



# Community Safety and Justice

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

**ECAF:** 2024-0831

**Motion:** 24-200

**Type:**

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

**Requested Handling:**

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

**Fund Source:**

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

**Executive Rec:**

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

- Yes
- No
- N/A

**Subject:** LEAD – Recovery Navigator Program (RNP)

**Scope:** Motion 24-200 approves amendment #1 to the contract with the North Sound Behavioral Health – Administrative Services Organization (NSBH-ASO), under which the County receives grant funding for operation of the Recovery Navigator Program under the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program. This amendment will provide the county with an additional \$93,500 for the program operation.

**Duration:** July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 (automatic annual renewals)

**Fiscal Impact:**  Current Year  Future-Year  N/A

Initial contract was for \$645,000. Amendment #1 will bring the total do not exceed amount/grant award to \$738,500. The department has indicated that there may be a need for a budget amendment towards the end of the year increasing budgetary authority as a result of receiving these additional funds.

Expenditures	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 130	\$93,500					\$93,500
<b>Total's</b>	<b>\$93,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$93,500</b>

Revenue	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 130	\$93,500					\$93,500
<b>Total's</b>	<b>\$93,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$93,500</b>

**Authority Granted:** Authorizes the Executive to execute amendment #1.

**Background:** The Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) arrest diversion program is a collaborative community safety effort that offers law enforcement a credible alternative to booking people into jail for criminal activity that stems from unmet behavioral health needs or poverty. <sup>1</sup>

The Prosecuting Attorney’s office is the lead agency for Snohomish County’s LEAD program. As a complementary program, the PA’s office would like to establish a Recovery Navigator Program (RNP) ([RCW 71.24.115](#)) on behalf of the North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (NSBH-ASO<sup>2</sup>). This program provides community-based outreach, intake, assessment and connection to services for youth and adults with substance use disorder (SUD), including individuals with co-occurring SUD’s and mental health conditions.

<sup>1</sup> [Instead of arrest, new diversion program to offer resources | HeraldNet.com](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Get Help | North Sound BH-ASO \(nsbhaso.org\)](#)

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The current contract<sup>3</sup> is for a grant from the NSBH-ASO to the County in the amount of \$645,000 through June 30, 2024. The grant dollars will be passed through to the Public Defender's Association and the Recovery Navigator Coordinator for operation of the program. Amendments to these agreements are anticipated. Standards for the RNC are published by the Health Care Authority.<sup>4</sup>

The NSBH-ASO notified north sound counties of additional funding available. Snohomish County put in for additional funds and was awarded an additional \$93,500 for the LEAD, Recovery Navigator Program.

**Requested Action:** Move to GLS on June 12<sup>th</sup> for consideration.

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<sup>3</sup> <https://snohomish.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=6395013&GUID=2576B0D4-898B-4A8A-B257-EC8F13218683&Options=ID|Text|&Search=nsbh-aso>

<sup>4</sup> [Recovery Navigator uniform program standards \(wa.gov\)](#)