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TO: Human Services Commission Members

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SUBJECT: Planning for 2023 Agency Tours and Presentations

Commissioners will create a list of agencies that they would like to tour and presentation subjects they would like to hear during Human Services Commission meetings throughout 2023.

## **Background**

Both the tours and presentations build commissioners' knowledge about the services provided to the community, the agencies that provide them and the needs of Bellevue's residents. The information gained through both the tours and presentations assist commissioners in making informed funding decisions for future funding rounds.

## **Agency Tours**

Pre-pandemic, Human Services staff arranged tours for the Human Services Commissioners so they could learn more about the agencies that are awarded contracts to provide human services on behalf of the City. Tours provide an opportunity for commissioners to tour agency's office space and service space when appropriate, hear more about the services offered by the agency, and ask questions.

## Presentations

During the year commissioners are not reviewing Human Services Fund applications, staff arrange presentations and panels to build the commissioners' knowledge and answer any questions. Past presentations have included subjects, such as older adults, behavioral health, the needs of the LGBTQ community, childcare, and homelessness.