



City Council

Approval of a Funding Request from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve of a funding request of \$27,000 from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program using Council Goal Funds.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve of a funding request of \$27,000 from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program using Council Goal Funds.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

Brian Windrope, Senior Services for South Sound

Background and Analysis:

On July 9, 2021, the City Council received a request from Senior Services of South Sound for \$27,000 to round out funding for their Home Share Program.

The Home Share Program facilitates arrangements where Home Providers offer accommodation to Home Seekers in exchange for an agreed upon level of support in the form of combinations of financial contribution, assistance with household tasks, transportation, or companionship. Home Providers and Home Seekers derive several benefits from home sharing through reduced housing expenses, increased independence, and the ability to age in place.

Senior Services of South Sound would like to secure a full two years of pilot funding, as the program will take time to staff and gain momentum in the community. The annual budget for the program includes 1.5 FTE and associated outreach and administrative expenses \$95,000 per year.

Senior Services of South Sound has received the following support:

- \$95,000 from the City of Lacey for two years.
- \$50,000 from Regional Housing Council starting September 2021 through August 2022
- \$18,000 from Tumwater CDBG for one year starting September 2021.

This provides a total currently awarded of \$163,000. That leaves the \$27,000 gap in the two-year pilot budget.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Affordable housing and aging in place are of great interest to the Community.

Options:

1. Approve the funding request of \$27,000 from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program using Council Goal Funds.
2. Do not approve the funding request of \$27,000 from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program using Council Goal Funds.
3. Do not approve the funding request of \$27,000 from of Senior Services of South Sound for the Home Share Program using Council Goal Funds and give staff further direction.

Financial Impact:

\$27,000 in Council Goal funds, which would exhaust the current fund.

Attachments:

Home Share Guide
University of Washington Home Share Study