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SUBJECT: United Way of Pierce County Center for Strong Families
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PRESENTATION TYPE:
Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

NCS staff will provide an informational briefing on United Way of Pierce County's (UWPC) Center for Strong Families. This program receives General Fund support in the amount of \$219,000 for the 2017-2018 Biennium. Staff from UWPC will participate in this informational briefing.

BACKGROUND:

The Center for Strong Families (CSF) takes a one-stop shop approach to providing supports for families in our community. The program's primary focus is to provide on-site employment services, financial coaching, and access to income supports (such as public benefits, tax credits, and tax return preparation). United Way of Pierce County serves as the coordinating agency for service providers engaged in the Center for Strong Families (CSF) Initiative. The CSF is a framework for neighborhood service delivery designed to help low-income individuals increase income, reduce debt and generate new wealth for themselves and their community.

UWPC uses a common data collection and reporting system to support and monitor program enrollment, services received by clients, and client advancement towards goals of participating CSF service providers.

ISSUE:

This is an informational briefing, providing visibility to CVS Committee members of the work that UWPC is providing with support from the City of Tacoma.

ALTERNATIVES:

This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is an information briefing only. There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information briefing only. There is no recommendation.