

King County Regional Homelessness Authority

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Overview

- *Scope of Work*
- *Governance*
- *Timeline*
- *2022 Priorities*
- *Sub-regional Planning*

Scope of the KCRHA

The KCRHA was formed through a signed interlocal agreement (ILA) between Seattle and King County effectively merging the two agencies' homelessness response work into a new entity.

The KCRHA manages unified planning and coordination of funding and services for people experiencing homelessness countywide.

Governance

Governing Committee (12 Members)

- King County Executive and two KC Councilmembers
- Seattle Mayor and two Seattle Councilmembers
- Three Sound Cities Association members
- Three Lived Experience Leaders

Implementation Board (13 Members)

- Combined expertises required

Advisory Committee

- HUD Required Continuum of Care Board

Timeline

2018-2019

2020

2021

2022

2023+

Design & Inter-Local Agreement (ILA)

National Innovation Service engaged in 2018 to evaluate the system. KCRHA established December 2019 by ILA between Seattle and King County

Administrative Start-Up & Global Pandemic

King County, Seattle, and Sound Cities set up governance structures for KCRHA; COVID-19 changed the landscape and responses to homelessness.

Hiring & Planning

CEO Marc Dones started in April 2021, focused on start-up & hired executive team. Started sub-regional planning in late June; expect a snapshot report by September.

Implementation, Catalytic Portfolio, Rebidding Contracts, Regional Strategic Plan

Significant, Visible, Transformative Change

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2022 Priorities

Contracts, Catalytic Portfolio and Sub-regional Planning

Contracts with Service Providers

KCRHA assumes contracting from King County & Seattle:

- Over 200 contracts and ~\$140 million for 2022
- Terms stay the same through 2022 but are consolidated
- RFP and full-system re-bid for 2023
 - Potential for significant changes

Examples of EKC local providers that will be a part of the full system re-bid:

- Friends of Youth
- The Sophia Way
- Congregations for the Homeless
- Hopelink

Catalytic Portfolio

In addition to the outlined work and responsibilities of the KCRHA, we are seeking additional funding from philanthropic partners to support a body of work we are calling the “catalytic portfolio” or three transformative changes to our current homelessness response system:

- Peer Navigation as Outreach
- By-Name List & High-Quality Data
- Bridge Housing

SUB-REGIONAL PLANNING

North County

East County

Snoqualmie Valley

South County (+ Southeast or South Valley)

Seattle Metro



Key Components of Sub-Regional Plans

Rooted in equity & social justice principles, there are six key components:

1. Landscape of services
2. Investment/Funding
3. Lived experiences with homelessness response system in that sub-region
4. Gaps and Needs
5. Action steps
6. Timeline

East King County Engagement

Cities: Meeting bi-weekly with Eastside City Staff.

Providers: A Regional Coalition for Housing, Friends of Youth, Muslim Community Resource Center, The Sophia Way, Hopelink, Anything Helps, Eastside for All, Humanize Homelessness, Attain Housing, Congregations for the Homeless, Lifewire, Youth Eastside Services, Bellevue Lifespring, Eastside Community Development Fund, Overlake Christian Church Safe Parking Program, Eastside Legal Assistance Program, Catholic Community Services, and many more...

EKC Coalitions: Eastside Human Services Forum, North East Funders Group, Eastside Interfaith Social Concerns Council, Eastside Homelessness Advisory Committee.

Lived Experience: Building out our connections to the EKC lived experience community!

Eastside Site Visits

- The Sophia Way - Sophia's Place and Helen's Place
- Friends of Youth
- Hopelink (Avondale Site)
- Overlake Christian Church Safe Parking Program
- Lake Washington United Methodist Church Safe Parking Program
- The future site of the Together Center

What's Coming Next?

September 2021: Snapshot Report

- Progress updates on key components 1 - 3
- Updated timeline
- Defined sub-regions
- Engagement: Who we are engaging, how we are engaging, and when we engage.
 - Who is not at “the table” and what is our strategy to make sure we are including voices not at “the table”.

Questions?

Thank you for your time & feedback!

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