

# 2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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**Budget Action Title:** Add \$100,000 GF to HSD to increase homelessness outreach services in West Seattle and South Park and impose a proviso

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: Yes

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

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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)
<b>General Fund</b>		
<b>General Fund Revenues</b>	\$0	
<b>General Fund Expenditures</b>	\$100,000	
<b>Net Balance Effect</b>	<b>\$(100,000)</b>	
<b>Total Budget Balance Effect</b>	<b>\$(100,000)</b>	

## Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$100,000 GF to the Human Services Department's (HSD's) 2021 budget to increase funding for homelessness outreach providers to reach individuals with behavioral health issues in West Seattle and South Park and provide information and education for businesses, business improvement associations, community organizations, and community members. These funds would be in addition to the \$9.4 million in the 2021 Proposed Budget that supports homelessness outreach citywide and the \$1.3 million that would support the City's Unsheltered Outreach and Response Team.

The funding should be used to contract with service providers that utilize a harm reduction approach and motivational interviewing skills. The providers should prioritize serving especially high need individuals in the target neighborhoods who have high utilization of public systems. The provided services and

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referrals for people living on the street would include: assessments for housing eligibility, transportation assistance, survival resources and services, connections to shelters and sanctioned encampments, overdose prevention education, naloxone distribution, referrals to Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion, medical care, and behavioral health treatment. The intent is that these services would improve community health and safety by addressing some of the underlying needs of people living on the street. In addition, providers would supply businesses, Business Improvement Associations, and community members and organizations with information and education about system limitations and conditions for people living outside and support in strategizing solutions to homelessness in the area.

This budget action would impose the following proviso:

"Of the appropriations in the Human Services Department's 2021 Budget for the Addressing Homelessness Budget Summary Level (HSD-BO-HS-H3000) in the General Fund (00100), \$100,000 is appropriated solely to increase homelessness outreach services in the West Seattle and South Park neighborhoods, and may be spent for no other purpose."

## Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increase appropriation for homelessness outreach contracts		0	0	HSD - HS000	HSD - BO-HS-H3000 - Addressing Homelessness	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$100,000