



Snohomish County Council

Legislation Text

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Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

ITEM TITLE:

Motion 22-177, approve and authorize the County Executive to execute the Washington State Department of Commerce Grant Agreement for stabilizing newly arriving refugees from the 2021 Afghanistan conflict

DEPARTMENT: Human Services

ORIGINATOR: Christie Lee Kamka

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: Approve - Lacey Harper

PURPOSE: Approve and Authorize the County Executive to Execute the Washington State Department of Commerce Grant Agreement For Stabilizing Newly Arriving Refugees from the 2021 Afghanistan Conflict.

BACKGROUND: Since Afghans began resettling in Snohomish County in 2021, Snohomish County has been partnering with Volunteers of America Western Washington and Refugee and Immigrant Services Northwest to support newly arrived Afghans into Snohomish County. The partners opened the Snohomish County Welcoming Center on October 1, 2021, and since that time, it has served approximately 600 Afghans. The model that Snohomish County and our partners created is widely recognized as the “gold standard” for care and service for newly arrived Afghans.

The Washington State Department of Commerce is offering a contract to Snohomish County for a total of \$5,470,000 which was appropriated through ESSB 5693. Under this contract, Snohomish County and our partners would be able to continue supporting newly arrived Afghan refugees by providing basic needs, resettlement and rehousing assistance.

The funds from the State for this contract were not originally anticipated in the 2022 and 2023 budget. Human Services has sufficient budget authority in Fund 124 to support this request and no budget amendments will be necessary.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

EXPEND: FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	TOTAL
124 5044611011/2013	\$104,250	\$54,250	
124 52059304101	\$4,280,750	\$1,030,750	
TOTAL	\$4,385,000	\$1,085,000	

REVENUE: FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	TOTAL
124 3044613406	\$104,250	\$54,250	

124 32059303406	\$4,280,750	\$1,030,750	
TOTAL	\$4,385,000	\$1,085,000	

DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES: There is no impact to the County General Revenue as a result of this action. All costs will be supported by funds awarded under this contract, We anticipate that there will be sufficient appropriation in the current budget to support this action and we will include appropriation to support this contract in our 2023 budget request.

CONTRACT INFORMATION:

ORIGINAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CONTRACT#	22-36801-001	AMOUNT	\$5,470,000
AMENDMENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	CONTRACT#	_____	AMOUNT	_____

Contract Period

ORIGINAL	START	07/01/2021	END	06/30/2023
AMENDMENT	START	_____	END	_____

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS: Reviewed/approved by Risk and Finance