**Notice of Funds Available**

**For**

**Human Services Agencies**

City of Federal Way, (October 11, 2016) The Cities of Federal Way, Kent, and Tukwila are working collectively to make funding available to small organizations that specialize in serving under-served, under-represented, and/or under resourced populations. These populations include racially, ethnically, and disadvantaged residents; including refugees, immigrants, English Language Learners, People of Color, People with Disabilities, and/or LGBTQ.

A total of $50,000 has been set aside by the Cities for addressing or supporting a human services need or priority recognized by the city’s human services board or commission. If an organization is awarded funds, the total will be matched by a grant from Seattle Foundation. With the match, grants will range from approximately $4,000 to $10,000. The result of this pilot process of funding will help the cities acquire a deeper understanding of barriers to funding and how to decrease or eliminate barriers and identify policy changes that can be made to successfully integrate all organizations that provide vital services to residents into the human services funding stream.

Organizations eligible for this funding must:

* Have a budget of $200,000 or less; **AND**
* Not have received funding from Federal Way, Kent, or Tukwila between 2013-2016; **AND**
* Specialize in serving an under-served, under-represented, and/or under-resourced population [i.e., immigrants, refugees, English Language Learners (ELL), People of Color, and/or LGBTQ]; **AND**
* Have a Board of Directors and staff that represents the population served; **AND**
* Demonstrate through its application that service or assistance is being provided in one of the participating jurisdictions **or** to a significant number of people living in one of the participating jurisdictions; **AND**
* Address or support a human services need or priority identified by the funding jurisdiction **or** an emerging need recognized by the jurisdiction’s Human Services Board or Commission

Applications can be downloaded from each City’s website on October 11th. A technical assistance meeting is scheduled for October 18 from 9-11:30 a.m., at 400 West Gowe Street, Kent WA, Centennial Center, Conference Rooms North and South.

The Letter of Intent application process can be found on the City of Federal Way website at the following: [Community Development/Community Services](http://www.cityoffederalway.com/node/1674)