



## Budget Change Request

### Change request information

Title Federal Lobbyist/Grant Consultant  
Number B-03-02 Department 03 - Commissioners  
Requester Jay Saiki  
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Change Type Policy Change

### Board outcome *(to be entered by budget after Board action)*

Board Decision  
Board Changes

### Funds affected

Fund 0010 - General Fund  
General Fund Affected? No More Than One Fund Affected? No

### Policy request priority and connection to the strategic plan

Priority # 0 Strategic Plan Effective County

### Does this request include federal, state, or private grants?

Grant Funded? None  
Grantor and timeframe

### Does this request affect current positions or propose new positions?

HR Payroll e-mailed? No Position Impact  
Current position numbers affected

### What do you need and why? Include any unexpected and external requirements.

#### Statement of Need

BOCC is requesting professional services from a Federal Lobbyist/Grant Consultant to provide government relations, public affairs, advocacy, research, and communications services.

They can provide connected and comprehensive government relations counsel at the federal, state, and local levels. They will support the drafting of op-eds, official testimony, comments provided to key congressional committees or government agencies, and message guidance and talking points for official meetings. They will work to identify and organize the Thurston County's priorities and develop tailored strategies to secure federal funds from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Law, the congressionally directed Community Project Funding Program process, and the traditional annual federal appropriations process.

**How will this change the performance of your office or department?**

Statement of Need

This will strengthen the County’s ability to obtain grant funding to complete more initiatives for the community. Will build and maintain relationships with lawmakers, government officials, and other decision-makers.

**Expenditure, FTE and revenue assumptions plus current budget level**

Assumptions

Current Budget Level

**What happens if this isn’t funded? Are there other options?**

Impacts and Alternatives

The County would miss out on grant opportunities

**How does this request affect other offices and departments?**

Impact to Other Departments

Which Other Departments are Affected?

Operating Transfer Needed? No

Operating Transfer Coding and Amount

**Personnel Information**

FTE	Number	Name	Start Date	End Date
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**Operating Revenue Line Items**

Org Code	Object Code	Object Description	Project Code	2024	2025
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**Capital Revenue Line Items**

Org Code	Object Code	Object Description	Project Code	2024	2025
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**Operating Expenditure Line Items**

Org Code	Object Code	Object Description	Project Code	2024	2025
0103A330	541000	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		120,000	120,000.00
			<b>Total:</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>

**Capital Expenditure Line Items**

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