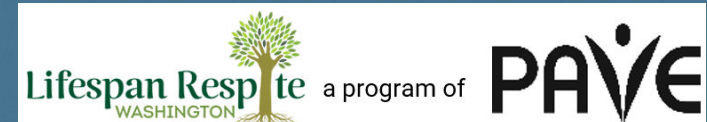


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- A partnership between WA State and PAVE, a nonprofit in Tacoma, WA. PAVE is contracted to administer the Voucher Program of the LRW grant.
- LRW serves unpaid caregivers across WA State. The Coalition is statewide and the focus is on unpaid caregivers.
- Coalition includes:
  - Unpaid Family Caregivers
  - Respite providers
  - Organizations that have interest in serving family caregivers
  - Future hope - Large employers in Washington.



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# Lifespan Respite WA Coalition

**Purpose Statement** - Organizations and individuals working together in combined action for respite services to improve the lives of unpaid family caregivers

## Previous Model

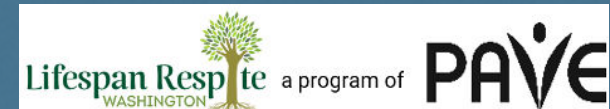
- Shared news, tips, and resources among agencies and respite provider organizations
- Dedicated group of mostly the same individuals each time
- Some training components
- Unpaid family caregivers encouraged to attend, but did not usually attend more than once

## New Model

- Invited staff from relevant organizations that serve family caregivers
- Set a purpose for the Coalition to keep the focus on unpaid family caregivers.
- Aligned actionable goals with the National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers
- Meeting fewer times per year
- Workgroups to move respite forward
- Developed working agenda
- Goal to increase participation of caregivers



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# National Strategy Goals & LRW Coalition Actions

## Increase awareness & outreach

- Partner with Area Agencies on Aging, Spanish-speaking Kinship Navigators and tribes to raise knowledge of caregivers and increase participation in LRW respite and other caregiver services

## Advance partnerships & engagements with family caregivers

- Intentionally invite unpaid family caregivers and community champions with stipends

## Strengthen services & supports

- Updated needs assessment surveys across stakeholder Coalition member organizations

## Ensure financial & workplace security

- Meet with major WA employers regarding respite and other benefits for family caregiver employees. Work with WA Cares program to add caregiver help guides

## Expand data, research, evidence-based practices

- Collect, organize, analyze and disseminate data already captured by Coalition member organizations.