



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST (CCR)**

**TO:** Mayor & City Council  
**FROM:** Council Member Conor McCarthy and Council Assistant Lynda Foster  
**COPIES TO:** Elizabeth Pauli, City Manager; Tadd Wille, Assistant City Manager; Bill Fosbre, City Attorney; Executive Leadership Team; File  
**SUBJECT:** Pierce County Opioid Summit 2019  
**DATE:** December 4, 2018

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**ITEM/ISSUE PROPOSED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

**I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda at the earliest available meeting of the Study Session:**

I respectfully request City Council concurrence to direct the City Manager to allocate \$5,000 from the City Council Contingency Fund to support the Pierce County Opioid Summit 2019, occurring February 22, 2019.

**BRIEF BACKGROUND:**

The Mayor, top city and county leaders (including council members), and the Health Department have made a commitment through various task force committees and the City's ten-year strategic plan Tacoma 2025. In 2017, Pierce County Councilmember Derek Young and Tacoma City Councilmember Conor McCarthy convened representatives from multiple sectors as the Pierce County Opioid Task Force. The Pierce County Council declared a "State of Opioid Crisis," which paralleled a Presidential declaration, and sent a letter to Governor Jay Inslee urging him to declare Pierce County in a state of emergency. The City of Tacoma filed a lawsuit in 2017 against three opioid manufacturers and the county followed suit in early 2018.

In February 2018, the Tacoma-Pierce County Opioid Task Force convened a community summit on the opioid epidemic to get input for an action plan. More than 150 leaders from cities, healthcare, social services, fire, public health, law enforcement, and criminal justice joined together in discussion. Members of the county's congressional delegation were also in attendance. Task Force leaders used the information gathered at the summit to plan implementation of an action plan.

The Pierce County Opioid Task Force action plan focuses on wellness and the whole spectrum of prevention in its three domains: 1) Prevention/education, 2) Access to treatment, and 3) Ensuring "the right services at the right time." Task Force leaders recruited volunteers to serve on a committee under each of these domains and refine the goals and work plans for committee. Committees are currently executing their work plans.

*Access to Treatment Committee priorities:*

Increase uptake of provider use of suboxone.

1. Training for more primary care providers, first responders (referrals) and SUD providers.
2. Warm line for provider support.
3. Provider marketing and education.

*Right Services, Right Time Committee priorities:*

1. Develop a clear intake tool for first responders & law enforcement to assess readiness for opioid SUD treatment services and where to take people.
2. Increase awareness of the District Court's Resource Center.
3. Support partners' efforts to provide diversion programs
  - a. City of Tacoma's Safe Stations pilot project.
  - b. Expansion of TFD Cares and community paramedicine programs among Pierce County Fire/EMS agencies.

*Prevention/Education Committee priorities:*

1. Implement/expand evidence-based health-risk behavior (including substance abuse) school programs.
2. Conduct education, outreach, and social marketing to parents and community members to create positive norms and behaviors for youth.
3. Utilize peer/recovery coaches for youth that are using opioids and/or other drugs.
4. Pilot evidence-based screening and referral program at a local high school.
5. Increase acceptance of substance use disorder as a disease that can be managed via education, outreach and social marketing.

The Task Force will reconvene a broad group of community leaders to report on their work and outcomes at the Pierce County Opioid Summit 2019. This summit will also be critical for defining the purpose and scope of the Task Force's continued work in 2019 and beyond.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

State and briefly explain which strategic policy priority is best aligned to this action. Please remove the statements below you are not directly addressing.

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.

**POLICY DEVELOPMENT PATH:**

☒ Request for Resolution

☒ Is there a specific deadline for this request? (Note: All Council Consideration Requests will be expedited as soon as possible) 12/18/2018

**FUNDING REQUESTED:**

☒ Council Contingency Fund Request

Does the request require some other type of funding? ☒ One-time ☐ Ongoing

In you have a question related to the Council Consideration Request, please contact Lynda Foster at (253) 591.5166 or [Lynda.Foster@CityofTacoma.org](mailto:Lynda.Foster@CityofTacoma.org).

SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:

  
Council Member Conor McCarthy

**SUPPORTING COUNCILMEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)**

(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy development and staff guidance/direction.)

1. Victoria R. Woodards POS # Mayor

2. \_\_\_\_\_ POS# \_\_\_\_\_



## 2017-2018 Council Contingency Commitments

<b>2017-2018 Biennium Budget</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
	Committed
<b>Hilltop Regional Health Center (\$50K 2017, \$50K 2018)</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39693 (03/28/2017)</i> <i>To support the Hilltop Regional Health Center expansion, contingent upon the Center securing sufficient funds for building renovations and expansion</i>	
<b>Developing an Anchor Institutions Strategy</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39701 (04/18/2017)</i> <i>To develop an anchor institutions strategy to complete a comprehensive study to align current planning efforts, identify gaps, and achieve Tacoma 2025 related goals</i>	
<b>Sister Cities Events for Festival of Sail Delegation</b>	<b>\$ 12,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39747 (6/13/2017)</i> <i>For expenses related to events for visiting Sister Cities' delegations during the Festival of Sail 2017</i>	
<b>Retail Enhancement Strategy Contract</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39776 (08/8/2017)</i> <i>Contract for \$25,000 to develop a Downtown retail enhancement study and recruitment strategy.</i>	
<b>Affordable Housing Public and Private Asset Review and Mapping</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39790 (8/22/2017)</i> <i>Contract with Forterra for \$10,000 for a comprehensive review and mapping of public and private land that could be utilized for affordable housing.</i>	
<b>Tacoma Reads Together Events</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39817 (9/19/2017)</i> <i>Funding to cover contract with author and to cover community events expenses</i>	
<b>Immigrant Legal Defense Fund</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39849 (10/24/17)</i> <i>Subfund creation for deportation hearing defense of immigrants w/o resources and legal Counsel.</i>	
<b>Tacoma Housing Authority Landlord Incentive Pilot</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39876 (11/28/17)</i> <i>Project pilot offering incentives to landlords accepting THA housing vouchers</i>	
<b>Citizens' Forum Pilot Project</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39882 (12/12/17)</i> <i>Citizens' Forum pilot project; agreement with the Center for Dialog and Resolution.</i>	
<b>2018 Race and Pedagogy Conference Youth Summit</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39895 (12/12/17)</i> <i>10,000 sponsorship for UPS Youth Summit</i>	
<b>2018 Refugee Choir Season</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 39901 (12/19/17)</i> <i>Sponsorship of the 2018 Tacoma Refugee Choir Season</i>	
<b>Tiki Apartment Case Management</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40003 (5/1/2018)</i> <i>Providing case management services for Tiki Apartment residents who may be displaced</i>	

<b>Neighborhood Business District Traffic Control Device Reimbursement</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40025 (6/5/2018)</i>		
<i>Reimburse NBDs for costs associated with traffic control devices for key events</i>		
<b>Travel Expenses for All America City Award Competition</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40026 (6/5/2018)</i>		
<i>Conference to participate in the All America City Award competition</i>		
<b>Paddle to Puyallup Canoe Journey Support</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40066 (7/17/2018)</i>		
<i>Support ceremonies and events, fly the Puyallup flag, and display flag in Chambers</i>		
<b>McKinley Street Fair Support</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>500</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40087 (8/14/2018)</i>		
<i>Covers cost of traffic control devices for McKinley Street Fair</i>		
<b>2019 Interfaith Women's Conference</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40109 (9/18/18)</i>		
<i>Sponsorship for the 2019 conference</i>		
<b>Tools to Address and Manage Impacts of Exploitation and Sexual Assault</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,500</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40167 (11/20/2018)</i>		
<i>Contract with Rock, Papers, Scissors for tools for victims</i>		
<b>Santa Parade Traffic Control Devices</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. 40171 (11/27/18)</i>		
<i>Covers cost of traffic control devices for 6th Avenue Santa Parade</i>		
<b>2020 Complete Census Committee Support</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. ____ (Council will consider December 18, 2018)</i>		
<i>Funding Greater Tacoma Community Foundation to support complete census count</i>		
<b>2019 Tacoma Roots Events Funding</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<i>Resolution No. ____ (Council will consider December 18, 2018)</i>		
<i>Funding to Citizens for a Healthy Bay to sponsor 2019 Tacoma Roots Events</i>		
<b>Total 2017-2018 Approved by City Council Through Legislation</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>471,000.00</b>
<b>2017-2018 Biennium Budget Remaining</b>		<b>\$29,000</b>