

City of Tacoma

Standing Committee Memorandum

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SUBJECT:

Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods Program Update

DATE:

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PRESENTATION TYPE:

Information briefing

SUMMARY:

City of Tacoma staff members will report on 2012-2019 Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods (HHHN) program implementation results and potential future plans to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability (IPS) Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability developed the HHHN program in 2012 to coordinate various eco-friendly, cost-saving services and better share them with historically underserved neighborhoods in Tacoma. Since its development, the program engaged portions of six neighborhoods: Wapato, Dometop, Hilltop, Lincoln, South Tacoma, and Eastside. The program's intensive community engagement model delivers information about services directly to residents' doorsteps and other community gatherings. By facilitating access to services, the program supports community sustainability and equity priorities outlined in Tacoma 2025 and the Environmental Action Plan. Due to limited staff resources and challenges demonstrating increased service use, the program was paused in 2019.

ISSUE:

Across program neighborhoods, staff members collected data to monitor and analyze results. An overview of program results, efforts to share lessons learned, and potential plans for the future will be presented.

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.