

# Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

## Administrative Services

## Facilities Management

Suppl ID # 3952

Fund 394

Cost Center 394100

Originator: Rob Ney

Year 1 2023

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Priority 1

Name of Request: Way Station Amend #2

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Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	4341.9200	Property Management Services	(\$2,000,000)
	7350	Buildings & Structures	\$5,844,751
	8301.332	Operating Transfer In	(\$2,580,000)
	8301.124	Operating Transfer In	(\$1,153,170)
	8301.124	Operating Transfer In	(\$113,000)
	<b>Request Total</b>		<b>(\$1,419)</b>

### 1a. Description of request:

Way Station is a collaborative effort with our community partners Peace Health, Unity Care Northwest and the Opportunity Council and is intended to provide recuperative respite care, health care services, hygiene services and case management to unsheltered individuals. The Council approved the Amended Way Station Memorandum of Understanding for this use on January 25, 2022.

The purpose of this supplemental is to request budget authority to complete the project. This request will fund additions to the project, accept ALL remaining funding sources, and amend the project-based budget to adjust prior amounts actually received.

It should be noted that the original cost estimates are no longer valid, and the most recent cost estimates have indicated that costs have increased by approximately \$2 million dollars. This is attributed to several items. The scope of work has been expanded to include additional remodel work on both the first and second floor (which was not originally included), failed drain lines that have been discovered and must be repaired in the parking lot, and the addition of improvements to the Champion Street parking lot (the lot that serves this building to meet the parking requirements). Lastly the costs have escalated since the project inception. The Council should be aware that the original discussions of this project were in 2020, and costs have escalated approximately 15-20%.

The project has many funding sources:

Existing Funding Sources (already approved)

\$4,000,000 Department of Commerce Grant Local and Community Projects Program (Approved and placed in project-based budget 4/26/22)

\$1,500,000 Original American Rescue Act Funds (Approved and placed in project-based budget 4/26/22)

\$208,233 Unity Care Northwest community partner donations transferred to the County, This amount is \$155 less than previously reported.

\$2,383,058 from the closure of the State Street Project Fund transferred to Way Station Project Based

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Budget (Council Action 2/22/2022). This amount is \$1,264 less than previously reported in Amendment #1 due to final expenses charged to the State Street Fund.

Reduction of donations and State Street Fund Balance previously reported will reduce previously authorized expenditure authority by \$1,419.

NEW Funding Sources Proposed by this supplemental:

\$2,000,000 HRSA Federal Grant (Health Resources and Services Administration, predicated on acceptance of agreement with Unity Care Northwest, recipient of HRSA Grant, concurrent with this action)

\$1,153,170 Health Proviso Grant (Health Department Grant accepted by Council, must be transferred to Project Base Budget with this action)

\$113,000 Behavioral Health Fund- Transfer for contribution for Health Offices on 2nd floor (must be transferred to Project Base Budget with this action)

\$2,580,000 EDI Transfer for additional Funds to cover shortfall (must be transferred to Project Base Budget with this action). One million of these funds will be available due to return of equity to EDI from unused Crisis Stabilization Project Budget Fund unused contingency funding.

Total budget for the project will be \$13,937,461.

### 1b. Primary customers:

The services provided are intended to serve the unsheltered population.

### 2. Problem to be solved:

There is a service disconnect for unsheltered individuals. The Way Station is intended to serve this population.

### 3a. Options / Advantages:

This is one of many services that Whatcom County and its partners provide to the homeless population.

The project is being funded by several sources that are outside of the County, in addition to County funding. The external funding sources have made this project whole.

### 3b. Cost savings:

The intent is that servicing this population might save hospital space and provide services to the unsheltered population which may lead to lessening this population.

### 4a. Outcomes:

The project should be delivered in 2023.

### 4b. Measures:

Once the project is complete and the community is being served.

### 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

Unity Care Northwest will occupy the Way Station space when finished.

Medical Examiner, EMS Administration, and Health Department's Response Division will also occupy additional remodeled spaces in this building when finished.

### 5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

Rob Ney, Project & Operations Manager

### 6. Funding Source:

Multiple funding sources as outlined above.