACK HOUSING  
IMPROVEMENTS.

# PROTECTING YOUR RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM

**CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND PROTECTED ABORTION RIGHTS AND CONTINUES TO BE AN ADVOCATE FOR REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND FREEDOM BY:**

**HIGHLIGHTING** HOW ABORTION BANS DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT LOW-INCOME FAMILIES AND WOMEN OF COLOR - EARNING HER THE TITLE OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S 2023 CHAMPION OF REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH.

**INTRODUCING** THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH TRAVEL FUND ACT - INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO ABORTION SERVICES.





# **STRENGTHENING AMERICA: TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS**

CONGRESSWOMAN  
**MARILYN STRICKLAND**  
WASHINGTON'S 10TH DISTRICT

## **CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND PUSHED FOR INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE BY:**

**DELIVERING** FUNDS FROM THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT (IIJA) TO SOUTH SOUND COMMUNITIES - BOLSTERING LOCAL ECONOMIES AND PROMOTING JOB CREATION.

**INTRODUCING** THE BUILD MORE HOUSING NEAR TRANSIT ACT TO ENCOURAGE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN TRANSIT-SERVED AREAS.

# STAYING CONNECTED

CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND HAS MET WITH OVER 350 CONSTITUENTS ON HOW THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS HELPING WORKING AMERICANS, AND WHERE IT CAN BETTER SERVE THE PEOPLE.

FROM VOLUNTEERING AT SENIOR SERVICES TO HONORING LOCAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS AND MORE, CONGRESSWOMAN STRICKLAND IS HONORED TO REPRESENT THE SOUTH SOUND.



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