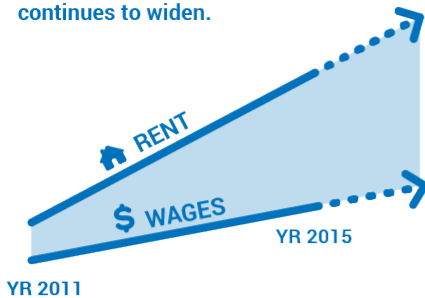


# Affordable Housing & Services Fund

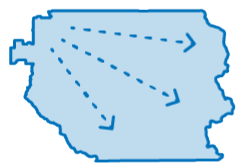
The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners has established the Affordable Housing and Services Fund – an annually renewing \$1.2M fund meant to better support the affordable housing crisis in our community.

This ongoing, general fund will allow affordable housing and service providers to get much-needed programs off the ground, develop capacity and year-to-year continuity for essential affordable housing programming. In establishing this breakthrough fund, the County hopes that affordable housing and service providers will be able to kick start creative, new solutions for Clackamas County's most vulnerable community members, including families with children, veterans, disabled and elderly residents.

In Clackamas County, wage increases are not keeping up with housing costs - and the gap continues to widen.



Those most at risk of severe rent burden and homelessness are senior and disabled residents on a fixed income.



Some are moving further out of the county to look for cheaper rents causing less access to economic opportunity.

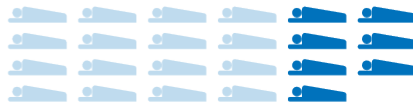
## 2,293

The homeless count in Clackamas County showed a sharp increase in 2017.

## 1,168

An icon of a family consisting of two adults and a child.

Homeless children counted within school districts by Homeless Schools Liaisons.



the number of unsheltered residents rose 48% last year as compared to 2015.

## GOALS OF THE FUND

- » Provide funding for affordable housing developments, both new and existing.
- » Provide funding to preserve existing affordable housing.
- » Develop safety off the street alternatives or temporary housing, such as tiny homes, to immediately relieve the suffering of our neighbors, including veterans, who live on the streets or other places not meant for human habitation.
- » Develop services focused on helping vulnerable low income families retain their housing.
- » Develop services to identify homeless individuals and families and to build trusting relationships that will help them reduce barriers and obtain shelter or housing.
- » Develop existing and new nonprofit entities to partner with the County in serving our most vulnerable residents.

## PROJECT CATEGORIES

Projects must meet the descriptions of one or more of the following categories.



### Development or Preservation of Housing

Clackamas County is interested in having shovel ready projects (construction ready within six months) apply for up to \$300K in gap funding.



### Safety Off the Streets — Immediate Temporary Housing

Permanent affordable housing will take time to develop, but safe shelter to reduce human suffering is needed now. Applications for alternative housing types such as shelters, tiny homes, and other creative proposals will be considered for up to \$200K in funding.



### Services: Resident/Veteran and Houseless Services

#### RESIDENT/VETERANS AND HOUSELESS SERVICES

Up to \$150K will be awarded to an agency to provide resident services to vulnerable people residing in Public Housing. Proposals will also be accepted to provide services for a new Veteran focused residence beginning in the spring 2019. Culturally specific organizations are encouraged to apply.

#### HOUSELESS PREVENTION AND PLACEMENT SERVICES

Up to \$100K will be awarded to an agency to provide services to vulnerable people who are currently houseless, with a high priority that they are placed in either temporary shelter or permanent affordable housing.

More information about the categories available at:  
[www.clackamas.us/homelessness/servicesfund.html](http://www.clackamas.us/homelessness/servicesfund.html)



## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

All funded projects will serve the most vulnerable, low-income county residents earning 50% or less of Area Median Income (for example, a family of four earning \$32,500 or less per year), with a priority for families with children, veterans, disabled and elderly.

Big investment requires a big commitment to ongoing measurement of outcomes and people served. A set of Guiding Principles for this funding were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, which all awarded projects must directly align with.

To review the Guiding Principles, visit:  
[www.clackamas.us/homelessness/servicesfund.html](http://www.clackamas.us/homelessness/servicesfund.html)

## APPLY

Submitted projects will be reviewed and scored by a committee consisting of members of Clackamas County's Houseless Task Force and staff.

The application period is October 15 through November 19. To fill out an application form visit: [www.clackamas.us/homelessnessservicesfund.html](http://www.clackamas.us/homelessnessservicesfund.html)

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