



Housing Policy & Resources

101 Training Series



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1. Housing in Washington: What's the Problem and What is Needed?

DATE: MAY 15, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

***Training Objective:** Develop a collective understanding of housing issues counties face. What are the causes? What research has been done to inform potential solutions to better determine what is needed to address the situation?*

- Presenters:**
- The Honorable Denny Heck, Lieutenant Governor
 - Laura Hodgson, Senior Planner, Department of Commerce

- Resources:**
- [Washington State's Housing Affordability Crisis](#)
 - [The Racial Wealth Gap is the Housing Gap](#)
 - [Washington State Business Competitiveness Analysis](#)
 - [Planning for Housing in Washington – Final Projected Housing Needs by County](#)
 - [2022 Washington Housing Survey](#)

2. Funding and Administrative Resources - State and Local Programs (Consolidated Homeless Grant Program)

DATE: JUNE 12, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

***Training Objective:** Introduce, describe, and discuss key concepts in shelter and rental assistance programs in Washington State and how county government responsibilities contribute to the overall statewide framework. Elements include the role of document recording fee revenue, the grant administration process, coordinated entry, and understanding the interaction between the Department of Commerce as the statewide administrative agency for the Consolidated Homeless Grant and the County as an entity required to address homelessness in its community.*

- Presenters:**
- Tedd Kelleher, Department of Commerce
 - Kathy Kinnard, Department of Commerce

- Resources:**
- [Consolidated Homeless Grant Guidelines](#)
 - [Coordinated Entry Guidelines](#)
 - [RCW 43.185C.050 - County responsibility](#)
 - [RCW 36.22.179- Document Recording Fee eligible uses](#)

3. Funding and Administrative Resources - Federally Funded Programs

DATE: JULY 17, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Training Objective: *Introduce and describe funding sources available to counties beyond Department of Commerce's core funding, including programs that can fund programs not allowed by the Consolidated Homeless Grant. Elements include Continuum of Care programs, the Washington State Housing Trust Fund, and the role of Housing Authorities.*

- Presenters:**
- Nick Mondau, Department of Commerce
 - Nicholas Carr, Intergovernmental Affairs Manager, Tacoma Housing Authority

- Resources:**
- [Balance of State Continuum of Care Charter](#)
 - [Applying to the Housing Trust Fund](#)

4. Local Tools Counties Can Utilize to Address Housing Accessibility and Affordability

DATE: AUGUST 21, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Training Objective: *Introduce and describe tools counties can utilize to increase affordable housing and housing availability. Presentations will focus on all housing types and will include planning authority, development regulations, and taxing authority, among others.*

- Presenters:**
- Ann Fritzel, Housing Programs Manager, Department of Commerce
 - Laura Hodgson, Senior Planners, Department of Commerce

- Resources:**
- [Updating GMA Housing Elements](#)
 - [Multi-Family Housing Property Tax Exemption Program](#)
 - [Draft Guidance for Developing a Housing Action Plan](#)

5. Utilizing State, Federal, and Local Resources and Tools to Address Homelessness

DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Training Objective: *Review case studies of projects in Washington state counties that have successfully implemented impactful programs utilizing state, federal, and local resources and tools that address homelessness. Emphasis will be placed on projects that have a proven track record of success as well as new, innovative ideas with promise. Projects should include public ownership and operation as well as public/private partnerships.*

- Presenters:**
- Craig Dublanko, Coastal Community Action Program
 - Jennifer Pelikan, Sarge's Place

6.

Utilizing State, Federal, and Local Resources to Increase Housing Affordability and Access to Affordable Housing

DATE: OCTOBER 16, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Training Objective: Review case studies of projects in Washington state counties that have successfully implemented impactful programs utilizing state, federal, and local resources and tools that improve housing affordability and access to affordable housing. The case studies should include a variety of housing types including single-family, middle housing, multi-family, etc. Projects should include public ownership and operation as well as public/private partnerships.

Presenters:

- Susan Grindle, Hopesource

7.

Utilizing State, Federal, and Local Resources to Increase Home Ownership Opportunities

DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2023

LOCATION: VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

Training Objective: Review case studies of projects in Washington state counties that have successfully implemented impactful programs utilizing state, federal, and local resources and tools to increase home ownership opportunities. The case studies should include a variety of housing models and should include publicly funded and managed programs as well as public/private partnerships.

Presenters:

- Amanda Lynn, San Juan Community Land Trust
- Karl Eberhard, Architect