



KCRHA

King County Regional Homelessness Authority

2023 Seattle Based Non-Congregate Shelter Request for Proposal (RFP) Frequent Asked Questions

Updated: **June 7, 2023**

Last Day to Submit Questions: June 6, 2023

We noticed that you have funding for everything for the non-congregant shelters except for the shelters themselves. Is funding for the actual shelters, i.e., tiny homes, included in this RFP?

- **Yes, the intent for this RFP is for the development, operations, and housing support services of up to 50 new non-congregate shelter spaces. Please see page #6 on the scope of each program area. The “Site Development” program area is specific to the development of shelters themselves.**

Why is there a 10-year requirement for site control? This is typically a requirement for Department of Commerce funding, it should not be required for the city General Fund. This will severely limit the number of sites that could be leased, and locating a site is the hardest aspect for this type of project.

- **After hearing feedback, KCRHA is going to remove this site control requirement from this RFP. Please see revised posted RFP guidelines and application rating criteria.**

What is the fund source? Is there Department of Commerce funding included in the City money, or is it all completely City of Seattle General Fund?

- **The current funds sources allocated to this RFP are listed on page 5 of the RFP Guidelines.**

The 2023 RFP is not in the Fluxx applications section, it is only listed on the website. Will it be posted in Fluxx?

- **Yes, it will be open and ready for submission through Fluxx by June 9th. Due to there being two separate sets of application questions for site develop, there will be two different Fluxx applications for this RFP. Our Fluxx administrators are currently building this into the Fluxx portal. See revised timeline on page #4 of the RFP Guidelines, and updated application instructions on page #14.**

For the \$870k 'one-time' funding and \$760k 'on-going' funding, for 2023 can we use a portion of the \$760 ongoing funding toward set-up/development costs for a site in 2023?

- Yes, you may propose to allocate 2023 ongoing funds towards set-up/development costs if needed. It's strongly encouraged that one-time funds are not allocated towards on-going costs related to your proposals.

Can the site be located outside of the City of Seattle?

- KCRHA is open to receiving proposals from outside of the City of Seattle, but within King County, if the applicant can successfully demonstrate how the program would have a benefit to the City of Seattle and its residents.

Can the program serve people in King County who are not currently living in Seattle?

- Yes, if the applicant can successfully demonstrate how referrals from King County would have a benefit to the City of Seattle and its residents.

How many of the referrals will be made by the HOPE team?

- There is not a set number of referrals that are required to come from the HOPE team.

On Page 6 of the RFP, under "Summary of Program Scope" it simply states "South Lake Union, and/or South Seattle". What does this mean? Are those the only neighborhoods that are eligible to site the program?

- No, any area within the City of Seattle is eligible. Based on community feedback, South Lake Union and South Seattle were two areas that were identified as needing more non-congregate shelter options. Additional points will be awarded to applicants who propose sites within these areas. See revisions on page #6 of the RFP Guidelines.

Please define or give an example of "peer-to-peer" site management?

- Based on community feedback, KCRHA will award additional points to applicants who propose to hire staff with lived or living experience of homelessness for operations and/or housing support services.