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- 1. Justin D
- 2. Seattle
- 3. (o) Not Applicable
- 4. jdeep2015@gmail.com
- **5.** 10/12/2020
- 6. North King County Enhanced Shelter
- **7.** Good afternoon,

My name is Justin. I work in a field in which my workplace is in contact with an assortment of individuals of all different backgrounds who call in seeking emotional support and mental health resources. Supplemental to that is shelter referrals we offer to homeless individuals seeking housing during what would generally considered after hours at other agencies, 24/7. I wish to note that in King County, shelter resources as is are extremely limited. We do the best we can to connect those individuals with emergency shelter for the night but our ability to do so is often stifled by the lack of readily available resources for these people. It is heartbreaking to tell folks that the only shelter options available to them during the cold night, is miles away from them. Often times these people are unable to get transport to those shelters whether due to a lack of resources or due to disability requirements. Even then, it is not uncommon that the resources available to them will have had limited vacancies as the homeless epidemic in King County continues to reach critical levels.

I am of the belief that the establishment of this shelter where the nursing home once was will be crucial in supporting the people of Shoreline and ensure the safety of those in need. As the nights become harsher, and the ongoing state of the world at large is dire, I hope consideration is made to open up a location where unsupported individuals can be given a safe haven in their community.

8. (o) Support

Thank you, **City of Shoreline**

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