Investment Details for Years 1-2	Rationale for Investment Now	Service Statistics	Estimated Cost	Additional Young People Served	Who needs to be Involved
Provide supportive services for parents of teens at risk of homelessness. Expand the model **Cocoon House Project Safe** of Snohomish County into King County. Project Safe provides intervention and support to parents/guardians experiencing difficulties with their teens via phone consultations and educational groups. Parents and guardians receive services to strengthen the family and prevent minors from leaving home. Phone Consultation: Parents/guardians engage in a 90-minute phone consultation with a Master's Level therapist specializing in teen behavior. Project Safe helps the parent/ guardian develop an action plan that confronts issues underlying symptomatic behaviors and identifies community resources that may be beneficial. Action plans could entail drug/alcohol or mental health assessments for parents and teens, planning special activities with their teen, engaging in self care, strengthening support systems, etc. The therapist then follows up with the parent/guardian to review the action plan and discuss overcoming barriers. Psychodynamic parenting workshops: Project Safe also offers educational parenting groups in multiple sessions or as stand-alone classes. This full curriculum helps parents/guardians build a better understanding of teen development and learn strategies for working with teens. Parents/guardians can enter Project Safe via phone consultation or workshops. Implementation: Project Safe would hire and train the therapist and provide therapy and administrative services. King County providers and Project Safe would work together to plan how to best refer appropriate families and make local referrals for action plans.	There are *few family reconciliation services in King County*, except those provided by the Department of Social and Health Services (for which many families do not qualify and would not choose to use). Reconciliation often provides the *best outcomes for youth.*[1] *Cost effective at $700-800 a family*, compared to an annual cost of $20,000 for transitional housing with services Project Safe reports *promising outcomes.* [If Becca bill provisions are changed to 72 hour notification, more youth may head to shelters and the need for reconciliation services may increase.] *Can be implemented quickly.* Project Safe has begun a pilot project in Walla Walla County and is interested in serving additional communities. Project Safe has been recognized by the National Alliance to End Homelessness as a *best practice for ending teen homelessness.*	**2008-2009 clients served:** • 278 phone consultations (14% in Spanish). • 54% reported as low income. • 20% living with a disability **Outcomes 2008-2009:** • For those parents directly referred from Cocoon's emergency shelter, ~90% of teens avoided shelter stay. Of parents demonstrating change: • 80% reported increase in hope • 80% reported decrease in frustration • 63% reported decrease in perception that teen will leave home • 90% showed decrease in stress • ~ 100% engaging in follow- up call report progress with their action plan Results of a program evaluation demonstrated that families engaged in more teen-focused treatment, family focused treatment, and adult self-care. At the post test (from 6 months to 3 years), teens were engaged in less risky behaviors at a statistically significant level.	Cost per family: $686-$824 .5 FTE therapist: $31,131 Mileage: $3,000 Team meetings/clinical supervisions/trainings: $4,869 Outreach materials: $1,000 5 psychodynamic workshops (20 participants each): $1,200 **Total annual cost: $41,200**	Serve 50-60 King County families with young people at risk of becoming homeless. Services would focus on minors but families with young adults could also participate if appropriate.	Providers working with minors and young adults who are at risk of becoming homeless Schools Juvenile Justice services Police Libraries DSHS