

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Council Briefing

**April 27, 2020 - 9:30 AM**

### **Meeting Location:**

Remote Meeting. Call listen line at 206-684-8566 or access Seattle Channel online.

### **Committee Website:**

<http://www.seattle.gov/council/>

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### **1. Approval of the Minutes**

#### **Council Briefing Minutes (2020)**

[April 20, 2020](#)

### **2. President's Report**

9:30 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.

**3. Presentation on Small Business Support and Workforce Development****Briefing and Discussion**

**Presenters:** Pedro Gomez, Office of Economic Development; Beto Yarce, Executive Director, Ventures; Marie Kurose, Chief Executive Officer, Workforce Development Council of Seattle-King County

9:35 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

[Presentation - Ventures](#)

[Presentation - Office of Economic Development](#)

[Presentation - Workforce Development Council](#)

**4. Presentation on the use of Federal and State Grants for COVID-19 Emergency Response****Briefing and Discussion**

**Presenters:** Ben Noble, Director, and Julie Dingley, City Budget Office; Adrienne Thompson, Mayor's Office; Emily Alvarado, Director, Office of Housing

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

[Presentation](#)

**5. Preview of Today's City Council Actions, Council and Regional Committees**

(All Councilmembers)

10:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**City Council Agenda (2020)**

[April 27, 2020 \(updated 4/26/20\)](#)



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Council Briefing Minutes (2020)



# Seattle Council Committee Report Council Briefing

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**Monday, April 20, 2020, 9:30 AM**

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**Meeting Start Time: 9:33 a.m.**

**Presiding Officer: Council President González**

**Present:** 8 - M. Lorena González , Teresa Mosqueda, Lisa Herbold, Debora Juarez, Andrew Lewis, Tammy Morales, Alex Pedersen, Dan Strauss

**Late Arrival:** 1 - Kshama Sawant

## 1. Approval of the Minutes

**Inf 1584** Council Briefing Minutes (2020)

**The Council Briefing Minutes of April 13, 2020 were approved.**

## 2. President's Report

3. **Inf 1624** Presentation on the Condition of the West Seattle Bridge

The Information Item (Inf) was heard in Committee.

## 4. Preview of Today's City Council Actions, Council and Regional Committees

**Inf 1579** City Council Agenda (2020)

The Information Item (Inf) was heard in Committee.

**Meeting Adjournment Time: 12:34 p.m.**

**Prepared by: Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk**



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Presentation on Small Business Support and Workforce Development

# Small Business Stabilization Fund

Monday April 27, 2020

Pedro Gomez, Director of Small Business Development  
Office of Economic Development



# Small Business Stabilization Fund

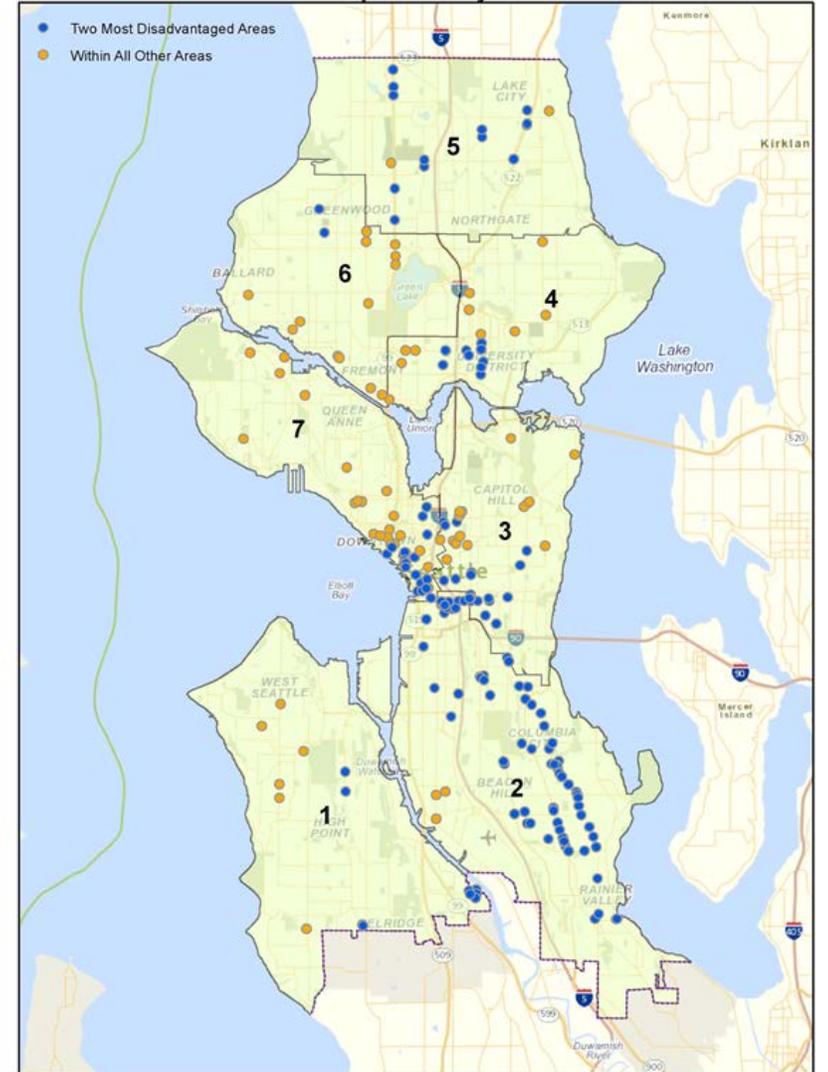
- The expanded Small Business Stabilization Fund is an emergency fund that provides working capital grants in amounts up to \$10,000 to qualifying small businesses impacted by COVID-19.
- The Small Business Stabilization Fund is funded by federal Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), initially with \$2.5 million and the Mayor has proposed adding another \$1.5 million.
- The Mayor directed OED to focus outreach on historically underserved small businesses to improve access to the program for those who may be overlooked by the federal government's Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster relief program.
- Additionally, the Mayor directed OED to use a weighted lottery process to ensure that grants were predominantly awarded to businesses in high displacement risk areas.
- OED's focused outreach and the weighted lottery process resulted in nearly 80% of grant recipients identifying as business owners of color.



# Small Business Stabilization Fund

- Nearly **9,000** businesses applied; nearly **6,000** of which were eligible. **252** businesses were awarded \$10,000.
- Outreach was conducted in collaboration with our neighborhood district partners. Traditional, ethnic and social media platforms were utilized. Regular updates were posted to the website and through our weekly webinars.
- OED triage team reported over 100 stabilization fund specific emails and phone calls per day.

Stabilization Fund Recipients by Council District



# Businesses Awarded the Stabilization Fund

“Villa Escondida is a family-owned restaurant, and we are proud to support our local community and economy here in Belltown,” said Jose Perez, Owner of Villa Escondida. “Our small business was hit hard when many downtown workers began to work from home. This grant from the City will help us keep our staff on payroll and will help us increase our marketing to get more takeout and delivery orders.”



# Businesses Awarded the Stabilization Fund



"This will allow us to pay some of our past due business expenses, while we work on a plan to reopen," --Greg Wetzel, co-owner of South Lake Union's Zheng Cafe

"Tarik Abdullah, owner of A DJ and a Cook, will likely use his \$10,000 grant to cover short-term operational costs and hire some helpers, he said. The South Seattle-based chef has been working 13-hour days to serve paying customers with a pickup model while also donating meals to hard-up community members, he said."— Seattle Times



# Next Steps

- The Mayor is proposing an additional \$1.5 million be added to the Small Business Stabilization Fund, which would allow OED to provide and additional 150 \$10,000 grants.
- The City has established a separate fund to accept private donations to support employee retention for small businesses
- OED is currently developing an equitable outreach framework for future funding projects and programs
- OED is working with firm to develop application/data management system



# Our Mission and Guiding Values

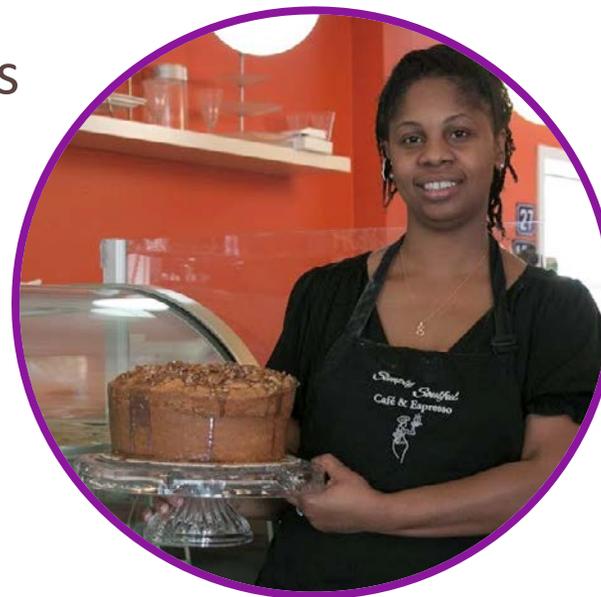
Ventures empowers entrepreneurs with limited resources and unlimited potential to improve their lives through small business ownership.

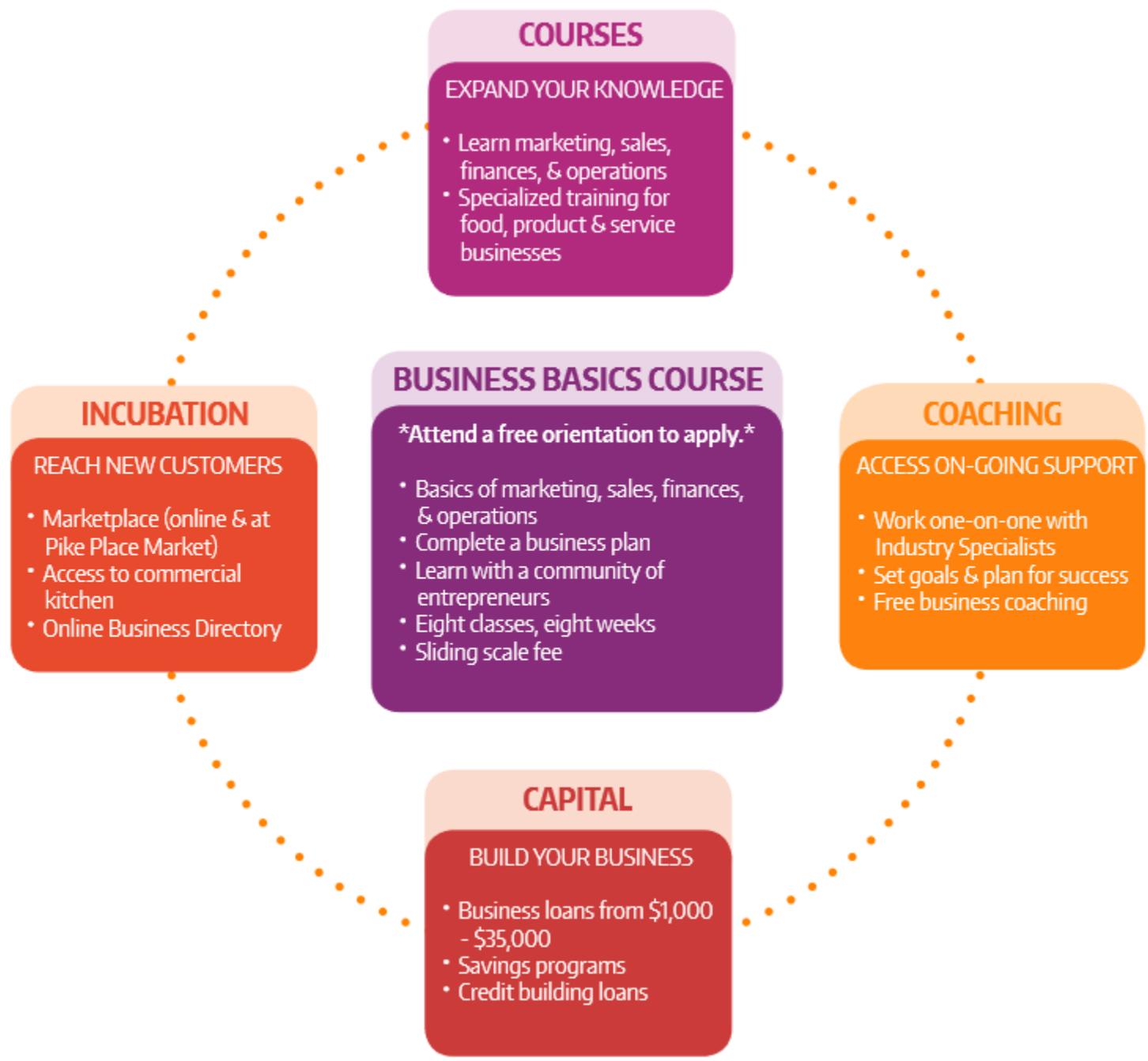
**Community • Client Success • Empowerment  
Integrity • Diversity • Innovation**



# Who We Serve

- 600 individuals a year
- Average client supports a family on \$24,000/year
- Demographically:
  - 75% of our clients are female
  - 65% are people of color
  - 35% are immigrants or refugees
  - 30% are Spanish-speaking







# Our Impact

Within two years of graduating the BBC:

- **People move out of poverty:** 40% of entrepreneurs exit public assistance and 75% move out of poverty.
- **Businesses survive:** 80% of businesses are still in operation and business revenue increases by 28%, or \$550 per month.
- **Businesses create jobs in their community:** 46% of businesses have at least one paid employee. In Washington, 73.7% of small business owners have zero employees.



# Micro- Small Businesses

Ventures focuses on micro small businesses with 1 to 5 employees, generating \$50K to \$500K in revenue

- **They are the most vulnerable**– facing store closures, going out of business and even homelessness.
- **The need**– distribute funds with urgency and efficiency to those lacking liquidity and facing financial crisis.
- **Proposed Solution**– money, strategy, technical assistance (TA), coaching, access to markets and a network of people impacting the community.

I am very worried about our clients and doing the best to fundraise and utilize our resources with the best equity possible.

Please read this blog <https://www.venturesnonprofit.org/blog/our-coronavirus-response/>



# Questions From Seattle City Council

## How are the federal programs working for micro businesses and small businesses? What are the challenges to programs?

Federal programs are not working for micro small businesses, they were left out of the process and only the businesses that are more advanced and sophisticated with a controller, CPA or CFO were able to access the funding.

### The challenges

- Confusion—lack of communication.
- Not enough funding
- Commercial banks were not prepared to support the process.
- No plan for Technical Assistance to navigate the system
- Lack of DEI in the distribution.
- Who really needs the funds?—Harvard and Ruth's Chris examples
- NOTE: Ventures' experience and other small businesses receiving PPP were successful because they worked with smaller banks and/or credit unions.

# Questions From Seattle City Council

**What are the major issues for micro businesses and small businesses during this time and possible challenges over the next 6 months (or 12 months)?**

## **Access to financial resources**

- Creative capital– a combination of grants and emergency loans with low or no interest. Small business need financial support to be able to recover from this crisis.
- Reduce or eliminate costs for business licenses, permits, and taxes (for a limited time).
- Access to TA ongoing support that helps businesses get back to normal.
- Business coaching and mentorship to help the business owners create a strategy to recover, pivoting the business model, embrace the crisis with a mind of opportunity. Small business owners are entrepreneurial and some will figure things out on their own, but think about the ones that don't have access to economic opportunities.

# Questions From Seattle City Council

**What issues are arising for small business employees? What are the challenges in our current system to assist small business employees?**

- Ventures' clients have been severely impacted by social distance mandates caused by the COVID-19 crisis. Our business owners have seen major drops in revenue – as much as 100% for some – because their sales relied on in-person events (i.e. farmer's markets) or foot traffic-related sales.
- Some of our clients have lost their jobs while also experiencing reduced business sales, putting them in severe financial crisis.
- It is very complex to navigate the multiple resources that are available when you are overwhelmed.

# COVID-19 ECONOMIC IMPACT

April 27, 2020

# Critical Issues - Current and Future

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## Unprecedented Scale and Pace

## Multifaceted Drivers and Impact

- Challenges across economic, social, health and safety

## Disproportionate Impact: Sectors, Communities and People

- Hospitality, Food Services
- Low wage workers, people of color, immigrants
- Small business

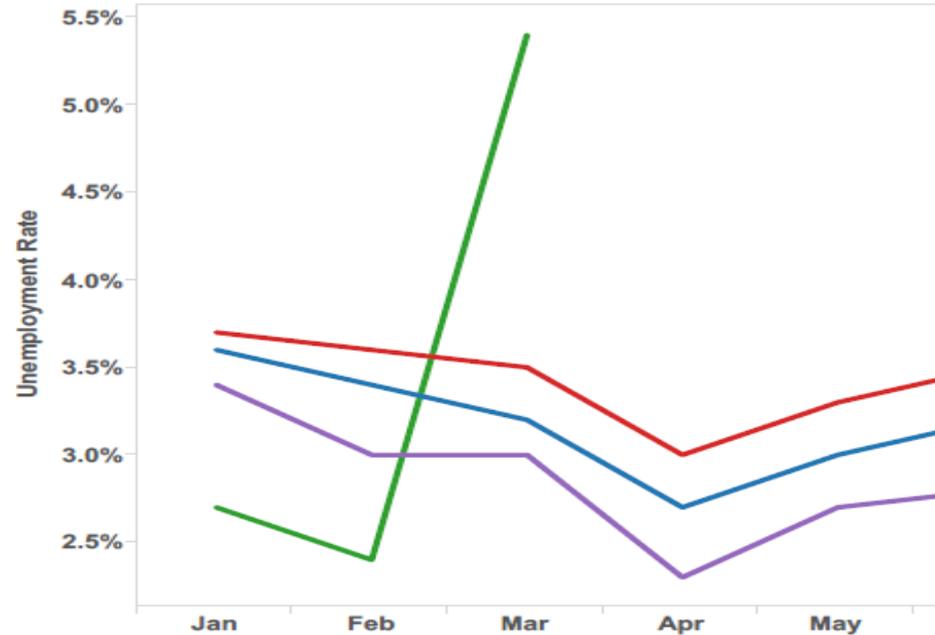
## Depth and Duration of Economic Impact Uncertain

- Dependent on public health and economic policies

# Unprecedented Scale

## Unemployment Rate Feb - Mar 2.4% to 5.4%

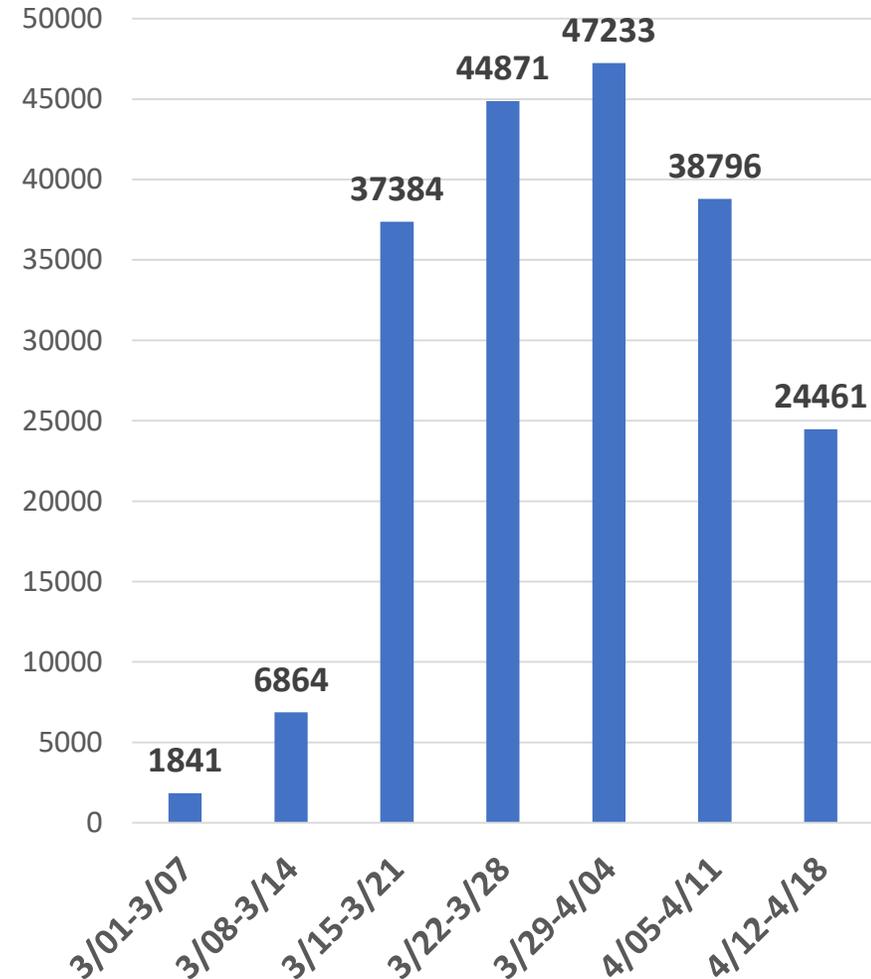
Unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted  
King County



2017	3.7%	3.6%	3.5%	3.0%	3.3%
2018	3.6%	3.4%	3.2%	2.7%	3.0%
2019	3.4%	3.0%	3.0%	2.3%	2.7%
2020	2.7%	2.4%	5.4%		

■ 2017   
 ■ 2018   
 ■ 2019   
 ■ 2020

## New UI Claims March 1 – April 18 Total: 201,450



# Sector and Occupation Impact

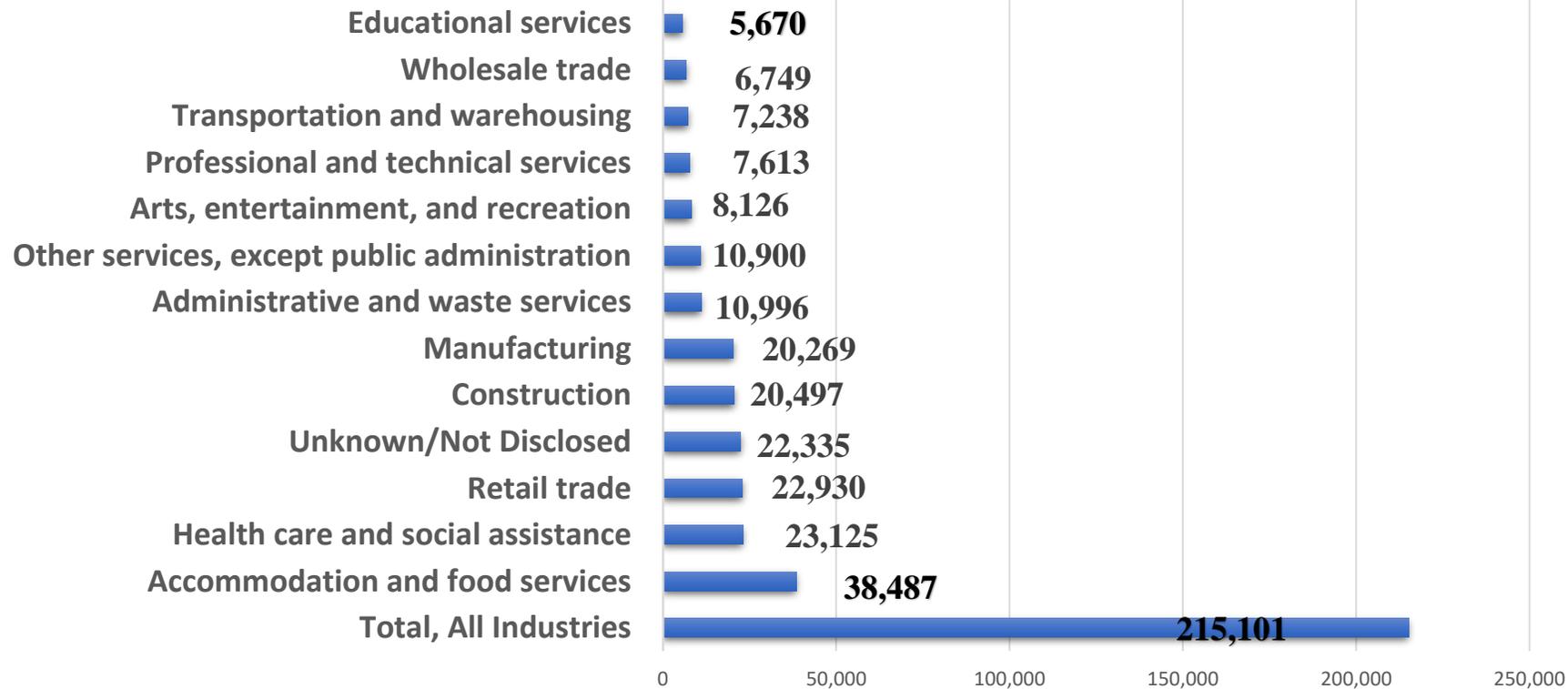
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- All Sectors Impacted
- Vulnerability, Duration and Economic Impact Vary
- Retail, Hospitality, Restaurant Sectors
  - Low wage workers, people of color, immigrants
  - Small business (KC 86% less than 20 emp)
- Temporary increased demand “essential jobs” : Grocery, delivery, health care
  
- **Workers in At-Risk Industries, King \***
  - 656,400 workers are employed in King County
  - 419,400 workers categories as in industries that are facing immediate risk
  - Most of these occupations pay between \$15 to \$25/hr

Source: COVID-19 Anticipated Economic Impacts in Seattle and Washington; Anticipated Economic Impacts for Near-Term and Longer-Term Considerations March 17, 2020 Business Health, The Chamber Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce Community Attributes

# Sectors Impacted

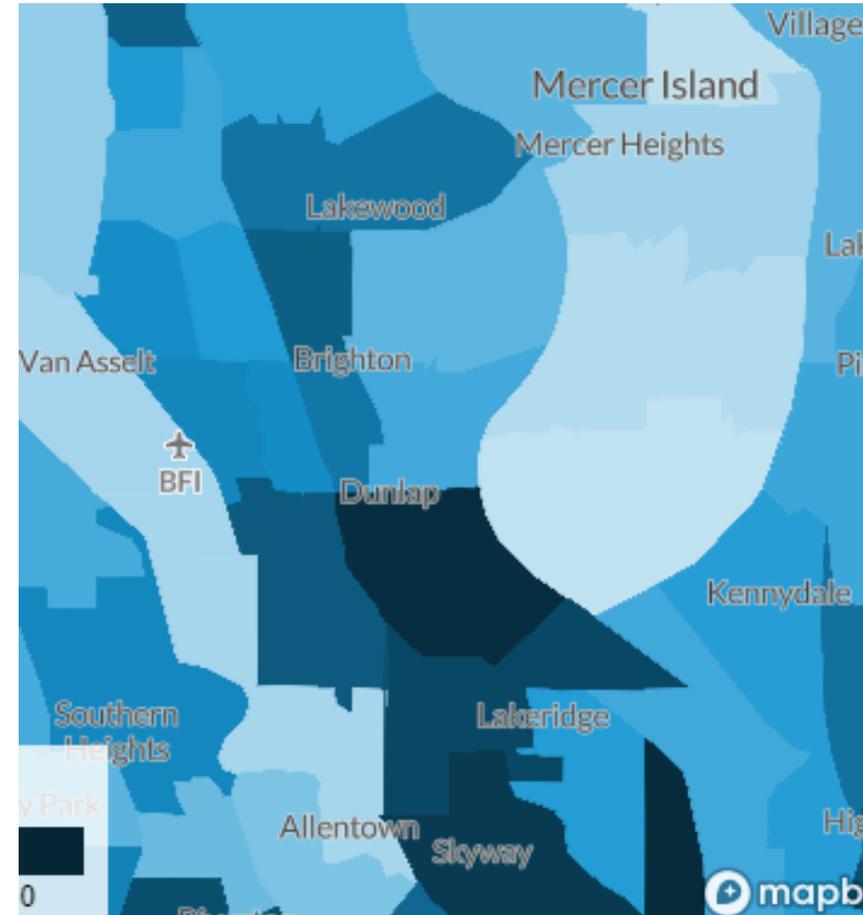
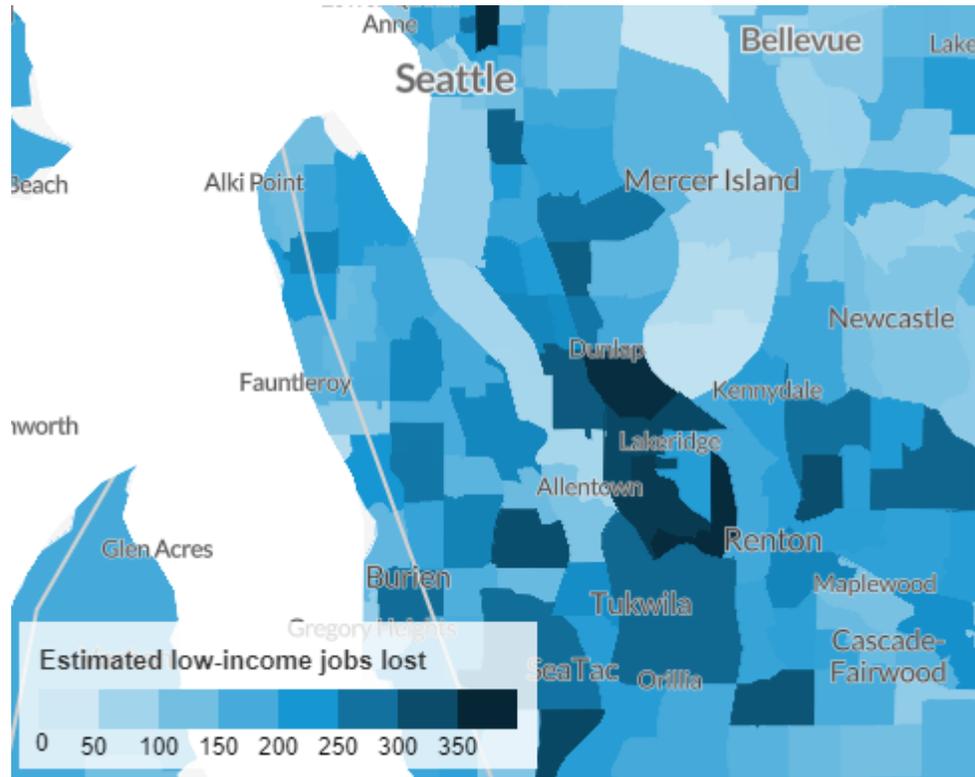
New UI Claims Jan - April 18 2020 (sectors with 5,000+)



Source: <https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/report-library>



Neighborhoods hardest hit by COVID-19 job losses are home to workers in industries like tourism and transportation, which are bearing the brunt of the economic shutdown.



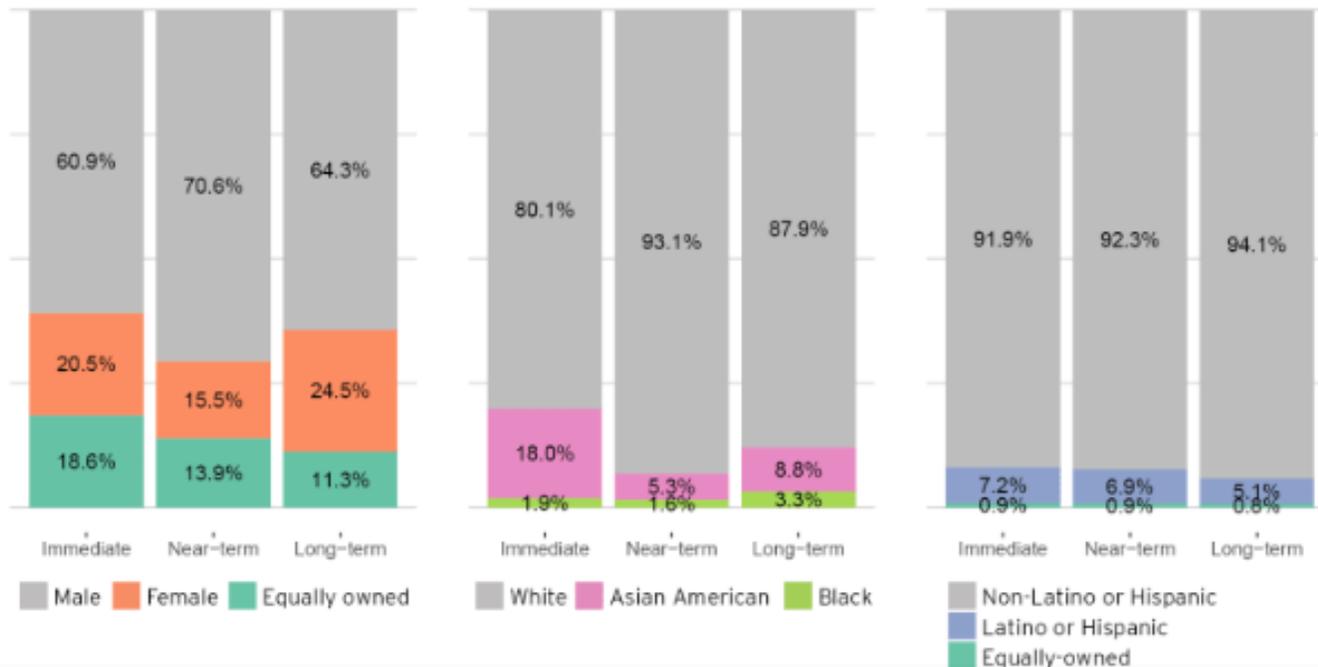
Source: <https://www.urban.org/features/where-low-income-jobs-are-being-lost-covid-19>; April 23, 2020

## COVID-19 MAY HIT WOMEN- AND MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES HARDEST

FIGURE 5

### MWBEs are most represented in industries at immediate risk from COVID-19

Share of ownership by risk levels from COVID-19



### Challenges

- Higher prevalence of MWBEs in the retail, food service, and other industries most affected by closings.
- Pre-existing structural inequities Historical access to capital
- Less capital reserve to cushion continue paying employees.
- Have less access to credit, and less ability to withstand the loss of income.

# Recovery: Multi-Sector Comprehensive Coordinated Response

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## Short Term Priorities

- Identify and address systemic barriers to accessing economic, health and social supports
- Address immediate economic challenges
  - Improve access to resources and support (language, technology, navigation)
  - Strengthen the safety net: health care, food and economic supports
- Advocate for worker safety – essential jobs and as workers start returning to work
- Advocated for and leverage local, state, federal and private funding to address community priorities and gaps
- Develop resources to support immigrants, gig workers and other populations that are not eligible for current supports

## Near and Mid Term Recovery

- Targeted economic assistance and support for populations and businesses most vulnerable
- Prepare workers and businesses for long term success recovering from COVID disaster – skills training, subsidized wages and supports to encourage reemployment
- Focus on long-term job quality and economic inclusion
- The economic policy response to COVID-19 should be intended to maximize the share of workers who return to work, reduce duration of unemployment and improve economic stability.



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Presentation on the use of Federal and State Grants for COVID-19 Emergency Response

# Federal and State Funding Overview

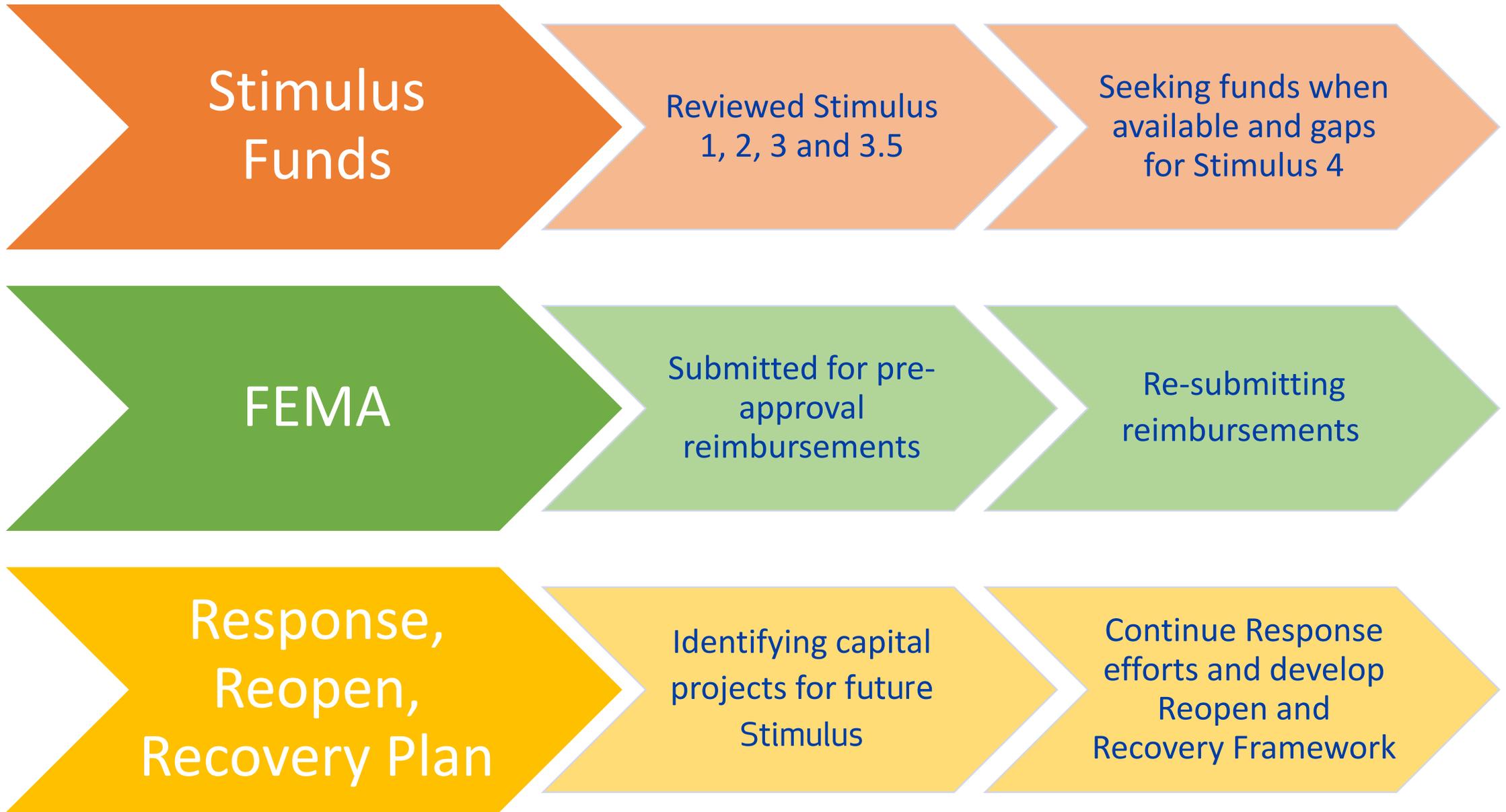
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# Presentation Outline

1. Overall City Activities
2. Overall Reimbursement Strategy
3. Overview of Funding and Sources
4. Legislation





# Overall Reimbursement Strategy

1. Pursue FEMA Reimbursement where possible
2. Allocate restricted CARES Act Funding  
(CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, Older Americans Act, Medicaid Title XIX)
3. Determine eligibility for \$131.5M Coronavirus Relief Fund and strategic use of funds
4. Utilize the \$13M Emergency Housing Grant (State Dept. of Commerce) for broader flexible funding

# FEMA Public Assistance - 75% Reimbursement

The following categories are pre-approved via FEMA guidance:

Category	Description	Requested Amount
PPE/Cleaning	For responders, shelters, employees as part of response	\$1.04 M
Staffing	OT and contract staffing for response	TBD
Admin costs	For managing and oversight of program	5% of total award
Cleaning	Public Buildings	TBD
Food	Food delivery, packaging, commodities with the direction of public health or for clients that are high-risk	TBD

Seattle has requested pre-approval and advanced funding for the following. Most are part of public health order:

Category	Description	Est. Total Amount
Non-congregate Sheltering	Includes tiny houses, first responder hotel. <u>Requires</u> pre-approval.	\$4.4 M
Congregate Sheltering	De-densification of homeless shelters and all basic services.	\$1.6 M
Hygiene	Hygiene stations, showers, RV pump-out.	\$2.4 M
Logistics Supply Warehouse	PPE, cleaning and sanitizing supplies, paper products	\$1.04 M
Food	Advance funding request for above.	State Coordination

Federal Stimulus Funds - Legislation	Amount
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	\$5.64M
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$2.83M
Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA)	\$426K
Older Americans Act Funding for Area Agency on Aging	\$5.1M (est.)

Future Funding	Amount
Corona Virus Relief Fund	\$131.5M
FTA Formula Funds for Transit – Streetcar and Monorail	\$2.3M
State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance (Byrne JAG) Grants	\$1.34M
Community Services Block Grants	TBD (likely <\$200K)
Firefighter Assistance Grants for PPE and related supplies	TBD
Economic Development Assistance Programs	TBD
Education and outreach related to Fair Housing and COVID.	TBD

State Funding	Amount
Department of Commerce Emergency Housing Grant	\$13M



# All Known City Funding Sources

Item		FEMA	CDBG	ESG	HOPWA*	CSBG	CARES Older Americans Act (AAA)	Coronavirus Relief Fund	JAG - Law Enforcement Grants	Firefighter Grants	Commerce	Donation	General Fund	SBT
PPE/Sanitizing	PPE for City staff/contractors	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	Yes-SFD	Yes	No	Yes	No
	PPE/Sanitizers for social workers, child protection, service providers for seniors/ind. with disabilities	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Enhanced cleaning of public buildings	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	No	No	No	Yes	No
City Staff	Administrative Costs	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
	Staffing costs for redeployment to COVID tasks	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
	OT Staffing for disaster response	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	No	No	No	Yes	No
	Temporary or Contract staffing for disaster response	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	No	No	No	Yes	No
	COVID-related leave for employees	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
	Supplies for City employees to telework	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	No	No	No	Yes	No
General	Communications costs	Partial	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
	COVID-19-related expenses necessary to the function of government	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
	City Revenue Backfill	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Homelessness	Shelter Redistribution	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes - HIV/AIDS	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	New Shelter	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes - HIV/AIDS	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Hygiene Plan - toilets/showers	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Hygiene Plan - purple bag	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Hygiene Plan - RV pump out	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Supplies	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	Yes-SFD	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Permanent Supportive Housing enhanced needs (supplies and services)	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Worker/ Business Relief	Rental Assistance	No	Yes	Partial	Partial	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
	Small Business Support	No	Yes	No	No	Unknown	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
	Unemployment programs	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Distance Learning and tech	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
	Childcare for essential workers	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Food	Food Banks	Yes	Partial	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Food Delivery	Partial	Partial	Yes	Yes - HIV/AIDS	Yes	Yes - age 60+	Yes	No	No	Yes - Afford. Hous	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Feeding at Shelters	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes - HIV/AIDS	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
First Responder	First Responder Hotel	Unknown	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
	Testing of first responders	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes-SPD	No	No	No	Yes	No
	Testing of the public	Yes - via KCPH	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

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## Focus: PPE/Sanitizing, City Staff and General

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## Focus: Homelessness, Worker/Business Relief, Food, First Responder

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	Permanent Supportive Housing enhanced needs (supplies and services)	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Worker/ Business Relief	Rental Assistance	No	Yes	Partial	Partial	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
	Small Business Support	No	Yes	No	No	Unknown	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
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# Allocation Strategy for Legislation

- **HOPWA/Older Americans Act/Medicaid Title XIX funds**
  - Restrictive funding and can leverage existing programs in HSD.
- **ESG and CDBG funds**
  - More flexible and amended uses were done through the CARES Act.
- **ESG and CDBG strategy**
  - Identified areas of eligibility that had the fewest alternatives for funding and community need. Based on our assessment and current experience those gaps are:
    - Rental Assistance (CDBG/ESG)
    - Small Business Support (CDBG)
    - Food Delivery (ESG)

# Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA): \$425k

Provide funding to HSD contracts to provide the following:

- **Housing Options**

- Housing options for low-income persons diagnosed with HIV/AIDS requiring assistance to maintain or acquire appropriate affordable permanent housing.

- **Program Services**

- Short term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance, permanent housing placement, and rental assistance. Programs also include housing case management and are designed to increase participants' capability to maintain housing and to facilitate progress toward stable, long-term self-sufficient living.

# Older Americans Act (\$5M) and Medicaid Title XIX (\$150k)

Human Services Department Aging and Disability Services (ADS) division is the Area Agency on Aging for King County. The following strategies provide:

- **\$5M Older Americans Act:**

- HSD to expand existing food delivery programs and a shift in program model from senior congregate meals to home delivery to facilitate appropriate social distancing for this population at higher risk for serious impacts from COVID-19.

- **\$150K Medicaid Title XIX:**

- HSD to add capacity for expedited Medicaid Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) initial assessments, which assist with hospital patients' transitions to another care setting. In addition, funding will provide for care transitions services to non-Medicaid eligible individuals and ongoing community-based support.

# Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): \$2.8M

- **\$750,000 Rental Assistance Pilot**

- Provides an alternative funding source for a 2020 Council add to prevent homelessness for individuals transferring from Essential Needs or Aged, Blind, and Disable assistance programs into SSI or SSDI. Due to the General Fund revenue forecast revision, provides a more reliable funding mechanism.

- **\$2,080,000 Shelter Meals**

- Support the provision of meals at shelters which have had to modify operations to implement social distancing guidelines provided by Public Health Seattle/King County as a result of COVID-19.

# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): \$5.64M

- **\$1.5M for HSD's Homelessness Prevention Programs**
  - Screen clients for risk of homelessness and assist households to maintain housing avoiding homelessness.
- **\$1.5M to HSD for United Way's HomeBase rental assistance**
  - Provide rental assistance for households at risk of eviction and/or homelessness.
- **\$1.14M to the Office of Housing's Building Stability Fund**
  - Provide rental assistance to non-profit building owners already in the OH portfolio. These agencies operate under rent caps, but do not have operating subsidies. They are dependent on rent payments to sustain basic building operations. Rent assistance would benefit low income tenants (<60% of AMI) and stabilize non-profit buildings and agencies.
- **\$1.5M to the Office of Economic Development's Small Business Stabilization Fund**
  - Supports Seattle's smallest businesses facing severe financial challenges with payroll, rent, and lost revenue during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis.

# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): \$5.64M

The CARES Act waives the public services cap for 2019 and 2020 CDBG

- **Rental Assistance:**

- CDBG is currently capped at three months support
- Must be provided to the landlord (cannot go to individuals)

- **Small Business Support:**

- The “Urgent Need” National Objective allows OED to process applications more quickly; it is capped at 30% 3-year cumulative total, est. \$7-\$8M.
- This legislation would put the total at \$4m

# Next Allocation of CDBG and ESG

- **Second Allocation** - The City anticipates receiving a second allocation of the Federal CDBG and ESG funding from the CARES Act soon.
- **New Formula** - The formula for the 2<sup>nd</sup> allocation is different and will be based on COVID-19 prevalence factors, among others; amounts are TBD.



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City Council Agenda (2020)



# CITY OF SEATTLE

## City Council

### Agenda

Monday, April 27, 2020

2:00 PM

Remote Meeting. Call listen line at 206-684-8566 or access Seattle Channel online.

M. Lorena González, President

Lisa Herbold, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Andrew J. Lewis, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Teresa Mosqueda, Member

Alex Pedersen, Member

Kshama Sawant, Member

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# CITY OF SEATTLE

## City Council Agenda

**April 27, 2020 - 2:00 PM**

### **Meeting Location:**

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### **Committee Website:**

<http://www.seattle.gov/council>

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Register online to speak during the Public Comment period at the 2:00 p.m. City Council meeting at

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. ROLL CALL**

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

**D. APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL****E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR**

*Introduction and referral to Council committees of Council Bills (CB), Resolutions (Res), Appointments (Appt), and Clerk Files (CF) for committee recommendation.*

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**Attachments:** [Introduction and Referral Calendar](#)

**F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA****G. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Members of the public may sign up to address the Council for up to 2 minutes on matters on this agenda; total time allotted to public comment at this meeting is 20 minutes.**

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**H. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

*These are the only Bills which the City Charter allows to be introduced and passed at the same meeting.*

[CB 119778](#)

**AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims for the week of April 13, 2020 through April 17, 2020 and ordering the payment thereof.**

**I. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Discussion and vote on Council Bills (CB), Resolutions (Res), Appointments (Appt), and Clerk Files (CF).*

**CITY COUNCIL:**

1. [CB 119769](#) AN ORDINANCE relating to land use review decision and meeting procedures; temporarily modifying and suspending procedures in Titles 23 and 25 of the Seattle Municipal Code and amending Chapters 23.41, 23.49, 23.66, 23.79, 25.12, 25.16, 25.20, 25.21, 25.22, 25.24, and 25.30 of the Seattle Municipal Code, consistent with the Governor's proclamations and the Mayor's proclamation of civil emergency on March 3, 2020; declaring an emergency; and establishing an immediate effective date; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

**Supporting Documents:**

[Summary and Fiscal Note](#)  
[Morales Amendment 1](#)  
[Lewis Amendment 2 v2](#)

***Reconsideration of Council Bill 119769.***

2. [Appt 01575](#) Appointment of Scott Haskins as member, City Light Review Panel, for a term to April 11, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

3. [Appt 01577](#) Appointment of Estela Ortega as member, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

4. [Appt 01578](#) Appointment of Cheryle A. Broom as member, the Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

5. [Appt 01579](#) Appointment of LaVonne Griffin-Valade as member, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

6. [Appt 01580](#) Appointment of Shaun Van Eyk as member, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

7. [Appt 01581](#) Appointment of Justin Marlowe as member, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

8. [Appt 01582](#) Appointment of Bob Thomas as member, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

9. [Appt 01583](#) Appointment of Andrew J. Lewis as Chair, Working Group for Performance Auditing.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

10. [Appt 01568](#) Appointment of Rebecca Finkel as member, Sweetened Beverage Tax Community Advisory Board, for a term to August 31, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

11. [Appt 01558](#) Appointment of Barbara Baquero as member, Sweetened Beverage Tax Community Advisory Board, for a term to August 31, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Appointment Packet](#)

#### J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

12. [Res 31943](#) A RESOLUTION to initiate a University District Business Improvement Area.

**Attachments:** [Ex A - University District Business Improvement Area](#)

**Supporting Documents:** [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

13. [Res 31944](#) A RESOLUTION of intention to establish a University District Parking and Business Improvement Area and fix a date and place for a hearing thereon.

**Attachments:** [Ex A - University District Business Improvement Area](#)

**Supporting Documents:** [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

#### K. OTHER BUSINESS

#### L. ADJOURNMENT