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JESSICA BATEMAN

Rep. Jessica Bateman lives by the commitment that no one should be left out or left behind.

A lifelong resident of the Pacific Northwest, she grew up in a single-parent, working-class household. Watching her mom work hard to provide for her family deeply shaped Jessica's worldview and later motivated her advocacy for those most vulnerable in our communities.

Since then, Jessica has dedicated her career to serving the 22nd Legislative District, where she envisions an inclusive, equitable future for all who call this region home. As an organizer and coalition leader, Jessica has worked to create affordable housing, assist struggling families, and empower at-risk youth. Jessica also worked to pass a Sanctuary City Resolution in Olympia and is a passionate advocate for accessible health care.

Jessica is a first-generation college student who earned her master's degree in Public Administration from The Evergreen State College and her bachelor's degree in environmental science. She currently works as a health care policy analyst, and served on the Olympia City Council and as staff in the House of Representatives.