

King County Housing Affordability: Comments With Geography

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| 1 | Burien | 98166 | Concerns | Lack of affordable rental housing. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 2 | North Bend | 98045 | Concerns | There is not enough affordable housing for low-income seniors in Snoqualmie Valley. In total there are less than 60 one-bedroom units between the communities of North Bend, Snoqualmie, Fall City and Carnation. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 3 | Seattle | 98109 | Stories | I've lived in an affordable development in the SLU for three years. I've also been working in the affordable housing industry for 6 months. As SLU gentrifies, I find, as a person with a modest income, that it is difficult to take care of my day-to-day needs in this neighborhood, as most amenities are oriented towards people with higher incomes. There's only 1 major grocery store within the area- Whole Foods- which is not affordable. There is no post office or library- you have to go to other neighborhoods for that. Forget about dining out- there's almost no where nearby in my budget. Anyway, many places are only open for weekday lunch, not on evenings and weekends. There is a huge influx of market rate units- over 10,000 are projected for SLU | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 4 | Seattle | 98107 | Stories | I live close to the Ballard fire station. There has been a record number of fires this winter and many of them have been caused by houseless people just trying to stay warm. I also constantly see people bundling up under layers and layers of blankets, sleeping under store awnings. We need cheap, public housing in Ballard to get these people out of the cold. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 5 | Seattle | 98144 | Ideas | As a 70 year old RN, having lived and contributed to the culture and livelihood of this region for over 35 years, thank you for giving me a voice.I live in the Central district near some very affluent homes. I believe that some initiatives needs to be made to the wealthy who own large homes, to share with those who are on fixed income. Also tiny houses in back yards. Thank you so much! I would like to remain on the list. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 6 | Shoreline | 98133 | Ideas | The housing has been rising so fast for someone such as myself with section8 voucher that I have stayed in my current housing living with my 30 year old son. He has worked at his job since he started in 2006. To keep his job he needs someplace near work. Affordable rent would give him the freedom to enjoy life on his own or choose a partner. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 8 | Vashon | 98070 | Stories | My rent has gone from 850.00 in 2015 to 1295.00 in 2017.I am a senior on soc sec. my rent exceeds my income. There is no affordable senior housing on island that does not have a long waiting list and or does not allow pets.Why do I have to give up my life to live in a car?Why do we not have tiny housing allowed on island. Why is there not a tiny housing community for seniors?Why do we have uncaring officials who allow the rents to keep climbing and or housing sold out from under renters who have no place to go.What are your solutions = I hear 5 years out - not acceptable | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 11 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | I support Mayor Durkan's idea of rent vouchers. This would help senior citizens to be able to stay in their apartments. Looking for housing and moving are traumatic and physically difficult for senior citizens. It's best to prevent homelessness. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 12 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | Let developers make money from the top floor penthouse apartments with spectacular views, but require accessible apartments for wheel chairs and short height disabilities. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 13 | Redmond | 98052 | Concerns | Senior citizens are afraid of becoming homeless due to rent increases. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 14 | Redmond | 98052 | Concerns | There is a severe shortage of accessible apartments for people in wheel chairs and with other height disabilities. In the past year there has been an epidemic of homelessness in which people in wheel chairs lost their apartments due to rent increases and could not find a place to live. Catholic Community Services saw such cases every week. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 15 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | Organize home ownership co-ops for low income seniors. Then the problem of rent increases goes away. The homes have to be individually owned because Medicaid does not accept co-ops | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 16 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | Build more low income housing next to gardens and trees. The quality of life of senior citizens is dependent on the grounds immediately outside the apartments. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 17 | Redmond | 98052 | Concerns | Senior citizen housing needs gardens and trees. The quality of life for senior citizens depends heavily on the nature immediately outside one's door. Many seniors can't get to trails or parks. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 18 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | Buying and preserving older apartment complexes - including smaller ones, is better than building high rises and buildings that don't have trees and landscaping. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 19 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | Senior apartments are needed at 800 sq ft, not tiny houses. Retirees are at home a great and need space for books, exercise and hobbies - not just little shoeboxes to watch TV | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 20 | Redmond | 98052 | Concerns | <p>Tiny houses are too small to be a solution for senior citizens, who may have books, professional papers, hobbies, musical instruments and furniture. Tiny houses may be OK for college students who are at school all the time, but not for senior citizens who are at home all day.</p> | <p>Someone personally affected by housing affordability</p> |
| 21 | Bellevue | 98004 | Ideas | <p>I work as the homeless liaison for the school district in Bellevue. We serve over 200 homeless families each year. Besides seeing an increased need for affordable housing units in the Bellevue area, what I also see is a need for families to increase their income, so that they can afford to stay in the area. While rent increase may be a factor to homelessness, I believe you also have other issues, such as substance abuse, domestic violence, immigration, and employment. The city needs an affordable housing unit with wrap around services for the families who live there. Including receiving case management to find a job, enrolling in employment and training programs and access to medical/dental/mental health/substance recovery, as well as legal services.</p> | <p>Someone personally affected by housing affordability</p> |

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| 22 | Renton | 98057 | Concerns | <p>i have raised a family on one income for sever years in king county. My experience has been that increased rents have continue to push my family out of Seattle into the surrounding areas. It is difficult to stay in a single place as a result of this. Personally my story is that I have had to seek higher paying jobs, changing jobs every two years, and moving five times in four years to new lower cost apartments. Many of the programs my family was eligible for before enrolling and graduating from college (such as affordable housing), is also not an option anymore. I make 'too much' but never enough to feel like I have been financially stable. Increasing rent meant sacrificing food and other basic necessities, such as clothing/shoes. without a cap to rent, this will continue to be the story of many other single parent one-income families.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 23 | Seattle | 98122 | Concerns | <p>My family has lived in this neighborhood since the '50's, and now we feel 'pushed out by the high prices in property taxes. Although our family still owns property on 21st/Pine, we feel burdened by the cost and may eventually lose property that we have had so long. I personally havent been able to live in Seattle, but have moved to the outskirts beginning in the 2000's, because of the price of apts. NOW, I couldnt dream of renting here. I am an entrepreneur and believe in big business and profits, but when the gain leaves another's livelihood in jeopardy, it is not worth it. Sometimes to make sure others are alright, we may have to drive a BMW instead of a Tesla. Soon, real estate agents will be showing tents for prospective tenants. Comical, but not far from true. You will have working class people in those tents downtown.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 24 | Renton | 98057 | Concerns | I'm really concerned with the rising costs of housing/rentals. Its difficult to find affordable prices in the region. Most people who work and get paid between \$10-\$15 an hour wouldn't be able to afford what is in the market right now. Its so important that we also have more housing stock available, affordably to help with the needs in the region. I find it really hard to hear that my friend has been traveling 4 hours each of the day to get to work and back. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 25 | Seattle | 98146 | Ideas | We need more access to land trusts and rent control in King Co - both unincorporated and incorporated. Rent prices are killing us, destroying our connection as families, our cultural roots, and producing unhealthy toxic stress. Please introduce legislation to protect renters. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 26 | Seattle | 98118 | Concerns | This is a property that was appraised at \$1.5 million and sold for \$2 million. Our organization wanted to purchase it for a food innovation center and affordable housing but the developers colluded to outbid us and now the property is sitting vacant for what project we have no idea. (MLK and Henderson east of the light rail station) | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 27 | Seattle | 98121 | Ideas | We need more limited equity co-ops (the Apex is highlighted here as an example) as a tool to combat gentrification. This option makes people homeowners, gives incentive to stay in the community, and retains the housing subsidy for the next homeowner. It a much better alternative to rent control | An expert in the housing field |

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| 28 | Seattle | 98199 | Ideas | <p>This probably covers ideas, stories AND concerns. I live on the eastern edge of Magnolia - a neighborhood known for its affluent residents. I'm lucky in that the building I live in is owned by an individual who is keeping rents (relatively) low. I am STILL barely able to pay all my bills, however. More and more of these small, older buildings (that have been owned by individuals for many years) are being sold to large property management companies - which then jack up the rent dramatically. How about some serious incentives for landlords to maintain below-market rents in smaller, older buildings? Also, the MFTE units that are deemed 'affordable' in new construction is a complete joke - 80% AMI rents should NOT be the definition of affordable. These developments should NOT be getting tax exemption unless the definition of 'affordable' is revised dramatically.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 29 | Vashon | 98070 | Concerns | <p>Vashon is hard enough to find affordable housing, then add to the fact the shortage of rentals that take subsidy because they don't qualify. The apartments stay full for long periods of time, the biggest is a 3 bedroom. And many times parents or single parents have more than 2 boys</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 30 | Redmond | 98053 | Concerns | <p>More affordable housing while looking for section 8 they say it is section 8 approved but then you find out the rent is just above the allotted amount that section 8 approves...</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 31 | Bellevue | 98005 | Stories | I have lived on the eastside for 30 years, in Issaquah, Redmond and Fall City. For most of that time I have been a homeowner. I lost my house during the housing crash in 2008. I have always worked at non-profits, so am considered 'middle income,' however even though I have remarried, my husband and I together can't afford to buy a house. We currently pay \$1750/month rent for a dump, but if our landlord sells our house, it will be a struggle to afford a one bedroom apartment. They are renting for over \$2000/month. My co-workers in Bellevue are moving to places like Marysville with 90 minute drives to work and another 90 to drive back home. My children are both adults and both college graduates and they don't think they will ever be able to afford to live in the community where they grew up. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 32 | Redmond | 98052 | Concerns | Help! I am the single mom and full time caregiver of my adult child with disability. We are 7 years trapped in a home that doesn't fully meet our needs, as there appears to be no where else we can use a 'choice' housing voucher for rent subsidy. Rent all over this area keeps increasing beyond the maximum cap and there is so much competition for any affordable rental that our kcha controlled process is the last any landlord will consider with immediate cash paying customers. What good does this subsidy do us, short of having a home for now? I thank God that we do!! | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 33 | Redmond | 98052 | Ideas | there is a lot of arch program but I cannot get even one. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 34 | Seattle | 98119 | Ideas | Please allow for extended stays for tent cities. It is difficult for them to move every 2 years. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 35 | Bellevue | 98004 | Ideas | <p>King County needs to get into the development business and start building configurable dormitory style affordable units. If it's a one person or a couple they get one unit and if they have children then an adjacent unit is combined together by unlocking a doorway in between the units. The dorm units are private studios with their own kitchenettes though the tenants share common kitchen areas. The units may or may not have their own bathroom. Even if they are communal bathrooms it's still better than the tiny house situation. These apartments need to be built in King County's biggest cities near transit and services: Seattle, Bellevue, Kent, Renton, Federal Way, Kirkland, Sammamish, Redmond, Shoreline, Burien, Issaquah, etc.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 36 | Seattle | 98125 | Concerns | <p>Wages are definitely NOT keeping up with rental increases even in the lowest of the low cost rentals - house shares / single rooms. Forced out of an affordable house by DCI - it will cost me >\$2,000 to take a new room in a house share - not to mention moving/storage/transport</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 37 | Seattle | 98103 | Ideas | <p>All initiatives regarding housing should be tested with a single question: will this lead to a net increase or decrease in the supply of housing? So much of the conversation over affordability in Seattle has focused on symptoms or outright irrelevant factors, that we miss what is at the heart of the problem: low supply of housing. The only way we will truly address affordability in the long term will be to promote density at opportunity and in every corner of Seattle. This means switching the mode of zoning policy from an exclusive to an inclusive one. Taller buildings (especially in popular thoroughfares and transit hubs), allowing for backyard cottages, etc.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 38 | Seattle | 98105 | Ideas | The path to creating a more equitable, diverse, and affordable Seattle is to create density in the areas of the city that are walkable and close to transit hubs | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 39 | Seattle | 98122 | Ideas | More for Ability housing needs to be made available . I would also like to see Building Maintenance upkeep . Seattle Housing is failing on their mission affordability. It's all about Developers and Catering the Amazon Tech crowd. Most of them are transplants not lifelong residents of the city of Seattle . | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 40 | Seattle | 98117 | Ideas | Surprisingly these large city lots are still zoned for just single family homes. They have small 2/3 bed rental houses. At the other end of the block the lots are zoned for multi-family units and the small houses have been replaced recently. To encourage the building of more rental units please update the zoning here. | An expert in the housing field |
| 41 | Renton | 98057 | Ideas | I'm a 60 year old woman and can't afford to live where I am in a one bedroom paying 1283. rent, 59.00 water, 20 trash etc., = \$1362 a month. Ridiculous | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 42 | Seattle | 98117 | Concerns | I would love to be able to buy a home in the neighborhood I am renting in. I would love to even buy a home somewhere in Seattle. I just don't feel confident that I can be competitive in this market. A house is a pipe dream at this point. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 43 | Seattle | 98104 | Ideas | Increasing the height difference between the existing historic buildings in Chinatown and new development would negatively impact the character of the area if there is not a rigorous process for protecting certain areas around assets identified by the community. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 44 | Seattle | 98104 | Concerns | The housing problem in the International District is beyond the current proposal of the MHA. With only 7% of the new housing for affordable units, more people will be displaced. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 45 | Seattle | 98104 | Concerns | While the development of the 14-story SpringHill Suites by Marriott on the corner of Eighth Avenue South and South Lane Street is a mixed use space with some apartments, almost none of the current community members that will be displaced by this will be able to afford to live in one of those units. The MHA affordable housing offer just does not go far enough. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 46 | Covington | 98042 | Concerns | Low income housing for seniors does not exist out here! Charging \$1500 per month for rent for one bedroom is not realistic for someone living on less than \$1500 per month. There are no independent living places for seniors. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 47 | Kent | 98032 | Concerns | I am concerned by the number of people in our community who actually work at hotels in Seattle and Bellevue. They are spending so much on transportation and adding to our traffic problems. I wish people could afford to live where they work, spend less time commuting, and more time with their families. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 48 | Kent | 98032 | Concerns | We have a lot of seniors who own their homes, but are on fixed incomes. I worry about what happens if they get priced out because of taxes or other reasons. They would not be able to afford to move into an apartment in our area and many have lived here their whole lives. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 49 | Covington | 98042 | Concerns | Covington finally built some affordable apartments, which should have been something to celebrate. Unfortunately the property has not been managed well and some terrible tenants have created a community backlash. When these complexes are not managed well it impacts other community's appetite for adding them to their housing mix. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 50 | Bothell | 98011 | Concerns | I own my home but what is my child supposed supposed to do after college? She shouldn't have to live with me because our city offers any reasonable housing in the area. People are sleeping in their cars. We have grown too fast and the housing plans were obviously not adequate. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 53 | Bothell | 98011 | Concerns | I own my home but what is my child supposed supposed to do after college? She shouldn't have to live with me because our city offers any reasonable housing in the area. People are sleeping in their cars. We have grown too fast and the housing plans were obviously not adequate. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 54 | Seattle | 98107 | Ideas | We need a range of housing units, from apodments to 3 bedroom units. We should build in less expensive areas to get more units for the available money and improve transit. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 55 | Kent | 98032 | Ideas | Our cities in South King County have been working on formalizing an Inter-local collaboration to help address our affordable housing needs as a sub-region. Please allocate funding for the South King Inter-local Collaboration. I am an active community member and see the value in having a united voice in our suburban cities that are currently faced with the flight of affordable homes. One way to preserve and increase our affordability is to work together and scale up our solutions while showing up to decision making tables at regional and state level to engage as a united sub-region. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 56 | Seattle | 98199 | Ideas | <p>The 70th Regional Support Command headquarters located at Fort Lawton was made surplus and the City of Seattle was designated the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA), responsible for preparing and implementing a redevelopment plan. The City conducted an extensive public process that resulted in a detailed plan to create a diverse, mixed-income community with housing for homeless individuals and families and market rate housing. This is a large area and could house 2,000 people easily. The land is free. Container or prefab housing is an inexpensive trendy new style:</p> <p>http://mynorthwest.com/81838/from-cargo-container-to-new-home-shipping-containers-are-seattles-latest-housing-trend/ Adaptive building regulations may be in order for these homes: https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/a-new-approach-build-steel-modular-housing-units-for-the-homeless/ There are many models to choose from; https://www.alibaba.com/showroom/container-house.html?spm=a2700.7724857.main05.1.5622573cRPwqA3</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
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| 57 | Seattle | 98109 | Ideas | <p>This site is surplus city property: https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/FAS/RealEstateServices/Property/4186-Excess-Property-Description-06112015.pdf Container or prefab housing is an inexpensive trendy new style: http://mynorthwest.com/81838/from-cargo-container-to-new-home-shipping-containers-are-seattles-latest-housing-trend/ Adaptive building regulations may be in order for these homes: https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/a-new-approach-build-steel-modular-housing-units-for-the-homeless/ There are many models to choose from; https://www.alibaba.com/showroom/container-house.html?spm=a2700.7724857.main05.1.5622573cRPwqA3</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 58 | Seattle | 98105 | Ideas | <p>This is surplus city property, it could be used for multi unit housing: http://resupdates.seattle.gov/2018/02/public-comment-opportunity-sdot-brickyard-pma-4213/ Container or prefab housing is an inexpensive trendy new style: http://mynorthwest.com/81838/from-cargo-container-to-new-home-shipping-containers-are-seattles-latest-housing-trend/ Adaptive building regulations may be in order for these homes: https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/a-new-approach-build-steel-modular-housing-units-for-the-homeless/ There are many models to choose from; https://www.alibaba.com/showroom/container-house.html?spm=a2700.7724857.main05.1.5622573cRPwqA3</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 59 | Seattle | 98195 | Ideas | <p>The University of Washington has taken the helm many times to serve our community. Housing long the east hill below the dorms would be another way to be of service. Container or prefab housing is an inexpensive trendy new style: http://mynorthwest.com/81838/from-cargo-container-to-new-home-shipping-containers-are-seattles-latest-housing-trend/ Adaptive building regulations may be in order for these homes: https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/a-new-approach-build-steel-modular-housing-units-for-the-homeless/ There are many models to choose from; https://www.alibaba.com/showroom/container-house.html?spm=a2700.7724857.main05.1.5622573cRPwqA3</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 60 | Seattle | 98105 | Ideas | <p>This site is woned by City Light, It could be used for some smart low income studio units. Container or prefab housing is an inexpensive trendy new style: http://mynorthwest.com/81838/from-cargo-container-to-new-home-shipping-containers-are-seattles-latest-housing-trend/ Adaptive building regulations may be in order for these homes: https://www.seattletimes.com/opinion/a-new-approach-build-steel-modular-housing-units-for-the-homeless/ There are many models to choose from; https://www.alibaba.com/showroom/container-house.html?spm=a2700.7724857.main05.1.5622573cRPwqA3</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 61 | Seattle | 98103 | Ideas | Leasing and modifying existing commercial buildings to provide homes for homeless mothers and children seems like a good idea. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 62 | Seattle | 98115 | Ideas | Make sure you have those who've been affected on your board. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 63 | Seattle | 98122 | Ideas | End the apartment ban in Seattle. The only way to start to undo the affordability crisis is to right the wrongs that started with racist and classist zoning nearly 100 years ago. Give families a chance to live in affordable, family-sized housing in the city. Then do this in all King County cities! | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 64 | Seattle | 98108 | Ideas | Please see my suggestion regarding Tenement Housing. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 65 | Burien | 98166 | Ideas | Inclusionary zoning should be one of the tools used to avoid the concentration of poverty and comply with the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Rule instituted by Pres. Obama to help achieve the goals of the Fair Housing Law. Here's a link to an article about the oldest Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning law in the country (Montgomery County, Maryland). https://howhousingmatters.org/articles/trends-opportunities-inclusionary-zoning-education/ | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 66 | Shoreline | 98133 | Ideas | Please stop constructing buildings with 'Affordable' units only. People don't live like this. In a regular neighborhood there is wide range of housing types and incomes. In Shoreline, the City is big on giving developers tax 'incentives' which they advertise as 'revenue neutral.' They are neutral because home owners are burdened with those taxes for a decade while the developer rakes in the additional income and often lets property run down. When the perks are over, the developer leaves a wreck and laughs all the way to bank. This has to stop! | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 67 | Auburn | 98002 | Concerns | Couple months ago I moved to a newly build affordable housing and in 3 weeks I received a notice, saying that my rent has been increased almost \$200 despite my lease agreement. I was told it's the changes came from the city, is this something that you can review? | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 68 | Kent | 98032 | Concerns | more supportive housing needed | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
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| 0 | This is a really weird public comment tool. Can we just send our comments to an email address? We need more affordable housing for people who have very little money and aren't going to ever make a lot, and we need it FAST.Thanks. | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 1 | Kent.My question is: Does the landlord have the power to raise rent every year due to property tax raise?In my situation, 2014-2015, ..\$50 increase2015-2016...\$100 increase2016-2017..\$100 increase | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 2 | Dear committee members,I had planned to attend Tuesday night's meeting, but was unable to make it. I would like to share my thoughts here. I am the Executive Director of LifeWire, Washington's largest provider of Domestic Violence services and of DV-specific housing services. In thinking about affordable housing development for the region, we would want developers remember that very-low-income families are in need, so building micro units can't be the only solution, nor can housing that is affordable for those at 50-80% AMI. Families need 2-3 bedroom units, and though expensive to build, this kind of housing is the only way to sustain a family, making it possible for them to focus on education, employment and other needs. Units attached to a higher subsidy are also essential, as minimum wage jobs often cannot support a large family's needs. Thank you,Rachel Krinsky | An expert in the housing field |
| 3 | More affordable housing while looking for section 8 they say it is section 8 approved but then you find out the rent is just above the allotted amount that section 8 approves... | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
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| 5 | <p>As an architect I can tell you that there is no such thing anymore in King County as building affordable housing. The cost of housing keeps going up because of government requirements and speculation. The time frame to permit in most cases is excessive making it impossible to provide any kind of housing in a short period of time. Providing low income subsidized housing in units of more than 10 only creates future slums and high crime rates for the area.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 6 | <p>I am concerned about all the debris left in public and shared spaces especially on the restored and protected habitat along the banks of the Green River. It is becoming a strain on local budgets, it is becoming a public health hazard and a danger to the wildlife, flora and fauna that we share.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 7 | <p>1. We must reduce the property tax burden on middle and lower income households. Either work to eliminate property tax in favor of an income tax, or limit the property tax increase until a house sells, at which point the tax can be raised to market value. The average home sells every two years, to this is a very workable solution that does not hurt the bottom line. 2. Many people have a room they would like to rent out, but they do not want to have to get a business license, or pay tax on the income. These spare rooms can be a fantastic source of affordable housing for people who can not afford to buy in the area, or to rent a house or apartment. Make an exemption for renting out a room in your primary residence.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
| 8 | <p>Please see my suggestion regarding Tenement Housing.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |

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| 9 | <p>I don't believe that taking away our single family neighborhoods and cramming in more people will make much of a dent in creating more low-income housing. Ballard has been destroyed with more and more condos and how many of those are low-income? I suspect very few if any. People who live in single family neighborhoods shouldn't have to watch our neighborhoods be destroyed by developers who are out for profits and who now just pay an extra tax to not put low-income housing in. Low-income housing has its place, but the city and county's "solutions" are only bandaids to the problem. Why aren't you advocating for a living wage since that is the crux of the problem? Unless that is solved, you will never have enough low-income housing and will be destroying our neighborhoods in the process.</p> | Someone personally affected by housing affordability |
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| id | Zip Code | Region | Household Income | Household Size | Children in the House | Number of Workers in the House | Race and Ethnicity |
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| 0 | 98144 | Seattle | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | | American Indian and Alaska Native;Black; |
| 1 | 98070 | | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | | White; |
| 2 | | Renton | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 2 | yes kids | 1 | Hispanic; |
| 3 | | Renton | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 2 | yes kids | 1 | Hispanic; |
| 4 | 98118 | Seattle | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | 1 | White; |
| 5 | | Seattle | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 1 | | | Asian;White; |
| 6 | 98117 | Seattle | \$75,000 - \$120,000 | 2 | | 2 | White; |
| 7 | 98199 | Seattle | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 3 | yes kids | 1 | White; |
| 8 | 98052 | | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | 0 | White; |
| 9 | | Seattle | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | | White; |
| 10 | | Seattle | Less than \$30,000 | | | | |
| 11 | 98001 | Auburn | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 3 | | 3 | American Indian and Alaska Native; |
| 12 | 98052 | Redmond | Less than \$30,000 | 5 | yes kids | 5 | Black; |
| 13 | 98198 | Des Moines | Over \$120,000 | 2 | | 2 | White; |
| 14 | | Sea Tac | \$75,000 - \$120,000 | 3 | | 2 | Black; |
| 15 | 98034 | | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 4 | yes kids | 1 | American Indian and Alaska Native;White; |

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| 16 | 98045 | | \$75,000 - \$120,000 | 5 | yes kids | 2 | White; |
| 17 | 98125 | | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | | White; |
| 18 | | Seattle | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 2 | | 1 | Hispanic; |
| 19 | | Seattle | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | 1 | Black; |
| 20 | | Seattle | Over \$120,000 | 2 | | 2 | White; |
| 21 | 98199 | Seattle | | | | | |
| 22 | 98022 | | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 3 | yes kids | 1 | White; |
| 23 | 98178 | | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 2 | | 0 | Other; |
| 24 | 0 | Seattle | | 0 | | | White; |
| 25 | 0 | Seattle | | 0 | | | White; |
| 26 | 98033 | Kirkland | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 2 | | 0 | White; |
| 27 | 0 | Renton | \$75,000 - \$120,000 | 2 | | 1 | White; |
| 28 | 98178 | | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 2 | | 0 | Other; |
| 29 | 98108 | | \$30,000 - \$50,000 | 3 | yes kids | 3 | Asian; |
| 30 | 0 | Seattle | \$50,000 - \$75,000 | 1 | | 0 | White; |
| 31 | 98055 | Renton | Less than \$30,000 | 1 | | 1 | Black; |
| 32 | 98155 | Shoreline | Over \$120,000 | 2 | | 2 | White; |