

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

FROM:	McCleary Police Department
DATE:	02/21/2024
AGENDA ITEM TITLE:	Municipal Contract with Connections

SUMMARY

Connections is a service that provides the required type of interviews and support for incidents involving child victims of sexual abuse. Washington State requires certain training on how, when and where a child is interviewed and supported during an incident that the child is involved in or a victim of. Connections is used by law enforcement throughout Grays Harbor and has the facilities, staff and training to conduct and support the child during this process. Currently, the McCleary Police Department does not have the specialized training, nor facilities to conduct these types of interviews. Connections works with the agencies and those involved and is preferred by the Grays Harbor County Prosecutors Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$5000/year, billed quarterly

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUESTED

For Council to approve the Connections Agreement