



Health and Community Services

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2024-2739
Ordinance: 24-098

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: Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood regarding Snohomish County Outreach Team

Scope: The Interlocal Agreement establishes an embedded social worker position in the Snohomish County Outreach Team that will be located within Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace’s police force. The 1 FTE position is split 50/50 between each city. The social worker will be a County employee supervised by Snohomish County’s Human Services Department. The City of Lynnwood will pay for the cost of employing the social services worker and ancillary services provided by that worker.

The social worker will assist in police responses for people with behavioral health, housing, and financial needs. The program aims to bridge gaps between law enforcement and social services to better coordinate response and follow up for individuals that can benefit from those services. The social worker will also be responsible for providing social service training for officers.

Duration: August 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Authority Granted: Ordinance 24-098 approves and authorizes the Snohomish County Executive, or designee, to sign the Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood Regarding Snohomish County Outreach Team.

Background: Until recently, the Lynnwood Police Department and Mountlake Terrace Police Department partnered with Compass Health and Verdant to provide services through the Community Transitions program. The program worked with individuals dealing with homelessness, substance misuse and abuse, and mental health concerns. However, the Community Transitions program ended at the end of May 2024.

Proposed Ordinance 24-098 allows for the continuation of this service. Pending a funding award to the City of Lynnwood, an ILA is anticipated to be developed to extend this position into 2025.

Requested Action: Move Ordinance 24-098 to the GLS agenda to set time and date for consideration.