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Department Overview

The Personnel Compensation Trust Funds are six subfunds of the General Fund, five of which are administered by the Seattle Department of Human Resources (SDHR) and one of which is administered by the Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS). These six subfunds serve as a means to manage certain Citywide contractual obligations on behalf of employees and City departments. The administering department collects funds from other City departments, which are then paid out to various insurance companies, service providers, and individuals.

The following subfunds are administered by the Seattle Department of Human Resources:

- **Health Care Subfund:** Contains the revenues and expenses related to the City's medical, dental and vision insurance programs; Flexible Spending Account program; Employee Assistance Program; and COBRA continuation coverage. The City is self-insured for both the Aetna and Kaiser medical plans and one dental plan, and carries insurance for the remainder of the dental and vision plans.
- Industrial Insurance Subfund: Captures the revenues and expenditures associated with the City's Workers' Compensation and Safety programs. Since 1972, the City of Seattle has been a self-insured employer as authorized under state law. The Industrial Insurance Subfund receives payments from City departments to pay for these costs and related administrative expenses. Overall costs include fees levied by the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries, reinsurance premiums, and administrative costs to manage the program.
- **Unemployment Insurance Subfund:** Contains the revenues and expenditures associated with the City's unemployment benefit and administration costs. The City is a self-insured employer with respect to unemployment insurance.
- Group Term Life Insurance Subfund: Contains the revenues and expenses related to the City's group term life insurance, long-term disability insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance plans.
- Special Employment Subfund: Contains the outside agency revenues and expenditures associated with
 the City's temporary, intern, and work study programs. Expenses related to employees hired by City
 departments through the Special Employment program are charged directly to the departments and do
 not pass through the Subfund.

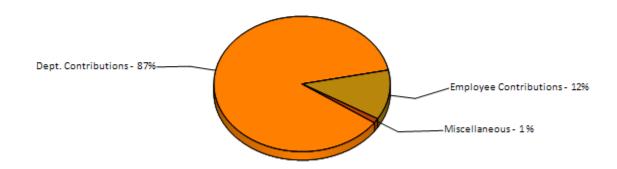
The following subfund is managed by the Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS):

• **Transit Benefit Subfund:** Contains the revenues and expenditures associated with the City's employee transit subsidy program with King County Metro Transit.

Budget Snapshot				
Department Support	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Other Funding - Operating	\$228,032,741	\$244,660,347	\$258,866,384	\$263,889,348
Total Operations	\$228,032,741	\$244,660,347	\$258,866,384	\$263,889,348
Total Appropriations	\$228,032,741	\$244,660,347	\$258,866,384	\$263,889,348
Full-time Equivalent Total*	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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2018 Adopted Budget - Revenue by Category



Budget Overview

The following provides a summary of each of the six individual subfunds of the General Fund that comprise the Personnel Compensation Trust Funds.

Health Care Subfund: Total City health care costs including medical, dental and vision care reached \$200 million in 2016. The City of Seattle experienced slow growth in average cost increases from 2014 through 2017, however, health care costs are generally cyclical in nature and the City of Seattle expects an uptick in health care costs in 2018.

Overall Health Care Rate Changes in 2018

City departments contribute health care premiums per employee based on a weighted average that includes medical, dental and vision coverage. The 2018 Endorsed Budget assumed the weighted average rate would increase 5% in 2018, as compared to 2017. The 2018 Adopted Budget updates the rate from 5% to 7%, per the City's health care economist.

In 2017, Kaiser acquired GroupHealth and the City's GroupHealth members are now Kaiser members. There are no expected immediate changes to the City's healthcare plans or costs for Kaiser members, formerly GroupHealth members.

Health Care Enrollment Changes

The total Citywide expected health care enrollment is 11,843 in 2018, or an increase of 2.4% from the 2017 expected enrollment of 11,566. In addition to the health care trend described above which drives the average cost per member, the change in enrollment impacts the total expected claims costs for the City and is directly correlated to the corresponding employee and employer contributions into the health care fund to pay for claim costs.

Health Care Reserves

In addition to meeting the claims and administrative costs of the health care fund, the City maintains reserves in the Health Care Subfund as mandated by the state and to help protect the City against large claims. The reserve amounts grow in proportion to claims costs. The contributions to fund balance shown in the 2017 Revised and 2018 Adopted sections of the health care fund table reflect the contributions into these reserves.

Industrial Insurance Subfund: The 2018 Adopted Budget shows no substantial change over levels in the 2018 Endorsed budget.

The City received notice from the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) that it should expect higher assessment fees in 2018 due to the City's higher risk of second injury claims. Second injury disability pension claims are a result of an employee's combined injuries from a City workplace injury and a previous or separate injury. The assessment fees serve as an insurance premium paid to the State's L&I's second injury fund. In contrast, disability pensions for injuries that occurred *only* at the City are paid in full by the City. A separate adjustment in the 2018 Adopted Budget reinstates a \$500,000 reserve in Finance General to pay these types of claims for General Fund departments.

The 2018 Adopted Budget adds \$700,000 for the 2018 portion of the two-year purchase and implementation of an updated workers' compensation system expected to be completed in 2019. The project's remaining costs will be included in the 2019 budget.

Unemployment Subfund: The 2018 Adopted Budget shows no substantial change over levels in the 2018 Endorsed budget.

The subfund will make repayments in 2018 and 2019 to the General Fund, as a repayment for a \$1.1 million loan from the General Fund in 2015 for higher-than-expected claims costs.

Group Term Life Subfund: The 2018 Adopted Budget shows no substantial change over levels in the 2018 Endorsed budget.

Special Employment Subfund: The 2018 Adopted Budget shows no substantial change over levels in the 2018 Endorsed budget. As a result of the City's Summit Re-Implementation Project, the City will be able to bill departments directly for its employees in the special employment program, rather than recover the costs through the Special Employment Subfund. This change will inactivate the subfund by the end of 2018.

Transit Benefit Subfund: The 2018 Adopted Budget does not include any adjustments to the Transit Benefit Subfund. The City's contract with King County for the ORCA Passport program is not finalized until after the 2018 Adopted Budget is submitted. Any changes needed to meet the final 2018 ORCA passport obligations will be made through a supplemental budget ordinance in 2018.

City Council Changes to the Proposed Budget

The Council made no changes to the 2018 Proposed Budget.

Incremental	Budget	Changes
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Personnel Compensation Trust Subfunds		
	2018	
	Budget	FTE
Total 2018 Endorsed Budget	\$ 258,866,384	0.00
Health Care Changes		
Increase in Health Care Costs	\$ 3,565,707	0.00
Industrial Insurance Changes		
Workers' Compensation System Replacement	\$ 700,000	0.00
Administrative Costs Changes	\$ 404,300	0.00
Pension Reserve for General Funded Departments	\$ 500,000	0.00
Group Term Life Changes		
Group Term Life and Long Term Disability Cost Changes	-\$ 147,043	0.00
Total Incremental Changes	\$ 5,022,964	0.00
2018 Adopted Budget	\$ 263,889,348	0.00

Descriptions of Incremental Budget Changes

Health Care Changes

Increase in Health Care Costs - \$3,565,707

The 2018 Adopted Budget increases the cost of health care claims and premium expense levels by \$3.6 million in 2018, as compared to the 2018 Endorsed Budget. This increase is due to two main drivers.

First, the 2017 to 2018 health care trend growth rate, which impacts the year-over-year average cost per member, increased from 5% in the 2018 Endorsed Budget to 7% in the 2018 Adopted Budget. This adjustment reflects the 2% change resulting from updated health care costs assumptions.

Second, the City's total health care enrollment is expected to increase by 2.4% in 2018, compared to the 2017 Adopted Budget, as a result of additional new Citywide positions in the 2018 Adopted Budget. The enrollment increase compounds with the health care trend growth by impacting the total health care claims costs.

Industrial Insurance Changes

Workers' Compensation System Replacement - \$700,000

The City's workers' compensation system will be replaced by 2019 in partnership with the Seattle Information Technology Department (Seattle IT). The current system is at the end of its useful life and requires significant manual changes for the City to meet current standards of practice for managing the workers' compensation system.

The entire system replacement, including labor costs for implementation, is expected to cost is \$1.25 million 2018 and 2019. This adjustment of \$700,000 reflects the 2018 portion of the project costs. The remaining costs will be appropriated in the 2019 budget.

Administrative Costs Changes - \$404,300

This adjustment reflects the increase in assessment fees charged by the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) to self-insured employers. The adjustment is primarily fees to fund the State's second injury fund which relieves the City from the full cost of disability pensions as a result of City workplace injury and another prior injury.

In contrast, the cost of disability pensions as a result of City workplace injury without another prior injury are paid in full by the City, rather than fee-based. The 2018 Adopted Budget includes a separate adjustment that reinstates a \$500,000 reserve in Finance General that will be used to pay for these types of disability pensions.

Pension Reserve for General Funded Departments - \$500,000

This item restores a recurring reserve in Finance General for Workers' Compensation total disability payments. When an employee is found to be totally disabled from a work injury, the City pays the Washington Department of Labor and Industries a present value lump sum to a trust fund. Finance General is the payment entity for General Fund department claims and previously held a reserve for this type of expense per Resolution 30535. However, lack of claims in prior years led to a reduction of the item in a prior budget. An increase in the number of claims being processed has influenced the decision to restore the reserve to buffer the impact of large payments on General Fund departments. Expected payment amounts depend on a variety of factors, including size of family and age of total disability, making these infrequent payments substantial when they occur.

Group Term Life Changes

Group Term Life and Long Term Disability Cost Changes - (\$147,043)

This adjustment reflects a decrease in the annual growth in the 2018 premiums for the City's group term life (GTL) and long term disability (LTD) insurance programs. This decrease reflects an overall decrease in the rates and enrollment of City employees in both insurance plans.

City Council Provisos

There are no Council provisos.

Expenditure Overview						
Appropriations	Summit Code	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted	
Group Term Life Budget Control Level	NA000	6,047,880	6,798,742	7,138,558	6,991,515	
Health Care Budget Control Level	NM000	197,503,601	210,247,436	223,264,152	226,829,859	
Industrial Insurance Budget Control Level	NR500	17,557,519	19,679,765	20,474,598	22,078,898	
Special Employment Budget Control Level	NT000	18,540	100,000	100,000	100,000	
Transit Benefit Budget Control Level	TRANSITB1	5,347,800	5,874,000	6,232,000	6,232,000	
Unemployment Insurance Budget Control Level	NS000	1,557,401	1,960,404	1,657,076	1,657,076	
Department Total		228,032,741	244,660,347	258,866,384	263,889,348	
Department Full-time Equivale	ents Total*	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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Revenue Overview 2018 Estimated Revenues 2016 Summit 2017 2018 2018 Code Source Actuals Adopted **Endorsed** Adopted GTL & LTD - Department 749,389 871,498 915,066 858,975 Contributions Health Care - Department 171,400,242 183,869,709 194,651,165 202,398,527 Contributions Industrial Insurance - Dept 19,079,765 16,962,271 19,874,599 21,578,899 Contributions Transit Benefit - Dept 5,347,800 5,874,000 6,232,000 6,232,000 Contributions Unemployment - Department 2,248,140 1,593,737 1,657,076 1,657,076 Contributions **Total Dept. Contributions** 196,707,842 211,288,709 223,329,906 232,725,477 GTL & LTD - Employee 5,278,681 5,927,244 6,223,492 6,132,540 Contributions Health Care - Employee 24,130,952 28,879,217 25,777,642 27,504,016 Contributions **Total Employee Contributions** 29,409,633 33,431,260 35,102,709 31,910,182 GTL & LTD - Other Funding 8,776 10,000 10,000 16,915 Health Care - Other Funding 4,005,175 2,339,898 2,456,893 2,854,291 Industrial Insurance -182,716 Miscellaneous 100,000 100.000 Special Employment Program -18,699 100,000 **Outside Funding Total Miscellaneous** 2,449,898 2,971,206 4,215,366 2,566,893 **Total Revenues** 230,332,841 247,169,867 260,999,508 267,606,865 Use of (Contribution to) Fund 11,034 -10,000 -10,000 -16,915 Balance - GTL & LTD Use of (Contribution to) Fund -2,032,767 -3,466,187 -2,723,122 -4,200,602 Balance - Health Care Use of (Contribution to) Fund 412,532 600,000 600,000 500,000 Balance - Indus. Ins. Use of (Contribution to) Fund 0 0 -159 0 Balance - SEP Use of (Contribution to) Fund -690,739 366,667 0 0 Balance - Unemployment Total Use of (Contribution to) -2,300,099 -2,509,520 -2,133,122 -3,717,517 **Fund Balance**

228,032,742

244,660,347

258,866,386

263,889,348

Total Resources

Appropriations By Budget Control Level (BCL) and Program

Group Term Life Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Group Term Life Budget Control Level is to provide appropriation authority for the City's group term life insurance, long-term disability insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Group Term Life Program	6,047,880	6,798,742	7,138,558	6,991,515
Total	6,047,880	6,798,742	7,138,558	6,991,515

Health Care Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Health Care Budget Control Level is to provide for the City's medical, dental, and vision insurance programs; the Flexible Spending Account; the Employee Assistance Program; and COBRA continuation coverage costs.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Health Care Program	197,503,601	210,247,436	223,264,152	226,829,859
Total	197,503,601	210,247,436	223,264,152	226,829,859

Industrial Insurance Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Industrial Insurance Budget Control Level is to provide for medical, wage replacement, pension, and disability claims related to occupational injuries and illnesses, occupational medical monitoring, workplace safety programs, and related expenses.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Industrial Insurance Program	17,557,519	19,679,765	20,474,598	22,078,898
Total	17,557,519	19,679,765	20,474,598	22,078,898

Special Employment Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Special Employment Budget Control Level is to capture the expenditures associated with outside agency use of the City's temporary, intern, and work study programs. Outside agencies reimburse the City for costs. Expenses related to employees hired by City departments through the Special Employment Program are charged directly to the departments.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Special Employment Program	18,540	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total	18,540	100,000	100,000	100,000

Transit Benefit Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Transit Benefit Budget Control Level is to pay for the transit benefits offered to City employees. The Transit Benefit Subfund receives payments from Finance General and fee supported departments to pay for reduced cost King County Metro and other regional transit passes and related administrative expenses.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Transit Benefit Program	5,347,800	5,874,000	6,232,000	6,232,000
Total	5,347,800	5,874,000	6,232,000	6,232,000

Unemployment Insurance Budget Control Level

The purpose of the Unemployment Insurance Budget Control Level is to provide the budget authority for the City to pay unemployment compensation expenses.

Program Expenditures	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Unemployment Insurance Program	1,557,401	1,960,404	1,657,076	1,657,076
Total	1,557,401	1,960,404	1,657,076	1,657,076

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Special Employment Frogram Su	2016	2017	2017	2018	2018
	Actuals	Adopted	Revised	Endorsed	Adopted
Beginning Fund Balance	124,571	124,571	124,730	124,571	124,730
Accounting and Technical Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues	18,699	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	18,540	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Ending Fund Balance	124,730	124,571	124,730	124,571	124,730
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance	124,730	124,571	124,730	124,571	124,730
Group Term Life Insurance Subfu	ınd (00628)				
	2016	2017	2017	2018	2018
	Actuals	Adopted	Revised	Endorsed	Adopted
Beginning Fund Balance	466,126	481,433	455,092	491,433	471,676
Accounting and Technical Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues	6,036,846	6,808,742	6,544,609	7,148,558	7,008,430
Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	6,047,880	6,798,742	6,528,025	7,138,558	6,991,515
Ending Fund Balance	455,092	491,433	471,676	501,433	488,591
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance	455,092	491,433	471,676	501,433	488,591
Industrial Insurance Subfund (00	<u> </u>				
	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2017 Revised	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Beginning Fund Balance	6,441,298	5,741,298	6,028,766	5,141,298	4,975,656
Accounting and Technical Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues	17,144,987	19,079,765	19,326,655	19,874,599	21,578,899

Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	17,557,519	19,679,765	20,379,765	20,474,598	22,078,898
Ending Fund Balance	6,028,766	5,141,298	4,975,656	4,541,299	4,475,657
Policy Reserve	2,778,561	3,065,011	3,065,011	3,212,012	3,212,012
Total Reserves	2,778,561	3,065,011	3,065,011	3,212,012	3,212,012
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance	3,250,205	2,076,287	1,910,645	1,329,287	1,263,645
Unemployment Insurance Subfu	ınds (00517)				
	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2017 Revised	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Beginning Fund Balance	1,396,293	1,688,314	2,087,032	1,321,647	1,538,474
Accounting and Technical Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues	2,248,140	1,593,737	1,854,014	1,657,076	1,657,076
Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	1,557,401	1,960,404	2,402,572	1,657,076	1,657,076
Ending Fund Balance	2,087,032	1,321,647	1,538,474	1,321,647	1,538,474
General Fund Payback Reserve	366,667	0	366,667	0	0
Policy Reserve	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Total Reserves	866,667	500,000	866,667	500,000	500,000
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance	1,220,365	821,647	671,807	821,647	1,038,474
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance Health Care Subfund (00627)	1,220,365	821,647	671,807	821,647	1,038,474
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	1,220,365 2016 Actuals	821,647 2017 Adopted	671,807 2017 Revised	821,647 2018 Endorsed	1,038,474 2018 Adopted
	2016	2017	2017	2018	2018
Health Care Subfund (00627)	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2017 Revised	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Health Care Subfund (00627) Beginning Fund Balance Accounting and Technical	2016 Actuals 71,767,934	2017 Adopted 74,297,392	2017 Revised 73,800,702	2018 Endorsed 77,763,579	2018 Adopted 79,079,994
Health Care Subfund (00627) Beginning Fund Balance Accounting and Technical Adjustments Plus: Actual and Estimated	2016 Actuals 71,767,934 0	2017 Adopted 74,297,392	2017 Revised 73,800,702	2018 Endorsed 77,763,579	2018 Adopted 79,079,994
Health Care Subfund (00627) Beginning Fund Balance Accounting and Technical Adjustments Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues Less: Actual and Budgeted	2016 Actuals 71,767,934 0 199,536,369	2017 Adopted 74,297,392 0 213,713,623	2017 Revised 73,800,702 0 213,863,982	2018 Endorsed 77,763,579 0 225,987,275	2018 Adopted 79,079,994 0 231,030,460
Health Care Subfund (00627) Beginning Fund Balance Accounting and Technical Adjustments Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	2016 Actuals 71,767,934 0 199,536,369 197,503,601	2017 Adopted 74,297,392 0 213,713,623 210,247,436	2017 Revised 73,800,702 0 213,863,982 208,584,690	2018 Endorsed 77,763,579 0 225,987,275 223,264,152	2018 Adopted 79,079,994 0 231,030,460 226,829,859

State Mandated Reserve	15,306,000	16,127,075	16,491,973	17,076,734	18,161,574
Total Reserves	73,800,702	77,763,579	79,079,994	80,486,702	83,280,595
Ending Unreserved Fund Balance	0	0	0	0	0
Transit Benefit Subfund (00410)	2016 Actuals	2017 Adopted	2017 Revised	2018 Endorsed	2018 Adopted
Beginning Fund Balance			0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balance Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues	5,347,800	5,874,000	0 5,874,000	0 6,232,000	0 6,232,000
Plus: Actual and Estimated	5,347,800 5,347,800	5,874,000 5,874,000	_	_	_
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues Less: Actual and Budgeted			5,874,000	6,232,000	6,232,000
Plus: Actual and Estimated Revenues Less: Actual and Budgeted Expenditures	5,347,800	5,874,000	5,874,000 5,874,000	6,232,000 6,232,000	6,232,000 6,232,000