

King County Pandemic Community Advisory Group

August 20, 2020

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

AGENDA

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| 1. Welcome | 10:30 – 10:35 |
| 2. Update on the PCAG subgroup's work regarding proposal to modify PCAG purpose and leadership structure (Yordanos Teferi) | 10:35 – 10:45 |
| 3. King County Budget (Aaron Rubardt) | 10:45 – 11:30 |
| • Status of fourth COVID-19 supplemental appropriation request | |
| • Biennial budget 2021-2022 update | |

King County Budget: COVID-19 response

- Activities in 2020 are paid for with federal and state funds:
 - Public health testing, outreach, contact tracing, etc.
 - Homeless shelter deintensification
 - Isolation and quarantine facilities
 - Grants for food assistance, rental assistance, small business support, etc.
- Federal funding ends as of December 31, 2020; Congress is gridlocked on a new bill
- If no federal or state funds are provided, King County's COVID-19 response will be dramatically reduced in January

Previous Investment Highlights (rounded to nearest million)

- 1st COVID-19 Supplemental (March 10)
 - \$1 million for community outreach in Office of Equity and Social Justice
- Childcare Standalone (March 13)
 - \$2 million for childcare for first responders and essential workers
- 2nd COVID-19 Supplemental (May 12)
 - \$15 million in new grant programs (arts, culture, science, and live music support, tourism, economic development relief)
 - \$1 million for community outreach in Office of Equity and Social Justice
 - \$1 million grants to organizations serving homeless youth
 - \$4 million for an unincorporated King County small business relief program
 - \$4 million increase in community block grant and shelter operations from HUD
- 3rd COVID-19 Supplemental (June 23)
 - \$23 million for food security programs, rental assistance, and legal aid
 - \$12 million for distribution of masks and sanitizer
 - \$2 million for digital equity
 - \$5 million for mental health, behavioral health, and community safety
 - \$1 million for community outreach in Office of Equity and Social Justice

King County Budget: Fourth COVID-19 Emergency Supplemental Appropriation Request

- Transmitted from Executive Constantine to King County Council on August 13, 2020
- CARES Act funds must be spent by the end of 2020
- The **\$87 million** proposal requests one-time investments in three key areas:
 - **COVID-19 response:** Recovery site operations, distribution of hotel vouchers, increased drive-through and mobile testing capacity, public health communications and management efforts, and resources for school safety measures
 - **Economic recovery and community support:** Public health ambassadors, support for food establishments to develop safe reopening plans, and investing in arts and culture community
 - **Continuity of King County operations:** New District Court capacity through space and technology upgrades, and communications system updates to enhance remote collaboration

Proposed Investments

COVID-19 Response		Economic Recovery & Community Support		Continuity of Operations	
Public Health ambassadors	\$1,000,000	Arts relief funding	\$2,000,000	District Court technology upgrades	\$1,228,000
Extension of deintensification hotel vouchers	\$2,520,000	Congregate shelter fortification	\$4,000,000	DJA customer service staffing	\$182,000
Operating costs for Isolation & Quarantine (I&Q) and Assessment/Recover Centers	\$2,349,000	Essential workers childcare	\$3,000,000	Internal operating costs related to COVID-19 sites	\$5,941,000
School response team to provide safe reopening resources	\$436,000	Safe opening for permitted food facilities, providing technical assistance and outreach	\$2,698,000	Isolation and Quarantine modular moves	\$5,000,000
Expanded Mobile Assessment Teams (MAT) to meet surge demands, targeted high risk populations, and community requests	\$1,379,000			Arraignment Court upgrades	\$50,000
Public Health care coordination for home-quarantined individuals	\$1,750,000			Unified Communications replacement for enhanced collaboration	\$6,262,000
Public Health HMAC, Community Mitigation & Recovery, contact tracing, testing, strike team, and I&Q funding	\$28,945,000			Consultant funding for federal eligibility review	\$1,300,000
Expand high volume testing sights in South and East King County	\$11,219,000			Expanded jury capacity through Meydenbauer lease agreement	\$1,793,000
Long term lease extensions for hotels throughout the County	\$4,331,000				
TOTAL	\$87,383,000				

Next Steps in Process

- Proposal is with King County Council for consideration
- Council is expected to take action by September 1
- Currently on the Committee of the Whole agenda for Tuesday, August 25 (held virtually) for discussion and possible action
- Check for meeting updates, agendas, materials, and how to provide public comment:

www.kingcounty.gov/council

<https://mkcclegisearch.kingcounty.gov/Calendar.aspx>

Highlights of PCAG Input on COVID-19 Emergency Funding (from July 9 work session)

- Allocate resources to community-based organizations; prioritize those working with underserved and BIPOC communities
- Access - timely and comprehensive language translation; disability access
- Basic needs - food assistance, rental assistance, mortgage relief, utility help
- Homelessness response – continued support for shelter deintensification
- Healthcare access for those currently ineligible for coverage
- Additional subsidies for transportation fares
- Support for those needing to isolate and quarantine
 - Community health workers to support those in isolation and quarantine
 - Income support for low-wage workers needing to isolate or quarantine
- Behavioral health support
- Technology support for low-income communities (internet access, devices, training)
- Support for small businesses (e.g., resilience fund, help with PPE, etc.)

Note: Support for some issues identified above was included in previous supplementals

King County Biennial Budget 2021-2022

- Currently under development with the Executive and scheduled to be transmitted by September 22 with Council action in early November
- 2021-2022 budget discussions will be dominated by a few issues including:
 - COVID-19 response (Public Health, homeless shelter deintensification, transit, etc.)
 - Revenue consequences of the recession caused by COVID-19
 - Anti-racism agenda
- Current ideas around the anti-racism agenda include:
 - Keeping jail population low post-COVID
 - Continuing to reduce juvenile detention
 - Community engagement in program design and participatory budgeting
 - Expanded community investment (housing, jobs, etc.)
 - Exploration of alternative public safety models
- Goal is to gradually shift funding over several budget cycles

For Reference:

COVID-19 Updates & Resources

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Participation guidelines – creating inclusive conversations

- **Be present** – bring your full attention to the process and listen deeply.
- **Try on new ideas and perspectives** – remember, “try on” is not the same as “take on.”
- **It’s OK to disagree** – avoid discounting or judging the beliefs and views of others.
- **Check out assumptions** – do not assume you know what is meant by a particular communication, especially when it triggers you
- **Step up, step back** - if you are a person who shares easily, leave space for others to step into. If you are a person who doesn’t speak often, consider stepping forward and sharing your wisdom.
- **Practice both/and thinking** - making room for more than one idea at a time means appreciating and valuing multiple realities.
- **Intent is different than impact** – both are important. It is also important to own our ability to have a negative impact in another person’s life despite our best intention.



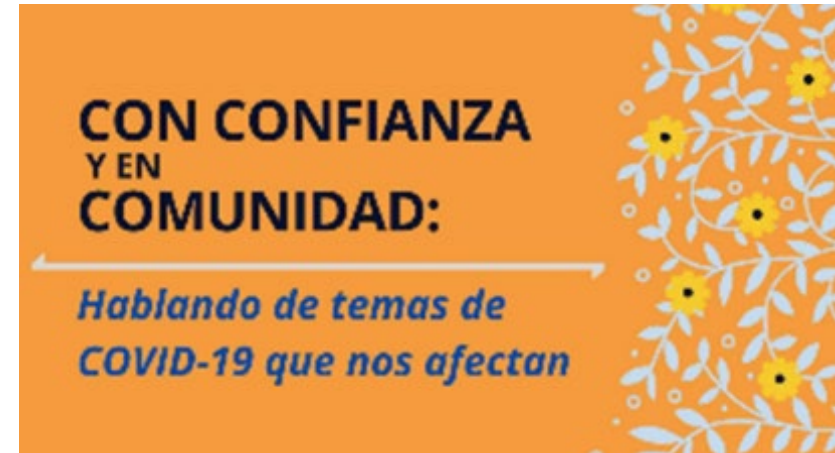
Ways to stay connected

Weekly Covid-19 webinar for Spanish-speaking community

- A conversation between community members and Public Health-Seattle & King County. Facilitated by Giselle Zapata-Garcia and Penny Lara.
- **Every Tuesday, 5:30 – 6:30 PM**
- For more info follow <https://www.facebook.com/CondadodeKing>
- Join Zoom Meeting
<https://kingcounty.zoom.us/j/95001879122>
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Looking for a speaker about COVID-19?

- **Speaker's Bureau - Contact Steve Stamper –**
steve.stamper@kingcounty.gov
- Where possible please give us 48 hours notice of webinar presentations
- More at: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/support/presentation-requests.aspx>



Ways to stay connected

Community Partners Call

- Every other Monday 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.
- Email phpartnerships@kingcounty.gov to receive Zoom call-in information
- Hosted by the Community Mitigation Group's Community and Faith-based Task Force

COVID-19 Homelessness Response

- Email covidhomelessnessresponse@kingcounty.gov to be added to list serve and get information on calls, webinars, and resources.
- Visit www.kingcounty.gov/hch for up to date information

City of Seattle Department of Neighborhoods COVID-19 Community Webinars

- Visit: <https://frontporch.seattle.gov/2020/03/24/get-connected-to-our-weekly-covid-19-community-webinars/>

Important Resources to Stay Informed on COVID-19

- Subscribe to Public Health's website: www.kingcounty.gov/covid
- Subscribe to the Public Health blog: www.publichealthinsider.com
- Anti-stigma resources: www.kingcounty.gov/ncov/anti-stigma
- King County COVID-19 data dashboards: www.kingcounty.gov/covid/data
- Information on face coverings: www.kingcounty.gov/masks
- King County face coverings distribution program: www.kingcounty.gov/maskdistribution
- Information about COVID-19 testing: www.kingcounty.gov/covid/testing
- Follow us on social media @KCPubHealth [Facebook](#), [Insta](#), and [Twitter](#)
- Healthier Here COVID-19 Resource Hub: www.healthierhere.org/covid
- WA State Dept of Health: www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus
- WA State: <https://www.coronavirus.wa.gov/>