



# Allocation Advisory Committee For Prevention Programs

## Program Year 2021 Funding Recommendations for Youth Violence Prevention

### Youth Violence Prevention Grant Program

Created by Ordinance 2001-82, the Allocation Advisory Committee for Prevention Programs (AAC) was established as a partial replacement for the Tacoma-Pierce County Commission on Children, Youth and their Families (Children's Commission) after that body was dissolved in 2001. Chapter 4.28 of the Pierce County Code (PCC) sets forth that at least 20 percent of Pierce County's tax revenues received annually because of the authority granted in RCW 82.14.340, pursuant to PCC 4.28.110, shall be expended on prevention and related preventative children's services. Fifty-two percent, of the 20 percent, shall be allocated by recommendation of the AAC and approval of the County Council. The responsibility for overseeing the operation of the Youth Violence Program was assigned to the Department of Human Services.

Funded activities may include prevention, intervention and community mobilization. The Council's authorizing Ordinance established the following requirements for projects to be funded under this program. These requirements apply only to activities funded in whole or in part with county funding.

- *Activities must serve unincorporated areas and the residents of those areas.*
- *Activities must be sustainable.* They must create a long-term reduction, elimination or prevention of actual or potential violence, not just a transitory condition that will end after their participation in the activity is finished.
- *Activities must focus to the greatest extent possible on children and youth.* While family participation is important, activities targeting children and youth should have the greatest emphasis.
- *Activities must be demonstrable.* They must have clear and concise goals, objectives and outcomes.
- *If possible, activities identified as 'best practices' should be funded.* It is important for the long-term benefit of the community that activities funded have the greatest opportunity for success. Accordingly, activities identified in this or other jurisdictions as a 'best practice' are to be encouraged.

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### Allocation Advisory Committee for Prevention Programs

The AAC is presently comprised of ten members (with a maximum committee size of 15 members), all of whom must be residents of unincorporated Pierce County. Committee member responsibilities include:

- Reviewing applications for funding;
- Hearing testimony from applicants; and
- Recommending to the County Executive and County Council activities to be funded in the next fiscal year.

# Youth Violence Prevention Program

## Funding Recommendations for Program Year 2021

Total Amount Requested: \$1,663,834

Funds Available to Allocate: \$900,000

Agency Name	Program Name and Description	2021 Proposed Clients	2020 Award Amount	2021 Requested Amount	2021 Recommended Amount
<b>Bold Solutions</b>	<p><b>Family, Youth &amp; Community Outreach and Education Strategies (FYCOES) Program</b></p> <p>The FYCOES program provides a three-month intervention using intensive case work and evidence-based training to youth and their families referred by the PC Juvenile Court for having aggressive family conflict and/or violent behavior in the home.</p>	20	\$57,600	\$106,976	<b>\$56,015</b>
<b>Buckley Youth Activities</b>	<p><b>Buckley Youth Activities Center Program</b></p> <p>Buckley Youth Activities Center provides year-round programs for a safe, structured, and supervised place for youth residing in the White River School District ages 8-18 during non-school hours in a community where there are fewer opportunities for pro-social involvement and places for youth to socialize in a positive and healthy manner outside of school.</p>	293	\$20,290	\$29,093	<b>\$17,456</b>
<b>Camp Fire USA, Orca Council</b>	<p><b>Teen Outreach Program</b></p> <p>The Teen Outreach Program connects youth and young adults ages 12 to 21 who are experiencing homelessness to academic, social, health, and community resources. The program also strives to remove barriers – either actual or perceived – that prevent youth from becoming self-sufficient, self-reliant, productive adults.</p>	15	\$40,650	\$72,028	<b>\$43,217</b>
<b>Communities in Schools of Peninsula</b>	<p><b>Site Coordination Program</b></p> <p>Mentoring Our Students to Success is a school-based academic and socio-emotional support program designed to help struggling students improve their academic skills and address behaviors and the underlying emotional issues and trauma that are impeding their ability to learn in the classroom and stay in school. Working with rigorously trained volunteer mentors and professional Site Coordinators, children and youth overwhelmingly advance to the next grade level and stay on track for graduation.</p>	350 case managed, 3655 student community	\$78,980	\$79,445	<b>\$79,445</b>
<b>Communities in Schools (CIS) of Puyallup</b>	<p><b>Site Coordination</b></p> <p>Through an evidence-based model of site coordination CIS places caring adults directly inside of schools to coordinate community resources and strategically align integrated student supports so that students can focus on learning.</p>	172 case managed, 1336 student community	\$18,000	\$30,000	<b>\$22,500</b>

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<b>New Phoebe House Association</b>	<b>Phoebe Family Recovery, Reunification &amp; Resiliency Program (PFRRRP)</b> The program addresses parenting issues that contribute to abuse, neglect and abandonment of children in Pierce County, providing a means for compromised families to safely reunify by addressing behavioral health needs, skill development, and multiple risk factors. Phoebe Family is a two-year residential housing & treatment program, with one-year additional community-based intensive after-care that addresses trauma and retrains the family to create a healthy, functional family home.	9	\$85,940	\$95,029	<b>\$90,000</b>
<b>Our Sisters' House</b>	<b>New Directions</b> New Directions is a juvenile family violence prevention program for teens ages 12-17 years old. Teens attend the program with their parents to improve family functioning, to decrease incidences of teen-initiated violence, and to renew and strengthen the teen/parent relationship in hopes of breaking the cycle of domestic violence and strengthening the teen/parent relationship.	72	\$0	\$41,984	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Our Sisters' House</b>	<b>Stepping Stones</b> Stepping Stones is a psycho-educational program for children ages 6-11 years old who have witnessed or been exposed to domestic violence between their parents. The program offers a support/parenting group component for the non-abusive parent (mom).	39	\$0	\$22,850	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Pacific Lutheran University</b>	<b>Parkland Literacy Center (PLC)</b> PLC serves the greater Parkland community through literacy training and academic support by providing a safe and supportive environment where PLU students will provide after-school tutoring for middle and high school students in the Franklin Pierce School District.	100	\$0	\$47,007	<b>\$0</b>
<b>PG Keithley Middle School, Franklin Pierce Schools</b>	<b>CHAMPS After School Program</b> CHAMPS (Cultivating High Aspirations and Molding Post-Secondary Success) is an afterschool and summer program that provides students with academic support, positive peer and adult interactions, enrichment opportunities, and a safe space where all students are welcome.	250	\$0	\$70,070	<b>\$52,553</b>
<b>Pierce County Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>Pierce Outdoor LIFE Program</b> The program is an outdoor adventure intervention offered as a positive probation alternative for court-associated youth ages 13-17. Youth attend a six-week series of experiential learning activities that develop leadership, social skills and healthy personal, environmental and community interests.	11	\$22,500	\$17,000	<b>\$17,000</b>

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<b>Prairie Ridge Maintenance Co.</b>	<b>Prairie Ridge Connections (PRC)</b> PRC promotes healthy choices for youth and families utilizing strategic partnerships, building community cohesion, and prevention education regarding drug and tobacco use and unhealthy relationships. The program includes summer lunch and youth activity programs, an ongoing community dinner, programs targeted at early childhood education and parenting support, and connecting community in conversations regarding crime prevention and safety.	130 youth, 30 Fam. Opp. Ctr., 2,300 community	\$51,200	\$51,251	<b>\$38,438</b>
<b>Puget Sound Educational Service District (PESD)</b>	<b>Positive Steps</b> Positive Steps provides coordinated & family-centered case management, skill building and advocacy services to reduce the risk factors of youth violence for truant and at-risk youth living in unincorporated Pierce County or those with McKinney-Vento status last known address or current sleeping arrangements in unincorporated Pierce County. The Positive Steps Youth Violence Reduction Program is a collaborative effort between school districts, Community Truancy Boards, the Juvenile Court, and PESD to identify students at-risk of delinquent and criminal behaviors prior to the commitment of a crime.	50	\$90,000	\$110,000	<b>\$70,000</b>
<b>Rebuilding Hope! Sexual Assault Center for Pierce County</b>	<b>Advocacy and Prevention Education</b> The program offers support toward healing through advocacy and therapy for those affected by sexual assault and abuse through education and collaboration with partner sites to increase skill-building with children and youth, parents and caretakers, and children/youth-serving professionals that will reduce instances of sexual violence.	800	\$0	\$75,000	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Red Barn Youth Center</b>	<b>Red Barn Youth Center</b> The Red Barn provides an afterschool program serving middle and high school students who live on the Key Peninsula. Activities include cultural arts and music, homework assistance and computer access, exercise, nutrition, leadership development and community service.	200	-	\$40,000	<b>\$36,000</b>
<b>Safe Streets Campaign</b>	<b>Youth Leading Change</b> The purpose of Youth Leading Change is to mobilize youth to impact their schools and communities through civic engagement, community service and service-learning efforts. Specifically, participants design and implement peer influence campaigns promoting prevention of violence and promotion of healthy behaviors.	67 youth, 2,079 community	\$104,000	\$176,000	<b>\$80,000</b>

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<b>Tacoma Arts Live</b>	<b>LENS Project (Learning, Empathy, Negotiation and Self)</b> The cornerstones of LENS youth behavioral outcomes are Learning Empathy, Negotiation, and Sense of Self (LENS). The LENS Project is a weekly after-school program that supports a connected community of youth and coaches them through the development of the social-emotional skills they need to be confident in who they are, express their opinions and perspectives in a healthy and respectful way, and to employ strategies to deal with conflict and confrontation.	355 youth, 2,478 community	\$100,000	\$100,000	<b>\$80,000</b>
<b>Tacoma Community Boat Builders</b>	<b>Tacoma Community Boat Builders</b> The program helps youth strengthen their natural talents in a challenging learning environment, emphasizing both skill and social emotional development, and increasing resiliency to be successful. Youth are paired with adult mentors who develop trust and cooperation.	67 youth, 2,079 community	\$54,180	\$165,965	<b>\$60,000</b>
<b>TeamChild</b>	<b>Legal Services for Youth</b> TeamChild's core program is the provision of direct civil legal services to young people who are involved, or at risk for involvement in the juvenile justice system. The legal services program provides advocacy to youth to address barriers they face to being safe and healthy, successful in school, and supported at home and in the community with the ultimate goal of reducing subsequent juvenile court contacts.	35	\$100,000	\$100,096	<b>\$80,000</b>
<b>Washington Trafficking Prevention</b>	<b>Parent Engagement Partnership Trafficking Prevention for Schools</b> Take On: Youth Empowerment Program empowers young people with knowledge that highlights the harm of commercial sexual exploitation and provides active roles they can play to end human trafficking. The program decreases the number of people who perpetuate harm while also increasing the number of people who are allies in understanding and challenging the harms of commercial sexual exploitation.	2600	\$57,180	\$95,300	<b>\$0</b>
<b>YMCA of Pierce &amp; Kitsap Counties</b>	<b>YMCA Youth Mentoring Initiative</b> The purpose of the Youth Mentoring Initiative is to prevent, intervene and eliminate youth violence by providing positive adult mentoring and youth development activities. The Youth Mentoring Initiative provides an asset and values-based approach to positive youth development supporting youth in developing the attitudes, behaviors, beliefs, and skills to navigate difficult situations and achieve successful, non-violent lives.	300	\$40,500	\$50,000	<b>\$37,500</b>

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<b>Young Life</b>	<b>Anderson Island Young Life</b> The Young Life program on Anderson Island provides a welcoming, fun, supportive, and safe environment for teens. The program addresses youth violence by having community leaders demonstrate solid life choices that encourage youth to emulate what they witness. Youth are being encouraged to take ownership in their community and learning to give back rather than just receive.	55	\$15,440	\$15,440	<b>\$13,896</b>
<b>Young Life</b>	<b>South Central Pierce Young Life</b> Too many youths are victims of systemic abandonment, toxic stress, and Adverse Childhood Experiences being trapped in the generational cycle of violence. South Central Pierce Young Life's purpose is to break that cycle through safe relationships and act as a buffer against toxic stress by providing fun, engaging, and life-giving experiences.	350	\$27,300	\$27,300	<b>\$16,380</b>
<b>YWCA Pierce County</b>	<b>Children's Program</b> The purpose of the YWCA Children's Program is to provide children, youth, and families that have been impacted by Domestic Violence with the support needed to understand and heal from the trauma they experience, to expand their perspective of the world, to further develop the skills needed to safely navigate their lives in self-determined, healthy, and non-violent ways, and to have access to the resources they need to move forward and thrive.	9	\$13,950	\$16,000	<b>\$9,600</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1,633,834</b>	<b>\$900,000</b>