

2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Add \$55k in GSF for Victim Advocate in SPD.

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Councilmembers: Conlin; Godden; Harrell; O'Brien

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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	\$55,000
Net Balance Effect	\$0	(\$55,000)
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$0	(\$55,000)

Budget Action description:

This green sheet adds \$55,000 to the Seattle Police Department (SPD) to fund a victim advocate (VA) position working in the High Risk Victim's Unit/VICE squad. This position provides comprehensive crisis intervention and case management for adult and minor victims of commercial sexual exploitation and human trafficking. This is the only VA position that provides services for sexually exploited youth in SPD. The position is currently funded with a Federal grant for the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. This grant ends on May 30, 2014. No funds were included in the 2014 budget to fund this position through 2014. This green sheet further assumes SPD will request GSF funding for this position in the 2015-16 Proposed Budget, ~\$93,000, unless SPD identifies another funding source.

Background

This VA position assists detectives and oversees the victim's case management from initial contact through the criminal case. It also helps bridge connections to services, including safety planning, housing, job opportunities, educating victims about the criminal justice system such as court orders

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and offender release notification, and assisting victims in obtaining emergency shelter, motel vouchers, rent assistance, Crime Victims Compensation, interpreter services, legal assistance and transportation. Additionally the VA accompanies victims to interviews with deputy prosecutors, providing support prior to and during criminal trials and sentencing hearings. In 2012, the VA worked with 49 victims, 29 of whom were juveniles. In 2013, the VA has worked with 40 victims to date, including 24 juveniles. Other juvenile focused assistance provided includes:

- 24/7 on call availability for juvenile recoveries;
- Collaboration with Community Based Organization's regarding juvenile dependency as well as placement;
- As-needed response to crime scenes, hospitals and hotel/motels for juvenile recovery and victim placement;
- Coordination with the Youth Service Center for juveniles with prostitution related charges; and
- Intake interviews with victims of potential exploitation.

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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 \$55k in GSF for victim advocate				SPD	Special Investigations	P7800	00100	2014		\$55,000