Volunteers are the heart and soul of End of Life Washington. For more than 30 years, End of Life Washington has been a national model for demonstrating how neighbors can support their terminally ill neighbors to access their end-of-life options.

Volunteer Client Advisors (VCAs) work in eight regional teams from Bellingham to Vancouver and Sequim to Spokane. VCAs provide excellent support, even as COVID-19 has introduced new challenges to our work. We have added tele-health support and continue to provide personalized support, even with technology to attend to our clients’ needs.

We envision a world where people understand their end-of-life choices and can die on their own terms, without barriers.

In a world filled with changes and challenges, we continue to uphold your right to the full range of end of life choices, including Death with Dignity, through our support, advocacy, and education.

Support

"I can’t begin to tell you how thankful we are. You have been so spectacular in so many ways: responsive, caring, thoughtful... Gives me faith that there are such good people and organizations out there like you." – EOLWA Client
Advocacy

EOLWA continues to pursue legislation to increase access to information and end-of-life choices, including Death with Dignity. The Protecting Patient Care Act (PPCA) HB 1608 increases awareness of Death with Dignity by ensuring that health care professionals can provide information and resources that are in the best interests of their patients without restriction.

"HB1608 is necessary because a sharply increasing number of health systems in Washington prohibit or limit the information, resources, and services a health provider may offer to a patient. Such prohibitions hurt patients and they disproportionally harm women, the LGBT community, and people who need end-of-life care.”

ACLU Washington

Win: HB 1608

Thank you to State Rep. Nicole Macri & State Rep. Skyler Rude our legislative champions!

Education

COVID-19 meant shifting from in-person educational sessions to online learning, allowing for statewide reach.

Priorities for 2020-2021:

- Create and facilitate engaging online educational opportunities and increase access across the state to ensure all have access to end-of-life choices.
- Provide Continuing Educational Unit educational programs to the community increasing outreach and awareness.

Finances

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$1,648,911

$1M sustaining gift building capacity and infrastructure

$286K Major and Planned Gifts

$200K Grant

$53K Investment Income

$110K Individual Donors

EXPENSES
$613,302

83% Programs: Advocacy, Support and Education

8% Fundraising

9% Administration

Deep gratitude for our donors, Board of Directors, volunteer client advisors, staff, physicians, and service providers.