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EDI is a strategy to support race and social equity and anti-displacement efforts through community leadership and capacity building among the most historically marginalized groups in Seattle. In 2017, the Council established a short-term rental tax to provide an ongoing funding source for community-driven equitable development projects. In 2018, that City tax was replaced with a state tax on short-term rentals. The original City tax clearly stated the Council's intent that a minimum of \$5 million per year would go to EDI for funding for community projects. The additional resources were intended to be split between EDI projects and affordable housing capital investments tied to EDI projects. The Mayor's proposed budget swaps short-term rental tax proceeds for GF dollars to fund OPCD staffing. This green sheet augments those short-term rental proceeds with CDBG funds in order to provide at least \$5 million for EDI grants. In addition to the increase in CDBG funds, the proviso at the end of this green sheet would require that OPCD redirect \$65,052 of short-term rental tax proceeds from consulting assistance to grants, hire a new EDI staff position later in the year resulting in salary savings in 2019, or use a combination of cuts to the consulting budget and delayed hiring to maintain a minimum of \$4,000,000 of short-term rental tax proceeds for grants.

The Mayor's budget for 2018 includes \$2,000,000 for a rental assistance pilot with the Seattle Housing Authority, with the intent that \$1,000,000 be carried forward to 2019. The 2019 budget also includes \$1,000,000 for this pilot program, which together would provide an excess of funds for the program. These excess funds would be swapped for CDBG funds for a youth opportunity center project that would be more appropriately funded through General Funds. The CDBG funds freed up from this project would be moved to provide additional CDBG funding to the EDI program in 2019.

This green sheet would impose the following budget proviso:

*"Of the appropriation in the 2019 budget for the Office of Planning and Community Development, \$4,000,000 GF and \$1,430,000 CDGB is appropriated solely for funding for community projects under the Equitable Development Initiative and may be spent for no other purpose."*

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### Budget Action Transactions

**Budget Action Title:** Add \$1,000,000 CDBG to OPCD and add a proviso to provide a total of \$5,430,000 for EDI grants, move \$1,000,000 GF between HSD BSLs and cut \$1,000,000 CDBG from HSD

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Cut duplicate GF from rental assistance pilot				HSD	Addressing Homelessness	BO-HS-H3000	00100	2019		(\$1,000,000)
2	Add GF to youth opportunity center				HSD	Supporting Affordability and Livability	BO-HS-H1000	00100	2019		\$1,000,000
3	Cut CDBG funds from youth opportunity center				HSD	Supporting Affordability and Livability	BO-HS-H1000	00100	2019		(\$1,000,000)
4	Add CDBG funds for EDI projects				OPCD	Planning and Community Development	BO-PC-X2P00	00100	2019		\$1,000,000