

## General Government

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Ranger 4 for Washington State Parks, been a State employee for 37 years.

I was on the 19-21 bargaining team: we had a no loss contract with two 3% raises over the two years of the contract, maintained the 85-15 health care costs, got FTO pay for Ranger training officers, added boot allowances of \$200 for most agencies requiring staff to wear boots, expanded the definition for what counts as family members under the Family Care Act, for the first time ever we got locality pay for state employees (in King County), got the state minimum wage raised from 12 to 14 dollars an hour, got better pay raise assignments for IT staff and additional rest time for DNR staff after being on the fire line and a lot more.

There are more things we need to achieve: locality pay in more counties, living wages for employees at the low end of the pay scale, greater ability to work from home, better safety for staff fighting fires and much more. I have been on the team and believe my experience and drive to have **another no loss contract** makes me a good choice to be on the team, thanks.