

## **Civilian Intervention Programs**

This report is in response to Section 224 (7) of Chapter 472, Laws of 2023 (ESHB 1125) for WSDOT Local Programs to develop a grant program to support local initiatives that expand on/or establish civilian intervention programs for non-moving violations that focus on nonpunitive interventions, and to report annually on the recipients, locations, and types of projects funded.

Multiple programs are outlined in the proviso as nonpunitive interventions such as helmet voucher programs, fee offset programs, fix-it tickets, and repair vouchers that provide solutions for vehicle equipment failures for low-income road users.

WSDOT Local Programs currently does not have the resources or expertise in these areas and will need to use a portion of the funding to develop, administer and evaluate the program. WSDOT has met with program advocates to gain a better understanding on the intent of the program and to share implementation challenges. WSDOT has requested the assistance of multiple stakeholders in connecting with community-based organizations with civilian intervention programs as described in the proviso. Local Programs is working to identify and develop the internal capacity and expertise to implement this program and to issue a call for projects.

As of December 1, 2023, no recipients, locations, or projects have been funded under this section. WSDOT has begun to identify programs that may be qualified to deliver grant-funded nonpunitive interventions as called for in the proviso. A call for projects is anticipated to be put out in the first half of 2024.

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