



Committee of the Whole

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-3157

Motion: 25-465

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: Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program – Agreement - Evergreen Recovery Center

Scope: Motion 25-465 would approve a contract between the County and Evergreen Recovery Center for operation of the case management portion of the LEAD program. The scope of work is in Schedule A and compensation is outlined in Schedule B. Under the current contract, the contractor can serve up to 275 participants.

Duration: July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025
(option to extend five additional one year terms)

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

Funding for this contract comes from grant dollars received by:

- Washington State Health Care Authority - \$409,150
- US Dept. of Justice Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP) - \$125,250
- North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization - \$300,600

Expenditures	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 130	\$835,000					\$835,000
Total's	\$835,000	0	0	0	0	\$835,000

Authority Granted: Authorize the Executive to execute the contract.

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

Through the approval of Motion 20-121 in June of 2020, the Prosecuting Attorney's Office (PAO) implemented the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program, funded through grant dollars. The majority of the funding for this program is passed through to other agencies for service administration and delivery. Evergreen Recovery Center is one of these agencies. The County has been contracting with them for this purpose since 2020, with the most recent contract approved through [Motion 23-557](#) and then amended by [Motion 24-330](#).

Requested Action: For Council to consider taking action.

¹ [Instead of arrest, new diversion program to offer resources – HeraldNet.com](#)