

General Government/Operating

Washington State Arts Commission

Support veterans through art programs

The budget will provide Washington's military veterans and their families with arts and creative programming that is sensitive and responsive to their unique experiences. In 2020, the federal government increased support for arts-based programs and partnerships that serve veterans. From that, the Washington State Arts Commission and the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs built a stronger partnership and developed plans to provide these services to veterans. Funding will support two new program staff who can expand these programs. (\$1.5 million General Fund-State)

Washington State Historical Society

Create digital education resources

The ongoing pandemic has created a possible permanent shift in how schools access Washington State Historical Society (WSHS) educational products. Funding will create a communications consultant position to work with WSHS education and exhibitions staff. Together, they will create online educational formats that include interactive curriculum units, virtual field trips to the State History Museum and other digital exhibitions. These resources will give geographically-bound classrooms the ability to engage with State History Museum exhibitions, collections, and staff while meeting state-mandated learning requirements in state and local history, and tribal history. (\$209,000 GF-S)

Office of Financial Management

One Washington Phase 1

With coordination from multiple state agencies, the [One Washington program](#) will replace the state's 30-year-old financial system with a new, cloud-based system. The current phase includes funding for accounting and budget controls, grants, procurement, projects and reporting. This will help agencies strengthen over 350 unique systems, use organizational change management to prepare staff, offer expert and technical resources, and maintain staff to keep the program, project, and operations smoothly running. This continues the Legislature's initial investment from the [2021-23 budget](#). (\$88.4 million Information Technology Investment Revolving Account; \$1.2 million Office of Financial Management Central Service Account; \$5.4 million Information Technology Maintenance and Operations Account)

Department of Enterprise Services

Statewide diversity, equity and inclusion training

Use a centralized approach to administer a diversity, equity and inclusion training that the state recently piloted to train over 68,000 state employees. The training will consist of five, instructor-led modules taught over four days. Hiring staff in fiscal year 2023 builds the team that will train all executive branch employees by fiscal year 2027. (\$2.97 million GF-S)

Consolidated Technology Services (WaTech)

Migrate state technology into cloud technology

Implement the second phase of the recommendations in the Washington State Cloud Readiness Report that WaTech submitted to the Legislature January 2021. This will migrate various technology assets to cloud-computing technology. This includes WaTech becoming a cloud services broker to help agencies with best practices and governance models. Funding will also help us create templates for the necessary architecture, security, and business process changes we need for applications that will migrate to cloud-computing technology. (\$4.3 million Consolidated Technology Services Revolving Account)

Support technology staff impacted by cloud migrations

Establish a cloud-readiness program to prepare the state labor force to migrate to and support cloud-computing technology. The program – which came in response to recommendations from a Cloud Transition Task Force report – will create cloud transition roadmaps with agencies and establish a cloud training program to help expand career pathways for state employees. The training will focus on the 4,600 information technology staff impacted by these migrations. (\$2.38 million Consolidated Technology Services Revolving Account)

Secretary of State

Expand voting while incarcerated

Funding will help the Washington Secretary of State provide grants to no more than 10 counties to expand voter registration and voting within county jails for the 2022 primary and general elections. The counties may use these grants to develop and implement a plan to increase voting among incarcerated individuals, create voting materials specific to these individuals, purchase voting supplies and equipment and hire additional staff for voting activities. (\$628,000 GF-S)

Restore trust in elections and reach disengaged voters

The deluge of malicious election information during and after the 2020 general election eroded voter confidence. The Washington Secretary of State monitored and addressed numerous false narratives during the cycle, but it needs additional resources to monitor the spread of misinformation, coordinate responses and take preemptive actions. The Secretary of State will use funding to reach out to all voters, especially those in disengaged voting communities. (\$5 million GF-S)

Department of Commerce

Offer grants for local implementation

Funding for grants will enable local governments to update comprehensive plans and development regulations to implement Growth Management Act requirements. Additional funding will cover state and local

government costs to implement legislation (E2SHB 1099) that adds climate change mitigation to the list of goals in the act, and requires local governments to plan for climate change resiliency. It will also help the state implement governor-request legislation concerning salmon habitat restoration and preservation, and governor-request legislation to increase “middle housing” opportunities. (\$19.3 million GF-S)

Invest in addressing historical inequities

The governor will request legislation to establish a Community Reinvestment Fund to provide program grants to certain Washington communities. Disproportionally affected by economic and social disparities, these communities have experienced historically and inequitably enforced criminal laws and penalties for illegal drug sales, possession and use.

The department will also use the funds to prevent violence, develop economic capital to reduce poverty in highly-impacted communities, offer civil and criminal legal aid to expunge criminal records and vacate criminal convictions, and implement reentry services to facilitate successful transitions for formerly incarcerated individuals. In addition, the state will develop a study that identifies how to target specific communities for community reinvestment grants. Until the study is complete, the department will rapidly distribute funding through existing programs and networks. (\$125 million Community Reinvestment Account-State)

Support arts and heritage small businesses

Additional resources are provided for the Working Washington Small Business grant program that was funded earlier this year to support businesses in the arts, heritage and science sectors, including those that operate live entertainment venues. The department will develop criteria for successful grant applications in collaboration with the Washington State Arts Commission. (\$20 million GF-S)

Increase enrollment for Working Families Tax Credit program

The Department of Revenue identified crucial investments it can make to successfully implement the Working Families Tax Credit program. To that end, the Department of Commerce will use grants to help community-based organizations perform local outreach to increase the program’s enrollment. (\$5 million GF-S)

Attract motion picture industry to benefit state economy

Funding will offer interested motion picture production industries various incentives with the goal to attract their business to Washington. (\$6.5 million GF-S)

Prevent gun violence

Cities most impacted by gun violence will receive grants through the Office of Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention (OFSVP). These intentional, coordinated and sustained investments rely on evidence-based, violence

reduction strategies. In addition to these grants, community-based violence prevention and intervention services in south King County will receive funding to help 150 individuals. The King County “Shots Fired” social media network analysis has identified these individuals at ‘high risk’ of becoming a future victim or suspect in a firearm-related offense. These grants will also support the evidence-based Family Integrated Transition services for youth who are at high risk to perpetrate gun violence, and who reside in areas with high rates of gun violence. (\$4.1 million GF-S)

Dispute resolution centers

Dispute resolution centers provide a range of critical programs to communities. These include access to trauma-informed services that support housing stability, family stability, and youth and community restorative practices. Increased funding will support this critical community infrastructure with a focus on equity. (\$4 million GF-S)

Military Department

Support the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program

Establish a state precedent to share the non-federal match required to support the competitive Federal Emergency Management Agency BRIC grant program in Washington. This program makes federal funds available to state agencies, tribes and local communities for pre-disaster mitigation activities and projects such as tsunami vertical evacuation structures and levees. (\$4.85 million GF-S; \$33.9 million GF-F)

General Government/Capital

Strengthening Communities

Department of Commerce

Regional Manufacturing Shovel Ready Site Development

There are approximately 285,000 manufacturing jobs statewide and Washington's economy ranks high nationwide. However, these figures occlude the geographic concentration within the state. We know that a large share of the current manufacturing jobs are clustered among a handful of mega companies based in King County. These companies are large enough to attract their own supply chain and fund internal research and development. Because of this manufacturing footprint, nearly six out of 10 manufacturing jobs are in just two counties. The Regional Manufacturing Shovel Ready Site Development program supports the need to stay globally competitive, helps address significant geographic income and employment disparities, and takes advantage of anticipated federal infrastructure and innovation funds. It provides grant funding for localities to complete necessary predevelopment activities (such as environmental, design and infrastructure) for future manufacturing sites. (\$7.5 million bonds)

Darrington Wood Innovation Center

This project will enable a historically innovative rural economy to start producing carbon-sequestered, mass timber wood products. This project creates an opportunity to explore and evaluate how mass timber manufacturing and biomass clean energy systems can support and expand the market for lower valued timber

products, specifically forest practices aimed at reducing wildland fire risks. (\$1.5 million bonds)

Nespelem Community Longhouse

Funding will help construct a community longhouse for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. The Colville tribes have endured two major wildfire events that burned 537,000 acres and approximately 1 billion board feet of timber. Many Colville tribal members died from COVID-19 without many of the communal experiences, customs, and traditions associated with the end of life. (\$1.5 million bonds)

Northwest Harvest Yakima

Purchase cold storage equipment for the new Yakima Valley facility. This will extend the shelf-life of produce that Northwest Harvest distributes to those who need it throughout the state and prevent the need to transport food to a western Washington warehouse and out again to a statewide network of partner agencies. This reduces the number of freight trucks crossing the mountains to collect and distribute food. (\$3.2 million bonds)

Samaritan Healthcare hospital

Samaritan Healthcare (Grant County Public Hospital District No. 1) provides health care services for Moses Lake and the surrounding communities. Funding will help complete a new medical campus in Grant County that will offer access to comprehensive health care in the region. (\$4 million bonds)

Tubman Health Clinic

The Tubman Center for Health and Freedom is spearheading a community-led solution to establish a Black community owned and led health institution in the Pacific Northwest. By using community health promotion principles, the Tubman Center will build a primary and preventative health care delivery model that divests harmful practices and is attentive to the community's needs. Funding will help with site control and ownership for a patient-centered medical home and health clinic. Corresponding funding will support baseline staffing and program needs in the governor's proposed operating budget. (\$4.5 million bonds)

Walla Walla Courthouse

The historic Walla Walla County Courthouse was built in 1915. The Board of County Commissioners recently invested in various projects to ensure that the courthouse complex continues to suit the needs of the growing community and to guarantee the long-term preservation of the historic building. Funding will help complete this project, including ADA and other access issues. (\$1 million bonds)

Residential crisis stabilization for youth

Youth with cooccurring conditions that require behavioral health crisis stabilization services have few options besides emergency departments or inpatient pediatric psychiatric hospitalizations. These youth may not require hospital level of care but can't return home if their behavioral health needs outweigh community options. Currently, we don't have an available short-term treatment model or diversion from higher levels of care.

Funding will offer grants to community hospitals or other community providers to expand and establish new capacity for at least two residential crisis stabilization facilities for youth. These facilities must increase behavioral health services and capacity for children and minor youth. (\$12 million Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund-Federal)

Local government infrastructure

Department of Commerce

Ports infrastructure

The ports system experienced significant challenges associated with COVID-19. Port infrastructure upgrades, including to terminals and warehouses, will help Washington's eight major ports. This includes pilot projects at Everett, Seattle and Tacoma. (\$15 million bonds)

Department of Health

Improve critical drinking water infrastructure

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) provides low interest construction loans to public water systems throughout the state. Eligible projects include those that address public health risks, resiliency and upgrades to deteriorating infrastructure. These loans are available to all Group A water systems, and Group B water systems that become Group A water systems through consolidation, and tribal water systems not receiving other DWSRF set-aside funding for the project. (\$20 million Drinking Water Assistance Account-State)

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program

Additional funding will help with designing, financing, and constructing drinking water system improvements aimed at increasing public health protection and compliance with drinking water regulations for publicly- and privately-owned water systems. Expenditure authority for the program is increased due to anticipated federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program. Additional state match is also provided. (\$78.9 million Drinking Water Assistance Account-Federal, \$9.4 million Public Works Assistance Account-State)

Department of Ecology

Clean Water State Revolving Fund program

Capitalization grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency finance planning, designing, acquiring, constructing and improving water pollution control facilities. Funding is also used for related nonpoint source pollution control activities that help meet state and federal water quality requirements. Expenditure authority for the program is increased due to anticipated federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program. Additional state match is also provided. (\$33 million Water Pollution Control Revolving Account-Federal; \$3 million Public Works Assistance Account-State)

Water Pollution Control Revolving program

Congress established the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) to capitalize state-run, low-interest loan programs and finance water quality facilities and activities. The Washington State Water Pollution Control Revolving Account provides low-interest loans to local governments, special purpose districts and recognized tribes for high-priority water quality projects statewide. Ecology uses these funds to finance planning, designing, acquiring, constructing, and improving water pollution control facilities and for related nonpoint source activities that help meet state and federal water pollution control requirements. Funding will reinvest early loan repayments that the department received this fiscal year in ready-to-proceed projects and continue essential work through this loan program. (\$200 million Water Pollution Control Revolving Account-State)