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County awards human services funding to local agencies

Agencies selected for third annual Ending Homelessness Projects

Snohomish County has awarded 19 projects about \$1.5 million in the third year of available Ending Homelessness funds.

A total of 27 projects and agencies applied for \$2.2 million in funding. Only 19 projects and agencies were awarded grants. Ending Homelessness funds are used to support agencies that are working within the goals of Snohomish County’s 10-year housing plan to end homelessness known as “Everyone at Home Now.”

Projects selected will advance the county’s effort to reduce homelessness with innovative programs based on national models that have shown success.

“Snohomish County has a long history of exciting and successful human service innovations,” County Executive Aaron Reardon said. “These projects are another example of the county’s leadership to promote new models for ending homelessness and to meet the goals of our 10-year plan.”

Projects are reviewed by an independent committee, which makes recommendations to the county’s human services director, Ken Stark. Stark recently approved the recommendations.

For more information on the available funds or the projects, which are listed below, contact Dean Weitenhagen, supervisor of the county’s Office of Housing, Homelessness & Community Development, at 425-388-3267.

Catholic Community Services	Meadowdale and Colby Housing Programs	\$31,372
Cocoon House	Project SAFE	\$132,376
Community Health Center	Health Care for Homeless	\$47,000
Compass Health	Housing Vouchers for Chronically Homeless	\$148,534
Domestic Violence Services	Positive Transitions	\$67,000
Housing Hope	Child Development	\$37,500

Housing Hope	College of Hope	\$80,740
Housing Hope	Community Empowerment	\$20,915
Housing Hope	Homeless Teen Parent Program	\$56,550
Housing Hope	Prevention/Rapid Re-housing	\$68,400
Salvation Army	Eviction Prevention	\$45,342
Salvation Army	Permanent Housing	\$124,471
Volunteers of America WW	Community Case Mgmt. II	\$76,473
Volunteers of America WW	Housing First	\$235,450
Volunteers of America WW	Rental Housing Cert.	\$64,179
Volunteers of America WW	Sky Valley Prevention	\$94,952
YWCA	Children's Services	\$72,548
YWCA	Supportive Housing Case Mgmt.	\$45,728
YWCA	Wear-to Live/Time Ltd. Housing	\$50,470

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