

Regan Gallo crowned Miss Washington 2022

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SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATION

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Regan Gallo, Miss Pierce County was crowned Miss Washington 2022 on Saturday, July 2nd at Highline Performing Arts Center.

BURIEN, WA (July 2, 2022) – Miss Washington Week began Sunday, June 26th, with twenty one candidates age 18–26 vying for the title of Miss Washington 2022 and over \$45,000 in cash and scholarships. After three days of competition including private interview, social impact pitch, talent and red carpet, Regan Gallo of Pierce County was crowned before an audience of hundreds at Highline Performing Arts Center in Burien. Sofia Da Silva, Miss Seattle was named 1st Runner Up, with Ava Siniscalchi, Miss Northwest, Noel Anderson, Miss Tri-Cities and Tiffany Abrams, Miss Eastside, finishing 2nd, 3rd and 4th Runner Up, respectively.

Originally from Puyallup, WA, Regan is a 2021 University of Washington alumnae, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Law, Societies, and Justice. She currently works for Seattle-based software company, Highspot.

Regan has grown up singing and dancing and showcased her passion for performing on the Miss Washington stage. She is living and breathing her social impact initiative entitled Making the Invisible Visible: Advocating for those with Chronic Disease. At age four Regan was diagnosed with Ulcerative Colitis and now is an advocate for chronic disease awareness, prevention, and inclusivity. She has been working closely with the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation's Pacific Northwest Chapter since age 15. During her year of service, she plans to teach young women how to navigate their own professional goals, just as she did. Regan will return to school after her reign to utilize the \$22,300 in scholarship dollars she received in 2022.

Regan will now represent Washington at the 2023 Miss America competition in December. Last year, a \$100,000 cash scholarship was awarded to Emma Broyles of Alaska, Miss America 2023. The Miss Washington competition is the official state preliminary to Miss America.

To learn more about the Miss Washington Scholarship Organization, as well as local competitions, visit www.misswashington.org. Learn more about the Outstanding Teen competition at www.mwoteen.org

ABOUT THE MISS WASHINGTON SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATION:

The Miss Washington Scholarship Organization, a not-for-profit corporation, is based in Puyallup, Washington. It is committed to providing the young women of Washington State with the opportunity to enhance their personal and vocational development through scholarship programs and community service. The Miss Washington Scholarship Organization conducts the Miss Washington Competition, an official preliminary to the Miss America Competition.

ABOUT THE MISS AMERICA ORGANIZATION:

The Miss America Organization, a 501(c) (4), is one of the most recognizable household names in America working to empower young women through education and service. The Miss America Organization is comprised of 51 licensed state organizations, including all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Miss America candidates contribute tens of thousands of community service hours annually and have raised more than \$17 million for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and Miss America scholarships since 2007. The Miss America Foundation, a 501(c) (3), provides academic, community service, and other scholarships to young women.