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Subject: House and Senate Proposed 2024 Supplemental Operating and Capital Budgets

Leadership in the Senate Ways & Means committee released their initial 2024 supplemental [capital](#) and [operating](#) budget proposals on February 15 and February 18, respectively. Leadership in the House Appropriations and Capital Budget committees released their 2024 supplemental [operating](#) and [capital](#) budget proposals on February 19. Initial proposals from the legislature follow the release of the [Governor's proposals](#) in December. Senate and House proposals can be found on the state's [Fiscal Information website](#).

This brief covers proposed budgets released by leadership in fiscal committees of each chamber (Senate Ways & Means, House Appropriations, and House Capital Budget committees), and any changes approved by committee and/or floor votes as of the date of posting. **This brief will be updated if any additional changes occur before the House and Senate release compromise budgets.**

In sessions occurring in even-numbered years, lawmakers are tasked with amending the two-year budget set in the 2023 legislative session and are primarily focusing on the second fiscal year (FY25). The 2024 session began on January 8, 2024, and is slated to end on March 7, 2024. Once finalized, the supplemental operating budget will be incorporated into the UW's Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) operating budget, which will be presented to the Board of Regents as an information item in May and as an action item in June.

For a review of the 2023-2025 biennial budget, please see the [OPB's brief page](#). For more information regarding the UW's current requests for state funding, please see our 2024 supplemental budget request on [this page](#).

OPERATING BUDGETS

At the end of the 2023 legislative session, the economic outlook in Washington state was forecasted to be positive. Overall revenue projections released by the Economic and Revenue Forecast Council (ERFC) have continued to improve, though growth is slowing. The most recent forecast in February projected a \$122 million increase in revenue for the 2023-25 biennium. Total revenue for the biennium is now projected to reach \$67 billion.

Based on the February forecast, operating budgets proposed by leadership in the Senate and House reflect a slight increase over the underlying biennial budget. Many of the UW's academy requests would be funded and UW Medicine would receive a significant one-time appropriation in FY25, though amounts differ by budget. Lawmakers will now approve budgets in each chamber then work toward a compromise budget by the end of the session.

Direct Impacts to the UW

Overall, the Governor's supplemental budget reflected an increase of \$79 million over the 2023-25 biennial budget. The Senate and House proposals reflect increases of \$95.6 million and \$80.2 million over the biennial budget, respectively. The increase in funding in all budgets is largely attributed to additional funding for UW Medicine. Table 1, below, shows the total funding in 2024 supplemental budget proposals compared to the enacted 2023-25 biennial budget.

Table 1: UW State Funding - 2024 Supplemental Operating Budget Proposals
Near General Fund State (in \$1,000s)

| Budget | FY1 | FY2 | Total |
|---|---------|---------|------------------|
| <i>Enacted 2023-25 Biennial Operating Budget</i> | 583,064 | 520,505 | 1,103,569 |
| <i>Governor's Proposed 2024 Supplemental Budget</i> | 585,011 | 597,561 | 1,182,572 |
| Senate Proposed 2024 Supplemental Budget | 585,328 | 613,797 | 1,199,125 |
| House Proposed 2024 Supplemental Budget | 584,347 | 599,420 | 1,183,767 |

Table 2, below, details the 2024 supplemental operating budget. While we frequently see other state agencies receive allocations that stipulate funds to be provided to or contracted with the University, this list of provisos includes only appropriations directly to the University. Only incremental Near-General Fund appropriations from the General Fund – State (GF-S) and the Workforce Education Investment Account (WEIA) are shown in the tables. All provisos, including those funded from other state accounts, are described in more detail on the following pages.

**Table 2: 2024 Supplemental Operating Budget
Proposals
Near General Fund State (in \$1,000s)**

| | Governor | Senate | | | House | | |
|---|------------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|------------------|
| | 2023-25 Total | FY24 | FY25 | 2023-25 Total | FY24 | FY25 | 2023-25 Total |
| 2023-25 Biennial Budget (base funding) | 1,103,569 | 583,064 | 520,505 | 1,103,569 | 583,064 | 520,505 | 1,103,569 |
| Maintenance Level Changes | 4,162 | 1,474 | 1,983 | 3,457 | 1,474 | 1,983 | 3,457 |
| Maintenance & Operations (ML+PL) | 153 | - | 129 | 129 | - | 129 | 129 |
| Tuition Backfill Inflation Adjustment | 1,213 | 526 | 687 | 1,213 | 526 | 687 | 1,213 |
| ML Central Service Adjs. | 51 | 49 | 6 | 55 | 49 | 6 | 55 |
| Worker's Compensation | 3,056 | 1,529 | 1,527 | 3,056 | 1,529 | 1,527 | 3,056 |
| College in the High School | (550) | (630) | (605) | (1,235) | (630) | (605) | (1,235) |
| Alternative Jet Fuels | 239 | - | 239 | 239 | - | 239 | 239 |
| Policy Level Changes | 74,841 | 790 | 91,309 | 92,099 | (191) | 76,932 | 76,741 |
| PL Central Service Adjs. | 1,434 | 146 | 474 | 620 | 556 | 874 | 1,430 |
| Total Employee Benefits Changes | (428) | 10 | 43 | 53 | 10 | (77) | (67) |
| UW Hospital Support | 50,000 | - | 65,000 | 65,000 | - | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| School of Dentistry RIDE Expansion | 2,505 | - | 2,505 | 2,505 | - | 2,505 | 2,505 |
| Allen School Scholars | 330 | - | 330 | 330 | - | 330 | 330 |
| Legal Service Shift (AGO) | - | - | - | - | (902) | (936) | (1,838) |
| BHTF Support | 20,000 | - | 20,000 | 20,000 | - | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Semiconductor Teaching Lab | 1,000 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| State Elections Database (SB 5837) | - | - | 250 | 250 | - | - | - |
| Ballot Rejection (SB 5890) | - | - | 10 | 10 | - | - | - |
| Lakeland Village Records (SB 6125) | - | - | 267 | 267 | - | - | - |
| Pesticide Safety Comm. (SB 6166/HB 2302) | - | 4 | 4 | 8 | - | 4 | 4 |
| Nurse Anesthetist Workforce (SB 6286) | - | - | 148 | 148 | - | - | - |
| 988 System Timeline (SB 6308) | - | - | 264 | 264 | - | - | - |
| OHBH Long Term Planning | - | - | 100 | 100 | - | - | - |
| Environmental Forensic Science Center | - | - | 307 | 307 | - | - | - |
| College in the High School | - | 630 | - | 630 | - | - | - |
| Memory & Brain Wellness Center | - | - | 50 | 50 | - | 50 | 50 |
| Nordic Nations Pilot Program | - | - | 350 | 350 | - | - | - |
| Reproductive Health Access | - | - | 412 | 412 | - | 412 | 412 |
| WCPS Planning Soccer Field Renovation | - | - | 180 | 180 | - | 180 | 180 |
| BHTF Legal Services | - | - | 615 | 615 | - | 615 | 615 |
| UW Barnard Center | - | - | - | - | - | 250 | 250 |
| Co-Response Services (HB 2245) | - | - | - | - | - | 806 | 806 |
| European Green Crab Research | - | - | - | - | - | 174 | 174 |
| Conditional Scholarship Report | - | - | - | - | - | 250 | 250 |
| Entrepreneur In Residence Program | - | - | - | - | - | 300 | 300 |
| Higher Ed Opioid Prevention (HB 2112) | - | - | - | - | - | 232 | 232 |
| Junior Summer Institute | - | - | - | - | - | 140 | 140 |
| Postsecondary Student Needs | - | - | - | - | - | 73 | 73 |
| Ranked Choice Voting Study | - | - | - | - | 25 | 100 | 125 |
| SMART Center | - | - | - | - | 120 | 250 | 370 |
| Center for DV Research | - | - | - | - | - | 400 | 400 |
| Total Funding | 1,182,572 | 585,328 | 613,797 | 1,199,125 | 584,347 | 599,420 | 1,183,767 |

Tuition Policy

All budget proposals continue current tuition policy (enacted by 2ESSB 5954, 2015), which has allowed resident undergraduate tuition increases of between 2.2-3.0 percent each year. The allowable increase for the 2024-25 academic year will be 3.0 percent. Part of the state's tuition policy requires an inflationary adjustment to tuition backfill amounts provided in previous budgets. The backfill adjustments in all current proposals would result in an additional \$2.3 million in the 2024 supplemental budget.

Compensation and Benefits

Compensation:

Salary increases for faculty and staff were the University's highest priority requests for the 2023-25 biennial budget. Collective bargaining agreements for UW represented staff were approved by the state during the 2023 session. For FY25, the state budget assumes 3 percent salary increases for non-represented faculty and staff. None of the budget proposals make compensation changes to the 2023-25 budget. It is notable, however, that Washington State University's contract with Academic Student Employees (TAs and RAs) would be funded in the House budget proposal.

Benefits:

Monthly employer contribution caps for employee benefits in all budget proposals would be unchanged for FY24 (\$1,145). The Senate and House would update FY25 contribution caps from \$1,191 to \$1,174 (-\$17) and \$1,169 (-\$22), respectively, compared to \$1,158 in the Governor's budget (-\$33). Benefit assumptions represent significant costs across all UW activities and are passed through to unit cost centers via benefit load rates. All proposed benefits rates assume that state employee vision plan hardware benefits would increase to \$200 every two years.

Maintenance Level Changes

The UW submitted two budget requests at the maintenance level including maintenance and operations for UW Medicine – Northwest Behavioral Health Teaching Facility, and funding for legislation that passed during the previous legislative session but was not funded in the 2023-25 operating budget. We have summarized each maintenance level request below.

- **Maintenance & Operations for the UWMC-NW Behavioral Health Renovation:** The University requested \$153,000 in FY25, which is half of the ongoing cost in future fiscal years. The project is expected to reach substantial completion by January 2025 and construction was a state-funded legislative priority in conjunction with the Behavioral Health Teaching Facility. The Governor's budget would fully fund the University's request, but proposals from the Senate and House would use a lower per/gross square foot funding rate, resulting in a lower funding amount of \$129,000 in the first year and double the amount in future years (GF-S).
- **Funding for SB 5447, Alternative Jet Fuels Reporting:** The University requested \$239,000 in FY25 and \$144,000 ongoing. The Legislature passed SB 5447 during the 2023 session, which directed the UW Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (DEOHS) to calculate and report on jet fuel emissions around SeaTac International Airport. The Legislature provided funding to every state agency involved with this work, except for the UW. Without funding, it is not feasible for DEOHS to complete the study. Both the Senate and House budget proposals would fully fund the University's request for FY25 and future fiscal years (GF-S).

Policy Level Changes

The Senate and House would provide funding for all UW budget requests at the policy level. The House budget also addressed a shift of legal support staff for the UW Division of the Attorney General's Office (AGO). While this was not an official request submitted by the UW in September, a joint request was later submitted in coordination with the AGO. All of these requests would address critical needs across the University. More detail about each is below:

UW Budget Requests:

- **UW Medicine Safety Net and Medical Training Support:** The University requested up to \$100 million in FY25 to support critical safety net care, medical training and education, and other services at UW Medical Center and Harborview Medical Center. UW Medicine received one-time funding during the 2023 legislative session for FY23 and FY24 and is making progress in addressing challenges related to payer mix and complex discharge. However, UW Medicine needs additional state support for FY25 to address increasing labor costs and prevent significant and harmful service reductions. The Senate budget proposal would provide \$65 million in FY25, while the House matched the Governor's proposal of \$50 million in FY25. Senate and House appropriations are coded as one-time funding (GF-S).
- **Dentistry RIDE Expansion:** The University requested \$2.5 million in FY25 and each year thereafter, in collaboration with Eastern Washington University (EWU), to expand the capacity and footprint of the Regional Initiatives in Dental Education (RIDE) program in Spokane. The request will double the cohort and add a second year to the program in Spokane, which will enhance Spokane's function as a regional campus and hub for professional education. Both Senate and House budget proposals would fulfill the request with ongoing funding (GF-S in Senate, WEIA in House).
- **Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering Startup Program:** The University requested \$330,000 in FY25 and \$455,000 ongoing for the Startup program (now Allen Scholars), which supports and prepares students with high potential and academic need to succeed in the CSE BS program. The state provided \$455,000 in FY23 then one-time funding of \$125,000/year for the current biennium (FY24 and FY25) in the 2023 session (though we requested \$455,000 ongoing). This would bridge the gap in FY25 and make the funding permanent. Both the Senate and House budget proposals would fulfill the request with \$330,000 in FY25 and an ongoing amount of \$455,000 in future fiscal years (WEIA).
- **UW Division of the AGO Staffing Shift:** If implemented, this would shift approximately 10 FTE legal support staff to the AGO from the UW. The cost of the shift would be built into the central service model for AGO billing authority, and a portion of state funding would be allocated to the UW. The Senate did not address this request in their budget proposal. The House budget would make this shift at the policy level and move costs to a fund-split in the central service model. In addition to the shift, the budget reduced state general funding in a separate step, which in effect removed state funding for positions that were not state funded. The Governor's budget originally included this same error; however, it was corrected in the errata version in January. We have flagged this issue for House staff.

Provisos Included in Senate and House Budget Proposals:

- **Behavioral Health Teaching Facility (BHTF) Support:** \$20 million is provided in FY25 for the state portion of the 75 long term civil commitment beds at the UW BHTF. A report is due by June 30, 2025, that will inform ongoing funding based on actual costs (GF-S).
- **Pesticide Application Safety Committee:** The Senate would provide \$4,000 in FY24 and FY25 to implement SB 6166, and the House would provide \$4,000 in FY25 only to implement HB 2302. These bills are companions which extend

the duration of the committee and work group to July 1, 2035. Both are coded as ongoing funds with \$8,000 proposed for the 2025-27 biennium (GF-S).

- **Dementia Friends/Memory and Brain Wellness Center:** \$50,000 in FY25 is provided to support the UW Medicine Memory and Brain Wellness Center and the expansion of the Dementia Friends Program. Both proposed allocations are expected to be one-time funds (GF-S).
- **Reproductive Health Access:** \$412,000 in FY25 is provided to develop and implement the Washington Reproductive Access Alliance, allowing public hospital districts to partner with UW Medicine to provide substantially equivalent services under the Reproductive Privacy Act. Funding is expected to be ongoing (GF-S).
- **World Cup Planning/FIFA Soccer Field Renovation:** \$180,000 in FY25 is provided to support project planning and management, soccer field renovation, and LED Lighting upgrades to prepare for the 2026 World Cup hosted by Seattle. Both budgets also include capital funding for stadium renovation. Funding is expected to be one-time (GF-S).
- **BHTF Legal Services:** \$615,000 in FY25 is provided for legal costs associated with the UW Behavioral Health Teaching Facility. Funding is expected to be ongoing with \$1,243,000 million proposed for the 2025-27 biennium (GF-S).
- **Thriving Communities:** \$263,000 in FY25 is provided for the institution to hire two grant writers to offer technical assistance to tribal and community groups in the [Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Program](#). This is funded from the Climate Commitment Account (not considered Near General Fund) and thus is not reflected in the table above. Funding is expected to be ongoing.

Senate Budget Only:

- **State Elections Database:** \$250,000 in FY25 to implement [Senate Bill 5837](#), which codifies the Washington Elections Database. This is expected to be ongoing funding (GF-S).
- **Ballot Rejection:** \$10,000 in FY25 to implement [Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5890](#), which establishes a work group to approve a uniform ballot envelope design to be used by all counties starting with the 2026 primary election. This is expected to be ongoing funding (GF-S).
- **Lakeland Village Records:** \$267,000 in FY25 to develop a preservation plan for artifacts at Lakeland Village as required under [Substitute Senate Bill 6125](#). Funding is coded as one-time (GF-S).
- **Nurse Anesthetist Workforce:** \$148,000 in FY25 to implement [Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6286](#) which directs the UW to study workforce shortages in anesthesia care. This is expected to be ongoing funding (GF-S).
- **988 System Timeline:** \$264,000 in FY25 for the implementation of [Senate Bill 6308](#) which extends the duration of the Crisis Response Improvement Strategy Committee. Funding is coded as ongoing (GF-S).
- **Olympic Heritage Behavioral Health (OHBH) Long Term Planning:** \$100,000 in FY25 for the Behavioral Health Institute at Harborview Medical Center and the University of Washington School of Medicine, in consultation with the Office of Financial Management, to develop recommendations considering multiple different long-term uses of up to 40 residential treatment facility licensed beds located at the Olympic heritage behavioral health (OHBH) facility. A report is due by December 1, 2024. Funding is expected to be one-time (GF-S).
- **Environmental Forensic Science Center:** \$307,000 in FY25 to support the operation of the Environmental Forensic Science Center. This is expected to be one-time funding (GF-S).
- **College in the High School:** \$630,000 in FY24 to support the College in the High School program expansion resulting from the passage of Chapter 314, Laws of 2023 ([2SSB 5048](#)). This is coded as a one-time allocation. Please see the "[Other Notable Changes](#)" section for additional information (WEIA).

- **Nordic Nations Pilot Program:** \$350,000 in FY25 to establish a pilot program to support activities related to cooperation with academic institutions, governmental and public agencies of the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden, and the Kingdom of Norway. Funding is coded as a one-time (GF-S).
- **Ibogaine Assisted Therapy:** \$250,000 in FY25 to support the UW Center for Novel Therapeutics in Addiction Psychiatry for an initial study of ibogaine assisted therapy. This is funded through the Opioid Abatement Settlement Account (not considered Near General Fund) and thus is not included in the table above. Funding is coded as one-time.

House Budget Only:

- **UW Barnard Center:** \$250,000 in FY25 for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health to identify existing infant and early childhood mental health workforce initiatives and activities. A report is due June 30, 2025. This is expected to be one-time funding (WEIA).
- **Co-response Services:** \$806,000 in FY25 for the implementation of [Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2245](#) to provide training and curriculum development. This is expected to be funded ongoing with a total of \$1,295,000 for the 2025-27 biennium (GF-S).
- **European Green Crab Research:** \$174,000 in FY25 for genome sequencing and other research that may improve control and eradication of the European green crab. This is expected to be one-time funding (GF-S).
- **Conditional Scholarship Report:** \$250,000 in FY25 for a report on usage of conditional scholarships for students who committed to working in the public behavioral health system. This report is due June 30, 2025. This is expected to be one-time funding (WEIA).
- **Entrepreneur in Residence Program:** \$300,000 in FY25 to sponsor graduate and post-graduate international students for a pilot Entrepreneur-In-Residence program. This is expected to be one-time funding (WEIA).
- **Higher Education Opioid Prevention:** \$232,000 in FY25 is provided for the implementation of [Second Substitute House Bill 2112](#) which includes additional opioid and fentanyl prevention education and awareness, including for staff working in residence halls on the use of naloxone. This is expected to be ongoing with a total of \$469,000 proposed for the 2025-27 biennium (GF-S).
- **Junior Summer Institute:** \$140,000 in FY25 is provided for the Junior Summer Institute Program to pilot a regionally focused expansion that provides a pathway for historically underrepresented students into public policy and public services. This is expected to be one-time funding (WEIA).
- **Postsecondary Student Needs:** \$73,000 in FY25 to increase staffing so there is a full-time benefit navigator per campus. This is expected to be ongoing funding with \$148,000 proposed for the 2025-27 biennium (WEIA).
- **Ranked Choice Voting Study:** \$125,000 in FY25 for the UW Evans School to study ranked choice voting and provide a report to the Legislature by June 1, 2025. This is expected to be one-time funding (GF-S).
- **SMART Center:** \$370,000 in FY25 for the School Mental Health Assessment Research and Training Center to research and report on collection and use of data in public schools within the multi-tiered systems of supports and Integrated Student Supports Framework. A preliminary report is due December 1, 2024, and a final report is due June 30, 2025. This is expected to be one-time funding (GF-S).
- **Center for DV Research:** \$400,000 in FY25 for the UW Center for Excellence in Research, Policy, and Practice to Reduce Domestic Violence and the implementation of [Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1715](#). The legislature previously appropriated \$2 million in one-time, WEIA funds for ESSHB 1715 during the 2023 legislative session. This new allocation is expected to be one-time funding (GF-S).
- **PFAS Chemical Screening:** \$500,000 in FY25 for the study and development of mobile screen methods for fluorine, an indicator of per- and polyfluoralkyl (PFAS) chemicals. A report is due June 30, 2025, on the development of a screening method and recommendations to limit harmful exposures to PFAS Chemicals. This is funded through the

Model Toxics Account (not considered Near General Fund) and thus is not included in the table above. Funding is coded as one-time.

OTHER NOTABLE CHANGES

- **College in the High School:** The 2023-25 biennial operating budget provided \$1.64 million in each FY24 and FY25 for College in the High School courses as provided in [Second Substitute Senate Bill 5048](#). However, the 2024 supplemental operating budgets have proposed cuts to this funding based on College in the High School enrollment numbers from FY23. It should be noted that College in the High School students enrolled in FY22 did not have access to the subsidy; staff believe this could lead to an inaccurate enrollment count. The Governor's proposed budget would reduce FY24 funding by \$550,000. Both the Senate and House proposed further reductions of \$630,000 in FY24 and \$605,000 in FY25, or an approximately 40 percent reduction from the original proviso. As mentioned above, and included in Table 2, the Senate proposal includes a separate allocation that nullifies the College in the High School reduction in FY24. We have communicated to legislative staff and legislators our position that funding provided in the 2023-25 operating budget should be held harmless.
- **Graduate Medical Education Direct Payment Program:** Both the Senate and House budgets direct the Health Care Authority to create a Graduate Medical Education Direct Payment Program with the potential to pull down additional federal funds to support graduate medical education costs for UWMC, Harborview, and the Family Medicine Residency Network across the state.
- **Central Services:** As we have seen in recent years, all budgets include significant increases in billing authority for other state agencies to charge the University for programs or services, which receive only partial state funding. In all budgets, worker's compensation central services would increase by \$3.7 million per year starting in FY24, with \$1.5 million per year funded. There are also significant increases to OFM central services in each budget proposal.
- **Cannabis Revenue Distributions:** The Governor's budget reduced appropriations from the Dedicated Cannabis Account (not reflected in the table above) by \$26,000 in FY24 and \$39,000 in FY25 pursuant to [Chapter 169 Laws of 2022 \(E2SSB 5796\)](#). The Senate and House budgets would make only minor adjustments to funding levels.
- **Transit-Oriented Development Review:** The Senate transportation budget provides \$60,000 to the UW Center for Real Estate Research to review transit-oriented development conditions in cities that meet set criteria within the five largest counties in the state. This work is intended to be done in collaboration with Puget Sound Regional Council. A preliminary report to the Legislature by December 31, 2024, and a final report due by June 30, 2025. Funding is coded as one-time (Multimodal Transportation Account).
- **Engineering Pathways and Programs:** The Senate transportation budget also provides \$1.47 million to the Washington State Transportation Center to support increasing pathways into transportation careers with funding going towards internship programs, a short-term training program and a professional master's degree fellowship between the Department of Transportation and the UW's civil and environmental engineering program. Of this amount, \$81,000 is set aside to conduct analysis and provide recommendations on engineering pathways in the state. Funding is coded as one-time (Motor Vehicle Account).

FINANCIAL AID

Table 3, below, outlines financial aid provisions for the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) in 2024 supplemental budget proposals.

| Table 3: Financial Aid Funding in 2024 supplemental budget proposals (in \$1,000s) | Governor Proposal | Senate | House |
|---|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| WA College Grant Eligibility-SNAP | 239 | - | 239 |
| WAVE Scholarship | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| College Grant Eligibility | 1000 | 8280 | - |
| Launch NW | - | - | 500 |
| Native American Apprentices | - | - | 1200 |
| National Guard Grants | - | 425 | 1570 |
| Passport to Careers | - | 2000 | 1000 |
| Incarcerated Student Grants | - | 330 | - |
| BH Conditional Scholarships | - | - | 150 |
| State Work Study | - | - | 200 |
| College in the High School- Private | - | - | 100 |
| Total Funding: | 1,739 | 11,535 | 5,459 |

Across these proposed budgets, the following investments are included:

- **Washington College Grant Eligibility** – Funding would allow expansion of timeframes for the Washington College Grant, College Bound Scholars, and Passport to Careers to align with the timeframe of federal Pell Grants. This enables students to remain eligible for the state grants for 18 full-time academic quarters or six years.
- **Launch NW** – Funding would support the development and implementation of a mentoring scholarship.
- **Native American Apprentices** – Funding would allow implementation of ESHB 2019 which establishes a Native American Apprentice Assistance Program.
- **National Guard Grants** – funding provided would support this grant program to eligible students (members of the Washington National Guard) to get an approved degree or certificate.
- **Passport to Careers** - Funding is provided to support eligible students (in foster care or who have experienced homelessness) in the Passport to Careers financial aid program, including student grant awards, campus student support, and contracted support services.
- **Incarcerated Student Grants** - Funding would support implementation of SSB 5953 which allows incarcerated individuals to apply for and use federal and state financial aid grants for postsecondary education programs at the Department of Corrections.
- **Behavioral Health Conditional Scholarships** - This funding would help implement House Bill 1946 which expands uses for the behavioral health scholarship program within the Washington Health Corps.
- **State Work Study** – funding would support modifying reimbursement rates for employers who employ work study students.

- **College in the High School-Private** – this funding would allow for a provide non-for-profit institution to offer College in the High School courses free to public high school students.
- **WAVE Scholarship** - Funding will support the Washington Award for Vocational Excellence program which recognizes high school seniors, and community & technical college students for exemplary performance in career and technical education programs.
- **The Washington College Grant Eligibility – SNAP** Funding guarantees Washington College Grant eligibility to students who participate in Washington's Basic Food Program or the Food Assistance Program in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade. Prospective students would be notified of their eligibility for the Washington College Grant when enrolled in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Other Proposed Investments in Higher Education

- Proposed funding from the House and Senate includes other investments that would support post-secondary access and wellbeing. These investments include a financial aid texting program to increase accessibility to information, naloxone and testing strips, a study on the establishment and implementation of a scholarship fund, and contracting support for WSAC for procurement management.

For information about the operating budget, contact [Jed Bradley](#) or [Lauren Hatchett](#). For more information about financial aid, please contact [Alexis Mercedes Rinck](#).

CAPITAL BUDGET

The Senate released their supplemental capital budget [proposal](#) on Thursday (2/15) and the House released their supplemental capital budget [proposal](#) on Monday (2/19). These proposals closely match Governor Inslee's [proposal](#) from December. All three proposed budgets would add \$43.9 million in new direct appropriations compared to the current 2023-25 capital budget. **All proposals would fully fund the UW's request for \$5 million for initial design and planning work for a new Chemical Sciences Building and renewal projects in Bagley Hall.**

The three proposals would also provide \$38.9 million from the [Climate Commitment Act \(CCA\)](#) for energy renewal projects at UW's three campuses, as well as at the UW Medical Center-Montlake and Northwest campuses. These investments will help reduce maintenance costs and service interruptions, and further enhance UW's Clean Energy Strategy and compliance with state climate initiatives. Support for the following projects was requested by UW and funded in the budgets via the CCA:

- **\$14 million** for the installation of piping to expand distribution of centralized cooling water at UW Seattle.
- **\$8.4 million** for the replacement of gas fired boilers and associated infrastructure at UW Tacoma.
- **\$8 million** for the replacement of HVAC equipment at UW Medical Center-Montlake.
- **\$6.5 million** for the replacement of gas boilers and upgrades to the central plant at UW Bothell.
- **\$2 million** to support a predesign/feasibility study for a central utility plant at UW Medical Center-Northwest.

UW's request for an additional \$10 million from the CCA to support the [Clean Energy Institute](#) was not funded in any of the proposed budgets.

Finally, the Senate proposed budget provides \$2.58 million to UW via the Washington State Department of Commerce for soccer practice field upgrades in advance of the 2026 World Cup. The House and Governor's proposed capital budgets also include similar amounts of capital funding for the Department of Commerce related to the World Cup, but do not specify which projects those funds will be used for. However, due to an operating budget appropriation for related planning in the House budget mentioned above, it is likely the UW would receive capital funding.

Please see the table below for a comparison of the UW's capital budget request to the amounts that would be directly allocated to the UW in each budget. For more information about the capital budget, contact [Michael Lantz](#).

Table 4: 2024 Supplemental Capital Budget Proposals (in \$1,000s)

| Appropriations (Requested Projects) | 2024 UW Supplemental Request | | | House, Senate, and Governor Proposals | | |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | State Bonds | UW Building Account | Climate Commitment Account | State Bonds | UW Building Account | Climate Commitment Account |
| Chemical Sciences and Bagley Hall | 5,000 | - | - | 5,000 | - | - |
| UW Seattle - Central Chilled Water | - | - | 14,000 | - | - | 14,000 |
| Clean Energy Institute (in CAMCET) | - | - | 10,000 | - | - | - |
| UW Tacoma - Gas to Electric | - | - | 8,400 | - | - | 8,400 |
| UWMC - Montlake HVAC Systems | - | - | 8,000 | - | - | 8,000 |
| UW Bothell - Central Plant | - | - | 6,500 | - | - | 6,500 |
| UWMC - NW Campus Central Plant | - | - | 2,000 | - | - | 2,000 |
| Total Funding | 5,000 | 0 | 48,900 | 5,000 | 0 | 38,900 |