



Snohomish County Council

Committee: LJHS
ECAF: 2022-0499
Proposal: Motion 22-205

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Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider Motion 22-205, approving Amendment No. 1 to the ILA between the County and Washington State University - Everett related to PSTAA spending.

Background

The State of Washington Legislature established the Puget Sound Taxpayers Accountability Act (PSTAA) account pursuant to RCW [43.79.520](#) and Snohomish County is estimate to receive approximately \$79 million between 2019 and 2036.

On November 10, 2020, the Snohomish County Council passed the 2021 budget providing \$800,000 in expenditure authority for PSTAA revenues.¹

On March 10, 2021, the Snohomish County Council passed Amended Motion 21-089 providing direction to develop interlocal agreements (ILA) with the school districts and higher education institutions with students located inside the regional transit authority's boundaries.²

On September 22, 2021, the Council passed Ordinance 21-067³, approving the Washington State University – Everett (WSU) ILA and associated Services and Expenditure Plan for the 2021-2022 Academic Year for \$88,000. In the approved plan, WSU allocated their required early-learning 10% to ChildStrive⁴ (\$5,800) and United Way (\$3,000).

The proposed plan with United Way was to: Pool PSTAA dollars from interested and funded school districts and higher education institutions to hire a contract facilitator to create a five-year strategic plan to shift systems steeped in racism and support equitable opportunities for all young children. The proposed community strategic planning process has been discontinued and facilitation by United Way is no longer needed.

Current Proposal

Scope: Motion 22-205 approves an amended Services and Expenditure Plan reallocating \$3,000 originally designated for United Way to their other early-learning partner, ChildStrive.

¹ [Public Hearing - 2021 Budget Hearing - SPECIAL MEETING \(granicus.com\)](#)

² [General Legislative Session \(granicus.com\)](#)

³ [Snohomish County Council - File #: 2021-0675 \(legistar.com\)](#)

⁴ **Child Strive Scope:** Cooperative childcare program for children ages 12 months to five years; improve educational and economic outcomes among low-income families enrolled in adult education classes.

Duration: Although the Interlocal Agreements remain in place from 2021 to 2036 or until PSTAA funds have been entirely allocated per [RCW 81.112.360](#), this Services and Expenditure Plan is for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

Fiscal Implications: There are no increases to the budget, only adjustments to spending categories.

2022 Budget: YES

Future Budget Impacts: NO.

Handling: NORMAL.

Approved-as-to-form: N/A – all terms and conditions of original ILA are unchanged.

Risk Management: APPROVE.

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: NONE

Amendments: NONE

Request: Move this motion to GLS on May 25th for Council to consider taking action.