

KCRHA Governance Committee Candidate: Bio for Dr. LaMont Green

Dr. LaMont Green (he, him) has nearly 20 years of experience helping local communities and governments identify and dismantle the persistent drivers of inequity in human services, homelessness, housing, behavioral health, and criminal justice systems. Green is a person with lived experience of homelessness and is a military Veteran. He has led several community-driven initiatives centered on improving systems of care for complex health and historically disenfranchised populations, and currently codirects TAC's [Systems Alignment Innovation Hub](#), funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to help practice-based organizations in low-income and BIPOC communities to expand and utilize the evidence base for solutions that improve health outcomes and reduce racial and social disparities. Dr. Green also brings expertise in Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) homelessness programs, human-centered design, continuous quality improvement, and implementation science. He is a nationally recognized racial equity leader and has spoken at numerous conferences to inspire action towards undoing institutional racism and other forms of oppression. He received his Doctorate of Social Work from the University of Southern California with a focus on harnessing social innovation to address the Grand Challenge of Achieving Equal Opportunity and Justice for All.

Prior to joining TAC, Dr. Green worked as the Special Initiatives Director for the Seattle-King County (WA) Continuum of Care. He led this community's implementation of the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, which resulted in significantly fewer unaccompanied youth experiencing unsheltered homelessness and advanced young adult participation in governing, designing, and evaluating housing and supportive services. Dr. Green is also a co-founder of the WA State Lived Experience Coalition.

Recent Publications

[Boosting the Power of Harm Reduction with Culturally Responsive Housing, Recovery Supports, and Treatment](#)

[Heart Equity Action Lab \(HEAL\) Racial Equity & Social Justice Tool](#)

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Dear King County CoC Board:

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the Lived Experience seat for the King County Regional Homelessness Authority Governance Committee. Life-long learning, lived experience of homelessness and recovery, and a belief that we can create a society where everyone has opportunity to thrive is what drives me to join with others in co-developing practical, applied solutions to large-scale social challenges that directly impact racially marginalized and historically disenfranchised communities. Empathy, humility, collaboration, and being in accountable relationship with our unhoused neighbors are values I strive deeply to embody with accountability.

KCRHA has the potential to be our community's greatest asset in preventing and ending homelessness by creating spaces for folks impacted by homelessness and poverty to build confidence and gain a sense of their power that disrupts cycles of multigenerational poverty and internalized oppression. I truly believe that "those closest to the problem are closest to the solutions but furthest from power and resources" (JustLead WA). Should you appoint me to this role, I will be accountable to the CoC Board and our community of unhoused neighbors to ensure that people with lived experience are co-designing solutions. My passion for community organizing, racial justice, disability justice, and housing justice combined with the ability to collaborate with communities most impacted by homelessness in the development of innovative solutions are my greatest assets.

Some expertise that I bring are grounded in:

- Organizational Development and Culture Building to Create Greater Inclusion & Belonging
- Team and Leadership Development
- Strategic Planning, Visioning, and Implementation Science
- Community-Centered Integrative Praxis and Behavioral Health
- HUD and VA Homelessness and Housing Policy
- Fund Development, Coalition Building, and Social Enterprise
- Results-Based Facilitation for Collective Impact
- Equity Centered Community Design
- Consultation and Training on Operationalizing Racial Equity & Social Justice Interventions in Public and Private Sectors
- Data-Driven Decision Making and Advance Research Practices

Additionally, I bring a strong skill set in cultivating partnerships and managing large scale projects and initiatives successfully in highly political contexts with competing priorities and complex relationships.

My resume (attached) lists some of my achievements and qualifications. If you need additional information and references, please do not hesitate to reach me at 253.310.6222 or Lamont@wearelec.org.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply!

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