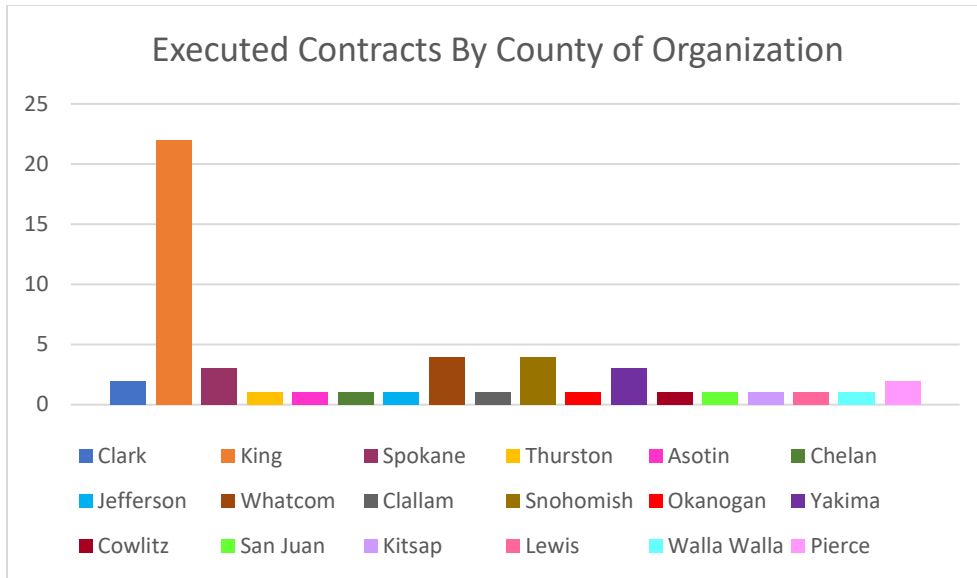


Dan Thompson Memorial Developmental Disabilities Community Services Account

The Department of Social and Health Services' Developmental Disabilities Administration has received over 100 recommended project proposals from the Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council. Of these, more than 50% are now fully executed contracts with the remainder being finalized in the coming months. Since our [last publication](#), we have fully executed an additional 18 contracts to a value of \$11,386,181 bringing the total number of contracts in effect to 51 and awarded amount thus far to more than \$18.5 million.

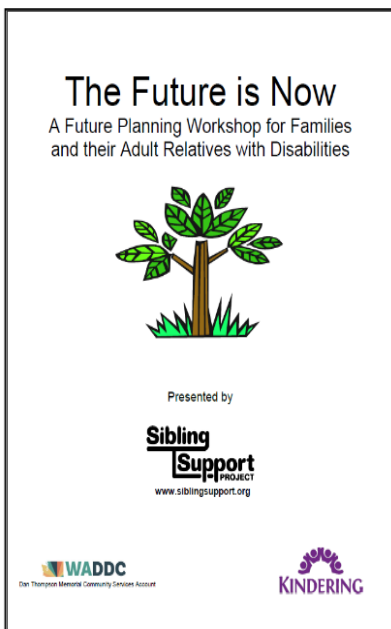
Contracts fully executed between 1/27/23 and 04/14/23:

Organization Name	Organization Location	Total \$ Contracted	Organization Website
Access Living	Bellingham	\$90,000	Access Living
The Arc of Snohomish	Everett	\$225,000	Arc of Snohomish
Best Buddies	Bellevue	\$288,888	Best Buddies
UW School of Dentistry, DECOD Program	Seattle	\$1,895,225	UW DECOD
Eli's Park / Seattle Parks & Rec	Seattle	\$850,000	Eli's Park
Educational Service District 105	Yakima	\$995,985	ESD 105
Haring Center UW	Seattle	\$376,139	Haring Center
L'Arche Tahoma Hope	Tacoma	\$399,280	L'Arche Tahoma Hope
Mari's Place for the Arts	Everett	\$128,606	Mari's Place for the Arts
Northwest Autism	Spokane	\$365,380	
PAVE	Tacoma	\$241,262.89	
PEACE NW	Vancouver	\$140,875	PEACE NW
Special Olympics - Building Bridges	Seattle	\$1,647,441	Special Olympics WA
Special Olympics Digital Equity	Seattle	\$1,990,150	
Total Concept Living	Auburn	\$65,000	Total Living Concept
Whatcom Center for Early Learning	Bellingham	\$473,275	WCEL
WISE Employment Rally	Seattle	\$775,875	WISE
WISE BOOST	Seattle	\$437,800	



Momentum is gaining and impacts from projects contracted through this funding are becoming visible. Program staff recently had the honor to join the first round of Kindering’s Sibling Project. They’re offering families - for the first time in Washington - the chance to engage with “The Future is Now” trainings. These sessions help families and siblings start thinking about the future and support them to make plans for how that future will look.

In addition:



- ✓ More than 220 Residential Assessments for families to identify housing needs and supports for their loved ones are underway across 18 counties.
- ✓ More bilingual autism navigators from Latinx communities are being hired and trained to support bilingual physicians becoming Certified in Excellence for Autism Diagnosis by Seattle Children’s Hospital and UW.
- ✓ Self-advocates, allies and professionals are engaged in the design for opensource trainings and workshops for individuals working with children and youth with IDD.
- ✓ Multimedia video and training materials are being produced on topics such as: sexual assault awareness and response, life after high school, the power of the Disability Vote, financial planning, and financial literacy (*Photo of a client in Clark County learning about savings plans pictured to the right*).



Photo of a client in Clark County learning about savings plans pictured to the right.



- ✓ More family support groups are underway with translation in Spanish, Vietnamese, and Somali languages.
- ✓ Free yoga classes are offered for youth and their caregivers in Yakima, provided in both English and Spanish
(Photo of a client in Yakima participating in yoga pictured to the left).
- ✓ A community lending library is providing access to resources, such as adaptive eating utensils.
- ✓ Several ADA accessible vehicles have been purchased, and are expanding access for Clients to travel, visit family, friends and engage in evening/weekend social activities – locally and statewide.

- ✓ University of Washington’s Dental Education in the Care of Persons with Disability program (DECOD) is expanding their services to rural counties across the state through creation of a consortium hub of dental practices.

We will continue to process the remaining proposals and are excited by the next phase this program brings – seeing projects roll out and the impact they bring to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities statewide. We continue to learn from and grow alongside our grantees and the communities they serve and look forward to sharing more project updates soon.

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