



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Agenda

### Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee

**Councilmembers:**

*Teresa Mosqueda, Chair;  
Rhonda Lewis, Vice Chair;  
Jorge L. Barón, Steffanie Fain*

*Lead Staff: Olivia Brey (206-263-7913)  
Committee Clerk: Angelica Calderon (206-477-0874)*

**9:30 AM**

**Tuesday, May 5, 2026**

**Hybrid Meeting**

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1. Call to Order


2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Minutes **p. 4**

*Minutes of April 7, 2026 meeting.*

4. Public Comment

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## Consent

5. [Proposed Motion No. 2026-0064](#) **d"8**

A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of Sabina Perry, who resides in council district four, to the behavioral health advisory board, as a representative who has lived experience with one or more behavioral health conditions.

**Sponsors:** Barón

*Sam Porter, Council staff*

## Discussion and Possible Action

6. [Proposed Motion No. 2025-0252](#) **d"16**

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement for the Crisis Care Centers Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19572, Section 7.C.9, and Attachment A to Ordinance 19783, Section VIII.A.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Sam Porter, Council staff*

## Briefing

7. [Briefing No. 2026-B0050](#) **d"40**



Public Health Financial Update

*Aaron Rubardt, Budget Director, Executive's Office*

*Michael Gedeon, Administrative Services, Division Director, Department Public Health*

## Other Business

## Adjournment

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**1. Call to Order**

*Chair Mosqueda called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.*

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** 3 - Barón, Lewis and Mosqueda

**Excused:** 1 - Fain

**3. Approval of Minutes**

*Councilmember Lewis moved approval of the minutes of the March 3, 2026, meeting. Seeing no objections, the minutes were approved.*

**4. Public Comment**

*There was no one to offer public comments.*

## Discussion and Possible Action

### 5. Proposed Motion No. 2026-0029

A MOTION authorizing the department of public health to accept a donation of \$233,411 from Virginia Mason Medical Center, to be used for Eastgate Public Health Center operations and services.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Olivia Brey, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from members. Joy Carpine-Cazzanti, King County Council Relations, Public Health – Seattle & King County; Sheryl Davis, Deputy Director, Administrative Services Division, Public Health – Seattle & King County and Minh Ta, Financial Services Administrator, Public Health – Seattle & King County, answered questions from the members.*

**A motion was made by Lewis that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Barón, Lewis and Mosqueda

**Excused:** 1 - Fain

### 6. Proposed Motion No. 2025-0366

A MOTION adopting the 2025 King County Youth Action Plan; and rescinding Motion 14378 and Motion 14378, Attachment A.

**Sponsors:** Mosqueda

*Miranda Leskinen, Council staff, briefed the Committee on the legislation and answered questions from members. Jen Tanaka, Interim Division Director – Children, Youth, and Young Adults Division, Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) and Zac Davis, Youth Action Plan Policy Lead, DCHS, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

*Councilmember Lewis moved amendments A1 and T1, the amendments were adopted.*

**A motion was made by Lewis that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass Substitute Consent. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Barón, Lewis and Mosqueda

**Excused:** 1 - Fain

## Briefing

### 7. Briefing No. 2026-B0044

Worker Cooperatives & FIFA World Cup 2026 - Making the World Cup Work for Workers

*Rigo Valdez, Executive Director of the People's Organizing Center, MLK Labor, and Greg Ramirez, Deputy Director, SEIU6 Property Services NW, briefed the Committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members. April Putney, Chief of Staff & Chief Strategy Officer, Seattle FIFA World Cup 26 Local Organizing*

*Committee, briefed the Committee and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

## **Other Business**

*There was no other business to come before the Committee.*

## **Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk's Signature



**King County**

**Metropolitan King County Council  
Health and Human Services Committee**

**STAFF REPORT**

<b>Agenda Items:</b>	5	<b>Name:</b>	Sam Porter
<b>Proposed No.:</b>	2026-0064	<b>Date:</b>	May 5, 2026

**SUBJECT**

Proposed Motion to confirm the appointment of Sabina Perry, who resides in Council District 4, to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board, as a representative with lived in experience, for the remainder of a three-year term to expire on March 31, 2029.

**BACKGROUND**

The King County Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) is a volunteer board developed in accordance with state law<sup>1</sup> and King County Code<sup>2</sup>. State law tasks each Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (BHASO) with appointing members to their respective BHAB to review and provide comments on plans and policies, provide local oversight regarding the activities of the BHASO, and work with the BHASO to resolve significant concerns regarding service delivery and outcomes. The King County BHASO manages the state non-Medicaid funded behavioral health system in King County including Crisis and Commitment Services (involuntary hospitalization and the Designated Crisis Responders), prevention services, Federal Block Grant funded mental health and substance use disorder treatment, and the Children's Crisis Outreach Response System. In 2024, with the passage of the Crisis Care Centers Levy Implementation Plan by Ordinance 19787, the BHAB also serves as the advisory body for the Crisis Care Centers levy.

King County Code requires the Board to have between nine and fifteen members who are broadly representative of the community including the geographic locations and demographics of the populations served. Code also requires that at least 51 percent of the membership have lived experience of behavioral health disorders or be parents or legal guardians of individuals identifying as such, with at least one quarter of the Board's membership be composed of individuals in recovery from substance use disorders. The Board is also required to have representatives from law enforcement, with no more than four elected officials on the board at any time.

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<sup>1</sup> RCW 71.24.300

<sup>2</sup> KCC 2A.300.050

## **APPOINTEE INFORMATION**

**Sabina Perry.** Ms. Perry is a Veteran Peer Mentor with University of Washington, Student Veteran Life in Seattle. According to her application, she is a, "disabled veteran, a certified peer counselor, and a passionate advocate for social justice with lived experience navigating crisis and the behavioral health system." Ms. Perry also has experience serving as a health coach at the Seattle VA Medical Center and is pursuing a degree in Social Welfare at the University of Washington.

## **ANALYSIS**

Staff has not identified any issues with the proposed appointment, which appears to be consistent with the requirements of KCC 2A.300.050.

King County Code requires the Board to have no fewer than nine and no more than 15 members, as determined by the Executive. According to the board profile transmitted with Proposed Motion 2026-0064, there are currently ten members serving on the Board.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed Motion 2026-0064
2. Transmittal Letter
3. Board Profile, dated 2025



# KING COUNTY

## Signature Report

### ATTACHMENT 1

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### Motion

**Proposed No. 2026-0064.1**

**Sponsors Barón**

1           A MOTION confirming the executive's appointment of  
2           Sabina Perry, who resides in council district four, to the  
3           behavioral health advisory board, as a representative who  
4           has lived experience with one or more behavioral health  
5           conditions.

6           BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

7           The county executive's appointment of Sabina Perry, who resides in council  
8           district four, to the behavioral health advisory board, as a representative who has

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9 lived experience with one or more behavioral health conditions, for the remainder of a  
10 three-year term to expire on March 31, 2029, is hereby confirmed.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Sarah Perry, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

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Girmay Zahilay, County Executive

**Attachments:** None

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**Executive Girmay Zahilay**

Chinook Building, CNK-EX-0800  
401 Fifth Avenue, Suite 800  
Seattle, WA 98104-2391  
March 16, 2026

The Honorable Sarah Perry  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
COURTHOUSE

Dear Councilmember Perry:

This letter transmits a proposed Motion that would, if approved, confirm the appointment of Sabina Perry, who resides in Council District four, to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board, as a representative who has lived experience with one or more behavioral health conditions, for a three-year term expiring March 31, 2029.

Ms. Perry's application, financial disclosure, board profile, and appointment letter are enclosed to serve as supporting and background information to assist the Council in considering confirmation.

Thank you for your consideration of the proposed legislation. If your staff have any questions about this appointment, please contact Rosa Mai, Community Service, Boards & Commissions Specialist, at (206) 369-9279.

Sincerely,



Girmay Zahilay  
King County Executive

The Honorable Sarah Perry

March 16, 2026

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Enclosures:

cc: King County Councilmembers  
ATTN: Stephanie Cirkovich, Chief of Staff, King County Council  
Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council  
Karan Gill, Deputy Executive, Office of the Executive  
Jasmin Weaver, Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive  
Hyeok Kim, Chief Operating Officer, Office of the Executive  
Sierra Howlett-Brown, Director of Government Relations, Office of the Executive  
Garrett Holbrook, Council Relations Manager, Office of the Executive  
Rosa Mai, Community Service, Boards & Commissions Specialist, Office of the Executive  
Kathleen Murphy, Staff Liaison to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board  
Sabina Perry

**KING COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD**

**DATE:** 2025

**TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS:** 10

**LENGTH OF TERM:** 3

*\* King County seeks to create an inclusive and accessible process for individuals who wish to serve on a King County board or commission. We strive to ensure that King County boards and commissions are representative of the communities we serve.*

**APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS**

Pos. No.	Name	KCC District	Crisis Response Zone	Background	Date Appointed	Term Expires	Number of Appointed Terms
1	Jasmeet Singh (Co-Chair)	2	Central	Lived Experience	5/14/21; 4/26/22	3/31/25 (pending reappointment)	1 partial; 1 full
2	Dae Degrate	9	South	Lived Experience including crisis	8/18/2025 (pending Council confirmation)	3/31/28	1 partial
3	Vacant					3/31/25	
4	Vacant					3/31/25	
5	Vacant					3/31/25	
6	Lucas Sherman	2	Central	Lived Experience	1/10/20; 4/26/22	3/31/25	2 full
7	Stacey Devenney	8	Central	Lived Experience	10/6/21; 8/23/23	3/31/26	1 partial; 1 full
8	Nancy Dow (Co-Chair)	2	Central	Lived Experience	4/1/16; 6/17/21	3/31/24	2 full
9	Vacant					3/31/27	
10	Vacant					3/31/27	
11	David Sullivan	8	Central	Law Enforcement	4/11/24	3/31/28	1 partial; 1 full
12	Kevin Host	4	North	Professional training & experience in BH Crisis Care	8/23/23	3/31/26	1 partial
13	Mustafa Mohammed	5	South	Professional training & experience in BH Crisis Care	10/24/23	3/31/26	1 partial
14	Kristina Sawyckyj	1	North	Lived Experience	4/11/2024	3/31/26	1 partial
15	Lyscha Marcynyszyn	4	North	Lived Experience	4/11/2024	3/31/26	1 partial

16	Vacant						
17	Vacant						
18	Vacant			Tribal representative			

**APPOINTED MEMBERS – SUBJECT TO COUNCIL CONFIRMATION**

<b>Pos. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>KCC District</b>	<b>Crisis Response Zone</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Date Appointed</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>	<b>Number of Appointed Terms</b>
3	Sabina Perry	4	Central	Lived Experience including crisis			



**King County**  
**Metropolitan King County Council**  
**Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee**

**STAFF REPORT**

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	6	<b>Name:</b>	Sam Porter
<b>Proposed No.:</b>	2025-0252	<b>Date:</b>	May 5, 2026

**SUBJECT**

A proposed motion acknowledging receipt of the 2024 Crisis Care Center Levy online annual report and summary letter required by the Levy's Implementation Plan.

**SUMMARY**

The 2024 Crisis Care Center (CCC) Levy online annual report is linked in the transmittal letter to Proposed Motion 2025-0252 which also serves as the annual summary letter. The 2024 online annual report can be found at this webpage: <https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dchs/human-social-services/community-funded-initiatives/crisis-care-centers-levy/annual-report>.

The requirements for the CCC annual report and summary letter are set forth in the CCC Levy Implementation Plan adopted by Ordinance 19783. The online annual report is required to include information about expenditures, utilization data, CCC operator awards made to date and progress on each award, CCC Levy accomplishments, and performance measurement information. The CCC Implementation Plan was adopted in June 2024. As 2024 was the first year of the levy, there were some components of the annual report that could not be reported on because programs were not in full operation, although the report indicates that early progress was made toward meeting the priorities.

**BACKGROUND**

**Crisis Care Centers Levy.** In 2023, Ordinance 19572 authorized the placement of a proposition on the April 25, 2023, special election ballot for voter approval to create a new nine-year levy (2024-2032) to support the creation of five new regional Crisis Care Center facilities distributed throughout the County, with one Center serving youth.<sup>1</sup> The Levy also prioritizes the restoration of behavioral health residential treatment capacity and expansion of treatment availability and sustainability in King County as well as supporting behavioral health workforce needs. The initial Levy rate is \$0.145 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2024 and is projected to generate a total of approximately \$1.2 billion in revenues during the nine-year Levy period.

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<sup>1</sup> King County Elections, April 25, 2023, Official Final Elections Results, <https://aqua.kingcounty.gov/elections/2023/april-special/results.pdf>

**Implementation Plan Annual Report Requirements.** The CCC Levy Implementation Plan was adopted by Ordinance 19783 in June 2024 and governs Levy expenditures from 2024 through 2032. The Plan sets forth the requirements for the Annual Report on pages 116-118, including that the report be made available online annually no later than August 15<sup>th</sup> and include:

1. Total expenditure of Levy proceeds by crisis response zone, crisis care center, purpose, strategy, activities related to crisis care center post-crisis stabilization, and activities related to expanding mobile crisis services, reported by King County ZIP code where the services were received;
2. Utilization data including the number of individuals receiving CCC Levy funded behavioral health care services by crisis response zone, crisis care center, purpose, strategy, activities related to crisis care center post-crisis stabilization, and activities related to expanding mobile crisis services, reported by the ZIP code where the individuals resided at the time of services and by the King County ZIP code where the services were received, provided that individually protected information is not disclosed;
3. An overview of CCC facility utilization data as described in the Continuous Quality Improvement and Quality Assurance subsection of Strategy 1 in this Plan;
4. Crisis care center operator awards made and progress on each awarded operator contract during the reporting period as required in the Alternative Siting Process section of Strategy 1 in this Plan;
5. An overview of CCC Levy accomplishments during the previous calendar year, and changes DCHS intends to make or direct to improve performance in the following year, when applicable;
6. Transportation data required by Section V.A. Strategy 1: Collect and Report High Quality Data subsection;
7. The assessment and reporting required by the Initial Prioritization of Residential Treatment Capacity of this Plan;
8. The CCC Levy's fiscal and performance measurement during the applicable calendar year, and
9. A map or summary describing the CCC Levy's geographic distribution.

The Plan requires that DCHS will work with cities to develop strategies for ZIP code reporting for the CCC Levy's Supporting Purpose Two, workforce development and include in the Executive's 2026 career pathways notification letter, a plan for annual reporting of this information. As such, this information is not reported on in the 2024 annual report.

**CCC Advisory Board.** King County Code section 2A.300.050 provides that the King County Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) serves as the CCC Levy Advisory Body and report on the CCC Levy to Council and the Community through online annual reports. The BHAB reviewed and certified the 2024 CCC Levy Annual Report at their August 7, 2025 meeting.

## **ANALYSIS**

The CCC Levy annual report is unique in that the levy's implementation plan requires the report to be presented online. The annual report is linked in the transmittal letter to Proposed Motion 2025-0252 but is not an attachment to the legislation, as is the case with most annual reports transmitted to Council. The 2024 online annual report can be viewed at this webpage: <https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dchs/human-social-services/community-funded-initiatives/crisis-care-centers-levy/annual-report>. Executive staff plan to archive past reports on this webpage which will continue to host the most current annual report as well.

In addition to staffing up the department with 30 full-time employees to support CCC levy strategies, key accomplishments for 2024 as shown in the online report include:

- Strategy 1: Launched the process to site and open Crisis Care Centers
  - Released the first round of the CCC Request for Proposals (RFP) to select Behavioral Health Agencies for up to three of the five planned Crisis Care Centers.
  - Engaged behavioral health service providers to inform the Post-Crisis Follow-Up program and future RFPs.
- Strategy 2: Preserved existing residential treatment facilities and beds
  - Awarded \$11.5 million for residential treatment facility capital improvements to three providers, across six projects.
- Strategy 3: Strengthened the existing behavioral health workforce
  - Released the Career Pathways RFP and awarded contracts to 37 providers directing funds to expand community representation in the workforce.
  - Expanded the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Healthcare Training Fund's apprenticeship program.
- Strategy 4: Boosted existing crisis services with early investments
  - Increased the number of behavioral health counselors working with 911 call centers.
  - Expanded Mobile Rapid Response Crisis Teams, adding 10 new teams.
  - Installed five naloxone vending machines and 17 naloxone distribution boxes at community organizations across King County.
- Strategy 5: Provided capacity building and technical assistance
  - Procured capital consultants to provide capacity building and technical assistance to crisis care center and residential treatment facility RFP respondents.

Additional items of note in the 2024 CCC annual report:

- Total expenditures were approximately \$15 million with an additional \$7.9 million made in awards through procurement. The Geographic Distribution portion of the online report is depicted in Figure 3 and shows a map of expenditures as required in the Implementation Plan.
- \$12 million was awarded to 37 community behavioral health providers who applied to the Career Pathways RFP.
- Expanded the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Healthcare Training Fund's apprenticeship program

- 10 new Mobile Rapid Response Crisis Teams were added for a total of 20 teams operating in King County on a daily basis.
- 50 contracts were awarded, including \$11.5 million to six existing behavioral health facilities for capital improvements as described in Table 1 provided by Executive staff who state that these projects meet the Implementation Plan goal to invest in capital facilities to prevent closures.

**Table 1. CCC-Funded Capital Improvements for Existing Facilities**

<b>Awarded Organization</b>	<b>2024 Award Amount</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Scope of Work</b>	<b>Status and Funding</b>
Community House	\$4,463,137	Cascade Hall	Seattle	Upgrading bathrooms, installing a fire protection system, and enhancing the HVAC system	Building permits expected November 2025, site work will begin then. Spending projections remain within allocated resources.
		Hilltop Manor	Seattle	HVAC system upgrades and accessibility enhancements	
		Spring Manor	Seattle	HVAC and other site upgrades	
Transitional Resources	\$2,009,253	Try House	Seattle	Privacy enhancements, HVAC upgrades, accessibility and mobility upgrades, lighting upgrades, siding replacement	Site work is approximately 50% complete. No additional funding needed.
Sound	\$3,027,610	Keystone	Seattle	Upgrades to plumbing system, kitchen, laundry, and ventilation.	Not projecting the need for additional resources.
		Stillwater	Redmond	Full rehab of the facility to bring it into alignment with current building code.	Additional resources needed. The scope of Sound's planned renovations exceed the available budget, CCC staff is working with Sound to find a resolution to this issue.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,500,000</b>				

According to Executive staff, "These awards meet deferred capital maintenance and repair needs, increase client and staff safety and comfort, and assure these treatment beds remain available to County residents for the foreseeable future."

The 2024 CCC Levy annual report was able to fulfill most of the requirements of the Implementation Plan but due to not having programs fully operable in the six months after the Implementation Plan was adopted in June 2024, the report does not include the following information that will be included in future reports:

1. Utilization or transportation data.
2. CCC operator awards because there was not an operator identified in 2024.
3. Performance data for Mobile Rapid Response Crisis Teams because the program launched during the final two weeks of 2024.
4. Information regarding Medicaid reimbursement, because reimbursement had not begun. Reimbursement does not generally begin, "until six to 12 months after services start, due to the slow process of rate-setting and actuarial review by the state Health Care Authority (HCA)."
5. For several additional programs, including residential treatment facilities, DCHS awarded CCC Levy funds to projects in various locations around the County, but these funds were not yet spent at the end of 2024. Related expenditures are expected to be included in the 2025 annual report.

### **INVITED**

- Jennifer Winslow, Crisis Care Centers Strategic Planning Manager, Behavioral Health and Recovery Division (BHRD), Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS)
- Denille Bezemer, Interim Deputy Director, BHRD, DCHS

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Proposed Motion 2025-0252
2. Transmittal Letter
3. DCHS Slides for CCC 2024 Annual Report



# KING COUNTY

## Signature Report

### ATTACHMENT 1

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### Motion

**Proposed No. 2025-0252.1**

**Sponsors Mosqueda**

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4           Ordinance 19572, Section 7.C.9, and Attachment A to  
5           Ordinance 19783, Section VIII.A.

6           WHEREAS, in 2023, King County adopted Ordinance 19572 to provide for the  
7           submission to voters of a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in  
8           chapter 84.55 RCW, for the nine-year period of 2024 through 2032, for regional  
9           behavioral health services and capital facilities to establish and operate a regional  
10          network of behavioral health crisis care centers; to preserve, expand and maintain  
11          residential treatment facilities; to provide behavioral health workforce supports; to  
12          provide mobile crisis care and post-discharge stabilization; to pay, finance or refinance  
13          costs of those projects; and for administration, coordination, implementation and  
14          evaluation of levy activities, and

15          WHEREAS, King County voters considered the levy as Proposition No. 1 as part  
16          of the April 2023 special election, and fifty-seven percent of voters approved it, and

17          WHEREAS, Ordinance 19572, Section 7.C.9, requires online annual reports on  
18          the levy's progress over the previous year beginning in 2025, and

19 WHEREAS, on December 29, 2023, in accordance with Ordinance 19572, the  
20 executive transmitted to the council for review and adoption an implementation plan that  
21 described the purposes, strategies, financial plan, and reporting requirements for the levy  
22 from 2024 through 2032, and

23 WHEREAS, Ordinance 19783, Section 1, adopted the implementation plan in  
24 June 2024, and

25 WHEREAS, consistent with Ordinance 19572, the implementation plan requires  
26 the executive to make the online annual report available to the council, the regional  
27 policy committee, and the public, by August 15 of each year, and

28 WHEREAS, Section VIII.A of the implementation plan requires the executive to  
29 transmit to the council a summary of the online annual reporting in the form of a letter,  
30 and a motion to acknowledge receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online  
31 annual report requirement, by August 15 of each year, and

32 WHEREAS, the first online annual report has been made available to the council,  
33 the regional policy committee, and the public, and

34 WHEREAS, the first summary letter summarizing the first online annual report is  
35 submitted by the executive;

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

37 The receipt of the first summary letter and completion of the online annual report  
38 requirement on the Crisis Care Centers Levy, in accordance with Ordinance 19572,

Motion

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39 Section 7.C.9., and Attachment A to Ordinance 19783, Section VIII A., is hereby  
40 acknowledged.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Sarah Perry, Chair

ATTEST:

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

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Girmay Zahilay, County Executive

**Attachments:** None



## King County

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August 15, 2025

The Honorable Girmay Zahilay  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Zahilay:

In accordance with Ordinance 19572, Ordinance 19783, and the Crisis Care Centers (CCC) Levy Implementation Plan 2024-2032, this letter summarizes the CCC Levy's 2024 online annual report, which is available here: <https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dchs/human-social-services/community-funded-initiatives/crisis-care-centers-levy/annual-report>. Accompanying this letter is a proposed Motion that would, if enacted, acknowledge receipt of the summary letter and completion of the online annual report requirement.

### **Reporting Requirements**

The online annual report and this letter summarize the activities of the CCC Levy Initiative through the end of 2024 and fulfills the Initiative's annual reporting requirements per Ordinance 19572. Specifically, it includes summaries of the accomplishments of the expenditure of CCC Levy sales tax proceeds in 2024, as well as financial information and geographic distribution data.

The online annual report includes an overview of accomplishments, highlighting major milestones, service delivery innovations, and progress toward improving behavioral health crisis care across King County. It also includes a comprehensive review of fiscal and performance management, explaining use of expenditure alongside measurable impacts stemming from Levy funding. The report further explains the expenditure of Levy proceeds by crisis response zone (CRZ), strategy, and Levy purpose by King County ZIP code. Additionally, it summarizes the geographic distribution of CCC Levy funding across King County. This information is presented in greater depth within the online report. A crosswalk of how the report addresses each reporting requirement is also included in the online report.

### **Overview of Accomplishments and Progress**

The CCC Initiative strives to provide a place for all people in crisis to receive timely, compassionate, and effective care so people can recover sooner, before their crises escalate. In the second half of 2024, King County's Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) hired and onboarded 30 full-time employees, released five major procurements, and made 50 funding awards. DCHS invested \$15 million in 2024 across Levy strategies and committed an additional \$7.9 million in awards through 2024 procurements. As the CCC Levy Implementation Plan was adopted by King County Council in June 2024, spending for 2024 reflects the last six months of the year. DCHS prioritized allocating this funding within a short timeframe, hiring the internal staff necessary to manage each Levy program as soon as the CCC Implementation Plan was adopted. Once CCC Levy-related staff were hired, DCHS focused on initial program implementation and deploying early investments.

During 2024, the CCC Initiative's key accomplishments included these actions:

- Awarded funding for 50 contracts, including:
  - \$11.5 million to six existing behavioral health facilities for capital improvements;
  - \$12 million to 37 community behavioral health providers who applied to the Career Pathways Request for Proposals (RFP) to boost supports for their workers;
  - \$491,000 to Seattle-King County Public Health for overdose prevention supplies, including three new naloxone vending machines;
  - \$1.5 million to launch 10 new Mobile Rapid Response Crisis Teams (MRRCTs). These expanded mobile crisis services began in December 2024, and
  - \$500,000 to capital facility development consultants for Behavioral Health Agencies (BHAs) applying for Levy capital funding opportunities.
  
- Released five procurement solicitations related to multiple CCC Levy strategies, including:
  - RFP for Crisis Care Centers;
  - RFP for Mobile Crisis Teams Expansion;
  - Request for Applications (RFA) for Facility Capital Improvements;
  - RFP for Career Pathways, and
  - Request for Quotation for Capital Consultants to Provide Technical Assistance.
  
- Hired 30 full-time employees who now work to support one or multiple Levy strategies. In 2024, the County focused on building the internal staff capacity necessary to carry out the work described in the CCC Levy Implementation Plan, including releasing procurements and awarding Levy funds to eligible activities. Investing in building internal staff capacity in 2024 allowed the County to quickly make meaningful progress toward Levy goals, as described in this report.

The CCC Levy Implementation Plan prioritizes community engagement throughout the life of the Levy to inform implementation, to engage community around Crisis Care Center openings and new available services. In 2024, CCC Levy engagement included interactive sessions focused on Crisis Care Center education, awareness, destigmatization, and communities' experiences with crisis services. Specifically, the County conducted 45 community partnership presentations and 16 additional individual community conversations to promote shared

awareness of Levy activities. DCHS also hosted a series of community conversations across the county to reach communities in multiple languages with information about the crisis care centers and how to connect to crisis services. In addition, Levy staff conducted a community survey that was accessible to people in nine languages and received responses from over 165 community members. Insights gained through this engagement directly shaped the design of the CCC RFP released in 2024, ensuring community priorities were embedded into the model.

## **Fiscal and Performance Measurement**

### *Financial Expenditures*

The CCC Levy Implementation Plan, approved in June 2024, projected \$85.9 million in spending in 2024, while actual spending totaled \$15 million. The online annual report includes a detailed table of actual levy expenditures in 2024. Funds originally projected for 2024 that remained at year-end are expected to be expended in 2025 as more services start.

In 2024, DCHS prioritized issuing procurements, with a particular focus on the Crisis Care Centers RFP, the Levy's most significant procurement and primary purpose. Given the size and complexity of the funding opportunities, DCHS intentionally staggered procurement timelines to avoid overwhelming providers, which in turn resulted in lower expenditures in 2024 than initially forecast. This approach responds directly to provider feedback, which highlighted the challenges of applying for multiple large procurements at once with limited staff capacity. Spacing out funding opportunities enables providers to better allocate their resources and submit stronger proposals for these essential service expansions.

Given the strong foundation built in 2024, DCHS anticipates expenditures to increase significantly across Levy purposes and strategy areas as programs are implemented and more procurements are completed.

### *Performance Measurement*

With 2024 CCC Levy investments centered on initiating CCC activities, performance measurement efforts involved building the evaluation and performance measurement framework outlined in the CCC Levy Implementation Plan. In 2024, DCHS began partnering with providers to establish data collection and performance measures for launched programs, such as mobile rapid response crisis team (MRRCT). This report does not include performance data for MRRCT because the program launched during the final two weeks of 2024 and was still ramping up at the end of the year. Performance data for a fully implemented MRRCT program is expected to be featured in annual reports beginning in 2025. DCHS also started to plan measures for programs that would be contracted in 2025, including Crisis Care Centers. Notably, community input that helped shape the Implementation Plan also informed early Crisis Care Centers performance plans by identifying measures of success that are important to the community.

As contract implementation advances in 2025, DCHS continues to work with providers and community partners to determine, expand, implement, and report performance measurement and evaluation data. Future reports are expected to highlight performance takeaways throughout the Levy's programs.

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## **Geographic Distribution**

### *Distribution of Expenditures by ZIP Code*

2024 CCC Levy investments supported the entire county, with programmatic investments beginning to target specific facilities and service areas. For example, investments in MRRCT were available to the entire county in 2024, and funding for overdose prevention programs supported naloxone vending machines and easy access of Narcan supplies in the north, south, and central CRZs. For several additional programs, such as but not limited to residential treatment facilities, DCHS awarded CCC Levy funds to projects in various locations around the county, but these funds were not yet spent at year end. More information on the distribution of expenditures, including data for each ZIP code or CRZ by purpose, strategy, and CCC Levy program or activity, is available through the online annual report.

### *Distribution of Individuals Served*

Because CCC Levy funded programs were just starting up, programs in operation served a relatively small number of people. To avoid individually identifying service participants, data is suppressed to protect privacy when numbers of individuals in a single geographic unit are low. Therefore, the geographic distribution of individuals served is unavailable for 2024. Future reports are expected to include a map and summary of the geographic distribution of people receiving Levy-funded services by the ZIP code and CRZ of their residential address, as well as the location where they received services, when available.

## **Looking Ahead**

The CCC Levy is already transforming how people understand crisis care and providing new pathways to specialized services for those experiencing mental health and substance use crises. In its first year of implementation, the CCC Levy built a strong foundation for transforming King County's behavioral health crisis response system by launching key procurements, awarding critical funding, building internal staffing capacity, and engaging an array of community partners. As programs transition from planning to implementation, the County is positioned to significantly expand services in 2025. This is expected to include awarding Crisis Care Center operators, launching post-crisis follow-up services, expanding workforce supports, and investing in more residential treatment facilities.

If your staff have any questions about this report, please contact Kelly Rider, Director, Department of Community and Human Services, at 206-263-5780.

Sincerely,



for

Shannon Braddock  
King County Executive

The Honorable Girmay Zahilay

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Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

ATTN: Stephanie Cirkovich, Chief of Staff, King County Council

Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council

Karan Gill, Deputy Executive, Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive

Stephanie Pure, Council Relations Director, Office of the Executive

Kelly Rider, Director, Department of Community and Human Services

# Crisis Care Center Levy 2024 Annual Report

## Health, Housing, and Human Services – May 5th

Denille Bezemer- BHRD Interim Deputy Division Director

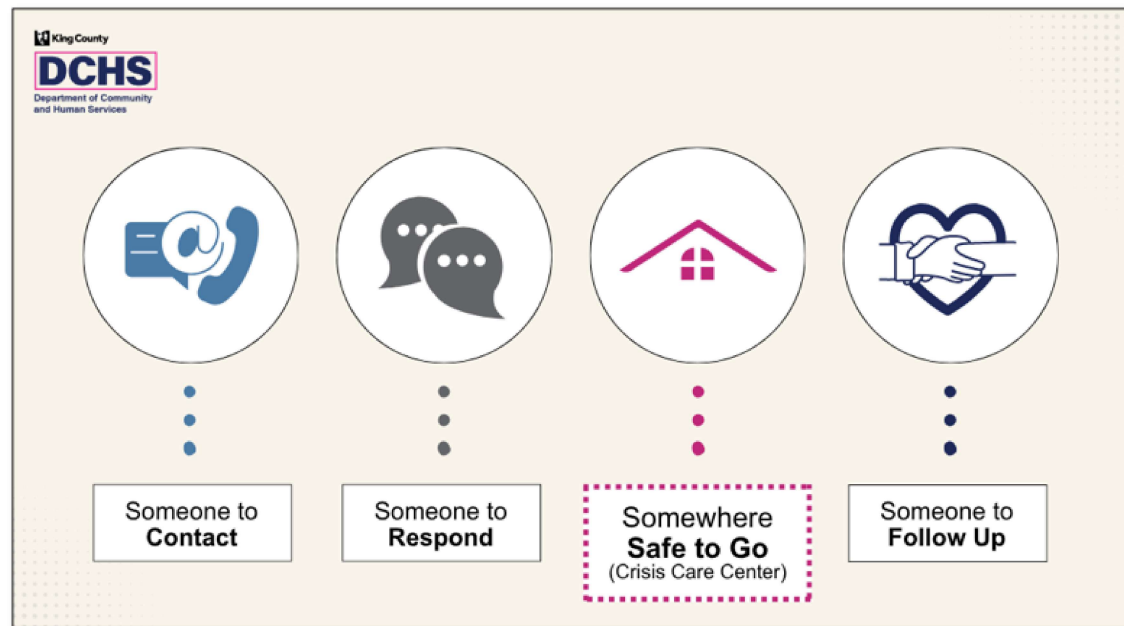
Jennifer Winslow, Strategic Planning Manager- Crisis Care Center Levy Initiative



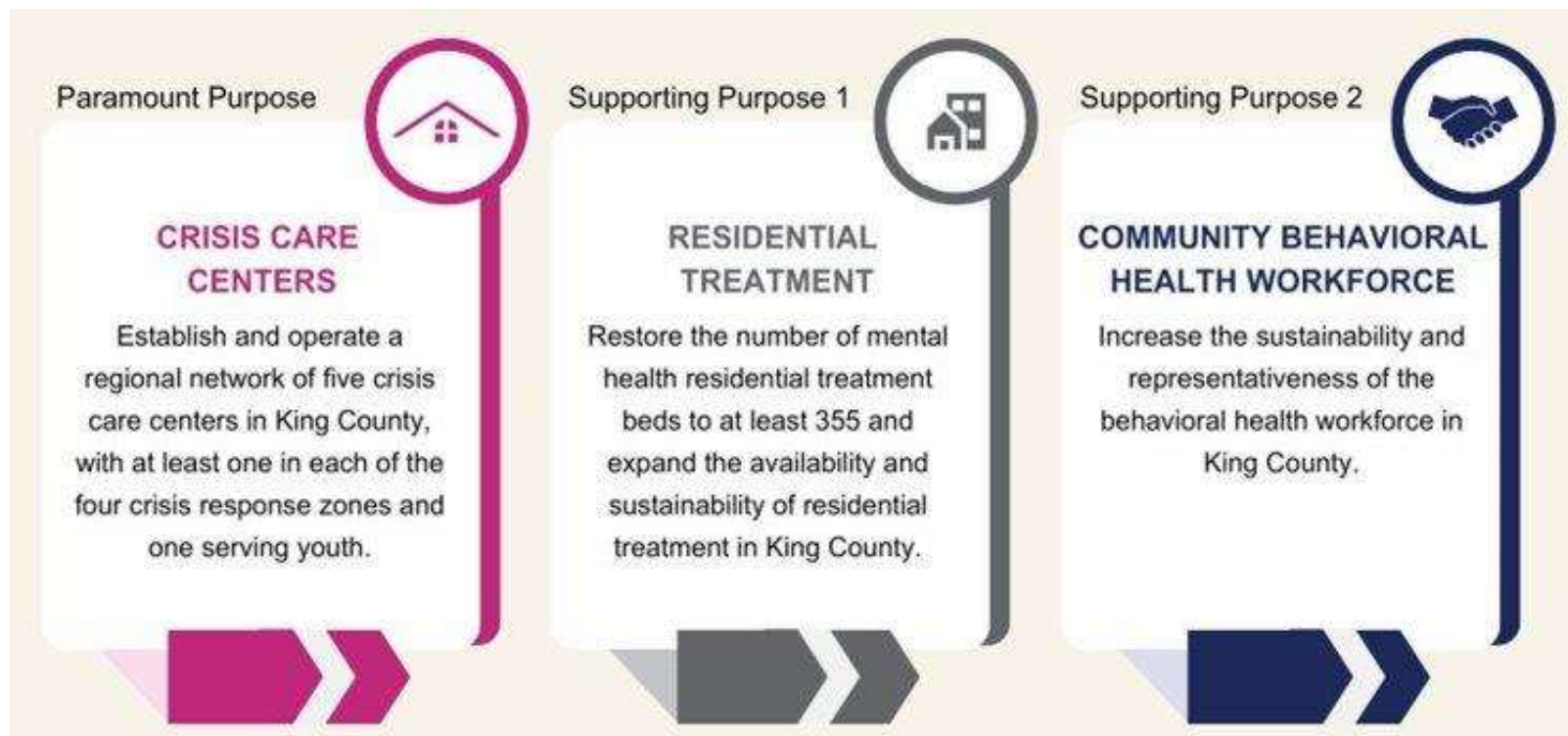
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# Crisis Care Centers initiative

In 2023, voters approved the Crisis Care Center levy.



# Levy Purposes





# Timeline

- 2023:
  - April: Levy approved
  - December: Implementation Plan transmitted
- 2024:
  - June: CCC Levy Implementation **Plan adopted** by Ordinance 19783
  - July: **Implementation Begins**
    - Early investments and procurements released
  - August: Connections Kirkland opens (pre-CCC Levy funding)



# 2024 Highlights

## Early investments:

- \$11.5 million to six existing behavioral health facilities
- \$12 million to 37 community behavioral health providers
- \$491,000 to Seattle-King County Public Health for overdose prevention supplies
- \$1.5 million to launch 10 new MRRCTs, expanding mobile crisis services
- \$500,000 to capital facility development consultants for Behavioral Health Agencies



# 2024 Highlights

## Released five procurements:

- RFP for Crisis Care Centers
- RFP for Mobile Crisis Teams Expansion
- Request for Applications (RFA) for Facility Capital Improvements
- RFP for Career Pathways
- Request for Quotation for Capital Consultants to Provide Technical Assistance



# Community Impact

Engagement efforts reached a broad cross-section of King County communities, ensuring meaningful participation and input on crisis care and Levy implementation.

- 45 community partnership presentations
- 16 individual community conversations
- 6 presentations to agency providers on Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) for Post-Crisis Follow-Up (PCFU)
- Multilingual community survey (available in 9 languages) received 165+ responses.

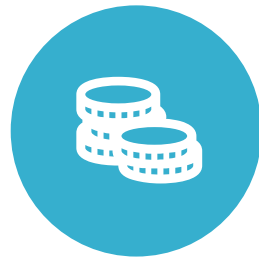


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# 2024 Financial Information



TOTAL SPEND: \$15 MILLION



TOTAL AWARDED: \$26 MILLION



HIRED 30 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES



FUNDS ORIGINALLY PROJECTED TO BE SPENT IN 2024 THAT REMAINED AT YEAR-END WERE DUE TO LATER PLAN ADOPTION AND THE PHASED APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT



# 2025 Preview

**More robust system with more services and capacity to help more people today.**

- Crisis Care Centers award and contract: North
- Crisis Care Centers award: Central
- Expanded youth mobile response and stabilization services (MRSS)
- Awarded post-crisis follow-up providers
- Released RFP to build new residential treatment beds
- Implemented career pathways and workforce development projects
- Conducted more than 100 community engagements, including in multiple languages
- Building infrastructure for data reporting, including geography, insurance and transportation
- Supporting providers and jurisdictions through technical assistance and capacity building funding



**King County**  
**DCHS**  
Department of Community and Human Services

## How to Get Help in a Crisis

- Call or Text 9-8-8 Anytime**  
Crisis counselors are always available to listen, support and connect you to help, including sending crisis teams to respond in person.
- Crisis Teams**  
Mental health professionals and peers travel throughout King County to help adults, families and children in moments of crisis. Call or text 9-8-8 to get their help.
- Crisis Care Centers**  
Anyone can walk into the first Crisis Care Center in Kirkland today for urgent mental health or substance use care.

Free crisis services are available for everyone 24/7, regardless of insurance.  
For more information visit: [kingcounty.gov/crisis](https://kingcounty.gov/crisis)



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**King County**

**Health, Housing, and Human Services  
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**May 5, 2026 Meeting**

**Agenda Item No. 7**

**Briefing No. 2026-B0050**

**Public Health Financial Update**

**Materials for this item will not be available before  
the meeting.**