



City of Bellevue

HB 1590 Work Plan: Stakeholder Analysis and Early Funding Opportunities

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Direction from Council

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Agenda



HB 1590 Funding



Workplan Overview



Outreach and Engagement



High-Level Themes



Early Funding Opportunities



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Updated HB 1590 Funding Opportunities

At least 60% of the funding must be spent on facilities and programs that serve specific populations at or below 60% AMI:

Construction or Acquiring

- Affordable housing
- Housing-related services
- Behavioral health-related facilities
- Land for these purposes

Operations and Maintenance

- New affordable housing
- Housing-related programs
- New evaluation and treatment centers

No more than 40% may be spent on:

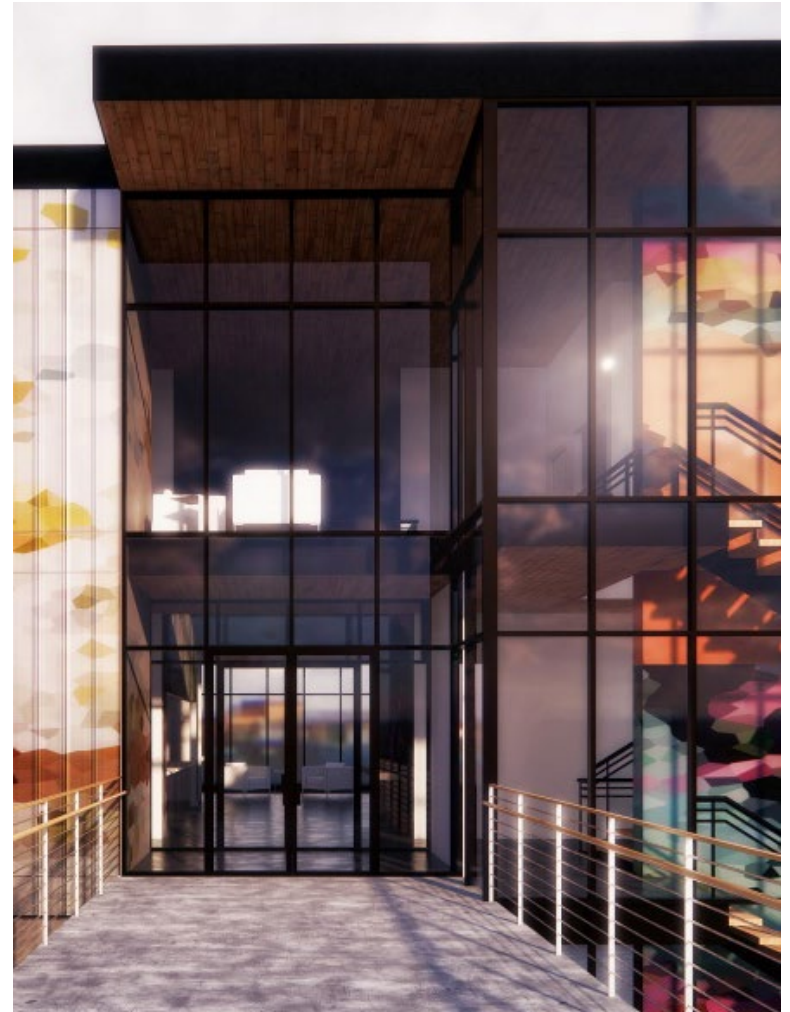
Operation, delivery, or evaluation of

- Behavioral health treatment programs and services
- Housing-related services



Expansion of Allowable Uses

- Acquiring a building or land to be used for affordable housing, behavioral health services, or housing-related services
- Affordable housing may include emergency, transitional, and supportive housing
- Specific populations served expanded from homeless families with children to “persons who are homeless”



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Stakeholder Outreach

- Housing Developers, Providers, and Operators
- Individuals with Lived-Experience
- Culturally Specific Agencies
- Faith-Based Community

Request for Proposals



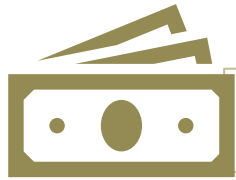
Outreach and Engagement

- Housing and services priority needs
- Funding and identified priority gaps
- Existing barriers and/or challenges
- Best practices and lessons learned



Affordable Housing

Preliminary Themes



Gap Funding

Land Acquisition and Preservation



0-30% AMI Housing Need



Service-Connected Housing



Mental/Behavioral Health Services



Gap Funding



- HB 1590 funds can be leveraged to fill a continuum of potential funding gaps for projects
 - Close gap
 - Enhance project
- Benefit to the community when used in conjunction with other funding sources



Land Acquisition and Preservation

- High land prices and availability of land is a significant barrier for developing affordable housing
- Acquire and preserve “at-risk” housing properties to retain cost-effective affordable housing



0-30% AMI Housing Need



- Large gap between households at 0-30% AMI and existing units to serve these households
- Enhance equity and accessibility for underserved and economically-diverse residents



Service-Connected Housing

- Increased level of care needed with residents to successfully maintain housing
- Enhance housing stability with supportive services
 - Example: Mental health and/or substance use counseling on-site or access to external agency
- Limited funding for staffing and operational costs



Mental/Behavioral Health Services



- Increased need in behavioral health services observed at existing affordable housing properties and across community-based agencies
- Limited funding for robust behavioral health service delivery



Lived-Experience, Faith-Based Community, Culturally Specific Agencies

Culturally Specific and Responsive Services	Behavioral Health Services
Rental Assistance	Case Management
Affordable and Subsidized Housing	Employment Services
Homeless Prevention	Housing with Services
Purchase existing properties to make affordable	

Early Funding Opportunities

- Critical, high priority needs identified in the community
- Request for Proposals (RFP) for behavioral health services and housing-related services in the amount of \$1,800,000



Benefits of RFP Process

- Cast wide-net for applications
- Reach currently funded and unfunded programs
- Include culturally specific and equitable programs and services for historically underserved populations
- Include priorities identified through stakeholder outreach process that addresses immediate needs

Benefits of RFP Process

- Target funding towards behavioral health services and housing-related services that fall within the parameters of HB 1590
- Use existing process that allows us to be efficient in addressing immediate needs (heightened during pandemic)
- Interim step to long-term funding process within HB 1590 program

RFP Priority Areas

- Behavioral Health Services
- Supportive Services
- Rental Assistance



RFP Priority Area

Behavioral Health Services

- Services that promote mental health, resilience, and well-being
- Enhance housing stability
- Increase provision of low-cost and/or no-cost mental health services and substance use disorder assessment and treatment

RFP: Behavioral Health Services

Seeking applications for:

- Same day mental health and substance use disorder assessments and treatments
- Medically assisted treatment for substance use disorders
- Culturally responsive services for historically underserved populations
- Services co-located at facilities and/or housing properties
- Behavioral health therapeutic case management



RFP Priority Area

Supportive Services

- Help individuals and families obtain and maintain their housing
- Address housing barriers that lead to housing instability and/or homelessness
- Enhance overall housing stability

RFP: Supportive Services

Seeking applications for:

- Case management services that help individuals and families achieve stable housing
- Employment services



RFP: Rental Assistance

Seeking applications for:

- Programs that provide rental assistance to help households maintain housing
- Move-in assistance for those transitioning from homelessness to housing



RFP Process

- HB 1590 revenue forecast for 2021: \$8.5 million
- Allocate \$1.8 million for behavioral health services and housing-related services
- Funding for 2021 and 2022
- Issue RFP the week of May 10th
- HSC will review applications and provide funding recommendations to Council in July

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