



Dan Thompson Program Update

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Agenda

- Grant Rounds 1 and 2 impacts
- Grant Round 3 updates
- Future planning
- Questions for DDC input



Rounds 1 and 2 impacts

~81,148 people served



Number of solicitation periods:
2



Number of grantees:
81



Number of grant awards:
108



Total awarded:
\$51,555,893



Funds distributed 2022 - 2025



Example impact areas:
Transportation
Recreation
Workforce/Provider Development
Housing



Client quotes

“I got to try new things.”

“I am grateful for building community and finding friendships.”

“I learned how to be courageous and face my fears.”



Parent quotes

“M has truly enjoyed taking classes and working on her computer skills, it has boosted her self-confidence and gives her something to look forward to.”

“A parent reported that their deaf child has benefited tremendously using Baby Signs to progress overall language. The student has adapted to using sign language to communicate most of her wants and needs independently. The student can imitate and learn new signs easily. Baby Signs has also aided in progressing the child’s verbal communication.”

“I trust that [the grantee] can transport her safely. I am so very grateful that we have opened up a whole new world for her in that she can go be with her friends and not have to have us come! She has a new level of independence with the new van that lets her be included with everyone else.”



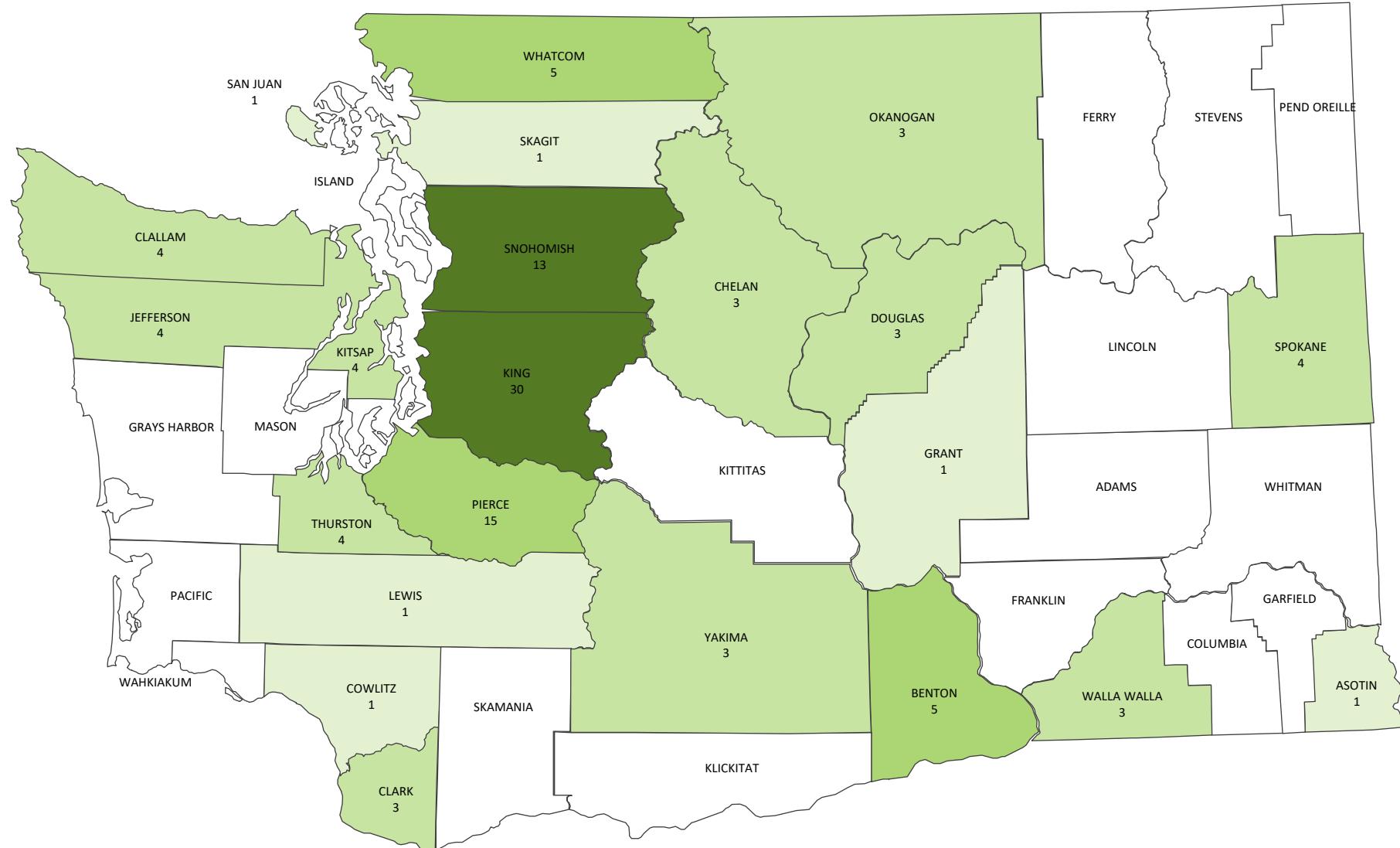
Provider quotes

“Clients have directly experienced an improvement to their lives, socially and emotionally as a result of these changes with a sense of belonging and basic human rights being met. Because of the work we were able to do as recipients of the grant, relationships between our entire community have stronger ties that, we believe, will continue to grow stronger and allow the quality of life for our neurodivergent/disabled community members to improve, which directly impacts all members of our small island community.”

“The transformation has had a profound impact on the community, creating an inclusive and welcoming space where people of all abilities can connect with nature and one another.”

“We held a Resource Fair in April that had over 200 attendees and 30 partnering agencies. This was a free event for families and children. They were able to come and try our adaptive bikes along with meeting other agencies that could potentially support their family.”

Impact by WA County 2022 - 2025





Dan Thompson Fund Round 3

\$2 million dollars for the program's biennium (2025-2027)

means:

\$1.5 million available for grants

Focus areas

Recreation

Transportation

Innovative Technology



Future Planning

Dan Thompson included in DSHS 2026-2027 supplemental budget request for an additional **\$2 million** towards more grant awards



Questions for DDC input

1. What are some things you wish to know more about the Dan Thompson program?
2. What methods would you like to see future communication shared through?
3. Do you have suggestions or ideas for further opportunities to partner with Dan Thompson contractors?



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Questions?

