



Homeless Housing Discussion

Request for Proposals Next Steps, July 27, 2021

Goals of workshop:

- ▶ Review workshops 1-5
- ▶ Review current investments and revenue projections
- ▶ Get Board of County Commissioner input on policy and budget for Homeless Housing Request for Proposals



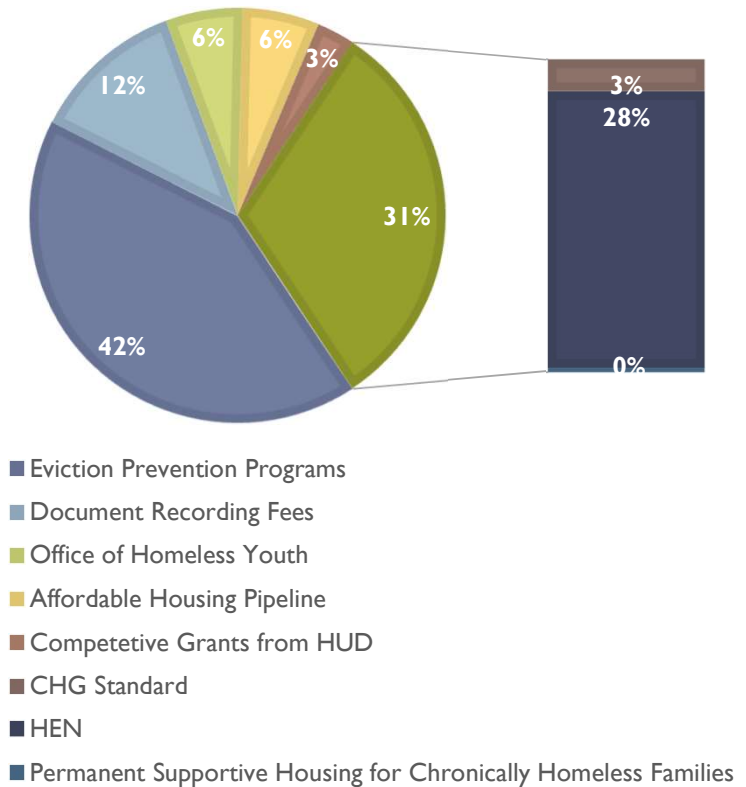
Workshop Review

- ▶ **Workshop 1 (June 1st):** *How many people experience homelessness in our community? How do they become homeless and what barriers exist to housing stability?*
 - ▶ Guest speaker: Sarah Glorian, Northwest Justice Project
 - ▶ **Workshop 2 (June 8th):** *What funding do we have to address homelessness? What are the requirements/deliverables for these funds?*
 - ▶ Guest speaker: Tedd Kelleher, Department of Commerce
 - ▶ **Workshop 3 (June 15th):** *What types of programs assist people experiencing homelessness? What programs do we fund and why?*
 - ▶ Guest speaker: Gloria Callaghan and Jana Ferrier, Domestic Violence Center
 - ▶ **Workshop 4 (June 29th):** *What does our service delivery look like for people experiencing homelessness? How do we address whole-person care?*
 - ▶ Guest speaker: Craig Dublanko and Cache McCallum, Coastal Community Action Program
 - ▶ **Workshop 5 (July 6):** *What does Grays Harbor's Continuum of Care look like? How does homelessness impact a variety of stakeholders?*
 - ▶ Guest speakers: Sarah Glorian (client stories), Chief Steve Shumate – Aberdeen Police Department, Cindy Stutesman – Seattle Union Gospel Mission, Jim Sorenson – Coastal Community Action Program, Cathy Hinds – Home Sweet Home Property Management, Dave Murnen – NeighborWorks Grays Harbor
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Homeless Housing Funds in Grays Harbor County

Program Type	Funding per Biennium
Eviction Rental Assistance Programs	\$7,000,000
Document Recording Fees	\$2,000,000
Office of Homeless Youth	\$1,000,000
Affordable Housing Pipeline	\$1,000,000
Competitive HUD Grants	\$500,000
Consolidated Homeless Grant	\$5,257,190
CHG Standard	\$540,000
Housing and Essential Needs	\$4,650,000
Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Families	\$69,000



Current values of local homeless housing dollars

- ▶ **County seeks to support homeless crisis response systems that efficiently reduce the number of people living outside, and that when scaled appropriately can house all unsheltered people**
- ▶ **State-required performance metrics measure our ability to prioritize unsheltered clients, increase exits to permanent housing, and decrease returns to homelessness**
- ▶ Investments are sustainable – annual spending \leq annual revenue
- ▶ Fund of last resort – use all other resources before tapping local funds
- ▶ Whenever possible leverage existing funding sources to increase likelihood of positive outcome
- ▶ Investments clearly align with community-driven Plan
- ▶ Investments are data driven with high return on investment
 - ▶ Look at long-term and big picture impact beyond immediate result – generational and community-wide impact are important factors



Request for Proposals – State mandated activities

Name of Program	Description	Current annual budget*
Coordinated Entry	An entry point for households experiencing homelessness	\$110,000
Housing and Essential Needs	Rent assistance for individuals working with DSHS living with a disability that prevents employment	\$1,935,000
Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Families	Rent assistance for families with children homeless for a year or more	\$58,347

*Does not include reasonable administrative costs – negotiated in contract development process

Request for Proposals – Community Priorities

Name of Program	Description	Current annual budget *
Landlord Liaison	A single point of contact between the housing system and landlords	\$56,255
Rapid Rehousing for Families	Rent assistance for homeless families with children	\$160,000
Rapid Rehousing for Young Adults	Rent assistance for homeless young adults (ages 18-24)	\$50,000
Rapid Rehousing for Adults	Rent assistance for homeless individuals with high vulnerabilities	\$126,097
Domestic Violence Shelter	Shelter and supports for survivors of domestic violence	\$81,220
Cold Weather Shelter*	Temporary seasonal emergency shelter for individuals during cold weather events	\$180,000 <i>Includes local homeless housing funds and Emergency Solutions Grant</i>
Family Shelter	Three units of emergency shelter and supports for families with children	\$33,000
Housing supports for Therapeutic Court Clients	Rent assistance for individuals working with therapeutic court programs	\$30,000

▶ *Does not include reasonable administrative costs – negotiated in contract development process

Homeless Housing Budget Projections*

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023

<p>Total projected homeless housing operational budget available to allocate: <i>Removes \$473,000 for Youth Transitional Housing approved in April 2021 but not yet expended</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~\$150,000 ongoing operations + • ~\$325,000 one-time rehab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$2,840,595 Annual • \$5,681,190 Biennial
<p>Commitment if we sustain current investments:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$2,720,000 Annual • \$5,440,000 Biennial
<p>Total projected operational budget remaining to allocate to new/expanded projects:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$120,595 Annual • \$241,190 Biennial

▶ *Does not include reasonable administrative costs

Summary of BOCC Survey Input on Request for Proposals

- ▶ **Support renewing existing programs:**
 - ▶ Coordinated Entry
 - ▶ Landlord Liaison
 - ▶ Rental assistance (HEN, Families, Young Adults)
 - ▶ Emergency Shelter for domestic violence survivors and families

- ▶ **More discussion needed on target populations and deliverables:**
 - ▶ Cold Weather Shelter



Request for Proposals Estimated Timeline

Application Process	Date
Issue RFP	August 10, 2021
Proposals Due	August 31, 2021
Subcommittee review of proposals	Early September 2021
Recommendations brought to BOCC	September 14, 2021 <i>to approve apparently successful bidder</i> September 21, 2021 <i>to approve/execute subcontracts</i>
Agency Contract Development Process	September, 2021
Service Start Date	October 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

