

2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Add \$200,000 GSF to HSD to increase basic emergency shelter capacity for unsheltered families

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Councilmembers: Budget Committee

Staff Analyst: Traci Ratzliff

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	SB	BH	TR	RC	TB	NL	JG	SC	MO
	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2013 Increase (Decrease)	2014 Increase (Decrease)
General Subfund		
General Subfund Revenues	\$0	\$0
General Subfund Expenditures	\$0	\$200,000
Net Balance Effect	\$0	(\$200,000)
Other Funds		
Human Services Operating Fund (16200)		
Revenues	\$0	\$200,000
Expenditures	\$0	\$200,000
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	(\$200,000)

Budget Action description:

This green sheet provides \$200,000 in GSF to the Human Services Department (HSD). These funds will be used to add new capacity to existing facilities providing basic emergency shelter for unsheltered families or to add new capacity to new facilities providing basic emergency shelter capacity for unsheltered families. It is anticipated that up to 30 families will be served within the City of Seattle in partnership with the Family Housing Connection. The Council expects that the City’s regional partners will offer additional basic emergency shelter services for up to 30 families in other cities within King County.

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The LOI should reflect the priorities of the regional Committee to End Homelessness (CEH). Any proposal should fall within the investment strategies of CEH and should state plans to work within the Family Homelessness Initiative (FHI). The LOI will require selected shelter operators to take referrals for the shelter from the FHC’s prioritized list of families staying in a place unfit for human habitation. Shelter vacancies may be filled by the operator in limited situations, consistent with FHC policies.

To the extent possible, families who are provided emergency housing will be paired with rental assistance, rapid re-housing or other best practices on the day they enter the shelter. The goal is to move people out of shelter within 30 days, thereby empowering families to move from shelter to permanent housing. Funding from the rapid re-housing pilot program under the FHI initiative will be one means to move these families quickly from shelter to housing.

In addition to the new expanded emergency shelter capacity, the Late Night program and Diversion program will assist more unsheltered families.

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Budget Action Transactions

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#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BCL or Revenue Source	Summit Code	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add appropriation for family shelter.				HSD	Community Support and Assistance	H30ET	16200	2014		\$200,000
2	Add Revenue from GSF for family shelter.				HSD	General Subfund Support	587001	16200	2014	\$200,000	
3	Add GSF support for family shelter.				FG	Human Services Operating Fund	Q5971620	00100	2014		\$200,000