



Snohomish County Council

Committee: LJHS
ECAF: 21-0168
Proposal: Mot. 21-159

Analyst: Heidi Beazizo
Date: April 19, 2021

Consideration

The Executive’s Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 21-159, approving Snohomish County’s 2021 Annual Action plan for HUD Housing and Community Development Programs.

Background

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development requires Snohomish County adopt the Snohomish County Urban County Consortium’s annual action plan (Plan) to receive federal grant funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs.

The grant funds are used for affordable housing, facilities providing community services, infrastructure projects, homeless programs, and economic development activities. The funds must primarily benefit low income individuals. Snohomish County is the lead agency for the Consortium.

The annual actions plan must be consistent with the adopted 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan approved via Motion 20-234¹, are subject to review and recommendation from the Consortium’s Policy Advisory Board and must be published for public comment.

The CDBG, HOME, and ESG grants are included in the 2021 Grant Work Plan for the Human Services Department, approved via Motion 20-411².

Current Proposal

Scope: The proposed **draft** 2021 Plan provides for a total of \$6,285,883 allocated in a manner consistent with the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and as recommended for funding by the Consortium’s Policy Advisory Board on March 18, 2021.

A portion of the HOME funds are set aside each year for affordable housing projects selected by the City of Everett, with final approval, as required by the County.

Detailed information related to specific projects begins on page 55 of the **draft** Annual Action Plan. A summary of high-level allocation categories is below:

Allocation plan:

Affordable Housing Projects and Programs	\$3,510,447
Public Facility and Infrastructure Projects	\$1,196,238
Homeless, Special Needs and Fair Housing Service Projects	\$476,743
Homeless Shelter, Rapid Rehousing and Homeless Management Information System	\$245,419
Grant Planning and Administration	\$857,036
TOTAL	\$6,285,883

¹ [General Legislative Session \(granicus.com\)](http://granicus.com)

² [Public Hearing - 2021 Budget Hearing - SPECIAL MEETING \(granicus.com\)](http://granicus.com)

Funding Sources:

CDBG Grant Funds	\$3,148,287
Estimated CDBG Program Income	\$75,856
HOME Grant Funds	\$2,012,815
HOME Program Income	\$214,722
CDBG Grant Funds (Prior Year)	\$335,413
Home Grant Funds (Prior Year)	\$233,473
ESG Grant Funds	\$265,317
TOTAL	\$6,285,883

The comment period for the proposed **draft** 2021 Plan closes on April 23, 2021. The Department of Human Services received and responded to comments beginning on Page 98 in Appendix 1. Additional comments, if any, will be replied to, included in a memorandum and provided to council prior to council consideration of plan approval.

Duration: The 2021 program year will run from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.

Fiscal Implications: \$5,238,847 in Pass through Grants and \$857,036 in Admin

2021 Budget: YES

Future Budget Impacts: The grant revenues and associated expenditures will be included in the 2022 budget as the program year extends into 2022.

Handling: EXPEDITE. The 2021 Annual Action Plan is due to HUD by May 14, 2021.

Approved-as-to-form: N/A. (FYI Provided)

Risk Management: N/A. (FYI Provided)

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Analysis: This action is consistent with the requirements of Charter Section 2.140.

Attachments: NONE

Amendments: NONE

Request: Move to GLS on April 28th for council to consider taking action.