

The following is a summarized list of questions and answers from the audience of the IIBF Live Event Public Meeting January 28, 2021. To the extent possible, they have been grouped by the category for relative response on the Budget to Actual Financial report.

Question Category:	Answer:
<b>Revenue</b>	
Where is vending commission coming from when visiting is closed?	Most of the vending commission showing on the IIBF budget to actual report for the quarter ending in December 2020 came from the work releases facilities, where both individuals and staff member purchases contribute to the commissions. A very limit amount from prison facilities. Where most of the commissions came from staff members' purchasing.
<p>Vending Machines: How do families have say as stakeholders to the contracts with the vending machines?</p> <p>DOC has nutritional requirement under Exec Order 13-06 for nutrition, regardless of whether items are "attractive".</p> <p>Menu appeal is not the only consideration, legal requirements for nutrition also matter.</p>	<p>This is a separate topic from today's meeting, which is to review the quarterly IIBF budget to actual financial report. We will pass along your concern on vending machine contracts and menu to facilities.</p> <p>Compliance with the Executive Order is covered under the model vending agreement contract between the vendor, DOC, and the Department of Services for the Blind.</p> <p>This group suggests that you work with your Local Family Council and the facility. Vending machine contracts are managed locally.</p>
Could you please explain recycling revenue again? Kitchen repair falls under recycling. Just need more clarification on this please?	Most recycling revenue comes from the incarcerated individuals' governed work areas, including kitchen or repair and maintenance.
I would like to know what the clarification is for donations. Where does donations come from?	Donations funds to IIBF are part of the IIBF revenue. If the donation has specific purpose, it will be recorded and used for that program. It will be recorded under revenue donation when no specific program is mentioned and will be considered as part of the fund balances and used to cover the IIBF expenditures like other revenues.

<b>Crime Victims Compensation Account</b>	
What is the RCW for CVC?	RCW 72.09.095 Transfer of funds to department of labor and industries for crime victim’s compensation
<b>Family Friendly</b>	
Could you please explain what is communication support is again?	Family Friendly Communication Support is for the free phone calls DOC providing to the incarcerated individuals. It is to provide for incarcerated individuals to make one five-minute phone call per week without charge until in-person visiting resumes. There were approximately 200,000 free calls provided to the incarcerated individuals as of December 2020.
I want to understand this. DOC is paying for one call, is this coming out of the IIBF for clarification?	Consistent with the response above, the one five-minute free phone call per week per each incarcerated individual comes out of IIBF Family Friendly Communication Support funding.
My understanding is that DOC has provided “comfort items” to the incarcerated people, weren’t they supposed to come out of Future Spending? That line shows zero spending.	Family Friendly Incarcerated Individual Comfort Items is a new line item on this fiscal year’s IIBF budget. It has been part of the discussions with the \$75,000 Future Deployment Funds. The Comfort Item Request was added this fiscal year to bring up the total family friendly budget to FY2020 level and suggested by the two selected statewide family council members during the IIBF budget build. All expenditures of the Comfort Items Requests on this report came from the Future Deployment Funds. The actual Expenditures will be showing on the next financial report as they were approved in January.
Felix and I have been approving purchases for emergent spending account, why is this line item showing zero spending?	The emergent spending requests came in for approval in January. We expect the actual expenditures will take place soon, and be reflected in the next quarterly financial report presentation.

<p>Is DOC aware that comfort items have not been considered to reflect actual awareness of what prisoners need? Or prisoner health concerns? Crayons and junk food were not ideal</p>	<p>We appreciate your input on the comfort items for the incarcerated individuals. We will pass along your concerns to the facilities. As we mentioned on the meeting, the two selected statewide family council members and local family council members are involved with the ideas of the comfort items requests. Please make sure to bring your ideas to them as well.</p>
<p><b>Emergent Spending Requests</b></p>	
<p>Can we talk more about this emergency cable repair cost? Which facility was it for specifically, and what was the problem? Physical infrastructure malfunctions?</p>	<p>Monroe Corrections Center recently requested IIBF emergent funding to repair the TV/Cable equipment which is very antiquated and is at risk of hill wide failure. This request went through both local and two selected statewide family council member’s feedback and input.</p>
<p><b>Law Library</b></p>	
<p>When DOC is legally required to provide law library resources to prisoners, why do those come out of IIBF? Any plans to reform that?</p>	<p>The legislature eliminated law library funding from DOC’s operating budget in the 1999-01 biennial budget. DOC Budget Office has tried in the past to move the Law Library expenditures to the state general fund, but the proposal has not been approved by the legislature. The current request to move all staffing to general fund funding is included in the Governor’s budget request.</p>
<p><b>General Expenditures Comments/Question</b></p>	
<p>Some of the expenditures seem necessary, and hence should be paid by state. Employees seem like basic cost of running the system. Families seem to be paying for state responsibilities.</p>	<p>Staffing cuts have been made via the legislature over several biennial budgets, and moved the costs to IIBF. DOC Budget Office has proposed to move the IIBF funded FTEs to the state general fund this legislative session. The current request to move all staffing to general fund funding is included in the Governor’s budget request.</p>
<p><b>Meeting Materials</b></p>	
<p>Will this document be provided by email to SFC?</p>	<p>The quarterly IIBF Budget to Actual Report and annual approved IIBF Budget will be posted on the agency public website.</p>

<b>Contact Information</b>	
Can we please have emails of all the speakers today?	Each of the speakers have provided their email address. However, we encourage people to send questions to the email address at: <a href="mailto:dociibfquestions@doc1.wa.gov">dociibfquestions@doc1.wa.gov</a>
Do multiple people check that email?	Yes all of the presenters at today’s meeting will check the emails sent to <a href="mailto:dociibfquestions@doc1.wa.gov">dociibfquestions@doc1.wa.gov</a>
Incarcerated Individual Technology Services (IITS) Client Services Procurement	
Several questions were asked regarding Incarcerated Individual Technology Services (IITS) Client Services Procurement.	This meeting is to review the quarterly IIBF budget to actual financial report and these questions were related to the IITS project which is a separate topic. The Incarcerated Individual Technology Services Team is considering the quality of services and the cost to families and one of the statewide family council members is representing the families in our team discussions. The questions and concerns in regards to the IITS project from this meeting will be shared with the steering committee for their information.