Operating support, rental assistance, and supportive services awards: $15.3 million and 25 Project-Based HUD-VASH vouchers

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King County joined with other funders to award $15.3 million in operating support, rental assistance, and supportive services funds and 25 Project-based Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Veterans Assistance and Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers from King County Housing Authority in partnership with the VA Puget Sound Health Care System in multi-year awards based on the fall 2018 RFP responses. The awards create 217 new units of homeless housing and maintain 346 units of housing with services countywide, for homeless individuals, families, young adults, and veterans, with an emphasis on people experiencing chronic homelessness.

Fund sources for operating support, rental assistance, and supportive services awards include:

- King County Homeless Housing and Services Fund (HHSF) Document Recording Fees (House Bill 2163, 1359, 2331, and 2048)
- King County Mental Illness and Drug Dependency (MIDD) Sales Tax
- King County Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy (VSHS Levy)
- King County Housing Authority (KCHA) HUD-VASH Vouchers: 25 Project-based Housing Choice Vouchers in partnership with the VA Puget Sound Health Care System.

NORTH/EAST KING COUNTY

**Compass Housing Alliance, Shoreline Veterans Center** – Creates 25 new units of permanent supportive housing for single adult veterans experiencing homelessness. The program provides affordable housing through use of HUD-VASH vouchers administered by the King County Housing Authority (KCHA) with clinical case management provided by the VA Puget Sound Healthcare system and supplemental case management and supportive living services provided by Compass Housing Alliance to help remove barriers associated with homelessness and create affordable and supportive housing so that people can thrive. Award: $947,975 of HHSF and VSHSL and 25 KCHA HUD-VASH vouchers. Contact: Janet Pope, (206) 474-1000.

**Congregations for the Homeless, Permanent Supportive Housing** – Maintains 35 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for homeless men. The project provides rental assistance, case management services, and individualized employment search assistance as participants work towards housing stability. The housing units are located throughout Bellevue, Redmond, Kirkland, and
surrounding communities. **Award:** $2,250,000 of HHSF and VSHSL funding for up to five years for rental assistance and case management services. Contact: David Bowling, 425-749-8369.

**Friends of Youth, Supportive Housing Program** – Maintains 16 units of non-time limited housing with eight (8) units supported by King County Housing Authority’s Project-based vouchers coupled with services for young adults experiencing homelessness. The project provides intensive case management services focusing on life skills, emotional well-being, healthy lifestyles, and education and employment. **Award:** $211,515 of HHSF funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Paul Lwali, 425-869-6490.

**Imagine Housing, Velocity Housing Stability Program** – Maintains 12 units of non-time limited housing with eight (8) units supported by King County Housing Authority’s Project-based vouchers coupled with services for families and individuals experiencing homelessness. The program provides case management and related services so that residents can secure employment, enroll in school, and remove barriers to housing stability. Families and individuals served by this program have access to job centers and community resources without relying on personal vehicles, thereby reducing household transportation expenses. **Award:** $202,167 of HHSF funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Villette Nolon, 425-576-5190.

**SOUTH KING COUNTY**

**Catholic Housing Services (CHS), Kent Supportive Housing** - Creates supportive services supporting 80 units of non-time limited supportive housing for individuals experiencing homelessness including people living with a disability and veterans experiencing chronic homelessness. The program will provide on-site supportive services and connection to community resources in a permanent supportive housing model. **Award:** $750,000 of Veteran, Seniors and Human Service Levy funding for up to five years for case management services and operations. Previous funding rounds awarded CHS capital funds to construct the property and 44 disability vouchers and 36 HUD-VASH vouchers awarded by the King County Housing Authority that will be Project-based at this site. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

**Evergreen Treatment Services, REACH Rental Assistance Expansion** – Creates approximately 30 new units of non-time limited, supportive housing for chronically homeless adults with scattered-site rental assistance, leveraging services, including Medicaid Foundational Community Support. **Award:** $2,700,000 of HHSF and VSHSL funding for up to five years for rental assistance. Contact: Mr. Chris Johnson, 206-432-3574.

**Muslim Housing Services, Homeless Housing and Services** – Maintains 16 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for homeless families. The program provides advocacy, culturally appropriate support services and crisis intervention for refugee and immigrant families residing in South King County. **Award:** $844,200 of HHSF funding for up to five years for rental assistance and case management services. Contact: Mr. Rizwan Rizwi, 206-723-1712.

**Valley Cities Counseling and Consultation, Coming Up** – Maintains case management services supporting 15 young adults experiencing homelessness coupled with twenty-two (22) affordable rent subsidies provided by the King County Housing Authority through a Sponsor-based Supportive Housing scattered site model. The program provides case management and client support services to participants, including linking to community resources and helping the young adults build self-sufficiency skills. **Award:** $752,525 of Veteran, seniors and Human Service Levy (VSHSL) funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Shekh Ali, 253-833-7444.
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Catholic Housing Services, Frederic Ozanam House – Maintains 56 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for chronically homeless older adults. The program provides on-site case management services, meals and connections to community resources. Award: $536,525 of VSHSL funding for up to five years for services and operating support. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

Catholic Housing Services, Parke Studios – Maintains 20 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for homeless women. The program provides on-site case management services, rental assistance, and connection to community resources. Award: $717,211 of HHSF funding for up to five years for case management services and rental assistance. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

Catholic Housing Services, Santa Teresita Family Housing – Maintains 26 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for families transitioning from homelessness. The program provides case management services and referrals to job training, education, and asset building. Award: $340,148 of HHSF funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

Catholic Housing Services, Wintonia Apartments – Maintains 92 units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for homeless single adults. The program provides low-barrier housing and a secure living environment to promote housing stability, the chance for residents to engage with case management staff, and an on-site nurse to connect residents to medical services. Award: $2,000,000 of MIDD funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

Community House Mental Health – Creates 39 units of non-time limited, service-enriched housing for homeless single adults with behavioral health needs. This project will provide housing case management, including linkages to mainstream resources, as well as clinical services. Award: $218,750 in HHSF funding for up to five years for leveraging case management services. Contact: Chris Jowell, (206) 323-6336.

Downtown Emergency Service Center, Rainier House – Maintains 50 units of non-time limited, permanent supportive housing for homeless veterans and single adults. Eight of the 50 units are designated for homeless veterans. The program uses evidence-based engagement and treatment practices to engage individuals onto a path toward recovery and housing stability. Award: $1,396,307 of VSHSL funding for up to five years for of case management services. Contact: Daniel Malone, 206-515-1523.

Mercy Housing Northwest, Mount Baker Family Housing – Creates 28 new units of non-time limited, service enriched housing for families transitioning from homelessness. The program will provide case management services as well as other onsite programs. Award: $400,000 of HHSF funding for up to five years for case management services. Contact: Bill Rumpf, (206) 602-3487.

COUNTYWIDE

Downtown Emergency Service Center, Scattered-Sites Program – Creates 10 new units of permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless single adults with scattered-site rental assistance, leveraging Medicaid Foundational Community Supports (FCS) services. Award: $1,100,000 of VSHSL funding for up to five years of rental assistance. Contact: Daniel Malone, 206-515-1523.