

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

Resolution 1) adopting the Human Services Commission's 2025-2026 Human Services Fund funding recommendations; and 2) authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into contracts with local human services agencies in accordance with the recommendations.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****ACTION**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10442

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

On October 22, staff presented the Human Services Commission's funding recommendations for the 2025-2026 biennium. The Human Services Commission reviewed 154 Human Services Fund applications over seven meetings to draft its funding recommendations for 2025-2026. This included a full day review with input from community members from BDAN, CCC, and YouthLink, and further deliberation by the Commission at subsequent meetings.

The Human Services Fund budget is calculated according to a formula of a base amount plus inflation adjustment plus population growth. The budget for the 2025-2026 biennium is \$9,925,886. The Human Services Fund is awarded to local agencies providing services that address the most significant gaps and disparities for Bellevue residents.

**POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS****Policy Impact**

The Human Services Commission is governed by Chapter 3.61 of the Bellevue City Code, which states that it shall review all requests for funding of human services and make recommendations to the City Council.

Comprehensive Plan, Human Services Element:

- HS-4. Develop a broad base of community support for human services, including equitable and timely investment by public and private institutions to ensure human services operations are sustainable, their employees receive a living wage that is equitable, and to address critical shortages in staff in multiple service areas, including childcare, behavioral health and services to those experiencing homelessness.

- HS-19. Allocate funds and other resources throughout the continuum of human service needs by soliciting proposals from community agencies providing human services benefiting low- and moderate-income residents.
- HS-21. Encourage and invest in culturally and linguistically specific service delivery that respects the dignity and honors the strengths that Bellevue's diverse individuals and families, offer to the community, while supporting them to achieve their self-identified goals.

**Fiscal Impact**

This action will authorize execution of human service contracts totaling \$4,894,243 in 2025 and \$5,031,643 in 2026. The specific funding commitments will be budgeted in the Human Services Fund as outlined in Attachment A.

**OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Resolution 1) adopting the Human Services Commission's 2025-2026 Human Services Fund funding recommendations; and 2) authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into contracts with local human services agencies in accordance with the recommendations.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

**ATTACHMENTS**

A. 2025-2026 Human Services Fund Funding Recommendations  
Proposed Resolution No. 10442

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N/A