



## State Legislative Priorities

### Specific Project Funding Needs

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- **Vocational Training Program** **\$1.5M**  
The City of Marysville is partnering with Snohomish County, the Marysville School District and many other regional partners to launch a Regional Apprenticeship Pathways Program. This program includes a dual credit feature to attract high school students and adult learners into family wage careers through a systematic and accelerated career connected education design. Initial funding has been secured to launch the program. The City of Marysville is requesting the inclusion of \$1.5M in the 2019-21 Biennial Budget for ongoing support of the program.

### Other Priorities

#### **Arlington-Marysville Manufacturing Industrial Center**

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#### **RCO-Youth Athletic Facilities Grant Program**

The City of Marysville is requesting support for the full \$13M requested of this grant program. Marysville has a key project that is dependent upon this funding. The Cedar Field Renovation project will serve 3,000 youth year-round if completed. Matching funds raised after a two-year fundraising effort include a commitment of \$322,929. Funding support from Little League, Snohomish County, City of Marysville and private contributions was secured following the State RCO and WWRC's call to seek projects for the YAF program.

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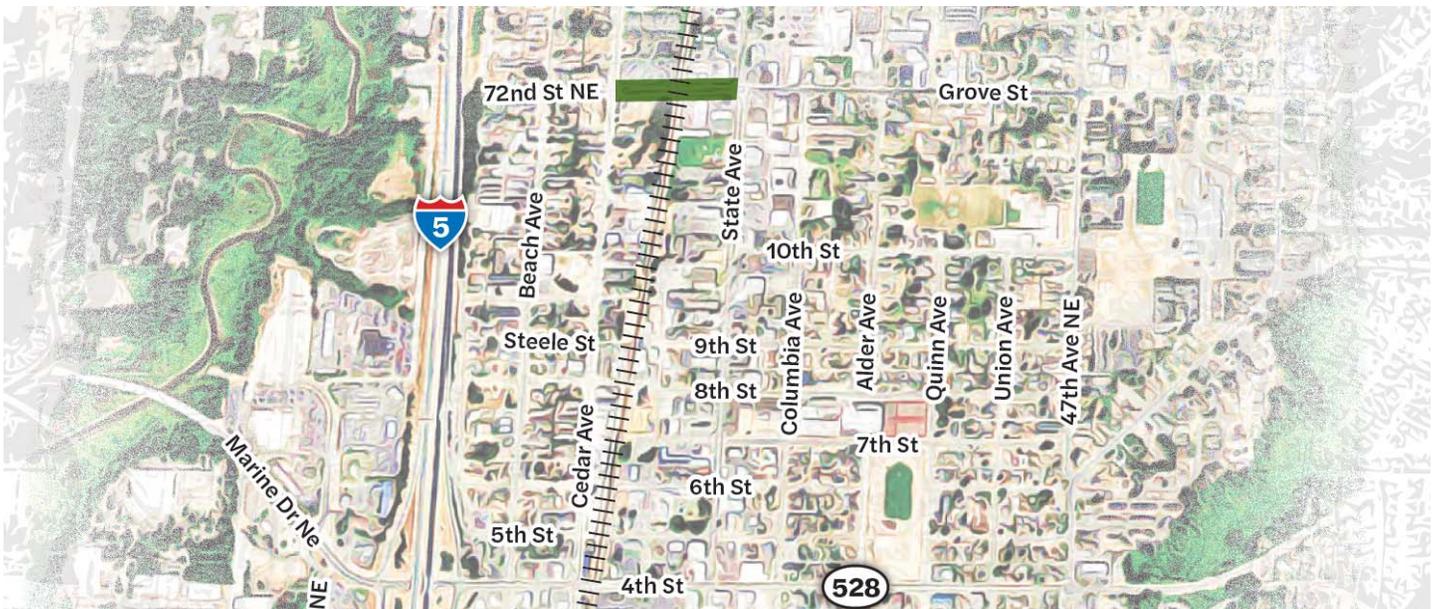
#### **Public Defense Services Funding Bill**

The City of Marysville supports HB1086 for the increase of state funding in regards to public defense services. The Bill requests a 10 percent funding increase every year, reaching full funding provided by 2029.

**Total Request: \$1,530,000**

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Total project cost is estimated at \$24M and includes design, right of way, permitting and construction. The current 30% design effort is funded with \$500K from the State and \$400K from the City. Overall design costs are estimated at \$2.43M. The city seeks \$1.53M in funding to complete the design, to submit for permits and evaluate right-of-way needs.

## Project Background

Estimated Cost: \$500,000

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The City seeks \$500,000 toward construction of these interim improvements associated with the Ebey Waterfront Park project.





# 156th Street NE Railroad Overcrossing

Total Request: \$1,000,000

## Project Background

The 156th Street NE Railroad Overcrossing project in Marysville proposes to reinstate the public railroad crossing with an overcrossing at the BNSF Railway mainline track at 156th Street NE just west of Interstate 5. This crossing was once a public at-grade road crossing that was closed by BNSF and the WUTC in the early 2000s without recognition of future growth needs west of I-5. Reinstating this crossing will support future development and provide much-needed expanded public access to and from I-5 for north Snohomish County residents and businesses.

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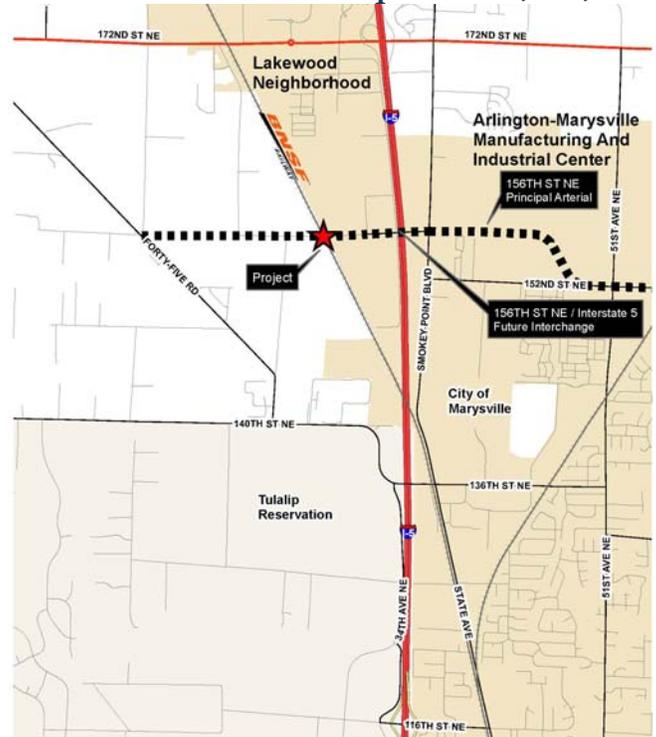
Current access to and from the freeway in this vicinity occurs at the interchange of I-5 and State Route 531 (172nd Street NE). A future I-5 interchange at 156th Street NE is funded under Connecting Washington (\$42M, 2025-31). Once complete, this will provide an alternative access to and from I-5, but traffic west of I-5 will essentially be landlocked by the parallel railroad line. While the City has planned connections through the developing Lakewood neighborhood, a railroad overcrossing at 156th Street NE will better accommodate traffic circulation and growth in the region.

## Development

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## Improvements

Total project cost for the 156th Street NE Overcrossing project that would span the BNSF Railway track is estimated at \$12.35M including design, right-of-way, permitting and construction. The City's request of \$1.0 million will complete 30% design, identify permit and right-of-way needs, and establish an accurate construction cost. The City also desires to include this railroad overcrossing project at 156th St. NE with the planned interchange project funded through the Connecting Washington package. By advancing design and leveraging future Connecting Washington funds, the City would be in a better position to compete for additional funds towards the 156th St NE Railroad Overcrossing project.



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Overcrossing at I-5 & 156th Street NE

# Regional Apprenticeship Pathways Program

Snohomish County, along with a robust group of community partners, respectfully requests the inclusion of \$1.5 million in the 2019-21 Biennial Operating Budget for the Regional Apprenticeship Pathways Program

**PROGRAM CONCEPT** The Regional Apprenticeship Pathways (RAP) Program includes a dual credit feature to attract high school students and adult learners into family wage careers through a systematic and accelerated career-connected education design.

**MOTIVATION** According to *Workforce Snohomish*, projected growth is strong for jobs in the skilled trades industry: carpenters, electricians, and construction laborers over the next decade. 2200 new jobs are expected in Snohomish County alone. However, the average age of a construction apprentice is in his or her late twenties, representing a “lost decade of productivity” for many young adults after high school.

**COMMUNITY NEED** There is a compelling need for the development of a **clear and seamless education pathway to a career in the skilled trades**, designed to work for students by aligning and coordinating the efforts and contributions of labor, industry, K-12, higher education, community-based organizations, and government.

## STAKEHOLDERS

Snohomish County is just one of the partners in a broad coalition\* dedicated to the success of this program. Below are the stakeholders and advocates that will support the efforts to make RAP a success:



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**LOCAL INVESTMENT** The County is proud to be working with a robust coalition and an invested community. These partners have generously contributed to the initiation of this project by funding startup costs, including procurement of a facility to house the training center, equipment, and curriculum. The following are just a few local contributions that have already been made, indicating strong community investment in this project:

- \$200,000 contribution from Snohomish County;
- Existing facility from Marysville School District;
- Curriculum development from labor and education partners;
- Grant writing services from Marysville School District;
- Equipment pledges from both labor and industry partners.

**Funding Details** Startup costs have been funded through local partners. The inclusion of this operating budget request would ensure the ongoing funding of the program. The County recognizes that each dollar from the state must be accounted for and utilized responsibly. The state dollars would fund education and support staff, technology costs, and administrative support for the program.

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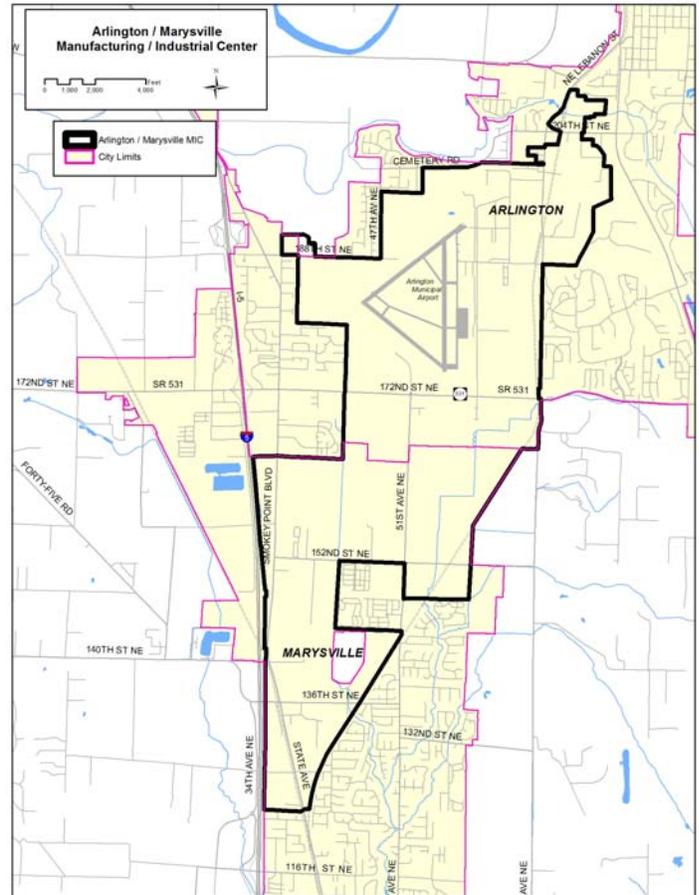
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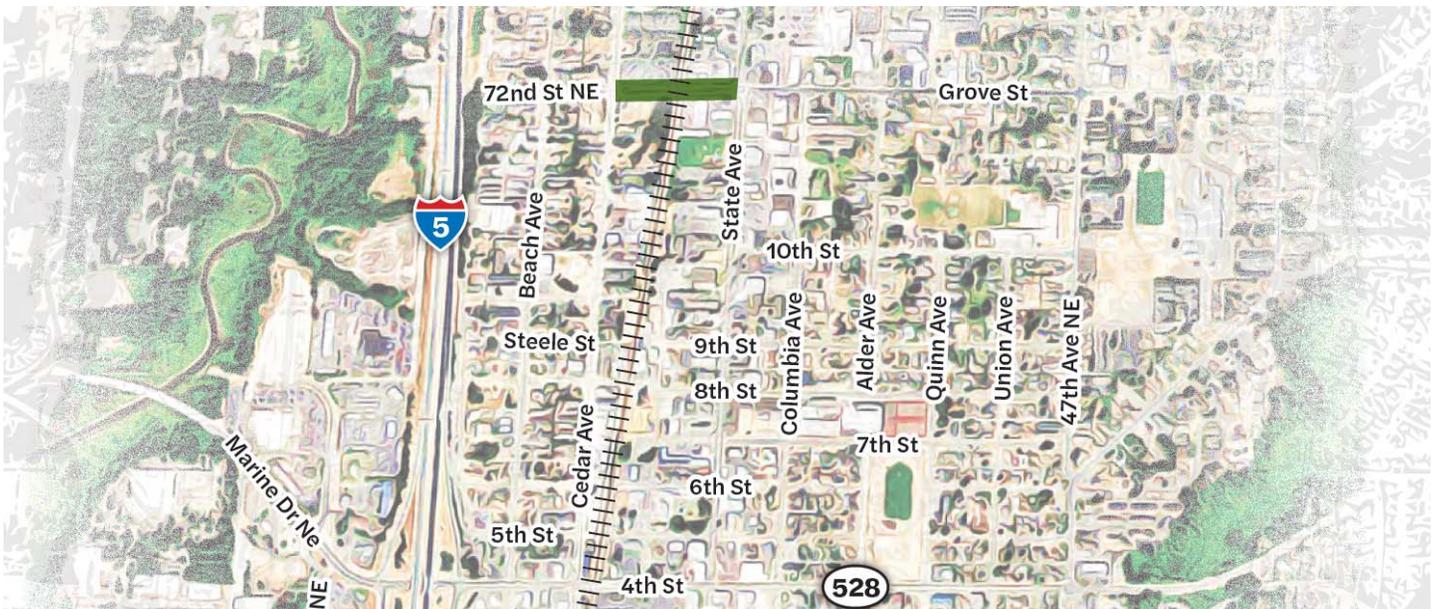
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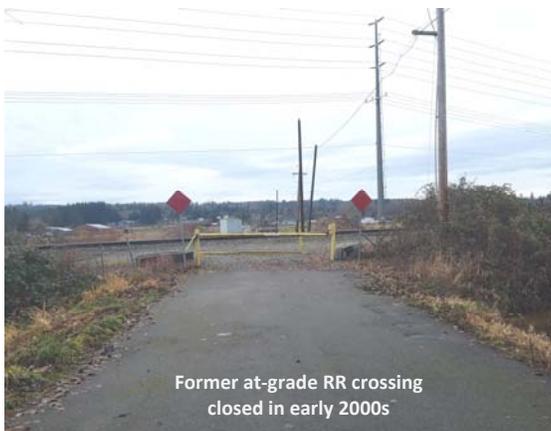
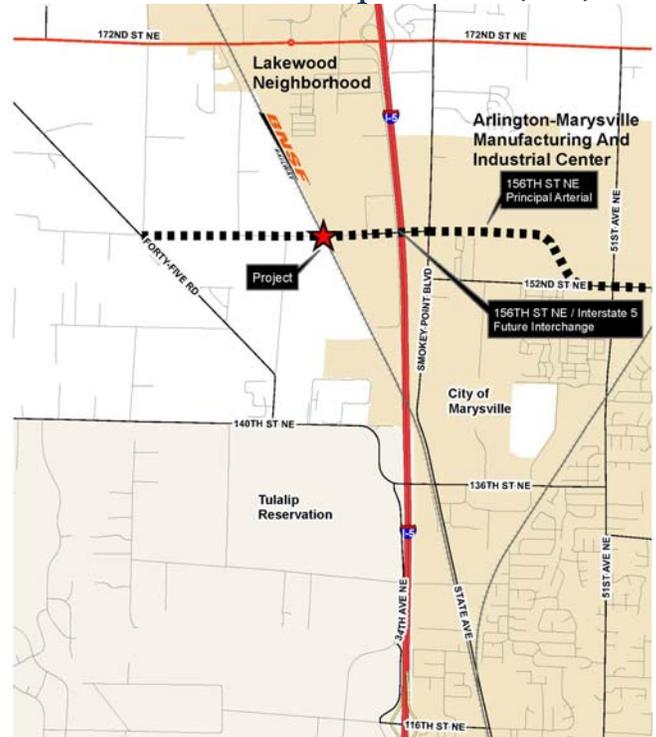
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