

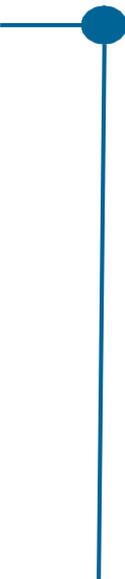


City of Bellevue

# Homelessness Outreach Program Update

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# Information Only

Staff will provide an informational update for discussion.  
No action is sought from Council.

# Agenda



Homelessness in Bellevue



City-wide Homelessness Efforts



Homelessness Outreach Program



Success Stories



Ongoing Challenges

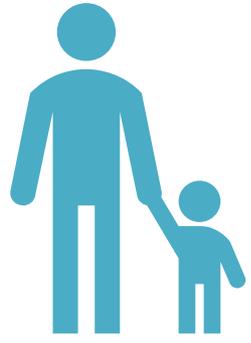


Upcoming Projects

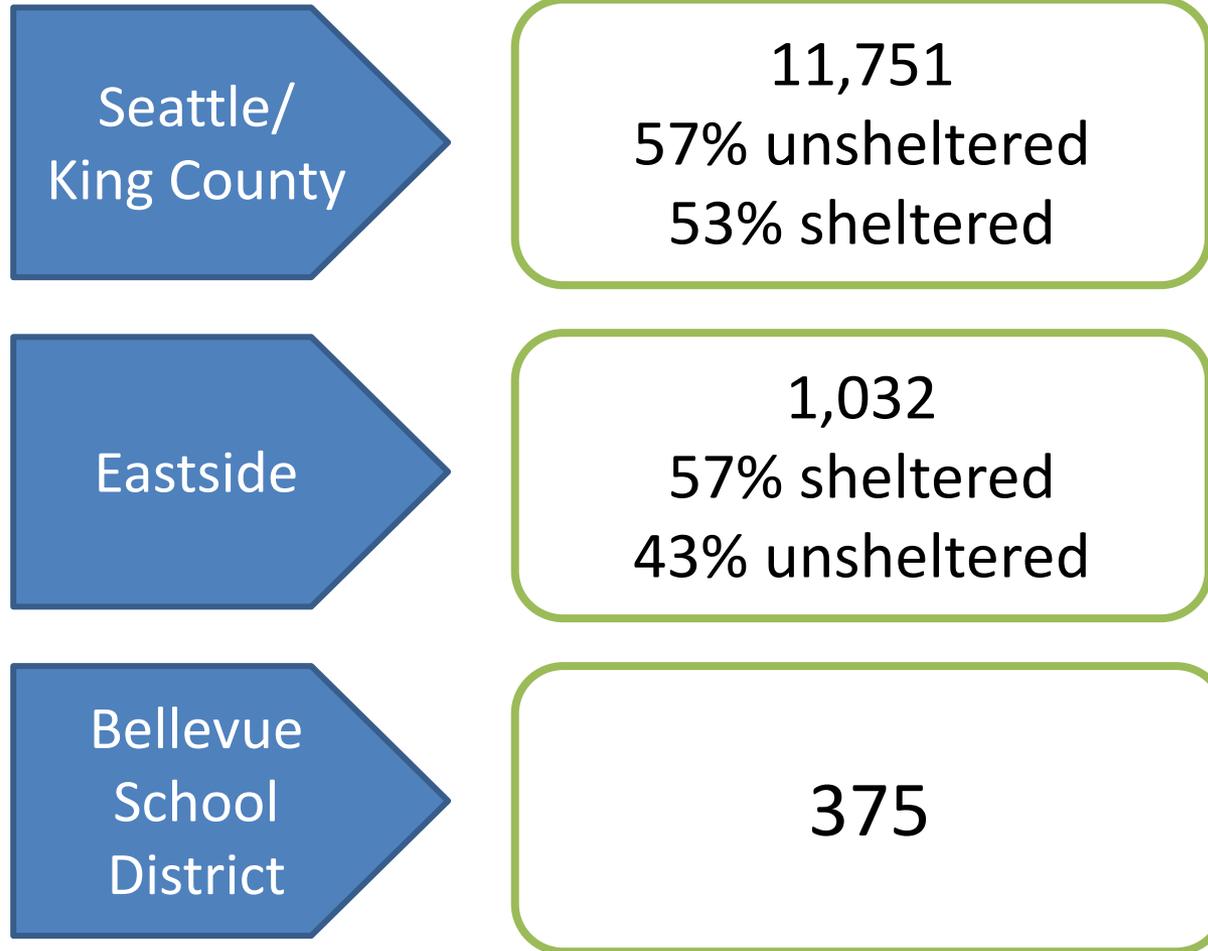
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# Root Causes



# 2020 Point-in-Time Count



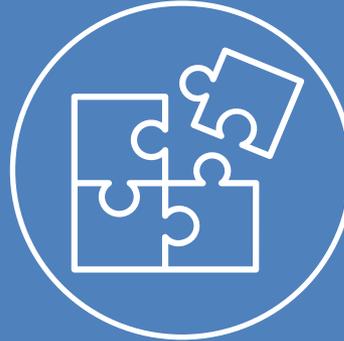
# 2020 Point-in-Time Count

	2020	2020 King County Demographic Data
White	48%	67%
Black or African American	25%	7%
American Indian or Alaska Native	15%	1%
Asian	2%	19%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	4%	1%
Multiple Races	6%	5%
Hispanic or Latino	15%	10%

# City-Wide Efforts



- Shelters
- Transitional Housing
- Affordable Housing



- Compassionate Enforcement



- Fund organizations for supportive services
- Outreach
- Crisis Response



# Homelessness Outreach Program

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- Direct Service and Outreach
- Internal and External Coordination
- Projects and New Opportunities
- Regional Coordination
- Community Engagement

# Direct Service and Outreach



- Meet “where they’re at”
- Options, not opinions
- Reduce housing barriers, immediately house

# Internal and External Coordination



- Enhance access to supportive services to address housing barriers
- City-wide approach to addressing and preventing homelessness



# Projects and New Opportunities



- No “one-size-fits-all” solution
- Spectrum of programs to meet the spectrum of challenges
- Advance City’s efforts to address and prevent homelessness

# Regional Coordination



- Enhance Eastside subregional response to homelessness
- King County Regional Homelessness Authority

# Community Engagement



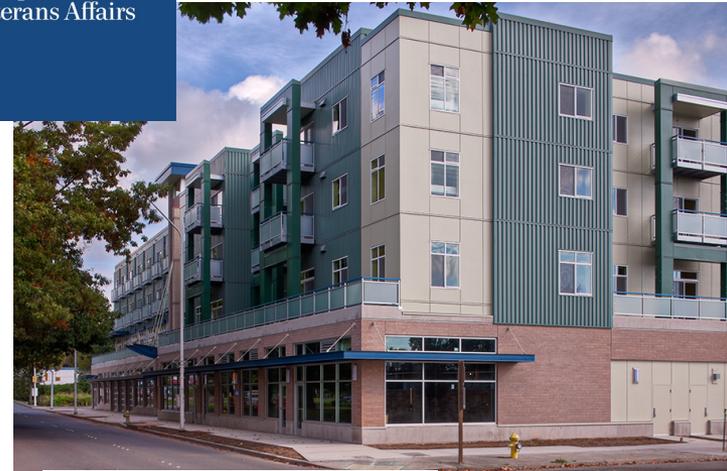
- Enhance community engagement and communications
- Respond to community inquiries

# Successes



- Advance City communications and community inquiry tools
- Housing Success Story

# Successes



# Successes

	2020	2021
Unduplicated Participants	101	67
Permanent/ Temporarily Housed	29	18

# Gaps and Challenges

- Limited places for individuals to stabilize until they can access permanent housing
- Proactive vs. Reactive homelessness response
- Limited permanent housing with supportive services for low-income clients (i.e., fixed income)
  - 335 regulated units in the 0-30% AMI range
  - In 2017, 5670 HHs in Bellevue with incomes within 0-30% AMI range

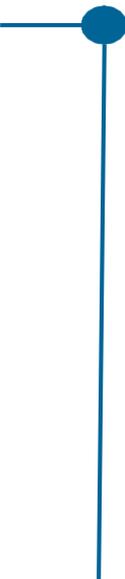


# Upcoming Projects

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- Enhance communication regarding City's efforts
  - Social Media and 'It's Your City'
- Continued HB 1590 program adoption and implementation
- Exploration of Safe Parking programs





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