



## Fiscal Year 2026 Local Competition Notice

### Seattle-King County Continuum of Care and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Renewals

**May 5, 2026**

2026 Competition	Anticipated Competition Release	Anticipated Due Date	Anticipated Contract Start Date Period	Anticipated Competition Process
FY26 CoC Local Competition - CoC & YHDP Renewals	June 10, 2026	July 3, 2026	Based on FY25 contract end dates	Renewal Project Application

*\*These are estimated funding process release dates and funding amounts, and both are subject to change. Please visit [kcrha.org](http://kcrha.org) regularly for formal funding opportunity announcements.*

The King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA) is pleased to announce the upcoming local competition for renewing Continuum of Care (CoC) and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) projects.

This process supports the development of a coordinated regional application for federal funding. Additional details will be provided as they become available.

The amount available for renewing projects will be determined by HUD’s final award amount to the Seattle-King County CoC. **This competition is for current CoC and YHDP projects that are interested in renewing their current program.** KCRHA expects multiple local contract awards. If you have questions, please email [coc.questions@kcrha.org](mailto:coc.questions@kcrha.org).

FY26 CoC Local Competition is intended to support the Seattle-King County continuum of comprehensive, person-centered homelessness solutions. KCRHA seeks proposals for projects that:

- Address clearly identified community needs
- Demonstrate strong performance outcomes
- Align with regional system priorities
- Leverage other funding sources where possible

KCRHA expects the following **program areas to be covered by this funding opportunity:**

- Program Area 1 - Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
- Program Area 2 - Transitional Housing (TH)

- Program Area 3 - Supportive Services – Standalone
- Program Area 4 - Coordinated Entry
- Program Area 5 – HMIS
- Program Area 6 – YHDP: Supportive Services Only

## Renewal Funding Restrictions

KCRHA anticipates the HUD FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity (HUD FY 2026 NOFO) will limit the Seattle-King County CoC to awarding no more than the equivalent of 30 percent of the total CoC funding it received in the prior year for Permanent Housing (PH) projects, including Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), and Joint TH-RRH. KCRHA may limit the number of PH renewals to remain within anticipated HUD caps.

## Renewal Project Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must have a currently funded and operating CoC or YHDP project to apply for renewal. Each will be required to meet the following requirements:

- Follow Federal cost principles ([2 CFR Part 200](#))
- Participate in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- No conflicts of interest under federal standards
- Submit letter(s) of commitment or other documentation for [25% of matching funds](#).
  - Match funds must be either in-kind or non-CoC grant funds
- KCRHA anticipates HUD may require the project applicant to attest to further conditions. These could include that 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.”

## Anticipated Local Review Criteria

HMIS data will be evaluated for the operating period **4/1/25 to 3/31/26**. This data will be used to assess project performance according to the key indicators that populate the Annual Performance Report (APR). Additional efficiency and effectiveness measures will also be considered. The following review elements outline the anticipated criteria and may be updated upon review of the posted HUD FY 2026 NOFO.

HMIS Performance Criteria



- Exits to permanent housing, with higher weight placed on meeting or exceeding established system targets by project type
- Returns to homelessness, with increased emphasis on minimizing returns following exit to permanent housing
- Housing retention for Permanent Supportive Housing and Supportive Housing projects
- Employment and income outcomes, including exits with earned income, non-earned income, and minimizing exits with no financial resources
- Unknown or missing exit destinations, with higher priority given to projects demonstrating complete and accurate exit data

#### Non-HMIS System Priority Criteria

- Program component type, with greater priority given to permanent housing interventions, particularly Permanent Supportive Housing
- Population priorities, including projects serving unsheltered households, youth and young adults, people with disabilities, elders, people fleeing domestic violence or trafficking, and recovery-based housing models
- Project expenditures, with higher priority for projects demonstrating full and timely use of awarded funds

#### Application-Based Narrative Criteria

- Applications will be reviewed for qualitative alignment with CoC expectations and requirements imposed by the HUD FY 2026 NOFO, which may include:
- Low-barrier service delivery and minimizing program terminations, consistent with HUD standards
- Participant engagement and feedback, including how participant input informs program design and improvement
- Lived and living experience, including meaningful involvement of people with lived experience in governance and decision-making, consistent with HUD NOFO requirements

