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The Honorable Claudia Balducci
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci,

This letter transmits the updated implementation plan on Restorative Community Pathways (RCP) as required by Ordinance 19210, Section 43, Proviso P2, as amended by Ordinance 19307, Section 7, and Ordinance 19364, Section 14.

As required, the enclosed updated plan was developed in partnership with community-based organizations and includes the following new components, building on the initial implementation plan transmitted to the Council in August 2021:

- updates to the implementation plan including RCP providers selected in the RFP, and milestones for the transition of service provision from juvenile probation staff to community-based organizations;
- qualitative and quantitative data that will be collected as part of the evaluation plan; and
- a progress report summarizing the first three months of the program after referrals began from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Within each section of the original plan, updates are included and highlighted in blue text boxes, with original text included. This formatting approach ensures vital historical context and information is preserved and provided along with the required updated information. A new section (Section IV.G) has been added to report on progress during the first three months of implementation as required.

Community organizations and youth have been instrumental in the creation, design and implementation of Restorative Community Pathways. In August 2021, nine agencies were selected for funding. These RCP Consortium members hired 13.7 Community Navigators and selected nine youth to serve as the RCP Youth Steering Committee. The PAO began referring youth and community members who experienced harm to RCP on November 1, 2021. The objectives, eligibility, and process for referrals and service delivery of RCP have been implemented as planned. From November 2021 through March 2022, RCP accepted 388 referrals from the PAO, including both youth and harmed parties. As of March 31, 2022, 75

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youth had consented to participate in services, and 139 were in the process of being connected to services.

It is important to note that this information is preliminary, and engagement of referred youth and community members who have experienced harm will increase over time. It takes time to build trust with the referred community members that have been harmed by systems and are distrusting of government and other institutions that have historically failed them and their communities. Once connected, Community Navigators work with participating youth and community members who have experienced harm to develop an action plan, access programs, and obtain support to realize their plans. The RCP navigators also assist community members who experienced harm access the Restitution Fund.

RCP is an important step on our journey to zero youth detention. As King County's most comprehensive community-based pre-filing diversion option, RCP builds off successful community-based navigation services currently supported by King County. It expands eligibility and adds support for community members who have experienced harm and provides a restitution fund and restorative justice mediation. I remain committed to supporting Restorative Community Pathways and this collective response to set youth in crisis on a path toward well-being.

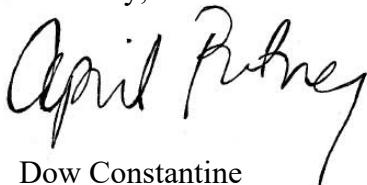
RCP furthers the safety and justice goal of the King County Strategic Plan to divert young people from the criminal legal system and minimize the harmful effects of incarceration on youth. RCP also furthers the Equity and Social Justice Strategic Plan goal to remove barriers that limit one's full potential, and the Youth Action Plan's recommendation to intentionally include voices of those people impacted by policies and services in authentic and meaningful ways. In alignment with the Roadmap to Zero Youth Detention, RCP expands community-based diversion options for youth who encounter the legal system.

This updated implementation plan required approximately 38 staff hours to produce, costing approximately \$3,168.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Council to ensure that King County's collective response to youth in crisis restores them on a path towards well-being.

If your staff have any questions, please contact Leo Flor, Director, Department of Community and Human Services at 206-477-4384.

Sincerely,

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