



# Snohomish County Council

## Legislation Text

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### Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

**ITEM TITLE:**

Motion 21-198, approving 2021 Dispute Resolution Center Contract with Volunteers of America Western Washington

**DEPARTMENT:** Human Services

**ORIGINATOR:** Robin Hood

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**PURPOSE:** County Council approval of 2021 Dispute Resolution Center Contract and authorization for County Executive to sign the contract

**BACKGROUND:** The attached motion requests approval of a contract between the County and Volunteers of America Western Washington (VOA) to operate a dispute resolution center to provide mediation services to residents of Snohomish County for 2021. Approval of the contract by the County Council is necessary before the County Executive may execute the contract. Pursuant to SCC 2.550, funds for this contract are generated from a surcharge on filing fees for civil actions and small claims in district court to be used solely for a dispute resolution center. The County Finance Department has indicated that \$140,000 was collected in surcharges by the district courts in 2020 for the 2021 contract. The County has contracted annually with VOA to provide these services since 1988. Also attached is a report submitted by the VOA summarizing services provided in 2020 and providing an analysis of mediation service needs in Snohomish County.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

<b>EXPEND:</b> FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
002-5244504101	\$140,000		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$140,000		

<b>REVENUE:</b> FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
002-3244502401	\$140,000		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$140,000		

