

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**No Kings Seattle Mass Protest--October 18**  
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## **SEATTLE RISES TO CONFRONT TRUMP'S POWER GRAB—JOINING MILLIONS NATIONWIDE IN #NOKINGS PROTESTS**

**SEATTLE, WA**— On Saturday, October 18, Seattle will unite like never before—flooding Seattle Center to send a message echoed in 2,500+ #NoKings protests across our nation: We will not bow to a king.

Seattle's resistance is growing to meet this historic moment. In April, 25,000 rallied to say #HandsOff. In June 70,000 marched, joining 5 million+ nationwide. Now, as Trump orchestrates a government shutdown to strip our healthcare, jobs, and protections—and deploys troops in our streets to crush dissent—Seattle rises again.

*“Trump is trying to divide, distract, and dominate us,” said protest organizer Kathleen Carson of Seattle Indivisible. “We know this playbook—Dictators divide to conquer. We unite to resist.”*

The mass protest in Seattle is part of an October 18 national day of peaceful action organized by the No Kings coalition. Seattle's rally will feature live music, powerful speakers, and a march through downtown Seattle.

### **EVENT DETAILS**

**WHAT: #NoKings Seattle Protest Rally & March (ASL Interpretation Provided)**

**WHERE: Seattle Center (in front of Fisher Pavilion, by Int'l Fountain), 305 Harrison St, Seattle**

**WHEN: Saturday, October 18—Rally at Noon; March at 1PM**

**MORE INFO: [www.mobilize.us/nokings/event/841588](http://www.mobilize.us/nokings/event/841588); [www.seattleindivisible.com/nokings](http://www.seattleindivisible.com/nokings)**

**Map of 2500+ Nationwide Events: [NoKings.org/#map](http://NoKings.org/#map)**

### **WHY WE MARCH**

Trump is consolidating power—weaponizing the Department of Justice, deploying troops against civilians, and scapegoating immigrants and trans people to justify his grip on power. Seattle refuses to be silent.

### **OUR DEMANDS:**

- **Get the Military Off Our Streets**
- **Stop ICE From Terrorizing Our Workers**
- **Reject Trump's Efforts to Divide and Distract Us**
- **Stop Trump from Using Our Government to crush dissent and target his enemies**
- **Restore and extend healthcare access and funding**
- **Feed Families, not Billionaire Greed**
- **End the genocide and fund restoration in Gaza**

## PRESS DETAILS

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Check in at the media tent (located on your right-hand side when facing the main stage) for press credentials, access to the press riser and sound box, and final programming and speaker bios. Speakers will address the crowd from the roof of Fisher Pavilion. For security reasons, media access to the roof is restricted—please set up cameras on the press riser.

## PROGRAM

### MUSIC (11AM–Noon):

- Liberty Strikes – [libertystrikes.com](http://libertystrikes.com)
- Communal 40 – [communal40.com](http://communal40.com)
- Seattle Labor Chorus – [seattlelaborchorus.org](http://seattlelaborchorus.org)

### SPEAKERS (Noon–1PM):

- MC: Soumyo Lahiri-Gupta, OneAmerica
- Girmay Zahilay, King County Council Chair
- Local LGBTQIA Activist Leader [identity protected]
- Tariq Ra'ouf, Palestinian-American writer, activist and poet
- Zenia Javalera, President, SEIU Local 6
- Rep. Pramila Jayapal, U.S. Congresswoman (WA-7)

### MARCH (begins at 1PM) toward downtown Seattle.

Additional music from Jim Page ([jimpage.net](http://jimpage.net)), Raging Grannies ([raginggrannies.org/seattle](http://raginggrannies.org/seattle)) and DJ KD Cutz ([instagram.com/kdcutz/](https://www.instagram.com/kdcutz/)) as marchers line up and begin marching.

### Organized by the No Kings Seattle Coalition:

Seattle Indivisible | North Seattle Progressives | 50501 WA | Wallingford Indivisible | West Seattle Indivisible | DefundMusk | CommonPower | OneAmerica | Troublemakers Community | Fuse Washington | Planned Parenthood Action | SEIU 775 | League Of Women Voters Seattle King County | SE Seattle Indivisible | Common Defense

**Endorsed by:** AAUW Seattle | Washington State Nurses Assoc. | MLK Labor | ACLU-Washington | SEIU6

### SAFETY NOTE:

*This is a peaceful protest and a protected expression of our First Amendment rights. All No Kings events are committed to non-violent action and community safety. Weapons of any kind, including those legally permitted, should not be brought to this event.*