

King County Community Courts

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KING COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

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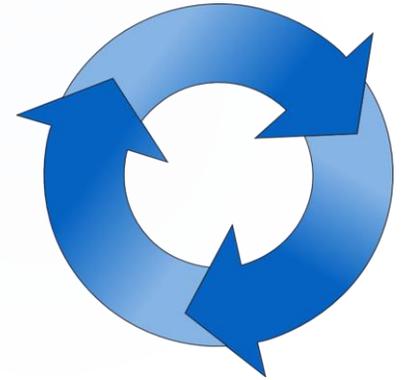
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Mission

To use public resources more productively in reducing crime ***through service provision and increased community engagement and connection.***

The problem

- Individuals with personal challenges might cycle in and out of court
 - Homelessness
 - Poverty
 - Substance use disorders
 - Mental health issues
- Repeated punishment does not necessarily change behavior



What is a community court?



Center
for
Court
Innovation

“My experience here has saved my life. Not only am I off the drugs and staying clean by taking the healthy steps to live life clean, I also have been able to get myself back in a healthy structured living situation. I am so blessed to have the honor to be a part of this program.”

~Community Court in Redmond graduate

Community Court in Redmond

January – December 2019



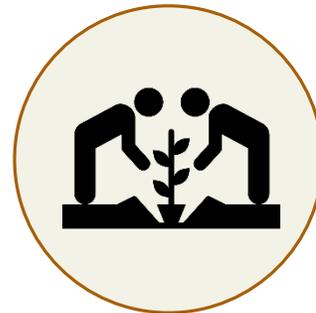
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**Total
Participants
(on 12/31/19)**



56

**Graduations
resulting in
dismissals
(for entire year)**



900

**Community service
hours completed**



1,320

**Lunches
provided**

Community Court in Burien

February – December 2019



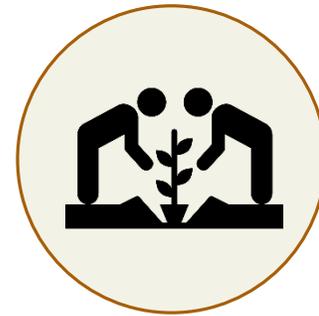
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**Total
Participants
(on 12/31/19)**



5

**Graduations
resulting in
dismissals
(for Feb - Dec)**



28

**Community service
hours completed**



345

**Lunches
provided**

Community Resource Centers

- Redmond
 - Wednesdays 1:30 – 3:30
 - Co-located with community court at Redmond Library
 - 32 service providers
- Burien
 - Mondays 10:00 – 12:00
 - Co-located with community court at Burien Community Center
 - 36 service providers



Redmond Community Resource Center

January – December 2019



15-20

**Service providers
on-site
each week**



1,065

Volunteer hours



2,600

**Visits to the
resource center**

Redmond Community Resource Center

- AA / NA
- Alliance of People with DisAbilities
- Bellevue College
- CareNet of Puget Sound
- Cascadia Community College
- City of Redmond Outreach
- Community Health Plan
- Crisis Connections
- Dispute Resolution Center of King County
- DSHS
- Eastside Legal Assistance
- Friends of Youth
- Health Point
- Hopelink
- IKRON
- King County Library System
- Kindering
- Lake Wa Tech
- McKinney Vento
- NAMI
- Public Health
- Reconnect to Opportunity
- Smart Talent
- Sound Generations
- St Vincent de Paul
- Terra Staffing
- United Health Care
- WDVA: Military Family Outreach
- WorkSource
- Youth Eastside Services
- YWCA



Burien Community Resource Center

February – December 2019



15

**Service providers
on-site
each week**



1,021

Volunteer hours



696

**Visits to the
resource center**

Burien Community Resource Center

- Asian Counseling & Referral Service
- CCS Mental Health Outreach
- Career Pathways
- Community Health Plan
- Cowlitz Tribal Health
- Crisis Connections
- Dispute Resolution Center of King County
- DSHS
- Evergreen Reach Outreach
- FareStart
- Health Point Mobile Medical Services
- Highline Support Center & Women's Programs & WorkFirst
- Hospitality House
- KC Family Support Division
- King County Library System
- King County Elections
- Multi-Service Center
- NAMI South King County
- Nature Stewards Program
- NAVOS
- NW Justice Project
- ORCA-to-Go
- ORION Industries
- Pioneer Human Services
- Public Health (ORCA Lift / Health Insurance)
- Reconnect to Opportunity
- Refugees NW (ORCA Lift / Health Insurance)
- Safe Futures
- Smart Talent
- SoCo Culture
- Sound Generations
- St. Vincent de Paul
- United Health Care
- WA Veterans Affairs
- WorkSource Affiliate – South Seattle College
- YMCA Accelerator Program
- Youth Source



Shoreline Community Court & Resource Center

- Launched January 7, 2020
- At Shoreline City Hall
- Tuesdays 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Reducing crime

- Lower recidivism than traditional court

Spokane Community Court



Commission of new crimes

New charges within 6 months:

↓ 12 percentage points (20% vs. 32%)

New charges within 12 months:

↓ 16 percentage points (30% vs. 46%)



Reducing crime

- Lower recidivism than traditional court

Red Hook Community Justice Center, Brooklyn, New York



Commission of new crimes

Adults: ↓ 10%

Juveniles: ↓ 20%

Red Hook
Community
Justice
Center

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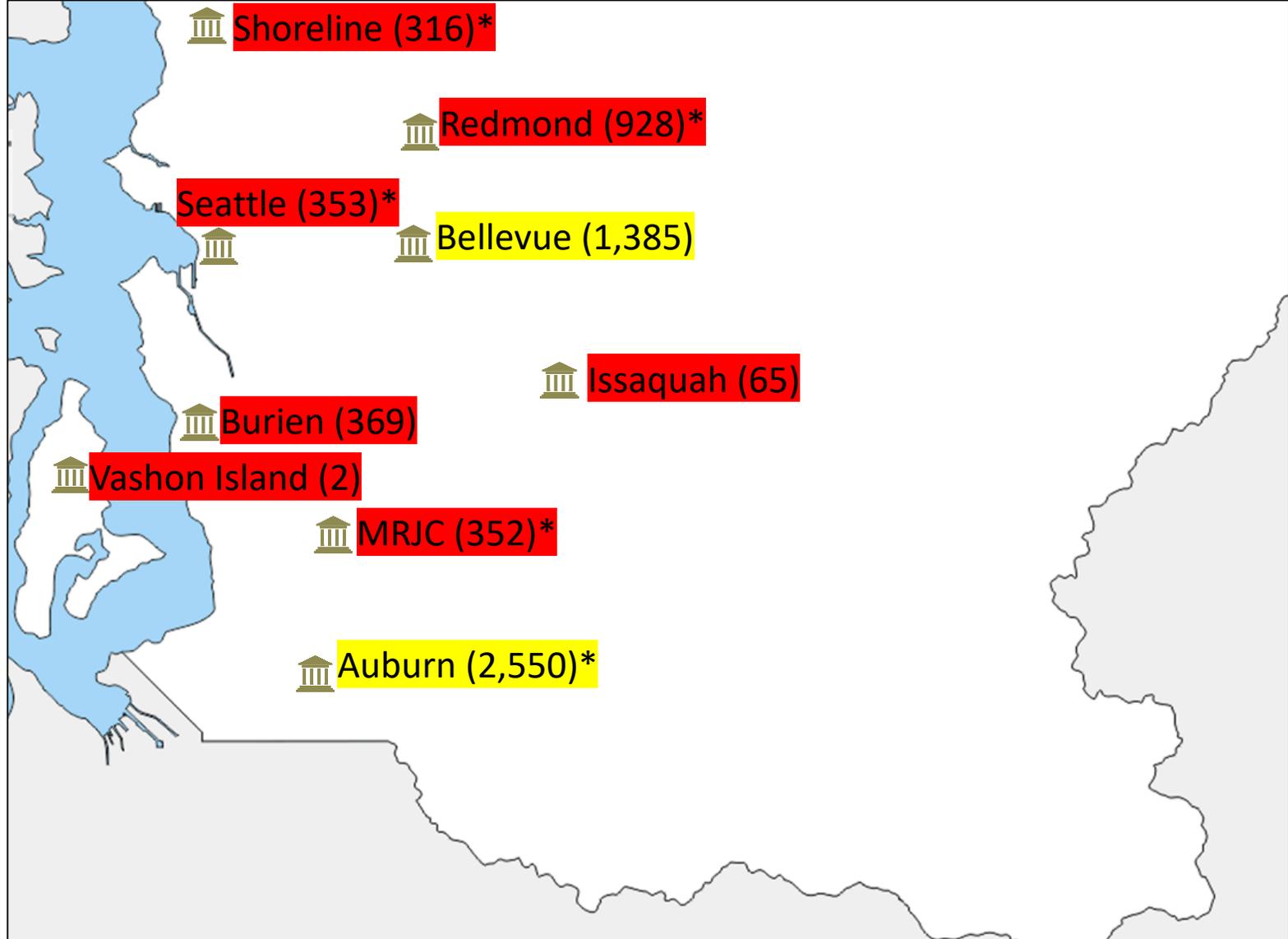
Non-traffic misdemeanors by courthouse (2018)

Total cases = 6,320

Legend:

- Increase 2015 – 2018
- Decrease 2015 - 2018

* Courts servicing multiple jurisdictions



Shoreline
Shoreline (271)
Kenmore (45)

Redmond
Redmond (547)
Duvall (29)
Apportion 1/3 of state cases in county (352)

Seattle
Apportion 1/3 of state cases in county (353)

Issaquah
Issaquah (0)
Carnation (4)
Sammamish (61)

MRJC
Apportion 1/3 of state cases in county (352)

Auburn
Auburn (2,400)
Covington (150)

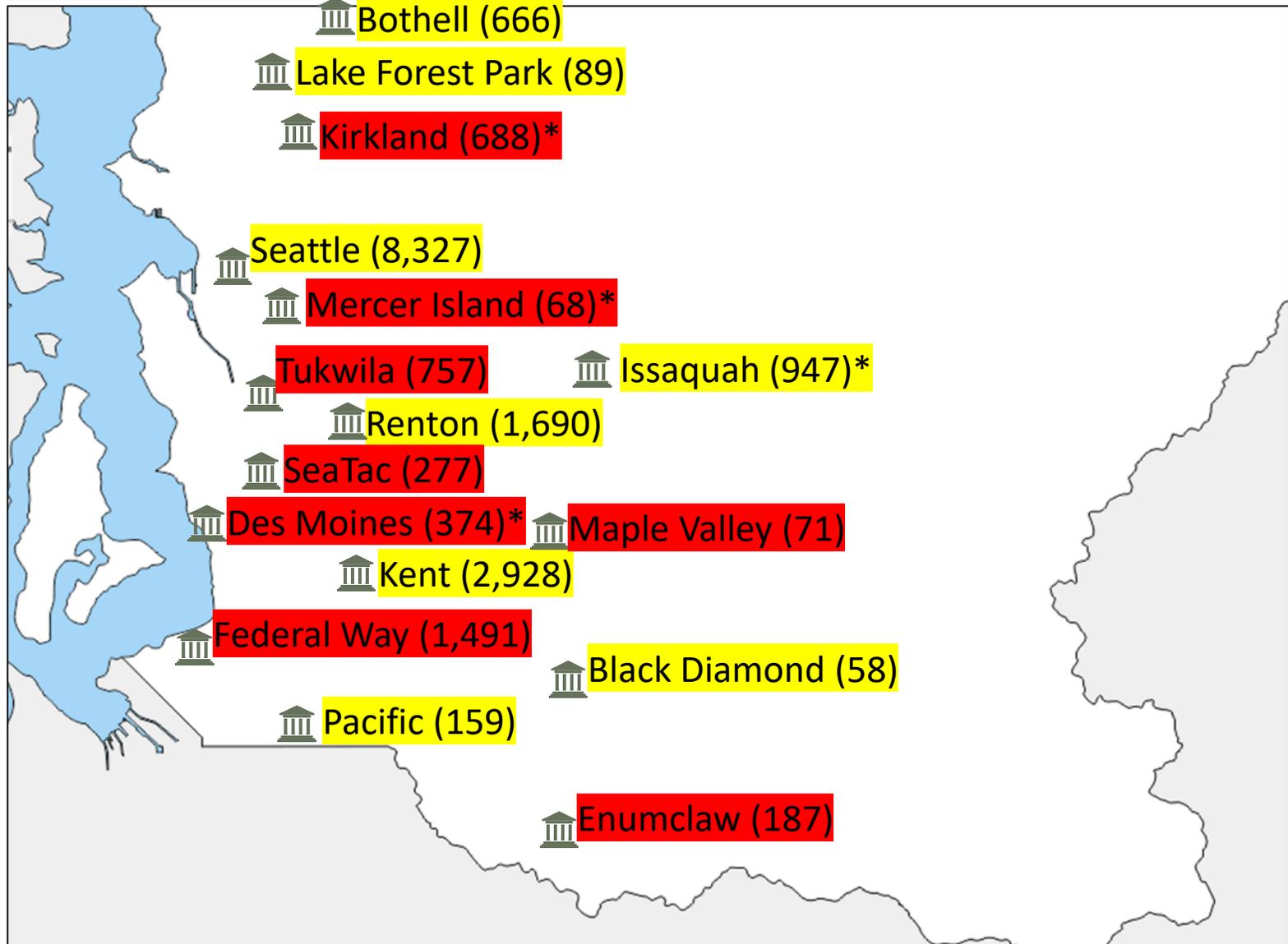
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Municipal courts within King County

Non-traffic misdemeanors by court (2018)

Total cases = 18,777

 Increase 2015 – 2018
 Decrease 2015 - 2018



* Courts servicing multiple cities

- Kirkland
 - Kirkland (607)
 - Clyde Hill (4)
 - Hunts Point (0)
 - Medina (5)
 - Woodinville (70)
 - Yarrow Point (2)

- Des Moines
 - Des Moines (329)
 - Normandy Park (45)

- Mercer Island
 - Mercer Island (34)
 - Newcastle (34)

- Issaquah
 - Issaquah (495)
 - North Bend (263)
 - Snoqualmie (189)

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Thank you!