



2025 Seattle King County Continuum of Care (CoC) New Project and Bonus Funding Request for Proposal

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I. Introduction

The King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA) is seeking proposals to include in its countywide consolidated application for *new* federal grant funding under the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) [FY 2025 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). This funding opportunity is looking for applications from agencies proposing programs targeted to further HUD's strategic goals to end unsheltered homelessness through outreach and intervention, prioritization of treatment and recovery services, advancement of public safety in partnership with law enforcement and first responders, promotion of long-term self-sufficiency and economic independence, improvement program outcomes through effective resource allocation, and minimizing trauma through trauma-informed, safe, and supportive care.

This RFP is intended to enhance the continuum of comprehensive, person-centered housing solutions within King County. The KCRHA expects to award funds to organizations that will:

- Ensure individuals, youth and young adults, and/or families receive ongoing support services – connections to employment and job training – and operating funds which help residents achieve housing stability and maintain as much independence as possible;
- Ensure individuals, youth and young adults, and/or families meet [HUD's definition of 'homeless'](#);
- Projects that support participants to obtain/maintain housing and demonstrate pathways to permanent housing with employment income.
- Require active participation in case management, employment training, behavioral health, and/or recovery services, often formalized through agreements.
- Provide tailored services (e.g., case management, treatment, employment training), with flexibility for age, disability, or employment status.
- Leverage other public/private funding and connect participants to workforce, healthcare, and community support.
- Ensure reasonable costs and adherence to federal regulations ([2 CFR 200.404](#)).
- Prioritize strategies to engage unsheltered populations, partner with law enforcement/first responders, and support safe exits from encampments.
- Maintain CES availability across the CoC, advertise to reach highest-need populations, and use standardized assessments to direct participants to appropriate services.
- Use HMIS to track progress, unduplicated records, and promote treatment, recovery, and self-sufficiency.
- Minimize trauma, ensure safety, and provide specialized support for vulnerable groups such as women, youth, and survivors of violence.



Under King County v Turner 2:25-cv-00814-BJR a temporary restraining order has been extended to King County and KCRHA enjoining HUD from imposing or enforcing new conditions related to Executive Orders, anti-discrimination law, collaboration with immigration enforcement, immigration condition verification, gender ideology, and abortions. For that reason, certifications or attestations related to such new conditions are struck below and not assumed to be required of applicants to this funding opportunity.

The applicant pool will be reviewed by a rating team of community members and subject matter experts (SMEs). The rating team will recommend applications to be funded, and contracting is anticipated to start beginning Q3 2026¹ at the earliest. Ongoing funding is based on budget availability and customer satisfaction with service provider/program performance. Application categories include new and/or expansion of:

- Transitional Housing (TH)
- Supportive Services – Stand Alone
- Supportive Services – Outreach
- Coordinated Entry Expansion
- HMIS Expansion

Centered in [KCRHA's Theory of Change](#), all proposals will be reviewed to ensure completeness, alignment with the program scope, and budget feasibility.

The deadline for submitting a completed RFP is **Sunday, December 14, 2025, at 11:59 PM PST.**

II. Fund Source

The following fund source supports this project: HUD Continuum of Care.

The total amount of funds available for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 CoC Bonus RFP is up to **\$36,339,315.10²** annually. **The final amount available for this RFP will be determined by HUD's final award amount to the Seattle-King County CoC in 2026.** These funds are only available to organizations whose budgets demonstrate the ability to provide a 25% match. Matching funds cannot be CoC funds from previous years.

¹ Final award and contract with KCRHA are contingent upon the results of the national FY2025 CoC Program Competition and are subject to HUD's grant agreement issuance timeline.

² This amount is subject to change based upon funds made available due to reallocation of current CoC grants.



Fund Source(s)	FY/CY	FY/CY
HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus funds	FY2025/CY2026-2027 ³	\$13,093,585 ⁴
Reallocated Funds from Existing Awards	FY2025/CY2026-2027 ³	\$23,245,730 (estimated)
Total		\$36,339,315.10 (estimated)

III. Info Session & Timeline

An Information Session will be held to review the RFP requirements and answer questions. Information Session details can be found in the table below.

Questions submitted outside of the Information Session should be submitted to the Procurement Lead via email at RFP@KCRHA.org; agencies will receive a response via email. The final day to ask questions related to this funding opportunity is Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00PM PST, to allow adequate time for all questions and answers to be posted online and viewed by all applicants.

Questions and answers elicited during the Information Session, submitted via email, and otherwise answered by the Procurement Lead, will be posted online at: <https://kcrha.org/resources/funding-opportunities/>.

Below is an expected timeline for this funding opportunity:

Action	Date
RFP Released	Wednesday, November 26, 2025
Information Session Webinar <i>Participation is highly suggested but not required</i>	NOFO Workshop Session 1 : Wednesday, November 26, 2025, 11:00am-12:00pm PST NOFO Workshop Session 2 : Thursday, December 4, 2025, 9:30-10:30am PST

³ All awarded funds must be fully spent by December 31, 2027, at the latest. The latest date to spend funds will be determined by the contracted performance period with HUD.

⁴ Should KCRHA obtain additional funding from the sources described above or from future sources, it may amend awarded contracts to allocate such funds, including amounts requested but not awarded and for additional funding not originally requested.



Last Day to Submit Questions to RFP@kcrha.org	December 5, 2025, at 5:00 PM PST <i>Q&A will be available on KCRHA website under "Funding Opportunities" drop-down menu</i>
RFP Deadline	Sunday, December 14, 2025 at 11:59 PM PST
Award/Denial Notification	Week of December 22, 2025
Appeals Due	Week of December 29, 2025
Estimated Contract Start Date	Q3 2026 Pending HUD Awards

IV. Scope of Work

Successful proposals must demonstrate a clear capability to deliver integrated services effectively and efficiently. The program aims to provide projects using a trauma informed, person-centered approach which prioritizes the household's wellbeing, anywhere in King County. KCRHA seeks to invest in strategies that increase wellbeing and service connection between individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

KCRHA may contract approximately **\$36,339,315⁵** in new and reallocated HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus funds through this Request for Proposals (RFP). The total amount available is dependent on HUD's final award to the Seattle–King County CoC, and all awards are subject to adjustment based on HUD's final funding determinations. KCRHA anticipates issuing multiple local contract awards through this procurement. Applicants with questions may contact RFP@kcrha.org.

Applicants may also request funding to expand an existing renewal project, including a project previously awarded CoC funds, as permitted under section IV.D.1.d of the FY2025 NOFO. Expansion requests are limited to one-year funding; capital expenditures are not eligible. To be eligible for a CoC Bonus award, proposals must project quality thresholds as defined by HUD to be considered.

The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness and to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, Indian Tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities, and local governments to quickly rehouse individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma caused by homelessness. The CoC Program promotes access to and the effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

⁵ This amount is subject to change based upon funds made available due to reallocation of current CoC grants.



HUD hopes to accomplish the following goals through the collaborative efforts of applicants for CoC Program funding and local CoC partners.

Services will be offered using a trauma informed, survivor-centered approach which prioritizes the client's self-sufficiency, recovery, and treatment anywhere in King County. Strong applications should demonstrate the ability to:

1. **Ending the Crisis of Homelessness on Our Streets**

- CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments, public camping, and public drug use in order to address barriers to maintaining housing and increasing self-sufficiency.

2. **Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery**

- CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements. Promoting Self-Sufficiency. One of the primary purposes of the CoC Program is to optimize self-sufficiency. CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness and prevent future returns to homelessness.

3. **Advancing Public Safety**

- Agencies should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness.

4. **Promoting Self-Sufficiency**

- Applicants should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program participants. Prioritized projects will help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness and prevent future returns to homelessness.

5. **Improving Outcomes**

- Projects should promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.

6. **Minimizing Trauma.**

- Providers must provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual



assault, and stalking. Women experiencing homelessness or domestic violence should have access to safe, single-sex spaces.

Project Quality Thresholds:

All projects must meet the following criteria as set by HUD in the FY2025 NOFO:

- Demonstrates adequate financial and management capacity
- Serves only eligible populations
- Participates in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Certifies affirmatively that:
 - ~~The applicant will not engage in racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination~~
 - The applicant will not operate drug injection sites or “safe consumption sites”
 - The applicant will not knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia on or off property under their control
 - The applicant will not permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control
 - The applicant will not conduct any of these activities under the pretext of “harm reduction”

Additionally, all projects must meet the relevant program type threshold criteria:

Transitional Housing (TH)

- This project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing.
- The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, which may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.
- The proposed project will require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use treatment, etc.) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h) by attaching a supportive service agreement (contract, occupancy agreement, lease, or equivalent).
- The average cost per household served for the project is reasonable, consistent with 2 CFR 200.404.
- The project has experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months.



- The applicant has previously operated or currently operates transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant.
- The proposed project will provide 40 hours per week of customized services for each participant (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use treatment, etc.). The 40 hours per week may be reduced proportionately for participants who are employed. The 40 hours per week does not apply to participants over age 62 or who have a physical disability/impairment or a developmental disability (24 CFR 582.5) not including substance use disorder.

Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Standalone

- Provides services necessary to assist exits from homelessness and conducts annual needs assessments
- Has a strategy to serve unsheltered populations and those not traditionally engaged in services
- Supplemented with other private and public funding sources
- Demonstrates cost effectiveness under federal guidelines

Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Street Outreach

- Supplemented with other private and public funding sources
- Has a strategy to serve unsheltered populations and those not traditionally engaged in services
- History of partnering with first responders and law enforcement to engage unsheltered individuals and cooperate with enforcement of local laws (public camping, drug use)
- Experience providing outreach services consistent with federal activity descriptions, with demonstrated effectiveness in helping people exit unsheltered situations into shelter, treatment, transitional housing, or permanent housing
- Demonstrates cost effectiveness under federal guidelines

Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Coordinated Entry (CE)

- Ensures CES is available across the CoC geography and accessible to people with disabilities
- Uses advertising strategies designed to reach those with the highest needs
- Implements a standardized assessment process
- Directs participants to appropriate services that fit their needs



HMIS (Homeless Management Information System)

- Strong HMIS implementation used as a proactive case management tool to promote treatment and recovery
- Ability to unduplicated client records

Projects that meet the threshold review will be moved to the rater panel for further review. The additional rating criteria are listed in the “IV. Application Questions & Rating Criteria” section of this RFP.

Renewal projects originally awarded under previous NOFO processes must demonstrate how the proposed expansion will increase the number of units, individuals served, or services provided to current program participants.

Below are program areas that are covered by this funding opportunity:

- Program Area 1 - Transitional Housing (TH)
- Program Area 2 - Supportive Services – Stand Alone
- Program Area 3 - Supportive Services – Outreach
- Program Area 4 - Coordinated Entry Expansion
- Program Area 5 - HMIS Expansion

V. Eligible Costs

The following categories list typical eligible and ineligible costs. This is not an exhaustive list; for more detailed information or to ask any questions please email the Procurement Lead at RFP@kcrha.org.

1. Eligible Costs

Eligible Costs	Transitional Housing	Supportive Services Only	HMIS
<u>Leasing</u>	X	X	
<u>Supportive Services</u>	X		
<u>Rental Assistance</u>	X		
<u>Operating Costs</u>	X	X	
<u>HMIS</u>	X	X	X
<u>Project Administration</u>	X	X	X



- Indirect costs using a federally negotiated indirect cost rate agreement (NICRA) or a de-minimis rate of 15%. Please note that if you use an approved NICRA rate, supporting documentation must be provided.

2. Ineligible Costs

- Rehabilitation
- New Construction
- Equipment (greater than \$5k per item)
- Capital repairs
- Capital acquisition



VI. Application Questions & Rating Criteria

All applications will be reviewed in the following stages:

1. New Project Compliance Check

- All applicants must adhere to the following requirements:
 - Follow Federal cost principles (2 CFR Part 200).
 - Operate in compliance with all applicable laws/regulations for federal, state, and local funds.
 - Applicant must have no conflicts of interest under federal standards.
 - Applicant must not be debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from competing for funding opportunities by any federal, state, or local department or agency.
 - Applicant must be registered with SAM.gov to receive funding.
- If questions 1, 2, 4, or 5 are “No” or question 3 is “Yes,” the application stops here — it will not move forward to Threshold Review or be considered for funding.

2. Threshold Review

- All applicants must meet minimum requirements (answer “Yes” to all required questions).
- Renewal, transition, and new projects must also meet specific thresholds for project type questions.
- Projects failing thresholds are not advanced to rating or funding consideration.

3. Rating Stage

Projects that pass thresholds are scored on performance and compliance. Key rating areas include:

- Experience & Approach – Prior work with DV/trauma survivors, victim-centered practices, lived-experience inclusion.
- Project Need & Fit – Clear community need, logical plan, alignment with CoC priorities.
- Service Quality & Outcomes – Trauma-informed services, service intensity, exits to permanent housing, employment income gains, low returns to homelessness.
- Partnerships – Formal coordination with housing, healthcare, mainstream benefits, law enforcement/first responders, onsite behavioral health.
- Budget & Compliance – Cost effectiveness, staffing justification, 25% match, adherence to NOFO requirements.
- Population Priorities – Points for serving elderly, disabled, women, youth, recovery-based, or unsheltered populations.



4. Ranking Process

- After scoring, a rater panel develops the final ranked order.
- Priority order: Renewal projects → Transition grants → New projects.
- Adjustments may be made to ensure services for key populations (e.g., DV survivors, youth) even if scores are lower.

Projects meeting all threshold criteria may be ranked higher than those that only meet minimums.



Section I – Compliance Self-Certification

Applicants must answer all the following questions in order to advance to the threshold review stage. Any application that does not answer “yes” to questions 1, 2, 4, 5, and “no” to question 3 will not be reviewed by the rater panel and will therefore not be recommended for funding. Submission of a response to this RFP or subsequent receipt of a pre-award determination letter does not guarantee final award approval. All applicants for KCRHA funding opportunities must meet KCRHA's Minimum Eligibility Requirements. You may access a downloadable .pdf of these requirements here: [KCRHA Grantee Minimum Eligibility Requirements Checklist](#)

1. The applicant will follow federal cost principles (2 CFR Part 200).
☐ Yes
☐ No
2. The applicant will operate in compliance with all applicable laws/regulations for federal, state, and local funds.
☐ Yes
☐ No
3. Conflict of Interest: In compliance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112 you are required to disclose in writing to the KCRHA any real, apparent or potential conflict of interest (COI) affecting the awarded funds. For the purposes of this section, COI is defined as:

a) any beneficial interest, directly or indirectly, in any contract using awarded funds which may be made by, through or under the supervision of your Agency, including its officers, employees, agents, board members, or any member of their immediate family (spouse, domestic partner, child, sibling or parent), or their business partner, or by an organization that employs any of the indicated parties, from any other person beneficially interested therein

OR

b) any acceptance, directly or indirectly, of any compensation, gratuity, or reward in connection with a contract using awarded funds.

By selecting “No” below, you are certifying that, to the best of your knowledge, your agency does not currently have real, apparent, or potential conflict(s) of interest to disclose. Please note that if your application is approved, you will be required to submit a KCRHA Conflict-of-Interest Certification and Declaration Form before a final award will be issued.



Does your agency have any real, apparent, or potential conflict(s) of interest to disclose?

☐ Yes

☐ No

4. **Certification of Non-Debarment:** To apply for an award under this application, you must not be currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from competing for funding opportunities by any federal, state, or local department or agency. Please read the statements below in their entirety before providing your answer.

As used in this section, debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549, as codified in 48 CFR Part 9 Subpart 9.4., and 2 CFR Part 180. By selecting “No” below, you are certifying that you have read the certifications below in their entirety and that your agency:

- a) Is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal, State, or local debarment or agency;
- b) Has not within three years preceding this application, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c) Is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with the commission of any of the offenses listed in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- d) Has not within three years preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

NOTE: If your application is approved, you must submit a signed KCRHA Certification of Non-Debarment and Suspension Form before a final award can be issued. Additionally, if it is later found that your agency knowingly provided an incorrect certification, the KCRHA may pursue various remedies. These could include, but are not limited to, suspension and/or debarment or rescission of any pre-award determination that may result from this application.



Agency is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from competing for funding opportunities by any federal, state, or local department or agency.

☐ Yes

☐ No

5. The applicant is registered with SAM.gov.

☐ Yes

☐ No

Section II – Threshold Review (Pass/Fail)

The HUD CoC NOFO requires that any new project meet both eligibility and project quality thresholds to be funded with CoC funds. Applicants must affirmatively answer **“Yes” to all questions marked as Required** in order for their application to be considered. In addition, applicants must meet minimum thresholds for the questions in the project type category for which the applicant is applying:

- **All projects** must answer “Yes” to all of the required questions.

– AND –

Answer the questions in the applicable project type section below for which the applicant is applying:

- **Transitional Housing** projects must answer “Yes” to at least **6** of the questions.
- **Supportive Services Only – Standalone** projects must respond “Yes” to enough questions to gain at least 4 of 5 total points available.
- **Supportive Services Only – Street Outreach** projects must respond “Yes” to enough questions to gain at least 5 of 6 total points available.
- **Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry** projects must respond “Yes” to enough questions to gain at least 3 of 4 total points available.
- **HMIS** projects must respond “Yes” to enough questions to gain at least 3 of 4 total points available.

Applications that fail to meet these thresholds will not advance to the application rating stage, will not be reviewed by the rater panel, and will therefore not be recommended for funding.

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All Projects - must answer "Yes" to all required questions below to move forward to rating:

1. ~~Required: The project will not engage in racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination.~~
☐ ~~Yes~~
☐ ~~No~~
2. Required: The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites," knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia on or off of property under their control, permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or conduct any of these activities under the pretext of "harm reduction."
☐ Yes
☐ No

Transitional Housing projects - must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 6 of 7 total points available below to move forward to rating:

1. This project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No
2. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No
3. The proposed project will require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use treatment, etc.) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h) by attaching a supportive service agreement (contract, occupancy agreement, lease, or equivalent). (1 point)
☐ Yes



☐ No

4. The average cost per household served for the project is reasonable, consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. (1 point)

☐ Yes

☐ No

5. The project has experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months. (1 point)

☐ Yes

☐ No

6. The applicant has previously operated or currently operates transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant. (1 point)

☐ Yes

☐ No

7. The proposed project will provide 40 hours per week of customized services for each participant (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use treatment, etc.). The 40 hours per week may be reduced proportionately for participants who are employed. The 40 hours per week does not apply to participants over age 62 or who have a physical disability/impairment or a developmental disability (24 CFR 582.5) not including substance use disorder. (1 point)

☐ Yes

☐ No

Supportive Services Only - Standalone projects must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 4 of 5 total points available below to move to forward to rating:

1. The Supportive Services project is necessary to assist people in exiting homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency, and the Recipient will conduct an annual assessment of the service needs of the program's participants. (1 point)

☐ Yes

☐ No



2. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do traditionally engage with supportive services. (2 points).
☐ Yes
☐ No
3. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, which may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No
4. The services provided are cost-effective, consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No

Supportive Services Only - Street Outreach projects must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 5 of 6 total points available below to move to forward to rating:

1. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, which may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No
2. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services. (2 points)
☐ Yes
☐ No
3. Demonstrate that the applicant has a history of partnering with first responders and law enforcement to engage people living in places not meant for human habitation to access emergency shelter, treatment programs, reunification with family, transitional housing or independent living. The applicant must cooperate, assist, and not interfere or impede with law enforcement to enforce local laws such as public camping and public drug use laws. (1 point)
☐ Yes
☐ No



4. The applicant has experience providing outreach services consistent with the activity description at 24 CFR 578.53(e)(13) and has demonstrated effectiveness at helping people successfully exit from places not meant for human habitation to emergency shelter, treatment programs, transitional housing or permanent housing programs. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

5. The services provided are cost-effective, consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

Supportive Services Only - Coordinated Entry projects must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 3 of 4 total points available below to move to forward to rating:

1. The Coordinated Entry system is easily available and reachable for all persons within the CoC's geographic area who are seeking homelessness assistance. The system must also be accessible for persons with disabilities within the CoC's geographic region. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

2. There is a strategy for advertising that is designed specifically to reach households experiencing homelessness with the highest needs. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

3. There is a standardized assessment process. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

4. The project will ensure program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services that fit their needs. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

HMIS projects must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 3 of 4 total points available below to move to forward to rating:



1. The HMIS funds will be expended in a way that furthers the CoC's HMIS implementation and ability to use HMIS as a proactive case management tool to promote treatment and recovery. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
2. The HMIS collects all Universal Data Elements as set forth in the HMIS Data Standards. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
3. The ability of the HMIS to unduplicate client records. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
4. The HMIS produces all HUD-required reports and provides data as needed for HUD reporting (e.g., APR, quarterly reports, data for CAPER/ESG reporting) and other reports required by other federal partners. (1 point)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

Section III - Application Questions

The following is a list of application questions and corresponding rating criteria that will be used to evaluate and score each question. These questions will be answered and submitted via [Smartsheet](#) along with any other requirements outlined in this document. KCRHA may inquire into the applicant regarding statements made in the application or otherwise.

1. Describe your organization's experience and expertise in providing the services proposed in this application.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (10 points) will be awarded if applicant demonstrates experience with operating the same services proposed in the application.
- Partial points (5 points) if applicant demonstrates experience providing homelessness services, but no direct experience with the services proposed in the application.
- Low points (0 points) will be awarded if the applicant demonstrates no prior experience providing homelessness services.



2. What does the project or project expansion address?
 - a. Please explain a clear need for the project or project expansion.
 - b. To what extent does this project address unmet needs or expand services by reducing homelessness on the streets, prioritizing treatment and recovery, advancing public safety, promoting self-sufficiency, improving long-term outcomes, and minimizing trauma for vulnerable populations?

Rating Criteria:

- Full points (10 points) will be awarded to agencies demonstrating a clear need or the project or project expansion. Strong alignment with priority areas.
 - Partial points (5 points) will be awarded to agencies who adequately demonstrate a clear need for the project or project expansion. Plan adequately addresses priority area.
 - Low points (0 points) will be awarded to agencies who do not demonstrate a clear need for the project or project expansion. Plan does not address priority areas.
3. Describe your commitment to trauma-informed, person-centered approaches that maintain confidentiality and encourage well-being. Include the ratio of direct-service staff to participants and how that staffing ratio supports the commitment.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (4-5 points) will be awarded to applicants demonstrating excellence in their ability to utilize a trauma-informed and person-centered approach.
 - Partial points (2-3 points) will be awarded to applicants that adequately address their ability to utilize a trauma-informed and person-centered approach.
 - Low points (0-1 points) will be awarded to applicants that do not meet and/or address their ability to utilize a trauma-informed and person-centered approach.
4. What services will you implement within the Seattle-King County CoC's geographic area? How many households will you serve? What is the proposed number of units and beds?

Rating Criteria:

- Full points (4-5 points) will be awarded to agencies demonstrating excellence in and/or most of the rating criteria. Household and unit proposals align.



- Partial points (2-3 points) will be awarded to agencies who have adequately met the criteria. Fewer units proposed than the number of households to serve without clear reasoning.
 - Low points (0 to 1 point) will be awarded to agencies who do not meet and/or address the criteria.
5. What is your plan to exit at least 50% of participants to permanent housing within 24 months?
- a. Provide exit data from a similar program that exemplifies your ability to meet the 50% exit to Permanent Housing within 24 months.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (20 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide exit data from similar programs that demonstrate the ability to meet 50% of participants who exit to Permanent Housing within 24 months.
 - Partial points (10 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide exit data from a similar program that demonstrates the ability to meet 30% exit to Permanent Housing within 24 months.
 - Low points (5 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide anecdotal evidence of prior ability to meet exit criteria but do not provide data to support it.
6. What is your strategy to achieve a gain of employment income for 50% of participants?
- a. Include examples and partnerships to support this goal.
 - b. Provide exit data from similar programs to demonstrate your ability to meet 50% of participants who have employment income.

Rating Criteria:

- Full points (15 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide exit data from a similar program that demonstrates the ability to meet 50% of participants who exit have employment income.
- Partial points (10 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide exit data from a similar program that demonstrates the ability to meet 30% of participants who exit have employment income.
- Low points (5 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide anecdotal evidence of prior ability to meet employment income measures but do not provide data to support it.



7. What is your strategy to support participants in increasing their self-sufficiency to reduce returns to homelessness? Please provide data from a similar program that demonstrates your return rate.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (15 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide data from similar programs that demonstrate a 3-5% return rate.
 - Partial points (10 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide data from a similar program that demonstrates a 6-10% return rate.
 - Low points (5 points) will be awarded to agencies that provide anecdotal evidence of prior ability to meet low returns but do not provide data to support it.
8. Please describe how your project partners with mainstream resources such as Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI, etc. Please provide letters, MOUs, or other formal agreements that demonstrate partnerships or referral processes with mainstream resources such as Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (10 points) will be awarded to applicants that provide letters, MOUs, or other formal agreements that demonstrate partnerships or referral processes with mainstream resources such as Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI.
 - Partial points (5 points) will be awarded to applicants that demonstrate partnerships or referral processes with mainstream resources such as Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI, but have no formal agreements or proof of formal agreements.
 - Low points (0 points) will be awarded to applicants that do not demonstrate partnerships or referral partnerships with mainstream resources such as Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI.
9. Please describe the staff positions for this project and explain how each role, including the qualifications of staff, is designed to meet the needs of the program's participants.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (5 points) will be awarded if the staffing model and justifications are reasonable.
 - No partial points will be awarded.
10. Provide a clear budget explanation for each budget item and its intended use.



Rating Criteria:

- Full points (4-5 points) will be awarded to agencies demonstrating excellence in and/or most of the rating criteria. Budget items should be logical and cost-effective.
- Partial points (2-3 points) will be awarded to agencies who have adequately met the criteria. Budget items are somewhat logical and cost-effective.
- Low points (0-1) will be awarded to agencies that do not meet and/or address the criteria. Budget items are not addressed or not logical and cost-effective.

11. Does your organization have the ability to meet the 25% match requirement for funding?

Rating Criteria

- Full points (5 points) will be awarded if the submitted budget includes a 25% match.
- No partial points will be awarded.

12. How will your organization collaborate with housing and healthcare providers? Describe your partnerships. How will your organization collaborate with Law Enforcement and First Responders to support better system integration? This is especially important for SSO-Street Outreach to ensure measures are being made to support public safety and encampment reduction. Bonus points will be awarded to agencies that submit MOUs or other formal agreements with Healthcare and Housing organizations.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (20 points) will be awarded for clear demonstration of partnerships with both healthcare and housing providers and Law Enforcement and First Responders.
- Partial points (10 points) will be awarded for clear demonstration of partnerships with both healthcare and housing providers or Law Enforcement and First Responders.
- Low points (0) will be awarded to agencies that do not meet and/or address the criteria.
- 2 Bonus points for MOUs or other formal agreements with Healthcare and Housing partners.



13. Please provide evidence of onsite behavioral health treatment support. For outreach programs demonstrate how services will be delivered to those who are unsheltered. Include a letter of agreement with partner or team providing such services.

Rating Criteria

- Full points (15 points) will be awarded to agencies providing written evidence and a letter of support.
- Partial points (5-10 points) will be awarded to agencies providing written evidence, but no letter of agreement.
- Low points (0 points) will be awarded to agencies providing no onsite services.

14. Program Target Populations: Please select the population(s) that this project intends to serve:

Population	Serving?
Units/program dedicated/prioritizes Unsheltered Persons = 3 points	☐ Yes ☐ No
Units/program serve Youth and Young Adults = 1 point	☐ Yes ☐ No
Units/program operates as “Recovery Based” = 3 points	☐ Yes ☐ No
Units/program participants are fleeing Domestic Violence or Sex Trafficking = 1 point	☐ Yes ☐ No
Units serve Elders, seniors and/or disabled persons = 3 points	☐ Yes ☐ No
Unit/program serves more than one gender provide and ensures safe single-gender spaces = 1 point	☐ Yes ☐ No

Rating Criteria

- Full points (see table above) will be awarded based on the selected populations.
- No points for programs serving other target populations.



VII. Conflict of Interest

The answers to these questions will be considered but not scored.

1. To the best of your knowledge, does your agency currently have any apparent or potential conflict(s) of interest to disclose? Yes, No, or N/A
 - a. If yes, please describe:
2. Have you ever had funding revoked or a contract terminated with KCRHA? Yes, No, or N/A
 - a. If yes, what steps have you taken to cure the issue such that it will not be repeated?

VIII. Contracting Requirements

Applicants must agree and adhere to the requirements outlined below to contract with KCRHA:

1. Minimum Eligibility Requirements
 - Agencies are required to meet the requirements found on [KCRHA's website](#).
 - Minimum Eligibility documentation must be submitted and reviewed before contracting.
2. Financial Review
 - Prior to contracting, agencies must upload the following financial documents to be reviewed:
 - Current fiscal year's financial statements (Balance Sheet, Income Statement, and Statement of Cash Flows, certified by the agency's CFO, Finance Officer, or Board Treasurer)
 - Most recent audit reports
 - Most recent fiscal year-ending Form 990
3. Performance Commitments
4. Data Collection, Evaluation, and Performance Measures
 - KCRHA will collaboratively establish and evaluate performance metrics with each grantee, which will be incorporated into each Service Contract.
 - All funded agencies will participate in data collection through the King County Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to evaluate and improve the quality of their programming.
5. A safety plan for fires and other relevant emergencies.



IX. Contracting Terms

Please be advised that this request is subject to the availability of funding. Please note that any statements by the King County Regional Homelessness Authority, its employees, board members, or agents, including public announcements of the awardees or missives informing successful applicants of an award, do not constitute a guarantee of funds or an offer to contract. All obligations to perform or pay funds are contingent upon the execution of a written agreement signed by all required parties. A binding agreement is a fully executed contract that has been signed by authorized representatives of both the awardee and the agency. No email, award letter, or other communication shall be construed as creating a contractual obligation on the part of the agency.

1. Any contract resulting from this RFP will be between KCRHA and the applicant organization.
2. Contracts may be amended to ensure that services and outcomes align with community needs or changes in the availability of funding.
3. Contractors will be required to comply with the Terms and Conditions of the KCRHA Master Service Agreement (MSA). These requirements shall be included in any contract awarded because of the RFP and are not negotiable.
4. Contractors will be required to maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence directly related to the performance of the work following Generally Acceptable Accounting Procedures (GAAP). KCRHA, or any of its duly authorized representatives, shall have access to such books, records, and documents for inspection, audit, and copying for a period of seven (7) years after completion of work.
5. Contractors must complete all required reports and billing documentation as stated in the contract. Reimbursement will be contingent upon receipt and approval of required reports. Additional data may be required for audit or evaluation purposes.
6. Contractors must have the capacity to protect and maintain all confidential information gained by reason of this contract against unauthorized use, access, disclosure, modification, or loss.

Please note that some projects may require compliance with prevailing wages and competitive bidding laws. Recipients of grant funds may be subject to RCW 39.12 Prevailing Wages if the project qualifies as a public work or meets other criteria requiring prevailing wages. If applicable, contractors and subcontractors must pay prevailing wages as determined by the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries (L&I). A Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages may be required before work begins, and an Affidavit of Wages Paid before final payment. Grant recipients should consult L&I or legal counsel to determine prevailing wage obligations and any



competitive bidding requirements. The applicable prevailing wage rates are available at the L&I website: <https://www.lni.wa.gov>. Public works projects may also require competitive bidding to comply with relevant state and local laws.

Under King County v Turner 2:25-cv-00814-BJR a temporary restraining order has been extended to King County and KCRHA enjoining HUD from imposing or enforcing new conditions related to Executive Orders, anti-discrimination law, collaboration with immigration enforcement, immigration condition verification, gender ideology, and abortions. For that reason, certifications or attestations related to such new conditions are struck below and not assumed to be required of applicants to this funding opportunity.

In addition to standard contract terms with KCRHA, all contracts funded under the FY2025 NOFO must adhere to the following:

1. The Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619) and Civil Rights laws which encompass the Fair Housing Act and related authorities (24 CFR 5.105(a))
2. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) requirements, (42 USC § 3608(e)(5)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR 5.150 et seq.as amended by 90 FR 11020.
3. Economic Opportunities for Low-and Very Low-income Persons (12 USC 1701u) requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR part 75
4. ~~Compliance with Immigration Requirements (8 U.S.C. 1601-1646; Executive Order 14218)~~
5. Accessible Technology requirements, (29 USC § 794d, 29 USC 794, 42 USC 12131-12165) and implementing regulations at 36 CFR part 1194 (Section 508 regulations), 24 CFR § 8.6 (Section 504 effective communication regulations), 28 CFR part 35, subpart H (DOJ Web Access Rule), and 28 CFR part 35, subpart E (DOJ's Title II communications regulations)
6. Ensuring, when possible, small businesses, minority businesses, women's business enterprises, veteran-owned businesses, and labor surplus area firms receive consideration consistent with 2 CFR 200.321
7. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities consistent with 42 U.S.C. 2000bb et seq.; 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.; 24 CFR 5.109; and Executive Orders 14202, *Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias* and EO 14205, *Establishment of the White House Faith Office*.
8. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (42 USC § 4601 et seq.) (URA) requirements, 49 CFR part 24, and applicable program regulations
9. Participation in HUD-Sponsored Program Evaluation (12 USC 1701z-1; 12 USC 1702z-2; 24 CFR part 60; and FR-6278-N-01)
10. OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR part 200)



11. Drug-Free Workplace requirements (2 CFR part 2429)
12. HUD requirements related to safeguarding resident/client files (e.g., 2 CFR 200.303(e))
13. The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (2 CFR part 170) (FFATA), as amended
14. Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities requirements (29 USC § 794) and regulations at 24 CFR parts 8 and 100; 28 CFR part 35
15. Applicable Violence Against Women Act requirements in the Housing Chapter of VAWA (34 USC § 12491-12496) 24 CFR part 5, subpart L, and program-specific regulations.
16. Conducting Business in Accordance with Ethical Standards/Code of Conduct, including 2 CFR 200.317, 2 CFR 200.318(c) and other applicable conflicts of interest requirements
17. Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act procurement purchase requirements
18. Environmental requirements that apply in accordance with 24 CFR part 50 or part 58
19. Unless prohibited by law and to the extent permitted under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), your application and post-award content may be released to the public in response to FOIA requests, except to the extent that certain information may be withheld under a FOIA exemption (5 USC § 552(b); 24 CFR 15.107(b)). HUD may also share your information within HUD or with other Federal agencies if HUD determines that sharing is relevant to the respective program's objectives.
20. Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and Whistleblower Protections. 41 USC § 4712, which includes informing your employees in writing of their rights and remedies, in the predominant native language of the workforce. Under 41 U.S.C. § 4712, employees of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, subgrantee, and personal services contractor may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a Federal contract or grant, a gross waste of Federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a Federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant. (See Federal Contractor or Grantee Protections | Office of Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development (hudoig.gov))
21. ~~Implementing Presidential Executive Actions affecting federal financial assistance programs, as advised by the Department, unless otherwise restricted by law: Executive Order (EO) 14219 (Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Deregulatory Initiative); 14218 (Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders); guidance resulting from the White House Task Force established by 14202 (Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias) and the Senior Advisor to the White House Faith Office assigned by 14205 (Establishment of the White House Faith Office); 14182 (Enforcing the Hyde Amendment); 14173 (Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based~~



Opportunity); 14168 (Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government); 14151 (Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing); and 14148 (Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions)

In addition:

1. ~~Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to conduct activities that subsidize or facilitate racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination, including activities where race or intentional proxies for race will be used as a selection criterion for employment or program participation; or conduct activities that rely on or otherwise use a definition of sex as other than binary in humans~~ 14332 (Improving Oversight of Federal Grantmaking).
2. Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to fund, promote, encourage, subsidize or facilitate the use of illicit drugs.
3. Awards made under this NOFO will not be used to fund any project, service provider, or organization that operates drug injection sites or “safe consumption sites,” knowingly distributes drug paraphernalia on or off of property under their control, permits the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or conducts any of these activities under the pretext of “harm reduction.” 14321 (Ending Crime and Disorder on America’s Streets).

X. How to Apply

Application Due Date

Completed applications are due by **Sunday, December 14, 2025, at 11:59 PM PST.**

Application Instructions

All applications and required documentation will be submitted through [Smartsheet](#). KCRHA advises completing the application several days before the deadline in case you encounter any technical issues. A completed application must include the following items. Incomplete applications will **not** be rated.

1. Submit Project Application in [Smartsheet](#)
2. CoC Budget Template
3. Budget Narrative



Incomplete applications will not be rated. KCRHA reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in an application or within the process in its discretion.

Proposals must meet minimum eligibility qualifications and pass a fiscal review. An eligibility screening will verify that the agency meets KCRHA's minimum eligibility requirements, the proposal is complete and submitted on time, and if KCRHA contracts with the agency for the provision of homelessness services, a confirmation that the organization is in good standing. KCRHA reserves the right to exercise due diligence and inquire as to any statements made in the application or the validity thereof. KCRHA may inquire into the applicant regarding statements made in the application or otherwise. The application will be rated by a panel of subject matter and lived/living experts. KCRHA or the panel may decide to reopen the request for applications after review of the applications when necessary to carry out the purpose of the underlying funding.

Application Link

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/0198774e53b170e7b5e250f939e56b6c>

