



# TREATMENT SALES TAX OVERVIEW

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## **What is the Treatment Sales Tax?**

Washington State law allows counties to collect a 1/10 of 1% sales tax to fund enhanced and expanded chemical dependency and mental health treatment services and for therapeutic courts. Thurston County has collected this tax since 2009.

The Treatment Sales Tax (TST) is a important local funding stream that works alongside federal and state funding such as Medicaid to meet mental health and substance use needs in Thurston County. Through reduced justice involvement, emergency room use, health care costs, and public assistance and increased earnings, TST programs save our community approximately \$4 for every \$1 spent.

TST is managed by the Thurston County Commissioners Office. A volunteer Advisory Committee comprised of Thurston County residents makes non-binding recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the use of TST funds.

## **What are the goals of the Treatment Sales Tax?**

- Improve the quality of life for Thurston County residents with mental health, chemical dependency, or co-occurring disorders.
- Reduce criminal justice involvement for individuals with mental and/or chemical dependency issues, including diverting from jail or reducing length of jail stays when possible and reducing recidivism.
- Increase collaboration and coordination between and education and training to corrections, courts, law enforcement, mental health, and chemical dependency and housing services.

The Treatment Sales Tax works in alignment with [Thurston Thrives](#) strategies and emphasizes the use of evidence-based practices.

## **Who is served by Treatment Sales Tax programs?**

TST programs serve children and adults in every zip code in Thurston County, including justice-involved individuals, individuals experiencing homelessness, pregnant women and girls, youth in school settings, and other residents with mental health and substance abuse needs.

# \$5.3M

*approx. annual budget*

# \$4

*approx. savings for every \$1 invested*

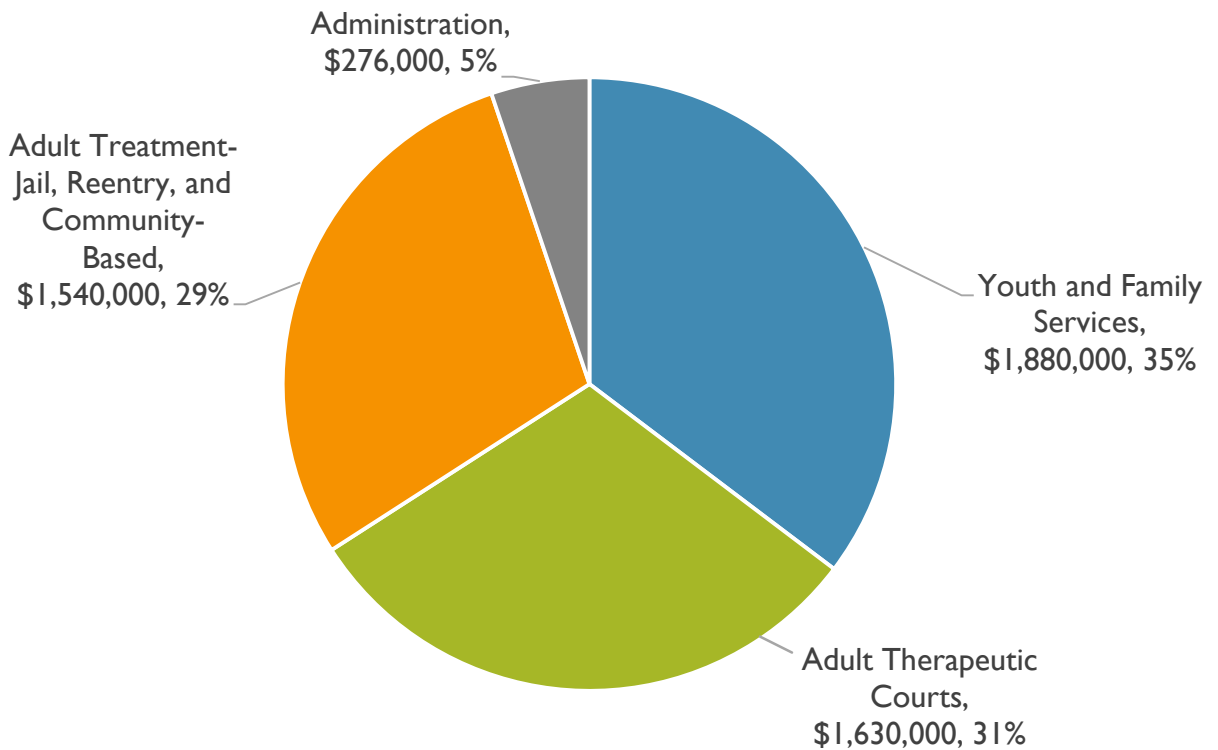
# 3,300

*approx. number of individuals served*

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# HOW ARE TREATMENT SALES TAX FUNDS SPENT? (SUMMARY)

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- Administration includes oversight and monitoring of TST funds as well as staff training.
- Youth and Family Services includes community and school-based services to youth, services to youth in detention, services to pregnant and parenting women and girls and their children, and Family Recovery Court.
- Adult Therapeutic Courts includes Drug Court, DUI Court, Mental Health Court, and Veteran's Court, including associated judicial, prosecution, and defense time.
- Adult Treatment includes treatment, housing, employment, reentry, and case management services for adults with mental health, substance abuse, and co-occurring disorders in the community and/or in jail, including specialized services for Veterans.

# HOW ARE TREATMENT SALES TAX FUNDS SPENT? *(DETAIL)*

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## **Youth and Family Services– total budget of \$1.88 million**

Community Grants	\$246,000
Wraparound Initiative	\$363,230
Multi-Systemic Therapy	\$387,518
Youth Substance Use Disorder Treatment	\$61,519
Juvenile Court and Detention Transitions	\$166,427
Juvenile Justice Behavioral Health Alternative	\$140,720
Family Recovery Court	\$136,883
Nurse Family Partnership	\$353,385
Domestic Violence Case Coordinator	\$22,374

## **Adult Therapeutic Courts– total budget of \$1.63 million**

DUI/ Drug Court	\$622,349
Mental Health and Veteran's Court	\$350,848
Prosecution and Defense	\$660,744

## **Adult Treatment- Jail, Reentry and Community-Based– total budget of \$1.54 million**

Mentally Ill Offender Program	\$86,802
Veteran's Case Manager	\$30,000
Co-Occurring Disorders Intensive Case Management	\$123,469
Housing Case Management (including Inmate Housing Case Management)	\$336,485
Nisqually Tribal Intensive Case Management	\$129,725
Inmate Chemical Dependency Program	\$351,576
Inmate Mental Health Services	\$223,075
Preparing for Re-Entry Employment Program	\$118,676
Corrections Coordination	\$143,320

## **Treatment Sales Tax Administration- total budget of \$275,737**