



Budget Fact Sheet – Housing & Homelessness

Mayor Harrell’s budget includes unprecedented investments in affordable housing and homelessness response in Seattle. This budget recognizes that making progress on the homelessness crisis is inextricably linked to access to housing – both a source of and a solution to homelessness.

The Office of Housing’s (OH’s) budget has reached a remarkable milestone, now at over a quarter of a billion dollars – the highest in City history.

While the City works to establish new affordable housing options, it is inhumane for people to live outside without access to sanitation, heat, and running water. In addition to historic investments in housing, the budget includes investments aimed at sustaining and expanding shelter capacity – ensuring the City will meet its goal to identify 2,000 new units and providing a wider array of options in spaces and support for people experiencing homelessness.

Mayor Harrell remains committed to a regional solution to the problem of homelessness, and to that end, the proposed budget invests \$150.4 million in homelessness response City-wide and continues the City’s investments in the King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA) as it enters its second full year of operations.

Housing

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$228M	Multifamily housing investments.
\$17M	Homeownership, sustainability, and weatherization.

King County Regional Homelessness Authority

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$88M	Allocation to KCRHA from HSD. Excluding one-time federal funding received in 2022, this represents a 13% increase in the City’s contribution to KCRHA compared to the previous year.
	<i>INCLUDED: \$2.2 million to sustain existing homelessness programs and services previously funded with one-time funding</i>
	<i>INCLUDED: \$2.4 million for new Tiny Home Villages</i>
	<i>INCLUDED: \$5 million for new safe parking lots to serve people living in vehicles</i>

City Homelessness Programs & Services

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$16.6M	City managed homeless programs.
\$2.4M	Expanded outreach support to connect unsheltered people sleeping in public spaces to shelter and housing.
\$1.1M	Contract oversight and administration.