



NC25-0083F Funding Recommendations

City of Tacoma | Neighborhood and Community Services

Community Vitality and Safety Committee
August 14, 2025

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Agenda

- Overview of BRAYVE
- BRAYVE Funding
- Request for Proposals Overview
- Funding Recommendations



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Overview: Building Resilience Against Youth Violence & Exploitation (BRAYVE)

- Formerly: Education, Youth Development, and Youth & Young Adult Violence Reduction
- Goal: Reduce the likelihood at-risk youth and young adults will become involved in criminal activity and violent crime.
- Utilize prevention, intervention, suppression, and collaboration efforts to foster safe neighborhoods and encourage community leadership.



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Funding the Continuum

- BRAYVE programming includes the continuum of prevention to intervention services as a form of youth violence reduction

- Programs funded through the 2024 RFP:

Prevention Focus	Intervention Focus
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- Based on the 2024 RFP, there was an imbalance in funding the full continuum and specifically a gap in the provision of intervention services.
- Some funding was held to solicit intervention services specific for young people already impacted by violence or with highest risk.



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BRAYVE Funding

Fund	Currently Funded	BRAYVE RFP	Total
General Fund	\$1,318,828	\$350,000	\$1,668,828
MHSUD	\$770,466	\$66,399	\$836,865
Criminal Justice	\$0	\$412,456	\$412,456
Total	\$2,089,294	\$828,855	\$2,918,149



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RFP Scope

Purpose:

- To provide intervention services that are individualized, intensive, comprehensive, and measurable.
- The intent of services is to influence the trajectory of youth and young adults by offering alternatives to current behaviors.

Population to Be Served:

Court-Connected

Individuals who are:

- Involved with a local court system
- Referred to the courts
- Referred to adult court or a Juvenile Rehabilitation site.

Highest-Risk

Individuals directly impacted by gun violence or having multiple contributing risk factors across different domains.



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Request for Proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Released May 7, 2025 Closed June 3, 2025 Anticipated start date September 1, 2025 	Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 32 Received 21 Eligible for Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total request of \$3.5 million with \$828,855 available
Selection Advisory Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 members with a level of Expertise Human Services Commission members, Community-Based Service Provider, System Partner, Tacoma Police Department, Neighborhood and Community Services Staff 	Consensus and Allocation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rating and Evaluation is based on responsiveness to the Request for Proposal. Scores Reflect Responsiveness Funding Recommendations are based on Scores

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Agency	Program	Score	Application Amt	Total Allocation
Big Homie Ministries	The Big Homie Project	90.00	\$160,625	\$160,625
Consejo Counseling & Referral Services	Youth Behavioral Health Care Coordination Program (YBHCCP)	89.14	\$145,000	\$145,000
Tacoma Boat Builders	Community Opportunity Regardless of Experience (C.O.R.E.)	88.29	\$167,515	\$134,012
James Matthew Commission Foundation	Confident Youth Intervention Program	87.71	\$105,200	\$84,160
Communities in Schools of Tacoma	FREE 253 initiative	85.71	\$142,210	\$113,768
Metropolitan Development Council (MDC)	Community Court Diversion and Comprehensive Care for Youth and Young Adults	83.43	\$200,000	\$80,000
Alchemy Skate Park Education Center	METALS- Making, Exploring, Thriving, and Learning Skateboarding	83.00	\$31,716	\$31,716
Innovative Change Makers	Young Kings Boys Group	81.71	\$200,000	\$79,574

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Agency	Program	Score	Application Amt	Total Allocation
Innovative Change Makers	Innovative Cutz	79.86	\$200,000	\$0
Justice for Girls Coalition (JFG)	One Girl Better Systems (OGBS) Program	79.71	\$167,113	\$0
Pierce County Juvenile Court	Positive Youth Development Programming	78.00	\$345,000	\$0
Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center	Hilltop BRAYVE: Youth Violence Intervention and Healing Pathways	77.14	\$189,000	\$0
Making a Difference Foundation (MADF)	Feeding Our Future BIPOC Youth Farming Program	73.43	\$200,000	\$0
Tacoma Youth for Christ	Tacoma YFC Mentor One80	73.29	\$200,000	\$0
Hilltop Artist in Residence	Arts Connect	72.00	\$87,000	\$0
Girls Hearts on Fire	TRUE Essence + Club Hearts on Fire: Community Violence Intervention for Girls and Families	69.00	\$200,000	\$0

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Agency	Program	Score	Application Amt	Total Allocation
CJK Community Homes	Roots & Wings- Lived Experience Mentorship for Violence and Exploitation Intervention	68.00	\$150,000	\$0
Safe Streets Campaign	Health is Wealth	67.43	\$200,000	\$0
Greater Destiny Ministries	H.I.M. and H.E.R. (Hope in Motion and Helping Empower and Restore)	66.86	\$196,025	\$0
PUSH for Dreams	Leadership Academy	65.57	\$80,000	\$0
Puyallup Tribe	Youth Rise: A Reclaiming Project	65.14	\$131,450	\$0
TOTAL			\$3.5	\$828,855

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Next Steps

Anticipated Schedule:

- Notification to Applicants:
 - Week of August 18
 - Purchasing sends notifications
- Contract Negotiation
 - Services to start no earlier than September 1, 2025
 - Neighborhood and Community Services negotiates with providers after the protest period has ended



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