

## Press Release

### Outdoors for All Recognizes Senator David Frockt (D-46) for Support

*Senator Frockt included a proposed \$1 million in funding in the 2019-2021 capital construction budget for Outdoors for All's renovation project of Building 18 in Magnuson Park*

**SEATTLE (May 24, 2019)** The [Outdoors for All Foundation](#) today thanked Washington State Senator David Frockt (D-46) for securing \$1 million in the 2019-2021 capital construction budget to support the Foundation's plan to renovate Building 18 in Magnuson Park into a new headquarters and program facility. In addition, the Foundation recognized Representative Javier Valdez (D-46) and Representative Gerry Pollet (D-46) for their ongoing support.

Outdoors for All has entered into contract negotiations with Seattle Parks and Recreation for a long-term lease agreement to re-develop, restore and activate historic Building 18 at Magnuson Park. Building 18 is a 13,247-square foot, two-story brick building that was constructed in 1936 and served as the former firehouse for the Sand Point Naval Air Station. Outdoors for All was selected in 2019 following the department's issuance of a [Request for Proposal](#) process in August 2018.



Outdoors for All plans to convert the former firehouse into a mixed-use recreation facility, including adaptive recreation program operations, offices and meeting rooms, and equipment storage, as it expands its reach and depth of services as part of a long-term plan.



"Thanks to Senator Frockt, the \$1 million in state funding will dramatically impact our ability to raise the needed funds for the project," said Ed Bronsdon, Executive Director of Outdoors for All. "We intend to renovate Building 18 into a showpiece for the transformative powers of adaptive recreation, and a launching pad for our program participants, their family members, volunteers, employees and anyone else. We can't thank Senator Frockt and Representatives Valdez and Pollet enough for their ongoing support."



"Outdoors for All is a well-respected organization whose programs enrich the lives of thousands of people in our region," said Senator Frockt. "I am hopeful that the funding will help them extend the life of a building originally designed to save lives, into one designed to transform them."

Outdoors for All has a 40-year history of providing transformative experiences to people with disabilities through outdoor activities, including cycling, camping, river rafting, kayaking, rock climbing and more. The organization leverages trained staff and a dedicated pool of hundreds of volunteers.

#### About Outdoors for All

Outdoors for All has been enriching the lives of children and adults with disabilities in Washington state since 1979. Today, more than 2,900 individuals with disabilities exercise their abilities annually thanks to the support of more than 800 volunteers. More information is available at [outdoorsforall.org](#).

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