

2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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Budget Action Title: Add \$34,000 GF to HSD to fully fund a landlord liaison program 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	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	\$34,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(34,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(34,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This budget action would add \$34,000 GF to the Human Services Department's (HSD's) 2021 budget to increase funding for a landlord liaison program, such as the Housing Connector. The Housing Connector connects individuals who may otherwise experience homelessness with housing options that have reduced and waived screening criteria, such as disregarding a past eviction, in order to prevent those households from experiencing homelessness or shorten their period of time experiencing homelessness. The 2021 Proposed Budget would provide \$436,712 GF to the Housing Connector and an additional \$250,000 of one-time Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding to temporarily add two FTEs to increase its services as the City makes a large increase in rapid re-housing services using ESG funds. The proposed increase in funds would provide the full amount of base funding for the Housing Connector's initial contract with HSD.

This action would impose the following proviso:

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“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), \$34,000 is appropriated solely to increase funding for a landlord liaison program, 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 a housing connector program		0	0	HSD - HS000	HSD - BO-HS-H3000 - Addressing Homelessness	00100 - General Fund	2021	\$0	\$34,000