



Educational & Developmental Services Levy

Mission Statement

The Families & Education Levy was renewed by voters in 1997 for \$69 million over seven years. The Levy is administered by the City of Seattle Strategic Planning Office's Office of Education and strives to support school- and community-based programming to help ensure that Seattle's children and youth are safe, healthy, ready to learn, and successful in school. In addition to school-based programming, programs also help to strengthen partnerships between parents, schools, and community resources.

Implementing departments are the Strategic Planning Office, the Department of Parks and Recreation, Public Health - Seattle and King County, and the Human Services Department. The Levy funds 20 programs that provide critical health and social services to children, youth, and families. A large portion of the Levy funds go directly to the Seattle School District via contracts with one of these City departments.

Note: Managing For Results (MFR) terminology for the levy is as follows: the "department" is the Educational and Developmental Services Levy; the "line of business" is a unique MFR program in either the Human Services Department, the Department of Parks and Recreation, Public Health Department, or the Strategic Planning Office; and the "program" is one of a number of projects operated by those departments' MFR programs.

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Appropriations

Fund/Line of Business (in thousands of dollars)	Summit Code	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Educational & Developmental Services Fund					
Human Services Department - Child Development Program	HH220	1,774	1,402	1,458	1,508
Human Services Department - Family Development Program	HH220	1,959	1,998	2,059	2,122
Human Services Department - Youth Development Program	HH220	757	772	799	827
Parks & Recreation - Recreation, Arts, and Community Programs	KH2H1	1,159	1,177	1,219	1,262
Public Health - Seattle and King County - School-Age Health	VH2H1	2,155	2,491	2,238	2,314
Strategic Planning Office/Office for Education - Education, Children, and Families Program	XH210	1,820	2,097	2,114	2,149
Department Total		9,624	9,936	9,889	10,182

Human Services Department - Child Development Program

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Child Development Program is to provide access to affordable, culturally relevant, high-quality early care and education, as well as provide out-of-school time activities for children and families, so that children can succeed in school and parents can maintain or achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Comprehensive Child Care Project	1,175	790	825	852
First Place Project	54	55	57	59
School-Age Care Project	546	557	576	596
Line of Business Total	1,774	1,402	1,458	1,508
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25

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Comprehensive Child Care Project

The early care and education program provides access to affordable, culturally relevant, high-quality, community-based child care programs, so that children can succeed in school and parents can maintain or attain economic self-sufficiency.

Continue to provide financial assistance for lower-income working families through child care subsidies.

Continue to provide training and technical assistance to child care providers in order to improve program quality.

Continue to provide health and nutrition consultation, parent referrals, and/or social services to families in need.

First Place Project

The purpose of First Place School is to provide transitional education and support services to homeless students ages 5-13 with counseling for emotional issues related to homelessness, assistance with academic achievement, and case management support, so that students are gaining skills and accessing services that will promote economic, social, and emotional stability and growth.

Assist First Place in developing a funding plan to maintain a counseling position that was supported by non-Levy funds.

School-Age Care Project

The purpose of the School-Age Care Project is to provide access to affordable, culturally relevant, high-quality out-of-school-time programs, so that children ages 5-12 can engage in safe, supervised, structured activities and parents can maintain or become economically self-sufficient.

Increase number of available child care slots by supporting the opening of new child care programs in Seattle Public Schools' Building Excellence schools.

Human Services Department - Family Development Program

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Family Development Program is to provide life-long, culturally appropriate learning opportunities, advocacy, leadership development, and resources to children and families, so that they will gain the skills and assets necessary to be healthy, successful, contributing members of the community.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Family Center Project	702	716	741	767
Family Involvement Project	48	49	49	49
Family Support Worker Project	913	931	964	998
Immigrant & Refugee Parent Support Project	26	26	27	28
Volunteer and Family Partnerships Project	270	276	278	280
Line of Business Total	1,959	1,998	2,059	2,122
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30

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Family Center Project

The purpose of the Family Center Project is to support nine family centers which offer a wide range of programs and activities to support and strengthen families. Services include parent education, support groups, English as a Second Language and General Educational Development (G.E.D.) classes as well as workshops on topics such as nutrition, family budget management, child health, and other topics. The centers offer specialized services for teen parents, families with members who are disabled, and a variety of language and cultural groups.

Provide the update and re-design of a data collection system.

Provide the following services: a Management Training Institute for Family Center Coordinators, domestic violence workshops for all family centers, process evaluation, and "Undoing Institutional Racism" training for family center staff.

Family Involvement Project

The purpose of the the Family Involvement Project is to increase schools' effectiveness in engaging families and community members in supporting learning that promotes academic, social, and emotional success for children.

Develop and implement a plan to combine the Family Involvement Project and the Volunteer and Family Partnerships programs.

Establish connections with other Seattle Public Schools' internal school services.

Family Support Worker Project

The purpose of the Family Support Worker Project is to provide 55 Family Support Workers in 58 Seattle Public Schools' elementary schools. Workers provide support and assistance to families of students with concerns related to basic unmet needs, academic progress, attendance, health and safety, overall readiness to learn, and a variety of other issues. Workers provide outreach, education, and advocacy for families; make referrals to school and community programs; visit families at home; assist families and children in solving practical problems; and provide follow-up to determine the success of referrals. Workers also routinely organize and/or participate in school-based activities to address needs and interests of families.

Increase emphasis of services on refugee, immigrant, and homeless families.

Immigrant & Refugee Parent Support Project

The purpose of the Immigrant & Refugee Parent Support Project is to provide support services through contracts with ethnic community-based agencies that have the language capacity to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate parent education and youth support services to immigrant and refugee families. Services are tailored to strengthen family support and equip parents with skills to promote success for their teenage children while developing positive parent-child relationships.

Provide workshops for community parent educators about prevalent parent issues affecting refugee and immigrant communities.

Volunteer and Family Partnerships Project

The purpose of the Volunteer and Family Partnerships Project is to increase the capacity of schools to engage families and community members in programs and activities that promote academic, social, and emotional success for children. The project awards funds for schools to implement volunteer and family involvement activities.

Develop and implement a plan to combine the Family Involvement Project and the Volunteer and Family Partnerships.

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Human Services Department - Youth Development Program

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Youth Development Program is to provide services for youth to support their developmental needs and facilitate their ability to gain the skills and assets necessary to grow into healthy, successful adults and contributing members of the community.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Seattle Team for Youth	696	710	736	761
Seattle Youth Involvement Network	60	61	64	66
Line of Business Total	757	772	799	827
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00

Seattle Team for Youth

The purpose of the Seattle Team for Youth (STFY) is to divert youth from gang and/or criminal involvement, help youth succeed in school and strengthen the youth services system. STFY provides case management, support services, and advocacy for gang-involved youth or youth at-risk of gang involvement and/or school failure. The program is a collaboration between the Human Services Department, the Seattle Police Department, King County Superior Court Social Services, Seattle Public Schools, Atlantic Street Center, Central Area Motivation Program, Central Youth and Family Services, Metrocenter YMCA, Southeast Youth and Family Services, Southwest Youth and Family Services, SafeFutures Youth Center, and YouthCare.

Provide on-going case management and support services.

Seattle Youth Involvement Network

The purpose of the Seattle Youth Involvement Network is to promote the development of an effective youth voice among middle and high school-aged youth by creating avenues for civic involvement, leadership training and decision making.

Help youth grow to be strong community leaders, provide youth with concrete skills and resources to lead youth-driven community organizing and civic involvement projects, and connect youth to community resources.

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Parks & Recreation - Recreation, Arts, and Community Programs

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Department of Parks and Recreation's Recreation, Arts, and Community Programs Line of Business is to provide opportunities for people to engage in recreation and community opportunities.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Middle School After School Project	1,000	1,020	1,056	1,094
Summer Day Camp Scholarships Project	159	157	163	169
Line of Business Total	1,159	1,177	1,219	1,262
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

Middle School After School Project

The purpose of the Middle School After-School Activity Project (ASAP) is to provide school-based after-school activities for Seattle Public School students at 20 schools. Activities, which are led by school staff and qualified youth workers from community-based agencies, support youth development and youth connection to school, peers, and community. The program also supports site-based coordination, transportation, and snacks.

Increase community partnerships for coordination and activities.

Summer Day Camp Scholarships Project

The purpose of the Summer Day Camp Scholarship Project is to provide low-income students, referred by Seattle Public Schools Family Support Workers, with day camp scholarships at the Department of Parks and Recreation's community centers during summer and school breaks.

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Public Health - Seattle and King County - School-Age Health

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the School-Age Health Program is to provide leadership, technical assistance, and resources to community partners and youth, so that the physical and mental health of youth is optimized.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Middle School Health Education Project	120	122	127	131
Middle School Wellness Centers Project	523	697	425	439
North Seattle Public Health Center	0	100	104	107
Secondary School Nurses Project	450	673	697	723
Teen Health Centers	1,062	898	886	914
Line of Business Total	2,155	2,491	2,238	2,314
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25

Middle School Health Education Project

The purpose of the Comprehensive Health Education Project is to offer curriculum and instructional support to health education teachers with a focus on middle schools. The program also offers district-wide workshops on health-related topics.

Improve health education to underserved students.

Middle School Wellness Centers Project

The purpose of the Middle School Wellness Centers Project is to provide health education, counseling, and basic health care to middle school students within the school setting. Two wellness centers opened at Denny and Washington Middle Schools in the Fall of 1999.

Withhold funding for two additional Middle School Wellness Centers, as they are not yet operational. A supplemental appropriation will be requested if the Centers are able to be operational in 2001.

North Seattle Public Health Center

The purpose of the North Seattle Public Health Center is to serve students from Ballard and Ingraham High Schools until Teen Health Centers can be opened in these high school sites.

Secondary School Nurses Project

The purpose of the Secondary School Nurse Project is for the Public Health Department to provide school health nurses at nine high schools and one middle school.

Conduct an extensive planning process to develop a comprehensive student health system for Seattle Public Schools.

Teen Health Centers

The purpose of the Teen Health Centers is to provide school-based health centers that provide health care, including mental health services, to high school students in eight Seattle Public Schools high schools. Seven of the eight are funded, in part, by the Families and Education levy.

Withhold funding for two additional Teen Health Centers, as they are not yet operational. A supplemental appropriation will be requested if the Centers are able to be operational in 2001.

Begin planning process to develop additional financial support for Teen Health Centers and to address the long-term sustainability of the centers.

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Strategic Planning Office/Office for Education - Education, Children, and Families Program

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Education, Children, and Families Program is to build linkages and a strong relationship between the City and the Seattle School District, administer the Families and Education Levy, and provide policy direction to help children succeed in school, strengthen school-community connections, and achieve the City's vision of every Seattle child having access to high quality early care and out-of-school time programs.

Resources

Program (in thousands of dollars)	1999 Actual	2000 Adopted	2001 Adopted	2002 Endorsed
Effective Schools - K-12 Literacy Project	247	500	500	500
Levy Administration Project	487	497	494	508
Levy Evaluation Project	100	100	100	100
Middle School Support Project	986	1,000	1,020	1,040
Line of Business Total	1,820	2,097	2,114	2,149
Positions (in Full Time Equivalents)	3.65	3.65	3.65	3.65

Effective Schools - K-12 Literacy Project

The purpose of the Effective Schools Project is to provide funding to 15 schools that have been selected, using low test scores and climate surveys as criteria, to take part in staff development activities, and to receive technical assistance in developing literacy and instructional strategies based on “Teaching for Understanding” principles. This instructional strategy incorporates the latest brain research with instructional best practices. In order to optimize the benefit, schools remain in the project for three consecutive years after which time others are brought in to the project.

Work with the School District to develop and implement an evaluation plan for the project.

Levy Administration Project

The purpose of the Levy Administration Project is be accountable to the City Executive and the City Council for the overall management of the Families and Education Levy and for facilitating partnerships between the Seattle School District and other City departments.

Oversee the implementation of outcome evaluations for Levy-funded programs.

Decrease administrative operating expenses to keep the Levy administration limited to no more than five percent of the total Levy budget. The City's Strategic Planning Office will absorb the work within existing staff resources.

Levy Evaluation Project

The purpose of the Levy Evaluation Project is to oversee an expenditure of \$100,000 per year for outcome evaluations of levy-funded programs, in order to ensure that program outcomes are being met and to further refine program design, so that the needs of Seattle’s children and families are best met.

Conduct outcome evaluations for Education and Developmental Services Levy.

Middle School Support Project

The purpose of the Middle School Support Project is to help 20 schools implement strategies designed to meet the developmental needs of adolescents and to improve school climate. The majority of funding pays for students' and families' support services. Activities and programs such as counseling, mentoring, extracurricular activities, service learning, life and social skills training, home/school communication, parent involvement, and staff development are funded through this program.

Conduct an outcome evaluation during the 2000-2001 school year and implement the recommendations.