

## News from Interfaith Council: IFC

A new IFC committee has been formed to focus on how to be a Good Neighbor, a new model of community relations to all our neighbors in N Kitsap County to create wider circles of inclusion and good will.

Jessica Star Rockers, Deanna Vandiver and our own Rev Zackrie helped to organize the large March potluck in support of racial justice--the Stonechild Chiefstick family and their fight for justice after the killing in July 2019 by the Poulsbo police. Over 150 representatives from IFC Kitsap showed their support to the family and to the Suquamish nation. There is continual work toward police reform.

Presently IFC is supporting a proposal to Poulsbo city council to urge the Public Art committee to work with the Suquamish tribe to incorporate art in the new Johnson-305 roundabout that more fully represents the history and people of this area.

There are many areas of concern that we can support:

- Care of the environment is their top priority:
- King County keeps spilling sewage
- Saving Suquamish traditional fishing territory--down to Vashon and up to San Juans. Puget Sound is acidifying almost faster than anywhere else in the world
- Protecting fish habitat: kelp beds, bulk heads , culverts
- State of Washington must replace culverts that block fish passages

Right now, we can all support the Suquamish by joining their wonderful museum by becoming a Suquamish Museum Friend: \$15 individual, \$25 for senior couple and \$40 for family. You can also support by taking the time to learn more about their history and community and treaty rights by logging on to the [suquamish.nsn.us](http://suquamish.nsn.us) website.

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