

# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

# Signature Report

# September 10, 2012

# Ordinance 17407

	Proposed No. 2012-0219.2 Sponsors Ferguson
1	AN ORDINANCE making supplemental appropriations of
2	\$2,810,627 to the veterans and family levy, and \$649,098
3	to the human services levy; and amending the 2012 Budget
4	Ordinance, Ordinance 17232, Sections 69 and 70, as
5	amended.
6	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
7	SECTION 1. To the veterans and family levy there is appropriated a total of
8	\$2,810,627, amending the 2012 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17232.
9	To the human services levy there is appropriated a total of \$339,098, amending
10	the 2012 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17232.
11	SECTION 2. Ordinance 17232, Section 69, as amended, is amended by adding
12	thereto and inserting therein the following:
13	VETERANS AND FAMILY LEVY - From the veteran and family levy fund
14	there is appropriated to:
15	Veterans and family levy $((\$7,829,283))$ $\$10,639,910$
16	The maximum number of FTEs for veterans and family levy shall be 11.00
17	SECTION 3. Ordinance 17232, Section 70, as amended, is amended by adding
18	and inserting the following:

19	HUMAN SERVICES LEVY - From the human services	ces levy fund there is hereby
20	appropriated to:	
21	Human services levy	((\$7,829,283)) \$8,478,381
22	The maximum number of FTEs for human services levy shall	be: 4.50
23	ER1 EXPENDITURE RESTRICTION:	
24	Of this appropriation, \$310,000 shall be expended solo	ely to contract with the
25 .	following to provide shelter beds and services for homeless y	outh and young adults:
26	Auburn Youth Resources	\$165,000

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 Friends of Youth
 \$95,000

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 YouthCare
 \$50,000

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Ordinance 17407 was introduced on 6/11/2012 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/10/2012, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson,

Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Mr. Gossett and Mr. McDermott

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Larry Gossett, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 21 day of SETENFER, 2012.

Dow Constantine, County Executive

**Attachments:** A. Veterans and Human Services Levy Program Descriptions, Revised August 21, 2012, B. Veterans and Human Services Levy Fund Balance Allocation Plan, Revised August 21, 2012



The following describes the activities to be supported through the 2011 Veterans and Human Services Levy fund balance.

#### Aerospace and Veteran Employment Training Initiative - \$1,850,000

A priority of the King County Aerospace Alliance, this two-year initiative targeted primarily for veterans but also serving others in need, will help job seekers to access opportunities in our region's burgeoning aerospace industry. Returning veterans need jobs, and many have skills that can be transferable to the aerospace industry which has a rapidly increasing need for skilled workers. King County's WorkSource Renton and the YWCA's downtown WorkSource affiliate will work with local community and technical colleges and the Workforce Development Council to help prepare veterans and other job seekers for these opportunities. This employment training initiative supports Goal 1 of the Levy in working to prevent and reduce homelessness, as well as Goal 3 of the Levy focused on increasing self-sufficiency. This program will benefit the aerospace industry as well as job seekers.

#### Job seekers will receive:

- Personalized career assessment and coaching services, including assistance in creating resumes that highlight skills transferable to civilian employment.
- Assistance navigating and accessing the rapidly expanding aerospace-related training courses offered by our local community and technical colleges (including some financial assistance).
- Direct instruction and coaching in online information technology (IT) classes and other online coursework at WorkSource Renton's computer lab. This instruction will help veterans successfully use the 1000 "Elevate America" IT vouchers that Microsoft has made available for veterans through our local Workforce Development Council.
- Assistance navigating the increasing job opportunities available in our local aerospace-related industries.

 Potential paid internships with these private employers.

The goal is to serve at least 450 job seekers over the two-year life of the initiative, and to have at least half of them successfully complete training and obtain employment.

This initiative will begin in September 2012 in order to help identify and assist candidates to access training opportunities beginning this fall at the community and technical colleges.

#### King County Internship Program for Veterans - \$200,000

As directed by Council Motion 13661, the Human Resources Division (HRD) is evaluating the potential for a new program that would place veterans who wish to explore public sector employment into internships within King County government. Veterans may be identified and referred through the employment initiative discussed above at WorkSource Renton, as well as through direct contact with HRD and other King County agencies. This proposal sets aside \$200,000 to support veteran internships, pending County Council approval of a proposed plan, which is due in August. The internal County internship program would also support goals 1 and 3 of the Levy.

#### Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Treatment/Counseling - \$450,000

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) continues to be one of the most significant challenges facing recently returning veterans as well as existing veterans. These additional funds will add more individual treatment hours, as well as treatment groups for women veterans and spouses/family members of veterans with PTSD. These services are offered in partnership with the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs. This activity supports Goal 3, increasing self-sufficiency.

#### Military Family Counseling - \$100,000

These one-time funds allow the Military Family Counseling Program to start in 2013, one year earlier than planned in the Service Improvement Plan (SIP). This increased assistance to military families before, during and after deployment is vitally important to support families facing the stress that is caused by these transitions. Family centered counseling to military and veteran households promotes healthy and nurturing families with particular focus on prevention of domestic violence and promoting family stability. This activity supports Goal 3, increasing self-sufficiency.

#### Enhanced Outreach to Women Vets/Vets of Color - \$75,000

The current Levy invests in community-based organizations to conduct targeted outreach to underserved communities and ensure that veterans within these communities access the benefits and services they have earned. These one-time funds will support additional outreach and education for women veterans and veterans of color. This activity supports Goal 3, increasing self-sufficiency.

#### Mobile Medical Van Replacement - \$375,000

The South King County Mobile Medical program, operated by Public Heath – Seattle & King County, offers an effective method of engagement for homeless veterans and other adults who live in wooded areas, along river banks, and in vehicles in these communities. The mobile medical unit operates on a rotating schedule, providing regular clinic times at various feeding programs in South King County communities and has also received financial support from the cities of Kent, Auburn, and Federal Way. There are major physical problems with the current deteriorating mobile unit. These one-time funds will support repair or replacement of the existing mobile medical van. This activity supports Goal 1, preventing and ending homelessness.

#### **Veterans Housing Capital and Services - \$2,300,000**

Capital investment in the development of homeless housing for veterans is an excellent use of one-time dollars, and supports Levy Goal 1, preventing and ending homelessness. The Veterans Citizen Levy Oversight Board is particularly interested in ending veteran homelessness, which is also a goal of the Committee to End Homelessness (CEH). Our region has a *Five-Year Plan to End Homelessness Among Veterans*. Capital investments will be made according to the priorities identified in this planning effort, as will any corresponding investments in supportive services to help stabilize homeless veterans in housing and prepare them for greater self-sufficiency. These investments will be made through the CEH's Combined Funders Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process.

A portion of these Levy funds could also potentially be used to refurbish rental housing for veterans, especially modifications to accommodate disabled veterans. The Housing and Community Development Program in the Community Services Division operates the existing King County Housing Repair Program, and will explore expansion to integrate additional housing repair services for veterans.

#### **Youth/Young Adult Housing Capital and Services - \$310,000**

There is an emerging youth and young adult homeless planning initiative that has received significant support from private foundations in our region, and that was recently reviewed by the Governing Board of the CEH. *Priority Action Steps to Prevent and End Youth and Young Adult Homelessness* identified initial strategies toward a comprehensive and coordinated regional planning effort which will be undertaken by King County on behalf of the region. The Regional Human Services Levy Oversight Board is also particularly interested in ending youth and young adult homelessness. <u>Housing capital and services funds for homeless youth and</u> young adults will be invested as follows in 2012:

- 1. Auburn Youth Resources: \$165,000 staffing for four 24/7 shelter beds for youth under age 18.
- 2. Friends of Youth: \$60,000 staffing for eight overnight shelter beds for young adults age 18-24
- 3. Orion/YouthCare: \$ 50,000 staffing for five overnight shelter beds for young adults age 18-24
- 4. Friends of Youth: \$35,000 staff performing housing to employment linkages and services

These activity support Levy Goal 1, preventing and ending homelessness and Goal 3, increasing self-sufficiency

#### Youth/Young Adult Homelessness Plan Private Fund Match - \$280,000

As noted above, private foundations are making a significant contribution toward developing regional strategies to prevent and end youth and young adult homelessness, and Levy funds are needed to match their contribution. The effort will be overseen by the Committee to End Homelessness, and King County will be taking the lead. This activity also supports Levy Goal 1, preventing and ending homelessness.

#### Depression Intervention for Seniors - \$66,000

The Program to Encourage Rewarding Lives for Seniors (PEARLS) was scheduled to receive an increase in Levy funding in 2014 per the SIP allocation plan, in order to enable the program to target more services beyond Seattle. A one-time addition of Levy funds will allow the program to begin this expansion earlier than planned, by mid 2013. PEARLS is an evidence-based program that has demonstrated that in-home counseling and support can aid with depression and promote greater community involvement. Therefore, PEARLS can reduce the risk of

homelessness and the need for more costly inpatient and custodial care services for seniors. This activity supports Goal 3, increasing self-sufficiency.



## Veterans and Human Services Levy Fund Balance Allocation Plan

<u>Veterans and Human Services Levy Funds Combined</u>

Veterans and Human Services Levy Funds Combined	<u>-unds Combined</u> <u>Total VHSL</u> <u>Vets Levy</u> <u>HS Levy</u>		HS Levy	2012		2013 Estimated		2014 Estimated			
<u>Program Title</u> Aerospace and Veteran Employment Training Initiative	\$	1,850,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$	350,000	\$	316,392	\$	771,912	\$	761,696
King County Internship Program for Veterans	\$	200,000	\$ 200,000			\$	33,333	\$	100,000	\$	66,667
PTSD Treatment/Counseling	\$	450,000	\$ 450,000			\$	50,000	\$	200,000	\$	200,000
Military Family Counseling	\$	100,000	\$ 100,000					\$	100,000		
Enhanced Outreach to Women Vets/Vets of Color	\$	75,000	\$ 75,000			\$	75,000				
Mobile Medical Van Replacement	\$	375,000	\$ 115,000	\$	260,000	\$	375,000				
Veterans Housing Capital and Services	\$	2,300,000	\$ 2,300,000			\$	2,300,000				
Youth/Young Adult Housing Capital and Services	\$	854,000	\$ 210,000	\$	644,000	\$	310,000	\$	544,000		
Youth/Young Adult Homelessness Plan Private Fund Match	\$	280,000		\$	280,000			\$	136,000	\$	144,000
Depression Intervention for Seniors (PEARLS)	\$	66,000		\$	66,000			\$	66,000		
TOTAL	. \$	6,550,000	\$ 4,950,000	\$	1,600,000	\$	3,459,725	\$	1,917,912	\$	1,172,363



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#### **Veterans Levy Fund**

Program Title		Vets Levy	2012	<u>201</u>	L3 Estimated	2014 Estimated		
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Aerospace and Veteran Employment Training Initiative	\$	1,500,000	\$ 237,294	\$	635,184	\$	627,522	
King County Internship Program for Veterans	\$	200,000	\$ 33,333	\$	100,000	\$	66,667	
PTSD Treatment/Counseling	\$	450,000	\$ 50,000	\$	200,000	\$	200,000	
Military Family Counseling	\$	100,000		\$	100,000			
Enhanced Outreach to Women Vets/Vets of Color	\$	75,000	\$ 75,000					
Mobile Medical Van Replacement	\$	115,000	\$ 115,000					
Veterans Housing Capital and Services	\$	2,300,000	\$ 2,300,000					
Youth/Young Adult Housing Capital and Services	\$	210,000		\$	210,000			
тс	TAL \$	4,950,000	\$ 2,810,627	\$	1,245,184	\$	894,189	



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Human Services Levy Fund		HS Levy	<u>2012</u>	<u>201</u>	3 Estimated	2014 Estimated		
Program Title								
Aerospace and Veteran Employment Training Initiative	\$	350,000	\$ 79,098	\$	136,728	\$	134,174	
Mobile Medical Van Replacement		260,000	\$ 260,000					
Youth/Young Adult Housing Capital and Services	\$	644,000	\$ 310,000	\$	334,000			
Youth/Young Adult Homelessness Plan Private Fund Match	\$	280,000		\$	136,000	\$	144,000	
Depression Intervention for Seniors (PEARLS)	\$	66,000		\$	66,000			
TOTAL	\$	1,600,000	\$ 649,098	\$	672,728	\$	278,174	