

The Washington Post

Prices may vary in areas outside metropolitan Washington.

RE V1 V2 V3 V4

 Shower 57/48 • Tomorrow: Rain 53/45 B20

Democracy Dies in Darkness

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2026 • \$4

Minn. is sidelined in probe of killing

State officials criticize FBI's takeover of inquiry into fatal shooting by ICE

BY MARK BERMAN,
DAVID NAKAMURA
AND PATRICK MARLEY

Minnesota officials and federal authorities escalated their dispute Thursday over an immigration officer's fatal shooting of a woman in Minneapolis, with state leaders saying the Trump administration was blocking local agents from an FBI investigation into the killing and preventing them from accessing evidence.

The move, a day after a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officer shot and killed 37-year-old Renee Nicole Good in Minneapolis, ignited protests there, outrage across the country and sharp disagreements between the Trump administration and local and state authorities about what happened.

On Thursday, Border Patrol agents were involved in a separate shooting in Portland, Oregon, when trying to apprehend an alleged undocumented immigrant in a traffic stop.

The administration has repeatedly defended the ICE officer in Minneapolis and said he was protecting himself when Good threatened him with her vehicle. Vice President JD Vance on Thursday called Good's death "a tragedy of her own making."

Minnesota leaders have excoriated these claims, with Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey (D) denouncing what he called a "garbage narrative" and "bull---" from the administration.

Gov. Tim Walz (D) said it is

SEE MINNEAPOLIS ON A6



PHOTOS BY JOSHUA LOTT/THE WASHINGTON POST



ABOVE: People protesting the fatal shooting of a woman by an Immigration and Customs Enforcement officer confront a counterdemonstrator outside a federal building in Minneapolis on Thursday. LEFT: A mourner places an ornament at a makeshift memorial for Renee Nicole Good, the 37-year-old shot dead a day earlier.

Doubling down: Vance says victim intended to "ram" ICE officer. A6

The victim: Mother of three was a poet and "a wonderful person." A7

The shooter: Agent had been dragged by a driver months ago. A7

Iranian state struggling to tamp down mass protests

Human rights groups say security forces have used deadly violence

BY YEGANEH TORBATI

ISTANBUL — The Iranian government is struggling to contain protests that began late last month with merchants in Tehran that have now exploded into mass demonstrations and extended strikes in cities and towns across the country.

In the modest city of Abadan, a large crowd marched Tuesday night, shouting for the death of Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. In the major city of Mashhad on Wednesday night, people tore down an enormous flag bearing the Islamic republic's emblem and ripped it into shreds. On Thursday evening, masses of Iranians took to the streets following a call from Iran's former crown prince. And in a new and potentially portentous turn, many businesses have shut down their storefronts, bringing much of the country's already ailing economy to a standstill.

Security forces have responded

SEE IRAN ON A15

Migrant teens jailed at site known for child abuse

BY DOUGLAS MACMILLAN

MORGANTOWN, PA. — The Trump administration says it is focused on protecting unaccompanied migrant children. It imposed strict new background checks on those seeking custody of young migrants and cut ties with a chain of youth shelters accused of subjecting children in its care to pervasive sexual abuse.

"This administration is working fearlessly to end the tragedy of human trafficking and other abuses of unaccompanied alien children who enter the country illegally," said Health Secretary

Trump administration uses Pa. detention facility that had a license yanked

Robert F. Kennedy Jr., who oversees the Office of Refugee Resettlement, or ORR, which cares for unaccompanied migrant children.

But for the past three months, that office has also locked some teenage migrant boys inside a secure juvenile prison in southeast Pennsylvania with a long and

publicly documented history of staff physically and sexually abusing juvenile offenders in its care, a Washington Post investigation has found.

ORR awarded \$9 million to Abraxas Alliance in August to hold up to 30 young immigrants deemed a danger to themselves or others in its facility in Morgantown. At various times since early October, between five and eight teenage migrant boys have been held inside a dedicated wing of the juvenile detention center, sleeping inside locked cells the size of walk-in closets, according to lawyers who met with them.

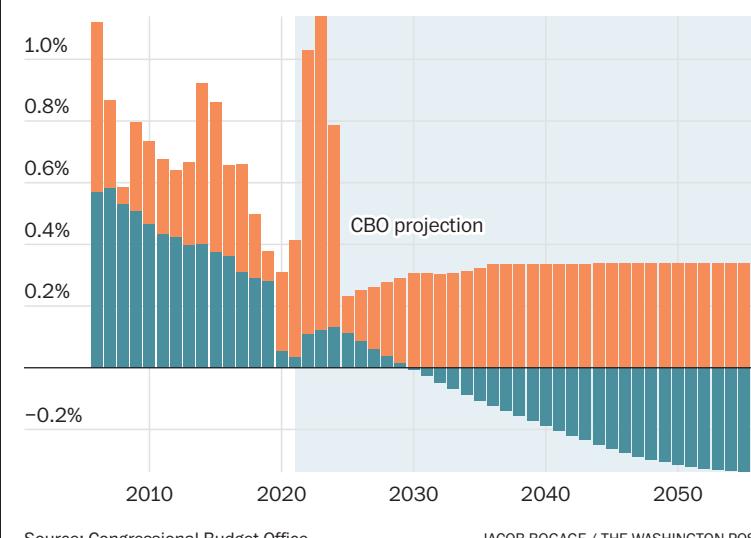
State inspectors have documented at least 15 incidents since 2013 in which they said staff physically mistreated minors at the Morgantown facility, which holds principally juveniles facing or convicted of criminal offenses. In at least two incidents, officials documented allegations of staff sexually harassing or sexually abusing young residents. The most recent reported abuse occurred in November.

In a lawsuit filed in 2024, six former residents of the facility allege they were sexually abused by staff between 2007 and 2016,

SEE DETENTION ON A10

Population growth or decline

■ Births minus deaths ■ Net immigration



Source: Congressional Budget Office

JACOB BOGAGE / THE WASHINGTON POST

Project 2025 group turns to the family

Heritage Foundation offers policy ideas for falling births, 'cultural malaise'

BY BRIANNA TUCKER
AND JACOB BOGAGE

A conservative think tank tied to the architects of Project 2025 is rolling out a sweeping set of policy proposals aimed at reshaping American families and promoting marriage and childbearing between heterosexual couples, according to a report obtained by The Washington Post.

A report from the Heritage Foundation, titled "Saving America by Saving the Family," urges President Donald Trump and lawmakers "to save and restore the American family" through mas-

sive tax credits for families with more children while capping alimony payments, enacting strict work requirements on social benefit programs, discouraging online dating, creating marriage "bootcamp" classes and more.

The report suggests public-private partnerships to honor and provide monetary awards for every decade a couple remains married. It calls for a 16-year-old age limit on social media and certain AI chatbots, and further age restrictions on access to pornography, and it argues that "climate change alarmism" demoralizes young people and dissuades them

from having children.

It asks policymakers to "commit to protecting life from fertilization" and states, "In the U.S., technologies such as fertilization and preimplantation genetic testing routinely manipulate or destroy human embryos." Trump during his 2024 campaign pledged to require insurers to cover IVF treatment, declaring he would be "the fertilization president," but his administration instead has announced plans to lower the cost of that care.

Heritage's full plan, which builds on an executive summary

SEE HERITAGE ON A20

IN THE NEWS

Ballroom details President Donald Trump's vision would make for a building as tall as the White House's main mansion, the project's chief architect told a review committee. A2

Devastating job numbers The D.C. region saw more than 72,000 federal jobs lost in 2025 amid Trump administration cuts. A17

THE NATION
Republicans in the House hope to codify the president's long-desired showerhead changes into law. A2

The House passed a bill funding health care subsidies for three years. A3

THE WORLD
In Gaza, the war still rages along Israel's "Yellow Line" months into a ceasefire. A14

Russia rejected putting European peacekeepers in Ukraine in a blow to Trump's peace plan. A16

THE ECONOMY
U.S. officials said Venezuela's government, which is teetering under a U.S. blockade, could go broke in weeks if it doesn't cooperate. A12

Wall Street so far is shrugging off the geopolitical uproar that has ensued from the U.S. attack on Venezuela. A16

STYLE
Watching a 20-second video of the Minneapolis shooting brings more questions than answers, Monica Hesse writes. B1

SPORTS
Marshon Lattimore, a Commanders cornerback, was arrested on weapons-related charges after a traffic stop. B7

THE REGION
Steny H. Hoyer, 86, Maryland's longest-serving member of Congress and the House's No. 2 Democrat, won't seek reelection. B13

WEEKEND
Bored of beer? At these nine D.C.-area bars, you can race cars, ride a bull or play ninja.

BUSINESS NEWS A16
COMICS B4
OBITUARIES B15
OPINION PAGES A18
TELEVISION B6
WORLD NEWS A12

CONTENT © 2026
The Washington Post
Year 149, No. 5446

0 70628 21100 3