

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add \$100,000 GF to SPU for a publicly-accessible sink program

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	BC	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	\$100,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(100,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(100,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This budget action would add \$100,000 GF to Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) to develop and implement a publicly-accessible sink program that utilizes the Street Sink style handwashing station model developed by the Clean Hands Collective. Up to five percent of the funds may be used to conduct a survey to identify the high-need areas for sink placement.

The Council requests that SPU make funding available, potentially through a grant program, to community groups and private property owners for the provision of publicly-accessible sinks. In order to increase access to hygiene and handwashing facilities for all residents in need of services, the Council intends for the sinks to be distributed as equally as possible throughout the city.

SPU is also requested to provide technical assistance to the recipients of the funds to assist them with overcoming implementation barriers and to aid them in deploying the sinks. Some of the potential

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implementation barriers that SPU should evaluate and provide technical assistance to address, if necessary, include: sink design, including durability; regulatory issues, including greywater disposal; accessibility, including Americans with Disabilities Act compliance; and appropriate siting.

These sinks are intended to supplement the 15 handwashing stations that the City has deployed as part of the Public Hygiene program since the start of the public health emergency. The 2021 Proposed Budget includes approximately \$6.3 million GF for the Public Hygiene program as a whole, and about \$1.5 million of that amount is attributable to hygiene stations that provide portable toilets and handwashing stations.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Increased appropriation for street sinks		0	0	SPU - SU000	SPU - BO-SU-N200B - Utility Service and Operations	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$100,000