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Brian Sullivan is a County Council Member whom wrote letters of support to Rep. Dunshee, lobbied for support to help Dawson Place. Brian used county resources, county server, and was using County Title for influence to get money and support for Dawson Place.



Snohomish County

County Council

Brian Sullivan

January 21, 2014

Representative Hans Dunshee
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Dear Rep. Dunshee,

The **Phase II Building Completion Project** proposed for the **Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center** is an important opportunity to complete necessary renovations and to create a solid foundation for the long-term financial stability of this crucial resource. Dawson Place is the only organization in Snohomish County which coordinates all the care and services for sexual and physical child abuse victims and their families under a single roof.

Before Dawson Place, services were divided among various government and private agencies, which required victims to travel to each new destination and retell their horrific experiences at each stop. It was difficult for agencies to effectively share information and coordinate child abuse cases, which lead to inconsistent treatment and complicated law enforcement efforts. Children and families sometimes gave up on getting the help they needed and deserved.

Dawson Place served more than 1,100 abuse victims and their families in 2013, and more than 6,400 since their doors opened in 2007. The need for these services has doubled in the past two years and will continue to grow. Child advocacy centers like Dawson Place help break the cycle of child abuse and ultimately make our community safer.

Even in this challenging fiscal climate, I believe it is crucial that we find a way to help Dawson Place to continue offering a safe and healing environment so important to abused children, developmentally challenged adults, and their families.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brian Sullivan
Council Vice-Chair

**2014 Legislative Session
Member Requested Local Community Project Information Form**

Project Name:
Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center Phase 2
Building Completion Project

Address of Project Site:
1509 California Street, Everett, WA 98201

Project Contact:
Name(s) **Lori Vanderburg**
Title **Director**
Organization **Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center**
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Everett, WA 98201

**Legislative District Where Project is
Physically Located:** 38th

**Geographic Information System (GIS)
Coordinate:** 47.9806966, -122.2096919
N47° 58.8418', W122° 12.5815'

Legislative Sponsor:
Rep. June Robinson & Rep. Mike Sells

Funding Requested: \$ 176,250
(Note: Funds are available on a reimbursement basis only and cannot be advanced. As you build your project budget request, keep in mind that the net grant amount will be slightly less than the legislative appropriation. The Dept of Commerce may retain up to 3 percent, or a maximum of \$50,000 of the appropriation, for project administration.)

Project Information (attach separate page with additional details if available):

Provide a brief project summary, including the phase of the overall project, and the public benefit.

1) Describe the entire project and the phase of the overall project for which funds are requested:

Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center is a not-for-profit serving all of Snohomish County where families with abused children and developmentally challenged youth and adults have a single, victim-focused place to go to stop the hurt and begin the healing process. We served nearly 1,200 individuals and their non-offending family members at Dawson Place last year, and have served over 6,300 children since opening our doors in 2006.

In 2006, Dawson Place was started in loaned space. This arrangement was temporary so we began Phase 1 of our building project. This initial phase included the acquisition and renovation of our own building, providing only the essential construction needed to set up operations for our child advocacy center, and move our five partner agencies under one roof to allow all of the partners to serve child victims of abuse.

Currently, we are moving forward on Phase 2 of our building completion project. This phase includes finishing the exterior of the building, replacing the roof and making the interior more welcoming and child-friendly to the young victims that we serve, in addition to replacing our HVAC unit, modernizing existing bathrooms with greener, water efficient fixtures, upgrading the elevator, and sound-proofing our interview spaces for privacy.

As an accredited child advocacy center, one of our mandates is to ensure a child friendly environment for all victims, so that when they walk up and enter our facility they feel comfortable.

welcomed, and see themselves somewhere within our center, including age and culturally appropriateness.

During Phase 2, we will complete the exterior face of our building, giving it a less institutional appearance, by refacing, repairing and painting, adding permanent signage and an entrance canopy to make locating us easier and provide a welcoming entrance for the families we serve. Interior improvements throughout all the spaces children and their families are served include a professionally designed presence to help soothe and comfort each child that visits. Spaces will be fun and friendly with a Snohomish County theme, including mountains, Puget Sound, agriculture, ferry boards, Native America art, and other symbols that represent our Snohomish County community and the locations that our young victims live.

2) Public benefit of the project:

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Dawson Place is the hub of a unique collaboration of the five primary agencies serving children birth to 18 years of age, and also developmentally challenged youth and adult victims of assault, abuse and witness to violent crime:

- Providence Intervention Center for Assault and Abuse
- Compass Health Child Advocacy Program
- Child Protective Services
- Snohomish County Sheriff's Special Investigations Unit
- Snohomish County Prosecutor's Special Assault Unit
- Dawson Place Child Forensic Interview Specialists

Dawson Place makes it possible for a victim of abuse to come to a single, child-friendly and culturally sensitive location, tell their story of the abuse just once or twice, instead of as many as 10 different times, and find all the services – for free – she or he needs and deserves to begin healing. Through medical and mental health intervention services, victim advocacy, and child forensic interviews, we help the abused child that has disclosed abuse begin to heal and help them return to a normal, healthy and safe life that every child needs and deserves. Dawson Place's role is to help families navigate a very complicated process, to coordinate necessary services and to move the case forward so the child is not re-traumatized by the very system that is trying to help them.

We coordinate monthly Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) meetings to discuss and address complex child abuse cases throughout the County, some of which involve victims not yet seen at Dawson Place, to ensure the best possible treatment and case outcome. Team members vary, depending on the specifics of a case, and can include partner agency representatives, school officials, law enforcement, child protective service caseworkers, juvenile court prosecutors, adult protective services caseworkers and many others. MDT case meetings are collaboration at its best, and strive for a better outcome for all cases reviewed.

And in just six years, Dawson Place Child Advocacy Center has gone from opening its doors to being “one of the best Child Advocacy Centers in the nation”, according to our recently completed national re-accreditation process, conducted by the National Children’s Alliance (NCA). The accreditors were highly impressed with Dawson Place’s skilled staff, carefully-coordinated and integrated services, and the quality of care received by abuse victims and their families. Now, Dawson Place needs to take the final steps to make our physical facility mirror the quality of our programs and ensure our long-term financial goals, so that child and developmentally challenged abuse victims and their non-offending family members can receive care in the safe, welcoming, friendly environment they need and deserve for many years to come.

Start and Completion Dates: **June 2014 to December 2014**

Attachments **Dawson Place Phase 2 Building Completion Project Budget**

Eligible Project Type or Phase (Check all that apply to this funding request)

	% of Request
<input type="checkbox"/> Land acquisition	_____ %
<input type="checkbox"/> Demolition and site preparation	_____ %
<input type="checkbox"/> Design	_____ %
<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	_____ %
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renovation	<u>100</u> %
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	_____ %
	<u>100</u> % (should equal 100%)

How does this project help the State meet its greenhouse gas emission reduction goals in Chapter 70.235 RCW?

New roofing materials will be a lighter material to reflect the sun’s rays which will reduce overall energy costs.

Is this a joint project?

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If yes, has a joint operating agreement been signed?

Is the site owned, optioned for purchase or under a lease of 5 years or more with renewal options?

Has the applicant initiated a capital fundraising campaign?

If yes, what percent of matching funds have been secured? **28%**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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What other sources of matching funds are available?

Private philanthropy and foundation grants

Has the project received previous state funding?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Department of Commerce Funds:

Contract 10-96105-007 \$975,000 for acquisition and Phase 1 Building Renovation

Contract 08-96105-041 \$641,875 for building acquisition

Has the project previously applied for and not received state funding?

If yes, list dates, programs, and amounts.

January 2013, Phase 2 Building Completion Project, \$600,000

Yes No

Is the project currently applying for or planning to apply for other sources of state funding?

If yes, list dates, programs, and amounts. If this project, or a phase of this project, is requesting funds under a different project name, please identify project name.

If the project will not be completed after the requested state funding and matching funds are used, describe: (1) what the project will be at the completion of the portion funded by this request and how it will benefit the public; and (2) the phases and schedule for completion of the project.

We expect to complete our project from June 2014 through December 2014 – by renovating our building exterior to make it safer and more welcoming to the children and families that we serve, and by replacing our roof, to improve building energy efficiency and prevent water damage.

What source(s) of non-state funds exist for completion of the project and its ongoing maintenance and operation?

Dawson Place is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to fund the Phase 2 Building Completion Project, and to establish a Building Maintenance Fund as well as a Sustainability Fund for everyday operations. We have secured 20% of our goal to date, with 60% pending and plan to complete the campaign by December 2014 or sooner. We are seeking funds from local philanthropic agencies in Snohomish County, and others in Washington State.

Organization Information

Is the requesting organization registered with the state as a non-profit organization?

Is there a current or pending 501(c)(3) IRS registration?

If answered no to either of the above, is applicant a local government?

Legislative Sponsor

(Signature) _____

Date _____

Note: This is not a formal grant program. This form provides information for House members to request a separate appropriation in the capital budget for this project. Funding any project is at the discretion of the Legislature. Successful past projects generally are ones in which the requested state funds: (1) are used for a facility providing an important public benefit; (2) are a small portion of the total project funding (25% or less); (3) result in a completed project or phase usable by the public for the intended purpose when the state funds are expended; and (4) are for a project that is ready for construction or renovation and will be completed within the biennium.

Please note that projects may be subject to state prevailing wage law (Chapter 39.12 RCW). Requesting organization are encouraged to consult the Industrial Statistician (David Soma: 360-902-5330 or somd235@lni.wa.gov) at the Washington State Department of Labor Industries to determine whether prevailing wages must be paid. High-performance building requirements (Chapter 39.35D RCW) and Executive Order 13-03 regarding life cycle and operating costs in public works projects may also apply.

Dawson Place Phase 2 Building Completion Project Budget

Item	Estimated Cost	Amount Pledged	Amount Remaining
Structural Integrity and Child-Friendly Improvements			
Roof Replacement	\$80,000		\$80,000
Exterior Enhancements: Refacing, Paint, Awning, Signage	\$150,000	\$100,000	\$50,000
HVAC Improvements	\$40,000		\$40,000
Bathroom Updates	\$60,000	\$24,000	\$36,000
Interior Paint/Art/Child Friendly Improvements	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$25,000
New Furniture/Books/Toys/Exam Tables	\$85,000	\$32,000	\$53,000
Interior Projects/Elevator Upgrades/Soundproofing	\$190,000	\$55,485	\$134,515
TOTAL	\$705,000	\$286,485	\$418,515