



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Conservation, Sustainability, and Recreation **Analyst:** Nicole Gorle
ECAF: 2021-0772
Motion: 21-356 **Date:** Nov. 4, 2021

Consideration:

Authorize the Executive to approve a Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program – American Rescue Plan Act grant with the Washington State Department of Commerce.

Background:

The American Rescue Plan Act went into effect March 11, 2021¹. This Act provides additional relief for the economy, public health agencies, state and local jurisdictions, businesses, and individuals in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Washington State Department of Commerce – Energy Division received an appropriation from the federal government of ARP funds which in part they are distributing to local jurisdictions for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program grants.

Current Proposal:

Motion 21-356 would approve the Executive to execute a Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program grant from the Washington State Commerce – Energy Division. There are no matching funds required with this grant.

Duration: July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022

Budget: \$836,418 (2021 - \$209,104 & 2022 - \$627,314)

Council approval is required as these funds were not included in the 2021 adopted budget and the goal is to start expending funds in 2021. The \$627,314 that will be expended in 2022 was included in the 2022 adopted budget, along with two project positions to support the grant.

Title	Amount
Administration	\$73,084
Program Ops – Weatherization Measures	\$167,280
Program Ops – Health and Safety Measures	\$167,280
Program Ops – Weatherization-Related Repair Measures	\$83,497
Program Ops – Program Support	\$334,567
Program Ops – Vehicles and Equipment (no more than \$5k)	\$0
Program Ops – Other Program Ops	\$0
Training and Technical Assistance	\$10,710
Total	\$836,418

¹ <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/1319>

2021 Budget: Yes - \$209,104 (not included in adopted budget, which is why the motion is required)

Future Budget Impact: Yes - \$627,314 was included in the 2022 adopted budget

Handling: Normal

Approved-as-to-form: N/A

Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachment: None

Amendments: None

Request: For Council to consider taking action November 15, 2021