

ANNA'S STORY

Anna is a 39-year-old doctor who fled the war in Ukraine and now lives in Snohomish County. When Anna arrived, she received federal public benefits and resettlement support services to help rebuild her life. However, her humanitarian parole status and work authorization have expired under the current administration. She relies on essential refugee food and medical assistance while she starts the lengthy process of applying for asylum to be able to stay in the United States. She is required to wait for 180 days after filing for asylum before she can apply for a new work permit.

Through the DSHS Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance, Anna has received rental help, English classes, immigration-related legal assistance, and other resources she needs. Local Ukrainian community groups also provide vital social, emotional, and legal support.

Anna will lose most of her federal assistance under H.R. 1, jeopardizing her health, safety, and ability to work as a doctor in Snohomish County.

KEY IMPACTS OF H.R. 1

SNAP	- Anna needs to meet the work requirement of 80 hours a month to remain eligible for SNAP, which will be challenging because she is unable to work. - Anna will need to do a significant amount of paperwork to track and prove that she meets the work requirements every month to stay on SNAP.
Medicaid	Anna will lose her Medicaid benefits and health care coverage on Oct. 1, 2025.
Application Fees	Anna will have to pay at least \$650 more in fees to be able to stay and work in the United States.
Standard Tax Deduction	Because Anna is not a citizen or a resident alien, she is not eligible to receive a Standard Tax Deduction.



Under H.R. 1, Anna may face a net loss of \$12,050 at a time when she is unable to work.

