Interlocal Agreement With King County Regional Homelessness Authority

August 15, 2022



Background

- 2015, Council Adopted Resolution 379
- Creation of King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA)
- Creation of North King County Coalition on Homelessness
- Siting of North King County shelter began in 2020, opened April 2021



Background

- KCRHA goal of developing sub-regional plans – using North KC Coalition that is in place
- Part of that goal is to consolidate funding processes
- In 2022, Shoreline has approximately \$75,000 in homeliness programming

Background - Proposal

- Interlocal with KCRHA pooled funding
- Phased approach
- Alexis Mercedes Rinck (KCRHA Director of Sub-Regional Planning and Equitable Engagement) will share details



Strengthening Regional Partnership

The North King County ILA with King County Regional Homelessness Authority

Shoreline City Council, August 15th, 2022

Alexis Mercedes Rinck, Director of Sub-Regional Planning



Our **mission** is to significantly decrease the incidence of homelessness throughout King County, using equity and social justice principles.

Our theory of change:

If we create a homelessness response system that centers customer voice (the voices of those who have lived experience of homelessness), *then we will* be able to focus on responding to needs and eliminating inequities, *in order to* end homelessness for all.







PURPOSE AND STRUCTURE

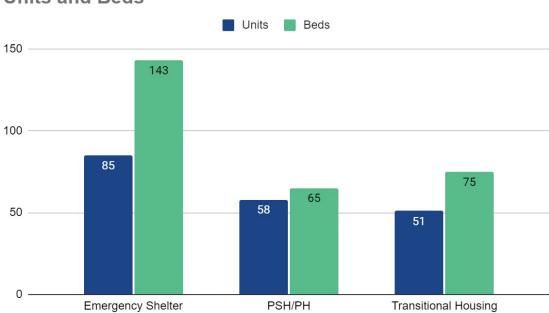
The Interlocal Agreement (ILA) describes the role, scope, and purpose of the KCRHA:

- Unified planning and coordination of funding and services for people experiencing homelessness countywide.
- Oversight on policy, contract management, and performance management.
- Continuum of Care functions, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to receive federal funding, formerly housed within "All Home".
- Creation of a new Ombuds Office to serve as a single point of contact for customers. For more information reach out to: Katara Jordan at <u>katara.jordan@kcrha.org</u>
- Establishment of clear metrics and milestones for measuring success and for ensuring accountability and transparency.



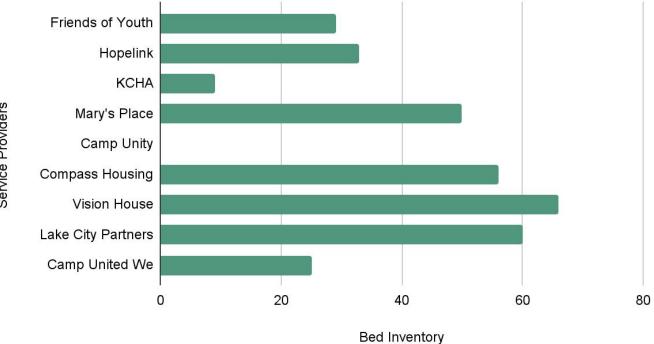


North King County Unit & Bed Count 2022



Units and Beds

Bed Inventory vs. Service Providers



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City of Last Residence

In HMIS, we have a data point where people will indicate what their city of last residence was. In May, HMIS indicated that:

- **424 people** enrolled in HMIS marked a North King County city as their last place of residence.
- Only 9 of those are in permanent housing
- North King County has 85 units/143 beds of emergency shelter



Inspiration through Local Expertise

Looked to existing sub-regional collaborations such as A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) and South King County Homelessness and Housing Partners (SKHHP)

Rooted in the sub-regional approach



The North King County Coalition on Homelessness

Originally convened to identify a space to establish the Oaks shelter.

Purpose:

"Work together across sectors and jurisdictions in North King County in support of policies and community-based efforts to provide services and housing options for those in the North King County communities who are experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of becoming homeless."

Members:

- Government: Bothell, Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, Shoreline, Woodinville
- <u>Non-Government</u>: Bothell United Methodist Church, Health Care for the Homeless, Hopelink, Interfaith Task Force on Homeless, Lake City Partners Ending Homelessness, Lived Experience Coalition, North Sound Radar Navigator Program, North Urban Human Services Alliance, Ronald United Methodist Church.

Timeline

January & February	March	April & May	June	July & August
KCRHA Sub-Regional Planning staff regularly met with city staff from North King County cities to discuss avenues for partnership.	KCRHA presented to the North King County Coalition on Homelessness on the concept of pooling funding for an ILA. Received feedback and guidance from the Coalition.	Staff reviewed and incorporated feedback from the Coalition.	North King County city staff co-presented with KCRHA staff a proposal for a North King County ILA. Unanimous affirmation from the Coalition to move forward.	Presentations to North King County City Councils. - Kenmore (7/11) - Woodinville (7/19) - Lake Forest Park (8/11) - Shoreline (8/15) - Bothell (9/6)

KCRHA

Pooled funding on homelessness response through the KCRHA will improve:

Transparency, Efficiency, Accountability

To ensure a more effective response to homelessness

Transparency

An annual report to city council including metrics such as:

- HMIS origin city data,
- North King County sub-regional outcomes and activities,
- Progress on funding administration and distribution.

KCRHA staff can accommodate additional presentations/rep



Eased administrative burden for providers and public funders...

One less system for providers to navigate...

Streamlined funding and contract management...

A single framework guiding investments and services

Accountability

An ILA will support improved accountability through:

- Defining the relationship between KCRHA and a partnering city
- Reporting on funding distribution
- Improved metrics

With greater confidence, we will be able to share what the impact of public funding was for the North King County sub-region.



The Mechanics

Funding Contribution

For cities are providing funding for the 2023-2024 cycle:

- For 2023-2024 budget, specific funding allocations will be maintained
- Fore 2025-2026 budget, city will make a general funding allocation with specific awards determined by KCRHA in alignment with the North King County Sub-Regional Plan.

For cities currently not providing funding:

 Determined by per-capita with amount based on average across NKC cities ~ \$1.20 per capita

Funding Distribution

Funding pooled within North King County will be maintained within the North King County sub-region to ensure residents have access to services.



Local Authority

For the 2023-2024 funding year, cities who have made funding awards will be maintained in amount but contract will shift to KCRHA where dollars will be administered.



Duration & Withdrawal

- 4 year agreement (2023/2024 FY, 2025/2026 FY)
- 60 day written notice provided to other parties of agreement



Next Steps

Questions?

