



KCRHA

King County Regional Homelessness Authority

FY26 Continuum of Care NOFO

CoC Board Special Meeting

Monday, September 28, 2026

Today's Objective

- NOFO Overview
- Review of Process
- Collaborative Application Overview
- Hopeful Improvements
- Questions and Answers



CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Overview

- Annual competition for CoC renewals AND new funding
 - Project applications that expire in 2027 will be renewed
 - Tier one set at 60% of renewal amount
 - Court's intervened – stopped August 7, Appeals Court allowed reissue September 16
 - HUD reissued September 18
- This was a ***fast*** process.
- KCRHA, as the CoC Lead & Collaborative Applicant, will submit 2 things in 2026:
 - Priority List
 - Collaborative Application



Key NOFO Dates

- **June 10:** Opened Local Competition
- **July 3:** New and Renewal Applications were due
- **July 8-31 and August 3-4:** Rating and Ranking
- **August 7:** Court paused the NOFO
- **August 10:** HUD appealed
- **September 16:** 1st Circuit Court of Appeals lifted pause during appeal
- **September 18:** HUD Reissued NOFO with September 30 due date.
- **September 23:** Must publicly post final Priority Listing
- **September 28:** CoC Board Special Meeting to Vote on Consolidated Application
 - Consolidated Application must be approved by the CoC to submit.
- **September 30:** NOFO Due Date



Collaborative Application

- Overall grant application – how our system is performing:
 - Sought input and feedback from several external partners including NOFO Planning Workgroup, City of Seattle, King County, Healthcare for the Homeless Network, Seattle King County Public Health, Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Coalition on Ending Gender-Based Violence, Seattle Housing Authority, and King County Housing Authority.
- **Deep thanks to all of our collaborators.**



Our Process

- KCRHA worked on an internally shared spreadsheet with all the questions.
- Question sets were sent to external partners for input.
- Once input was gathered from multiple parties, lead staff drafted a response to each question which was reviewed by 2 others for clarity and character count.



FY26 CoC Application: Key Focus Areas

Governance & System Planning

- Partner engagement, board participation, community input
- Strategic planning, system gaps, funding alignment

Behavioral Health & Recovery

- Substance use treatment, mental health services
- Crisis response (988), peer support, recovery housing

Housing & Supportive Services

- Supportive services investment
- Housing stability and service participation requirements

System Coordination & Data

- ESG and shelter coordination
- HMIS, PIT/HIC, data sharing, workforce partnerships

Public Safety & Outreach

- Encampment response and reduction
- Street outreach, law enforcement coordination
- Overdose prevention and public safety strategies

Youth, Families & Special Populations

- Childcare, education, foster care, RHY partnerships
- Veterans, DV survivors, justice-involved, seniors

Performance & Competition

- Local ranking and reallocation process
- Reducing homelessness, length of time homeless
- Permanent housing and unsubsidized housing outcomes

Policy & Compliance

- Opportunity Zones



Special Focus on Key Initiatives

- Encampment Resolution Program
 - FIFA-specific work
- Dynamic Youth By-Name-List
- Mayor and King County Executive's expansion of shelter beds
- New Coordinated Entry triage tool
- Crisis care centers levy
- Washington Involuntary Treatment Act & dearth of resources



Final Steps

- **September 28:** CoC Board Special Meeting to Vote on the Consolidated Application
- **September 28-29:** KCRHA staff finalize entry in e-snaps and all required attachments, build Priority List in e-snaps.
 - Aiming to submit September 29
- **September 30:** NOFO Due Date



Motion

- Approve and authorize KCRHA to submit the FY26 CoC NOFO Consolidated Application and Priority list with flexibility to finalize and edit for clarity to ensure a high-quality application is submitted on behalf of the CoC.





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