# AGING & LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMIN TBI Council Projects



### **2016 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET**

Request	FY16	FY17	15-17
FTE	0	0	0
GF-State	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$572,000*	\$572,000

#### **DECISION PACKAGE SUMMARY**

The Aging and Long Term Support Administration (ALTSA) requests a \$572,000 increase in spending authority from the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Account on behalf of the Traumatic Brain Injury Council. This will allow the TBI Council to meet new goals in their revised comprehensive plan, including continuing to fund Seattle's TBI Clubhouse and creating a new mobile app for veterans with a TBI.

#### **PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Nearly 145,000 people live with a TBI-related disability in the state of Washington. The TBI Council, which is administratively housed at ALTSA, has updated its strategic plan and wants to continue Provail's Seattle TBI Clubhouse services and expand its capacity, as well as provide a new mobile app for veterans who have experienced a TBI. The TBI Council has committed their current 2015-17 appropriation to ongoing programs.

#### **PROPOSED SOLUTION**

The TBI Council, which consists of 26 people representing state agencies, advocates and service providers, is proposing to increase the scope of their activities, including:

- \$300,000 construction of new 14-bed facility for individuals with TBI in Seattle
- \$93,000 mobile app tool for veterans who have experienced a TBI
- \$150,000 continue Provail TBI Clubhouse services
- \$29,000 University of Washington contract

The TBI Account is appropriated, so while there is sufficient fund balance in the account to pay for more outreach, education and services, the authorized appropriation needs to be increased. There is no GF-State expenditure requested.

#### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

More people with traumatic brain injuries, and their families, will be aware of services available and benefit from those services, increasing their independence and quality of life while potentially decreasing the time and money spent on the level of care necessary without those targeted services and supports. The new projects, in particular, will result in the

\*TBI fund is not appropriated by fiscal year



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new veterans app creating 500 profiles, help 200 eligible veterans receive direct client services, and 400 new eligible veterans receive referrals for services in their communities. The Provail TBI Clubhouse in Seattle serves 83 total members, about 10 per day with 25 visiting at least once per month. This capacity will be expanded with the new facility being constructed.

#### **STAKEHOLDER IMPACT**

The Washington Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Employment Security, Governor's Council on Disabilities, and community activists will all support the increased efforts of the TBI Council.