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To: [Jesse Salomon](#); [Carolyn Wurdeman](#)
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Subject: RE: Senior Center Funding
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Jesse -

The Senior Center's funding comes from both CDBG and General Funds. The City provides \$95,708 in total funding. We are projecting that in 2016, \$28,346, will be supported with CDBG revenues, with the remaining \$67,362 from the City's General Fund. At the dinner meeting Bob Lohmeyer noted that the Senior Center would be increasing its funding request to the City next year, although we have yet to receive that request and we are in the process of finalizing my recommended budget to the City Council. Bob indicated that a request for increased funding would be in response to three areas of revenue loss: 1) An expiring grant - \$16,000; 2) Reductions in catering revenue \$10,000 and anticipated United Way cuts -- amount unknown. Overall Senior Services of King County, the parent organization, will see a loss of \$280,000 from United Way. They are still working to determine how to apply this cut to their various programs. Any new funding from the General Fund will likely require a reduction to another existing program (not just human service providers) - given that we haven't gotten the budget balanced yet for base level services and I know that there are other needs throughout our City operations.

I fully understand that we have a commitment to helping those most in need in our community. King County should be part of this too - as this is one of the services that the County should help to fund. An FYI - A few years ago we added \$18,000 to the Senior Center allocation from the General Fund, it was supposed to be a one-time allocation, but became an on-going allocation.

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From: Jesse Salomon
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Are the CDBG the only source of funding that we provide to the Senior Center? We have a very high ratio of seniors in this city compared to the rest of the county. I know they are losing funding from other sources. While I am aware that we have increased our funding for them I think the senior center is about as close to being an essential city function as you can get despite it not being run directly by the city. I am interested in increasing funding. What would be a logical amount? The amount of the United Way cut? Have the Senior Center made a request? Could we use the general fund to increase support rather than reducing \$ from other awardees?

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