South King County Fund Update
Highline Forum

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Overview

- South King County Fund (SKCF) launched in 2019
- Environmental, Economic Recovery, WMBE Programs
- 2020 - total of $1.5 Million
- 2021 - Total of $2 Million
- Goal: to develop equity-based partnerships in South King County
2020 Funding Highlights

• Economic Recovery- 10 projects total of $981,881
• Environmental- 14 projects total of $217,000
• WMBE support- 3 programs total of $250,000
Fund Highlights Economic Recovery

• African Chamber of Commence – Helping with Clean Truck Program

• Businesses Ending Slavery and Trafficking - Providing employment readiness training and support

• Puget Sound Welcome Back Center – Preparing international engineers for jobs in construction
Fund Highlights Environmental Grants

- Federal Way Korean American Association - Hanwoori Garden
- Partner in Employment - Youth Led Park Restoration and Community Cleanup
- Bhutanese Community Resource Center - Engaging and empowering Bhutanese community to local public spaces
Fund Highlights- WMBE Support

- Advanced Port Gen Workshops
- Port Gen Accelerator
- Highline College Partnerships
Current Opportunity: Economic Recovery

- Application Open September 13 – October 25
- A total of $1.5M is budgeted for the Economic Recovery Program
- New this year: **Multi-year contracts** are available for up to $250k for up to 3 years
- Funded project must **benefit Port-related industries** and activities in the following focus areas:
  - Small Business Assistance
  - Workforce Development
  - Job Creation
  - Development of New, Innovative Economic Recovery Strategies
Current Opportunity- Environmental Grants

• Applications open through October 15!
• Grants up to $20,000/year up to 3 years.
• Require public improvement
• 3:1 match
• Info Sessions 9/25 and 8/5
Public Partnerships

- Public land partners are critical to the success of the Environmental Grants Program
- Opportunities to invest in City/School property
- Requires staff coordination
- Plans for 2022 to develop a regional strategy through a set of meetings
Community Capacity Building

• Building SKC based grassroots nonprofit capacity
• Empowering BIPOC-led non-profits and community groups
• Deepening Port Community Liaison program
• Supporting community grant reviewers
Port Equity Index

- The Equity Index was created as a tool for the Port to understand the variations that exist within the region and use that information to direct resources towards the areas of greatest need.

- The Equity Index consists of 21 indicators within each of these four categories.

- The indicators examine variations in pollution, access to economic opportunity, and a healthy standard of living across King County.

- Each category aligns with the Century Agenda.
Questions?