DATE: May 10, 2022

TO: Parks & Community Services Board

FROM: Christy Stangland, Human Services Planner

**Human Services Division** 

Parks & Community Services Department

SUBJECT: Report on the Findings of the 2021-2022 Human Services Needs Update.

## **Requested Action**: Information only.

Parks & Community Services Board will learn about the key findings of the 2021-2022 Human Services Needs Update.

## **Background:**

Bellevue's biennial Human Services Needs Update is an analysis of the health and human services trends and issues that affect the quality of life of Bellevue residents. This report included both qualitative and quantitative data that came from numerous sources. As part of the City's ongoing efforts to continue growing as a culturally competent and racially equitable organization and city, we have, when possible, highlighted racial disparities throughout this report, denoted by the phrase Racial (In)Equity Data Point.

The Needs Update is used by the Human Services Commission to guide the recommendation to the City Council for allocation of our Human Services Fund and Community Development Block Grant. For the 2023-2024 biennial funding cycle, the Human Services Commission has received over 130 applications requesting over \$10 million for the estimated \$5.5 million in available funding.

The Needs Update is used by the Human Services Division staff to direct our work and forecast how the city can prepare for changes in human services. In addition, the Needs Update is also used extensively by community-based agencies and their boards, resident groups, City staff, staff in other local jurisdictions, and faith communities for planning purposes.

Staff will provide an overview of the findings and highlight the areas that are experiencing increased need.

## **Attachments:**

1. Human Services Needs Update | City of Bellevue (bellevuewa.gov)