



**City of Yakima
2023
Federal Legislative Priorities**

Actively Pursue

- Funding to support the expansion of domestic water and sewer systems to underserved, low-income neighborhoods in Yakima
- Funding for the replacement of the Yakima Air Terminal/McAllister Field terminal building
- Yakima Basin Integrated Plan funding requests, including funding requests for completion of the Nelson Dam Removal and Replacement Project and the Gap-to-Gap Ecosystem Restoration Project
- Ensure the WSDOT I-82/Yakima to Union Gap – Corridor Improvements Project includes approval by the Federal Highway Administration of new Interstate 82 on and off ramps
- Efforts to address homelessness and to reduce barriers to affordable housing and human services programs locally, regionally, and nationally
- A Congressionally Directed Spending request for the MLK, Jr. Park Community Pool.

Support

- Regulatory and legislative action to preserve community access to health care services
- Increased funding for Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (“OJJDP”) and other federal programs designed to combat gang crime and violence
- Development of adequate, predictable, and sustainable funding for airport capital projects and airport economic development projects
- Ongoing funding assistance provided to local public safety entities through programs such as Community Oriented Policing Services (“COPS”), Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (“SAFER”), the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (“AFG”) and Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (“LLEBG”), which are consistently utilized by the City

Monitor

- Legislation to improve broadband accessibility in rural communities
- Continued funding of the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) program at current or increased levels. Enhance flexibility for use of funds in the CDBG program.