

## 2023-2025 WSDOT Consolidated Grant Regional Priority Ranking for PSRC Region: Project Sponsor Follow-Up Questions

**Sponsor: Puget Sound Educational District (PSESD)**

**Project Title: Road to Independence**

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**Question #1:** Please provide additional details regarding your plan to survey people with limited English proficiency.

**Answer #1:** The PSESD has access to both interpreter and translation services through our agency. We strive to ensure that our marketing materials are translated into the appropriate languages as needed. As an example all of the ECEAP and Head Start programs that the PSESD oversees throughout both King and Pierce County (4,000 plus families a year) the marketing materials are made available as needed in the many different languages of the families being served.

We have marketed our van driver training program in particular to agencies that serve immigrants and refugees. In the past we have trained a number of clients served by these programs and they have completed our CDL training and moved to employment in the transportation field.

We have access to the language line at our transportation office therefore any call that comes in requesting information on the RTI program in which the caller speaks a language other than English we are able to immediately access that service in order to provide the necessary information.

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**Question #2:** What percentage of people you currently serve have limited English proficiency?

**Answer #2:** We currently do not have any riders or driver trainees that are ELL. This does not reflect the lack of marketing to ELL groups but is a reflection of the demographics of the more rural clientele that reside in our primary service areas.

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