

Update on Systems Transformation

City of Tacoma | Finance Department
City Council Meeting
5/10/2022

•• Equity in Contracting – Livable Wage Jebs

Outreach

Working with Dunn and Bradstreet to identify women and minority owned businesses for contracting opportunities.

Reporting

Adding demographic data to our supplier database to enhance reporting and help us measure our outreach efforts.

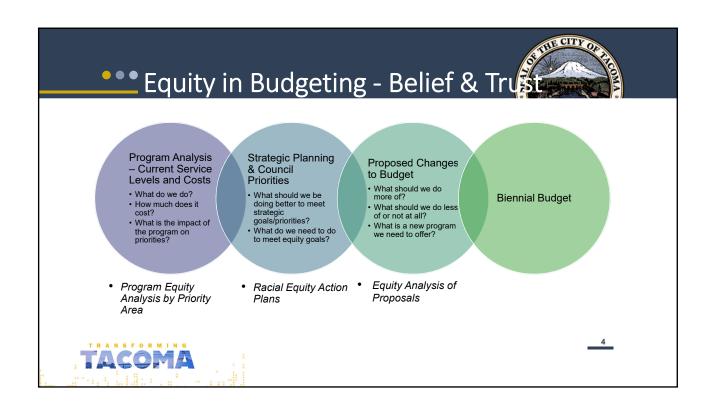
Collaboration

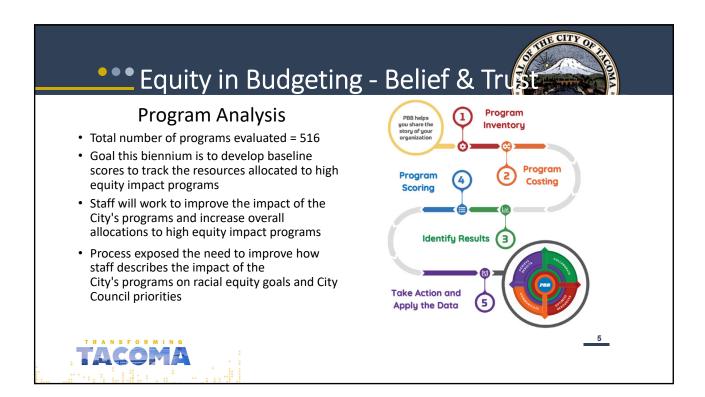
Partnering closely with the Equity and Contracting (EIC) team in CED to assure consistency in the EIC bidding process and help meet EIC goals

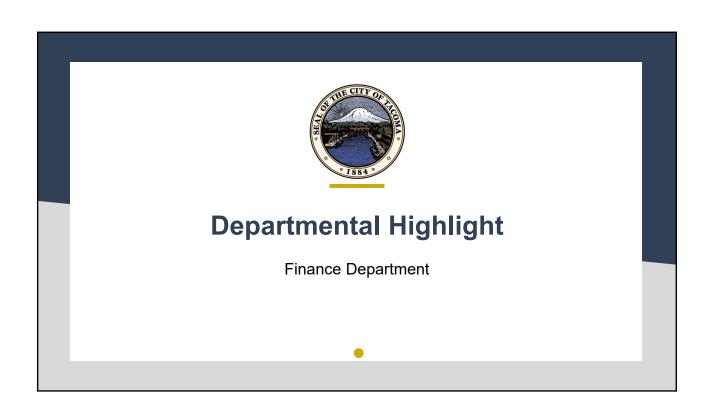


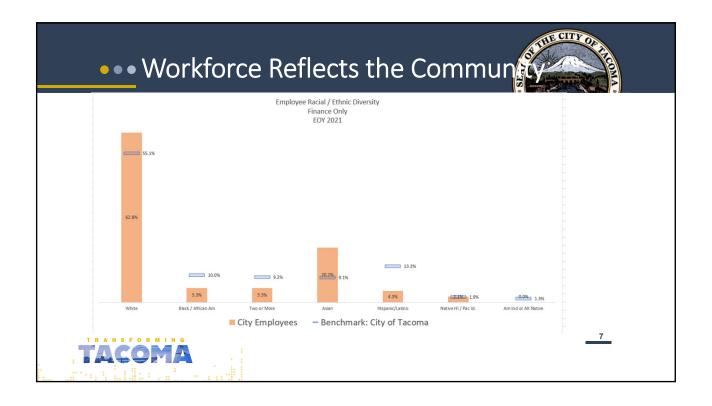
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••• Workforce Reflects the Commun

- Actively working with Human Resources to update finance job postings to be inclusive by allowing experience for education. A degree may not always be necessary
- Changes to application scoring processes for highly sought after positions to reduce barriers.
- Successful use of internship programs to recruit and hire
- Small updates lead to big changes removing a driver's license requirement, flexible start times and the opportunity to work from home or in the office even before Covid!
- Created and provided an internal tool for current employees to aid in career advancement and City retention.

Purposeful Community Outreach **** Engagement

- Participatory Budgeting
- OMB outreach on design of community engagement approach
- New Gift Card and Food policies

Activity & Level of Engagement	Method or Tool	Desired Outcome
Activity: Balancing Act (Virtual and In-Person) Level of Engagement: Inform and Consult	*Balancing Act (Online) *Kick-off/real-time events *Ongoing *Farmers Markets *Other events	*Educate public on where resources are spent *Invite public to reprioritize spending *Receive feedback
Activity: Survey and Art Level of Engagement: Consult	•Online survey •Physical surveys •Posters •Farmers Markets •Other events	Feedback on major service changes and priorities





••• Equitable Service Delivery



Purchasing Division Changes

- Develop reports for contracting trends and vendor demographics to measure impacts of policy changes and outreach efforts
- Continued collaboration with CED in support of the City's Equity in Contracting program

Tax & License

- Adding the ability to pay license fees at TPU pay boxes, accepting cash, check and credit cards (June 2022)
- Incorporating multilingual options into phone payment system (June 2022)





Departmental Look Forward



- "How to do business with the City of Tacoma"
 - Focus on Women and minority business owners
 - Collaboration with CED, Finance (Tax & License, Procurement, Risk)
 Power, Water
- Expand purchasing policy for OMWBE direct buy authority
- Continuing the inclusion of anti-racism and equity goals in budget process; including proposal development, decision making, and outreach
- Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Budget presentation later this month







Recent Accomplishments



- Language access self-assessment survey completed by City departments as part of the Equity Action Collaborative (EAC) with the Health Department (TPCHD) and Metro Parks 5/9
 - Working to create a shared baseline of current practices
- Reconciliation
 - National Network for Safe Communities (NNSC) conducted stakeholder symposium on reconciliation framework, theory, and elements 4/25
 - TPD completed police legitimacy and procedural justice train-the-trainer program to support future training for officers 4/25-27



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TPD Staffing

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- Appointed Assistant Chief Tamara Floyd, Deputy Chief Ed Wade, Chief of Staff Curtis Hairston 4/25
- 5 new officer recruits hired 4/11
- Lexipol, policing policy contractor, has begun review of the use of force policy 4/25
- Request for Information (RFI) posted for Mental and Behavioral Health Crisis Response Team 5/4 - 31
- <u>Police Transformation Visualization</u> available online at cityoftacoma.org/transform
 - click on Community Safety image below the interactive timeline

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