



Health and Community Services

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2024-2835
Motion: 24-474

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: Washington State Department of Agriculture Grant to Support Food Stability

Scope: The Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) is granting \$248,490.56 for county-directed procurement and distribution of emergency food to hunger relief organizations. Snohomish County Human Services will provide the funds to the Snohomish County Food Bank Coalition as pass-through funding.

Under the terms of the agreement, Snohomish County will oversee development and implementation of procurement and distribution of emergency food to local hunger relief organizations, ensure equitable access to resources, and confirm purchasing of Washington grown and produced foods (when possible).

At least 50% of the total funding commitment is required to be used for emergency food purchasing. Purchasing may be directly from farms and regional food producers or through subcontracts to nonprofit hunger relief organizations based on identified community needs. Sourcing food from local or regional food producers is encouraged.

The contract scope also requires Snohomish County to provide WSDA with a link to the current plan for feeding people during an emergency response and lessons learned from COVID-19 food security response to inform future emergency actions.

This grant was not included the 2024 Human Service Grant Work Plan and requires Council approval.

Duration: October 28, 2024, through June 30, 2025

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☒ N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 124	\$62,122	\$186,368.56				\$248,490.56
Totals	\$62,122	\$186,368.56	0	0	0	\$248,490.56

Revenue	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 124	\$62,122	\$186,368.56				\$248,490.56
Totals	\$62,122	\$186,368.56	0	0	0	\$248,490.56

Authority Granted: Motion 24-474 authorizes the Snohomish County Executive to execute the Snohomish County Washington State Department of Agriculture Grant Agreement #K5570 and any future amendments.

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Background: Funding for this agreement was provided in the 2023-2025 Biennial State Operating Budget, under ESSB 5187¹, pursuant to Federal grants to Washington State under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021².

Requested Action: Move 24-474 to the GLS Agenda for Council consideration.

¹ [5187-S.SL.pdf](#)

² [Text - H.R.1319 - 117th Congress \(2021-2022\): American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 | Congress.gov | Library of Congress](#)