



Dept of Social and Health Services
Program 100 - Vocational Rehabilitation
2021-23 Regular Budget Session
Policy Level - L7 - Personal Protective Equip COVID-19

Agency Recommendation Summary

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) is requesting \$9,826,000 (\$7,380,000 GF-State) to support the increased costs incurred for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Of this amount, the Division of Vocation Rehabilitation requests \$28,000 GF-State.

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Summary <i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal Years		Biennial
	2022	2023	2021-23	2024	2025	2023-25
Operating Expenditures						
Fund 001 - 1	\$14	\$14	\$28	\$14	\$14	\$28
Total Expenditures	\$14	\$14	\$28	\$14	\$14	\$28

Decision Package Description

PROBLEM STATEMENT:

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a significant increase in costs associated with the need for staff PPE. The increased PPE required includes masks, gowns, face shields, gloves, goggles, cloth face coverings, communicator masks, surgical masks, sanitizer, wipes, and thermometers. This PPE equipment is necessary to meet the additional requirements put in place as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Washington employers must ensure workers wear face coverings at work in almost all situations. Employers must provide face coverings and must comply with this order, which is enforced by the Department of Labor & Industries.

PROPOSED SOLUTION:

DSHS request \$9,826,000 (\$7,380,000 GF-State) is provided to support the increased costs incurred for PPE as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. These costs represent the increased funding for PPE across all of DSHS.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

Funding this request will ensure that staff have the necessary PPE available to support the clients and residents served by DSHS.

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Assumptions and Calculations

Expansion, Reduction, Elimination or Alteration of a current program or service:

Not Applicable

Detailed Assumptions and Calculations:

See attached – 000 – AW – ML – L7 – Personal Protective Equip COVID-19.xlsx.

Workforce Assumptions:

Not Applicable

How is your proposal impacting equity in the state?

Not Applicable

Strategic and Performance Outcomes

Strategic Framework:

Governor's Result Washington Goals:

Goal 4: Healthy & Safe Communities - Safe People - Help keep people safe in their homes, on their jobs and in their communities.

Agency Strategic Plans:

DVR 2.4 - Emergency Management Services: DVR staff will be prepared to respond to emergencies and workplace hazards to ensure that employees and visitors remain safe and secure and business operations are maintained and/or can recover quickly.

Performance Outcomes:

See Expected Results

Other Collateral Connections

State Workforce Impacts:

None

Intergovernmental:

None

State Facilities Impacts:

None

Changes from Current Law:

None

Puget Sound Recovery:

Not Applicable

Legal or Administrative Mandates:

None

Stakeholder Response:

None

Reference Documents

[000 - PL - L7 - Personal Protective Equipment COVID 19.xlsx](#)

IT Addendum

Does this Decision Package include funding for any IT-related costs, including hardware, software, (including cloud-based services), contracts or IT staff?

No

Objects of Expenditure

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