

Committee: LJHS Analyst: Heidi Beazizo

ECAF: 22-0367

Proposal: Mot. 22-165 **Date:** April 13, 2022

Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 22-165 which would approve and authorize an agreement between the County and the North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization for the Recovery Navigator Program.

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. ¹

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-ASO²). 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.

Current Proposal

Scope: Motion 21-165 accepts the grant from NSBH-ASO for the RNP. In order to conduct the program, the PA's office anticipates that their LEAD partners, the Public Defender's Association or the Evergreen Recovery Center, will fill the necessary positions to include a Recovery Navigator Coordinator, two Case Managers and an Outreach Coordinator. The grant dollars will be passed through to these two entities. Amendments to these agreements are anticipated. Standards for the RNC are published by the Health Care Authority.³

Duration: January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. Termination is allowed with 90-days written notice.

Fiscal Implications: \$512,455

2022 Budget: No. Appropriation authority will be transferred from Fund 130, Pending

Grants.

Future Budget Impacts: Unknown

Handling: URGENT

Approved-as-to-form: YES

¹ Instead of arrest, new diversion program to offer resources | HeraldNet.com

² Get Help | North Sound BH-ASO (nsbhaso.org)

³ Recovery Navigator uniform program standards (wa.gov)

Risk Management: YES

Executive Recommendation: YES

Attachments: N/A **Amendments:** N/A

Request: Place on the COW agenda at Admin on April 18th for Assignment and Consideration.