

2018 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Add \$200,000 GSF to HSD for tenant outreach and support services

Ongoing: Yes

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Budget Proviso: No

Primary Sponsor: Sawant, Kshama

Councilmembers: Harris-Talley; Herbold; Juarez; O'Brien

Staff Analyst: Aly Pennucci

Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	SB	KH	LG	BH	LH	RJ	DJ	MO	KS
	Yes										
	No										
	Abstain										
	Absent										

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2017 Increase (Decrease)	2018 Increase (Decrease)
<b>General Subfund</b>		
General Subfund Revenues	\$0	\$0
<u>General Subfund Expenditures</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	(\$200,000)
<b>Other Funds</b>		
Human Services Operating Fund (16200)		
Revenues	\$0	\$200,000
<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>
Net Balance Effect	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Budget Balance Effect</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$200,000)</b>

Budget Action description:

This green sheet would add \$200,000 to the Human Services Department (HSD) to contract with nonprofit organizations to (1) provide education and advocacy services to tenants; and (2) provide proactive outreach to educate tenants about their rights and ensure they fully understand the law and available tenant resources within the City.

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Prior to issuing a request for proposals and issuing contracts, HSD should work with the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections' (SDCI) Tenant Landlord Resource Center staff to convene community partners to discuss how the funding should be allocated between outreach and other services.

Contracts for tenant services would be directed to community organizations, such as the Tenant's Union of Washington State, that provide the following types of services: a tenant phone line, in person consultations, and legal assistance for tenants. Contracts for tenant outreach would focus on community organization with extensive experience in direct door-to-door outreach and engagement in neighborhoods with low-income renters and communities-of-color, such as the Tenant's Union and Washington Community Action Network.

HSD currently has contracts with three community organizations to provide services to tenants. HSD provided approximately \$715,000 in 2017 to the Legal Action Center, Tenants Union, and Solid Ground for tenant services. This budget action would provide additional resources for tenant services and more proactive outreach and engagement. The Council requests that HSD and SDCI report to the Chair of the Planning, Land Use and Zoning Committee by June 2018, on the services contracted for in 2018 and the performance measures included in those contracts. In addition, the report should include recommendations for the management and allocation of funding for these services in 2019.

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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	Increase GSF for tenant services				FG	Human Services Operating Fund	Q5971620	00100	2018		\$200,000
2	Increase revenue from GSF for tenant services				HSD	General Subfund Support	587001	16200	2018	\$200,000	
3	Increase appropriation for tenant outreach				HSD	Division of Homeless Strategy and Investment	H30ET	16200	2018		\$200,000