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SUBJECT:	Alliance to Strengthen Family Violence Prevention Services Update
DATE:	October 8, 2020

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Informational Briefing

SUMMARY:

In December 2018, the City and Pierce County reinforced their commitment to family violence prevention and domestic violence services by launching the 2019 Strategic Alliance to Strengthen Family Violence Prevention Services (Strategic Alliance). This presentation will provide an update on engagement strategies related to the Strategic Alliance.

BACKGROUND:

The Strategic Alliance exploratory process included: a facilitated conversation in 2019 with an external contractor (paid by the City of Tacoma), and a 2020 survey administered by Pierce County for stakeholders, including service providers, community advocates, justice professionals and clients who use, or may need to use, the system of family violence prevention and domestic violence services currently in place. The information may be used to inform future funding opportunities, identify gaps in services, and reduce barriers for survivor of domestic violence.

ISSUE:

The exploratory process is a joint project between the City of Tacoma and Pierce County intended to identify and evaluate opportunities to improve data collection, information sharing, strategic alignment of funding priorities, and innovative strategies to serve diverse clients experiencing domestic violence throughout Pierce County. Findings and recommendations are anticipated to be available for stakeholder review and comment in January 2021. The Pierce County Human Services Committee received a project update on October 6, 2020.

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.