Clark County Homeless System



Preventing and ending homelessness in Clark County











"The Continuum of Care of Homeless Services is a Crisis-Response system."



"The most effective ways to prevent homelessness—access to affordable housing, physical and behavioral health services, and living wage jobs—are outside the control of the homelessness system. However, active partnership in these broader advocacy efforts is required so that the policies and strategies are inclusive of the needs of people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness."

10 Year Plan to End Homelessness

- Framework to guide the community in its homeless system planning.
- Federal Mandate (HEARTH Act).
- State Mandate (Homeless Housing and Assistance Act).
- Requires focus on systems change and adoption of best practices.
- Establishes Continuum of Care group (Coalition of Service Providers)

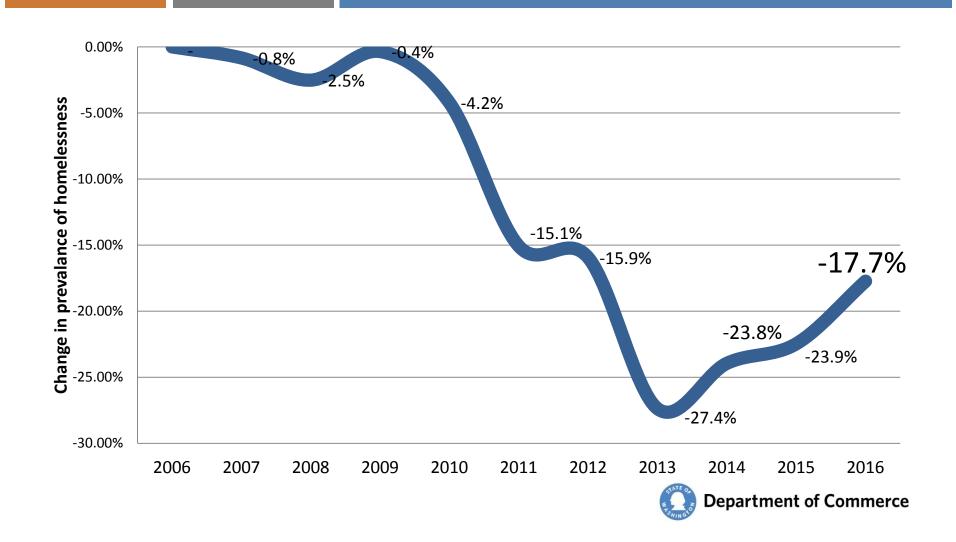
HEARTH ACT REQUIREMENTS

- Person-centered approach to services;
- Sustain and increase homeless prevention and shelter diversion programs;
- Streamline the screening process for each type of assistance so households are referred to the most appropriate program type;
- Rapidly re-house households into private sector housing;
- Housing first focus; and
- Shift resources to programs that are meeting outcomes and finding efficiencies.

Homeless Action Plan

- Funders use Plan to make resource decisions.
- Providers use Plan to inform service delivery and program design.
- Task Forces developed to implement specific parts of the plan.
- Prioritizes preserving and improving system; and targets Families with Children, Chronic Homelessness, and Unaccompanied Youth.

Change in homelessness accounting for population increases (per-capita homelessness)





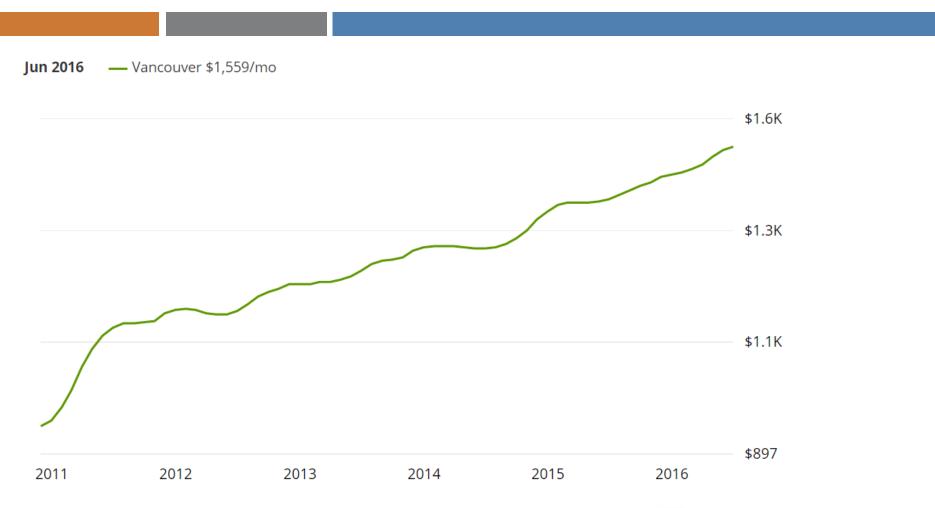
Washington's rental vacancy rates are below average

	2010	2012	2014	2015
United States	8.2%	6.8%	6.3%	5.9%
California	5.9%	4.5%	3.9%	3.3%
Massachusetts	5.8%	4.5%	4.0%	3.5%
Oregon	5.6%	4.7%	3.6%	3.6%
Texas	10.6%	8.5%	7.3%	7.0%
Washington	5.8%	5.3%	4.2%	3.3%
Clark County	8.2%	3.4%	2.4%	2.2%
King County	5.2%	4.1%	2.5%	2.6%
Pierce County	6.6%	5.4%	5.7%	3.3%
Spokane County	4.0%	7.2%	5.5%	3.7%
Yakima County	3.1%	4.5%	5.1%	3.6%
Seattle	4.0%	3.5%	1.2%	2.7%
San Francisco	4.4%	2.8%	2.5%	2.5%
Houston	15.9%	11.2%	7.2%	7.7%





Rents are growing – Vancouver WA



Source: http://www.zillow.com/wa/home-values/





Affordability is a driver of homelessness

Every \$100 increase in rent is associated with:

- 6% increase in homelessness in metro areas
- 32% increase in homelessness in non-metro areas
- This relationship between rent and homelessness means all things being equal in Washington +\$100 in rent = 2,900 (+14%) more people experiencing homelessness at a point in time.

Source: Journal of Urban Affairs, New Perspectives on Community-Level Determinants of Homelessness, 2012

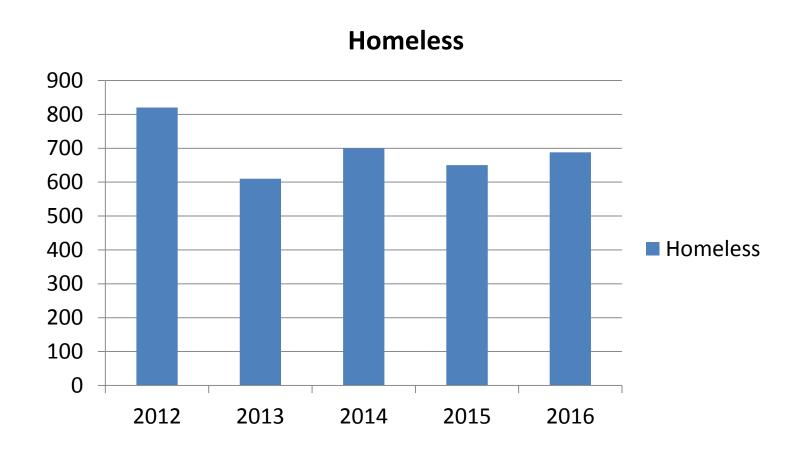


Since 2012 – Rent appears to be the only significant driver of change

Other factors are stable or improving:

- Educational attainment/skills
- Family stability/structure (divorce, out of wedlock birth, teenage pregnancy)
- Overall alcohol and other drug dependence (alcohol down, opiates up)
- Percent of people employed (not recovered to 2006 level, but higher than 2012)

Clark County Point In Time Count



Housing Program Types

- Emergency Shelter
- > Prevention
- Rapid Re-Housing
- > Transitional Housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing



Emergency Shelters

- Share Homestead & Share Orchards Inn
- Share House
- YWCA Safe Choice DV Shelter
- Oak Grove & Oak Bridge Youth Shelters
- WHO
- -WHAT
- Motel Vouchers
- Open House Ministries
- Private Maternity Homes



Prevention

- Share
- The Salvation Army
 - Serves Those Most Likely to Become Homeless
 - Highly Limited
 - Targeted to Predictive Factors
 - Youth Focused Program (<25)
 - Dislocated Families Program
 - Allows households to reconnect, if needed
 - Up to Two Years of Assistance

Rapid Re-Housing

- Share
- Janus Youth
- Impact NW
 - Up to Two Years of Assistance
 - Youth Focused Programs
 - Skill Building Classes Budgeting, Money
 Management/Debt Reduction, Tenant Education
 - Allows Households to Reconnect, if Necessary

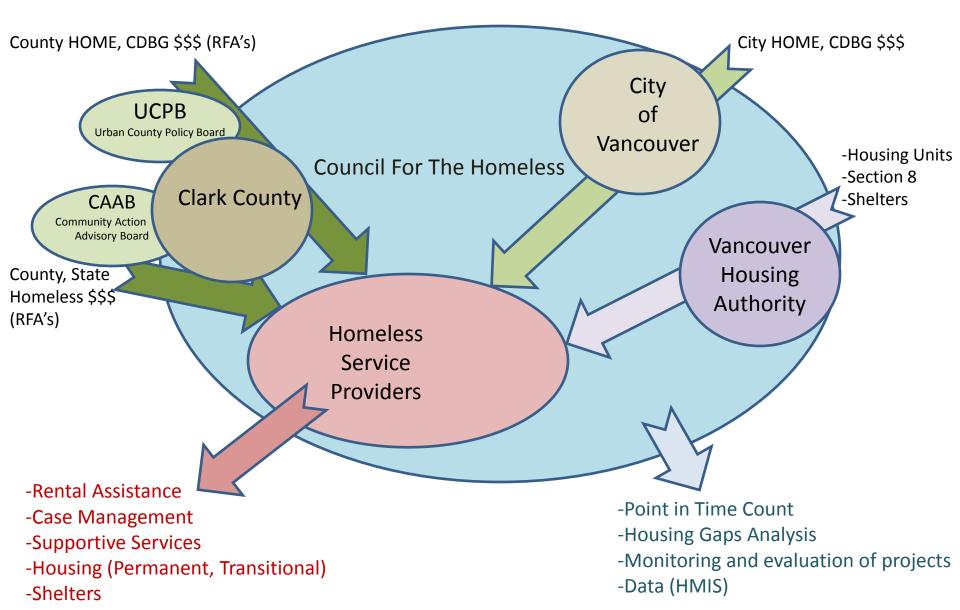
Transitional Housing

- Second Step Housing
 - -Moves People from Homelessness to Housing Rapidly.
 - -Up to Two Years
 - -Agency Owned Homes

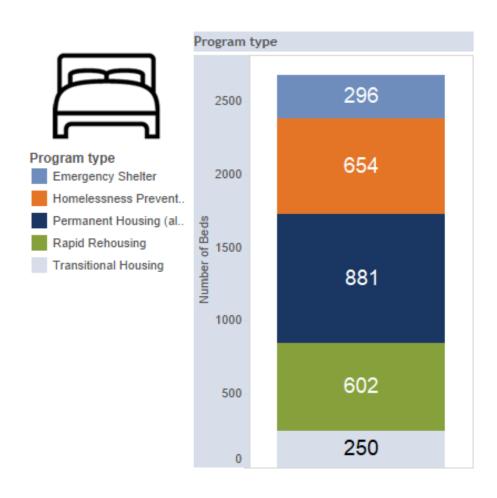
Permanent Supportive Housing

- Impact NW
- Community Services NW
- Share
 - Lincoln Place
- Second Step Housing
- Impact NW
 - Housing First
 - Meets Basic Needs
 - Serve People with High Numbers of Housing Barriers
 - Programs have MOU's w/CD, PH & MH agencies

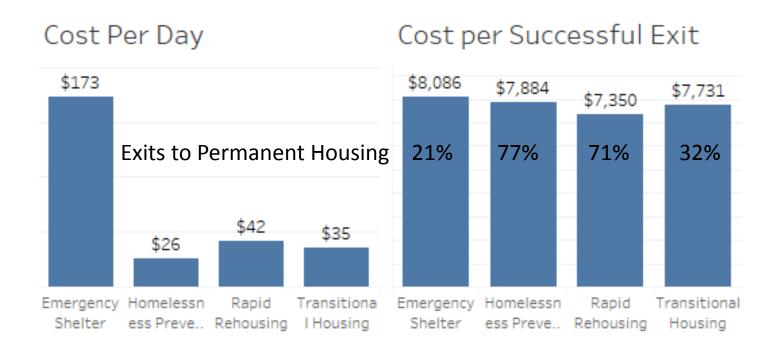
Coalition of Service Providers



Housing Inventory Count, Clark County 2016



Costs, Clark County



2016 Statistics, Clark County

 2040 Persons entered into a Homeless Housing, Rent Assistance, or Facility.

• 70% of Persons entering system were experiencing homelessness for first time.

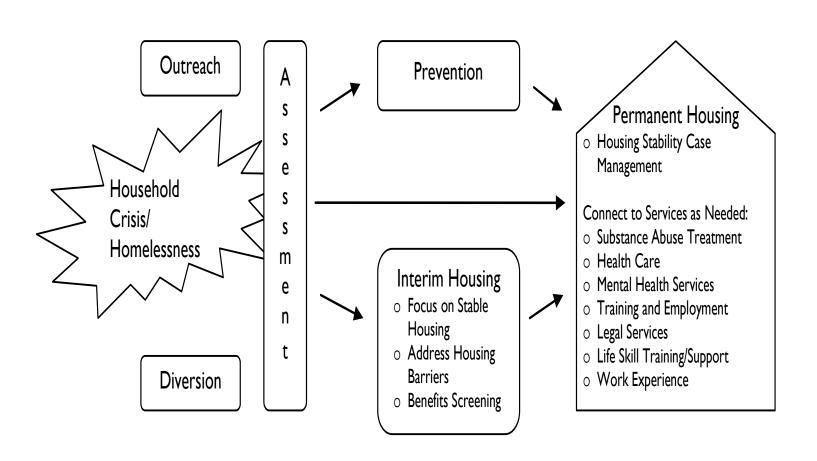
• 34% of exits were placed in Permanent Housing.

23% of persons exited returned to homelessness.

System Coordination

- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Council for the Homeless
 - Community Planning
 - Advocacy (Local, State & Federal)
 - Solution Focused Landlord Engagement & Education
- Housing Solutions Center, Coordinated Assessment
- Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund for all Permanent Housing Programs

Coordinated Assessment Model



Housing Solutions Center Process



System Diversion





Motel Vouchers & Shelters (year-round and winter)



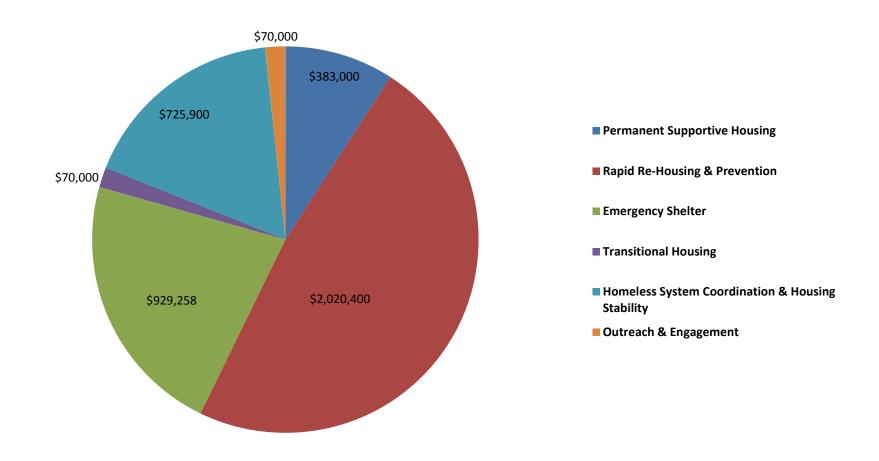
Assessment Meeting HMIS Entry



Housing Programs



Homeless System Programs -2016



Clark County Funding: \$4,198,558

Overview of Washington State Document Recording Fees

RCW	Year	Bill	Amount	Total Fee	Description
5014	0000	LID 0000	640 for a	#40	
RCW 36.22.178	2002	HB 2060	\$10 fee	\$10	Affordable Housing for All surcharge created \$10 fee to be used to provide housing and shelter, operations and maintenance for affordable housing programs serving extremely low-income people and related programs.
					Funds are split with 40% going to the state and 60% to local government.
RCW	2005	HB 2163	\$10 fee	\$20	Homelessness Housing and Assistance Act passes
36.22.179 and RCW 43.185C					\$10 fee to support activities related to creating and implementing state and local plans to end homelessness with goal of reducing homelessness by 50% by 2015.
					Funds are split with 40% going to the state and 60% to local government.
RCW	2007	HB 1359	\$8 fee	\$28	Addition of \$8 fee
36.22.1791					\$8 fee to support ongoing work to prevent and end homelessness and implement plans.
					Funds are split with 10% going to the state and 90% going to local government.
RCW 36.22.179	2009	HB 2331	Amends HB2163 from \$10 to \$30 fee	\$48	Homelessness Housing and Assistance Act surcharge increased to \$30, with expiration date of 6/2013
RCW 36.22.179	2012	HB 2048	Additional \$10 fee	\$58	Homelessness Housing and Assistance Act surcharge increased by \$10, to total \$40, with \$10 sunset for review on 6/2015 and \$20 sunset on 6/2017.
RCW 36.22.179	2014	SB 5875	Extended sunset date	\$58	\$30 of the Homelessness Housing and Assistance Act surcharge will sunset on 6/2019.

Forecast of Document Recording Fees Dedicated to Homelessness RCW 36.22.179 and RCW 36.22.1791

	2017-19 Forecast - Current Law - Fee \$48	2019-21 Forecast Current Law - Fee declines from \$48 to \$18	Change in Funding - (62.5%)	Estimated change in number of people facing homelessness housed
Adams	\$222,346	\$83,380	(\$138,966)	(44
Asotin	\$888,494	\$333,185	(\$555,309)	(178
Benton	\$2,784,239	\$1,044,090	(\$1,740,149)	(557
Chelan	\$1,409,473	\$528,552	(\$880,920)	(282
Clallam	\$1,101,055	\$412,896	(\$688,159)	(220
Clark	\$8,207,288	\$3,077,733	(\$5,129,555)	(1,642
Columbia	\$73,960	\$27,735	(\$46,225)	(15
Cowlitz	\$1,464,488	\$549,183	(\$915,305)	(293
Douglas	\$344,184	\$129,069	(\$215,115)	(69
Ferry	\$137,975	\$51,741	(\$86,234)	(28
Franklin	\$1,075,391	\$403,272	(\$672,120)	(215
Garfield	\$38,967	\$14,613	(\$24,354)	(8
Grant	\$1,119,838	\$419,939	(\$699,899)	(224
Grays Harbor	\$1,117,568	\$419,088	(\$698,480)	(224
Island	\$1,626,390	\$609,896	(\$1,016,494)	(325
Jefferson	\$670,320	\$251,370	(\$418,950)	(134
King	\$33,508,784	\$12,565,794	(\$20,942,990)	(6,704
Kitsap	\$4,062,123	\$1,523,296	(\$2,538,827)	(813
Kittitas	\$900,556	\$337,708	(\$562,847)	(180
Klickitat	\$4,932	\$1,850	(\$3,083)	(1
Lewis	\$1,139,025	\$427,134	(\$711,891)	(228
Lincoln	\$240,445	\$90,167	(\$150,278)	(48
Mason	\$1,151,557	\$431,834	(\$719,723)	(230
Okanogan	\$633,066	\$237,400	(\$395,666)	(127
Pacific	\$510,847	\$191,568	(\$319,280)	(102
Pend Oreille	\$273,189	\$102,446	(\$170,743)	(55
Pierce	\$13,382,149	\$5,018,306	(\$8,363,843)	(2,677
San Juan	\$431,502	\$161,813	(\$269,689)	(86
Skagit	\$2,136,158	\$801,059	(\$1,335,099)	(427
Skamania	\$216,022	\$81,008	(\$135,013)	(43
Snohomish	\$12,796,298	\$4,798,612	(\$7,997,686)	(2,560
Spokane	\$7,063,113	\$2,648,667	(\$4,414,446)	(1,413
Stevens	\$721,761	\$270,660	(\$451,100)	(144
Thurston	\$4,111,240	\$1,541,715	(\$2,569,525)	(823
Wahkiakum	\$86,603	\$32,476	(\$54,127)	(17
Walla Walla	\$780,255	\$292,595	(\$487,659)	(156
Whatcom	\$3,378,540	\$1,266,952	(\$2,111,587)	(676
Whitman	\$457,873	\$171,702	(\$286,171)	(92
Yakima	\$2,491,277	\$934,229	(\$1,557,048)	(498
STATEWIDE	\$112,759,289	\$42,284,733	(\$70,474,556)	(22,559

Possible "Asks"

- City of Vancouver Day Center Operations
 - Approximately +\$140,000 per year

- City of Vancouver Shelter Operations
 - Approximately +\$800,000 per year