

# 2025 Seattle King County Continuum of Care (CoC) New Project and Bonus Funding Application

November 26, 2025

# Introduction

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

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.

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.

# **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 <u>Smartsheet</u>. 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 <u>not</u> be rated.

- 1. Project Applications Submitted in **Smartsheet**.
- 2. CoC Budget Template

## **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 all the questions 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: <a href="KCRHA Grantee Minimum Eligibility Requirements Checklist">KCRHA Grantee Minimum Eligibility Requirements Checklist</a>

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 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) Have 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) Are 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) Have 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 recission 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 to forward to rating:

1.—Required: The project will not engage in racial preferences or other forms of illegal

	□ 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
	ional Housing projects - must respond "Yes" to enough questions to gain at least 6 of points available below to move to 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
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	□ 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
	ortive Services Only - Standalone projects must respond "Yes" to enough questions to t 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). $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ 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) $\hfill\Box$ Yes $\hfill\Box$ No
	•	rtive Services Only - Street Outreach projects must respond "Yes" to enough ons 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) $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ 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
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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) $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
5.	The services provided are cost-effective, consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. (1 point)  ☐ Yes ☐ No
	ortive Services Only - Coordinated Entry projects must respond "Yes" to enough ons 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) $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
2.	There is a strategy for advertising that is designed specifically to reach households experiencing homelessness with the highest needs. (1 point) $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ 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 <a href="Smartsheet">Smartsheet</a> 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.



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?
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2. What does the project or project expansion address?

a. Please explain a clear need for the project or project expansion.



J.	maintain confidentiality and encourage well-being. Include the ratio of direct-service staff to participants and how that staffing ratio supports the commitment.



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?



month	s?
a.	Provide exit data from a similar program that exemplifies your ability to meet the
	50% exit to Permanent Housing within 24 months.

5. What is your plan to exit at least 50% of participants to permanent housing within 24



b.	Provide exit data from similar programs to demonstrate your ability to meet 50% of participants who have employment income.

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.



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.



δ.	SNAP, SSI/SSDI, etc. Please provide letters, MOUs, or other formal agreements that demonstrate partnerships or referral processes with mainstream resources such Medicaid, SNAP, SSI/SSDI.



		ogram's participants	



10. Provide a clear budget explanation for each bu	dget item and its intended use.



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



12	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.



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.	



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



# **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 ☐ N/A
	□ N/A a. If yes, please describe:
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2.	Have you ever had funding revoked or a contrast terminated with KCDHA2
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	□ Yes
	□ No
	□ N/A
	a. If yes, what steps have you taken to cure the issue such that it will not be repeated?
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