



Health and Community Services

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-1938

Ordinance: 25-034

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: Interagency Agreement with Washington State Department of Commerce for Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative

Scope: Snohomish County, acting through its Health Department, wishes to enter into an interagency agreement with Washington State Department of Commerce through its Office of Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention Community Safety Unit, to implement a Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative. The contract scope has three implementation phases.

Phase 1: In the first phase, the Health Department will form a Community Safety Council (CSC) and complete a landscape analysis. The landscape analysis includes a gun violence problem analysis, a community asset map, and a qualitative analysis of community violence.

The CSC will be comprised of:

- One member from the Health Department,
- Two members with lived experience of gun violence,
- Two members employed by local service providers,
- Two members employed by local government agencies,
- Two members employed by advocacy groups, and
- Optionally, up to three additional members with relevant expertise.

The CSC composition may be modified with Commerce approval.

Phase 2: The CSC will create a gun violence prevention plan. The Health Department is planning to subcontract with the Sound Foundation to support plan creation. This will be funded using the contracted Commerce grant funds.

It is anticipated that after the plan is finalized, additional funding will be awarded by Commerce to implement the plan. The Health Department will subcontract with entities that will execute some or all of the plan. Plan execution will be completed by September 30, 2026.

Phase 3: The Health Department will administer subawards to entities executing the community violence reduction plan. The CSC will transition from analysis and planning to subaward monitoring.

Duration: February 01, 2025, through September 30, 2026.

Fiscal Impact:

☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 125	\$49,999.00	\$49,898.49				\$99,798.49
Totals	\$49,999.00	\$49,898.49	0	0	0	\$99,798.49

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Revenue	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 125	\$49,999.00	\$49,898.49				\$99,798.49
Totals	\$49,999.00	\$49,898.49	0	0	0	\$99,798.49

Authority Granted: Ordinance 25-034 authorizes the County Executive, or designee, to execute the interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce.

Background: On August 19, 2024, the Washington State Department of Commerce advertised a [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) for the Community-based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative, a grant allocating funds to support comprehensive, evidence-based violence intervention and prevention strategies designed to prevent and reduce violent crime in communities. The grant offers up to \$100,000 for assembling a Community Safety Council to steer local violence reduction efforts, including conducting a landscape analysis and designing a violence reduction plan.

Additionally, Commerce will provide up to \$275,000 to support the implementation of violence reduction plans once they are approved. These plans will be based on guiding principles set forth by the U.S. DOJ: community-centered, evidence-informed, equitable, inclusive, effective, and sustainable.

Requested Action: Move to the GLS agenda to set time and date for a Public Hearing.