

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add \$500,000 GF to SDCI for tenant outreach, education, organizing, and other services

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Kshama Sawant

Council Members: Tammy Morales, Andrew Lewis

Staff Analyst: Ketil Freeman

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	TM	KS	AP	DJ	DS	AL	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2021 Increase (Decrease)	2022 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$500,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(500,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(500,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$500,000 GF to the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) for tenant outreach, education, organizing, and other services.

The 2021 Proposed Budget would appropriate \$615,000 for tenant services grants. Those grants fund services such as tenant education, eviction defense, case management, and tenant counseling. Grantees in 2020, include, but are not limited to, the Housing Justice Project, Interim CDA, Solid Ground, LGBTQ Allyship, the Tenants Union, and United Indians of All Tribes. The 2020 Adopted Budget appropriated \$905,000 for those services, \$290,000 of which were one-time appropriations. The Council anticipates an increased demand for tenant services in 2021 with the potential lifting of the pandemic-related residential eviction moratorium.

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Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add funding for tenant services and outreach		0	0	SDCI - CI000	SDCI - BO-CI-U2400 - Compliance	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$500,000