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Lauren Thomas
Hopelink
14812 Main St.
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Dear Ms. Thomas:

The City of Shoreline supports Hopelink's Coordinated Special Needs Transportation Grant Application for Mobility Management in King County.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation in King County. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of King County residents, including seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provides critical services and facilitates coordination in to make best use of scarce resources. This project will provide staffing, short term planning and operational support for the King County Mobility Coalition; implement locally prioritized mobility management projects; and conduct outreach to targeted special needs populations.

This project supports the City's Framework Goal 13 - *encourage a variety of transportation options that provide better connectivity within Shoreline and throughout the region*. The project connects residents with essential services – medical, food and housing by increasing their knowledge of transportation options. The project also coordinates among transportation providers to find ways to address the unmet needs of people who rely on special needs transportation services.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application.

Sincerely,

Shari Winstead
Mayor

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