

# 2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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**Budget Action Title:** Add \$150,000 GF and 1.0 FTE to SFD to fund a Crisis Counselor

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

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>	\$150,000	
<b>Net Balance Effect</b>	<b>\$(150,000)</b>	
<b>Total Budget Balance Effect</b>	<b>\$(150,000)</b>	

## Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$150,000 GF and 1.0 FTE to the Seattle Fire Department (SFD) to fund a Crisis Counselor to assist with training SFD personnel.

The Crisis Counselor would provide trauma-informed counseling services, referrals, and training that would focus on de-escalation, scene safety, and evasive defense to keep firefighters safe and increase positive interactions with persons in crisis or suffering with mental illness. The new position would also provide firefighters with help to manage the stresses and process the traumatic environments they face regularly, especially under compounding crises.

## Budget Action Transactions

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#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add \$150,000 to SFD for a crisis counselor		0	0	SFD - FD000	SFD - BO-FD-F3000 - Operations	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$150,000
2	Pocket Adjustments	Registered Nurse Consultant	1	1	SFD - FD000	SFD - BO-FD-F3000 - Operations	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$0