



# ATTAINABLE HOUSING

*Everyone has access to a safe and affordable place to live.*

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No resident of Pierce County should be without a clean, safe place to live. To that end, the proposed biennial budget directs nearly \$100 million to help people move into an affordable place to call home.

## ENDING HOMELESSNESS

Key elements of our plan include expanding shelter availability, providing on-site behavioral health and vocational services, developing and preserving affordable housing options, and cleaning up the encampments left behind.

Resolution R2021-30s  
Established the Comprehensive  
Plan to End Homelessness.

**\$26.2M** ARPA funding for  
shelter expansion and  
homeless services.

These resources will more than double the number of available shelter beds. This includes no-barrier and low-barrier options that encourage shelter residents to take on more responsibility and independence over time to advance to permanent housing. The goal of the shelter model is to instill confidence, life skills, stability, and dignity so that all residents can realize their full potential.

## COMMUNITY FIRST

The budget also focuses on developing affordable permanent housing, including purchasing land to create a supportive housing community. This development will be based on a "Community First" restorative model that focuses on trusted relationships and a family-like environment. Up to 500 chronically homeless individuals would live in "tiny homes" or sanctioned RVs,

with supportive services and opportunities to earn income.

Funds to preserve the existing supply of affordable housing are also included in the budget proposal.



This budget enhances and expands the County's involvement in the new South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHAP), a collaborative effort with area cities, towns, and the Puyallup Tribe of Indians to create more attainable housing.

## EXPENDITURE HIGHLIGHTS

**\$26.2M**

ARPA funding for shelter expansion  
and homeless services

**\$424K**

Two positions to support South Sound  
Housing Affordability Partners (SSHAP)

**\$25M**

ARPA funding to develop and  
preserve affordable housing

**\$200K**

Funding to support the Affordable  
Housing Fee Waiver Program

**\$78.9M**

Emergency Rental  
Assistance Program

**\$30M**

ARPA funding for affordable  
housing land acquisition