



Seattle/King County Continuum of Care: Call for Board Member Applications

Introduction

The Seattle/King County Continuum of Care (CoC) Membership must elect new CoC Board members in advance of the July 1, 2026, term expirations to ensure uninterrupted governance and compliance with Board succession requirements.

Per [24 CFR 578.5\(b\)](#): “The Continuum of Care must establish a board to act on behalf of the Continuum using the process established as a requirement by [§ 578.7\(a\)\(3\)](#) and must comply with the conflict-of-interest requirements at [§ 578.95\(b\)](#). The board must:

1. Be representative of the relevant organizations and of projects serving homeless subpopulations; and
2. Include at least one homeless or formerly homeless individual.”

[HUD further indicated that](#): “The CoC must demonstrate it has a decision-making governance board that includes:

- at least 1 person with a former experience of homelessness;
- at least 3 elected public officials;
- at least 1 representative of the business community;
- at least 2 representatives of law enforcement.”

The [Selection Committee](#) is the designated body to review and bring forth the final recommendations to the CoC Membership for a vote.

Current and Upcoming Vacancies - Representation Sought

Based on the HUD requirements and the CoC Governance Charter, the following seat-types are sought in the CoC Board Application process:

- persons with a former or current experience of homelessness
- at least 1 elected public official
- at least 1 representative of law enforcement or public safety
- at least 1 representative of a local funder
- representatives of the local homelessness service provider community

Candidate for seats representing the following geographic regions may be prioritized:

- North King County
- South King County
- East King County

Candidates for seats with direct and active representation of the following sup-populations may also be prioritized:

- Veterans
- Disability Community
- Elders
- Youth and Young Adults
- Families
- Domestic Violence or Intimate Partner Violence

CoC Board Role and Commitment

The Seattle/King County Continuum of Care (CoC) is a broad coalition of partners dedicated to ending homelessness in the region. This includes people with experience of homelessness, service providers representing various populations and interventions, funders, the faith community, researchers and universities, health care providers and others.

The CoC Board governs the Seattle/King County Continuum of Care as detailed in the [CoC Governance Charter](#).

CoC Board members are expected to attend one regular meeting and participate in one subcommittee or workgroup each month, in addition to any special meetings that require a CoC Board vote. Responsibilities also include reading and responding to emails and phone calls, as well as completing other administrative tasks – up to 15 hours per month. All applicants must be able to commit to a minimum two-year term.

Compensation for Lived Experience

CoC Board members with lived experience of homelessness may be eligible for a stipend from KCRHA.

Review and Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed by an ad-hoc Selection Committee made up of at least three members of the CoC Board. In addition, 2–3 KCRHA staff will provide administrative support to ensure the Selection Committee functions effectively



The Selection Committee will affirm the recommended candidates to the CoC Board for a vote by the Continuum of Care membership held at a Convening in June. The following estimated timeline will guide next steps:

Estimated Timeline

Applications Open	April 6, 2026
Applications Due	May 4, 2026
Selection Committee Reviews Applications	May 13-21, 2026
Selection Committee Makes Recommendations to CoC Board	June 3, 2026
CoC Membership Convening - Candidate Forum and Voting	June 17, 2026
Announcement of New Board Members to CoC Board	June 24, 2026

Completing and Submitting an Application

Applications will be accepted through the [online application form](#) or by email submission to CoC.questions@kcrha.org. All application materials and instructions will be posted online [here](#).

If you need reasonable accommodation or need to pick up a paper copy to complete the application process, please contact CoC.questions@kcrha.org or call Catherine Todd at (206)-795-3846.

All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. on May 4, 2026.
Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed.

