

Continuum of Care

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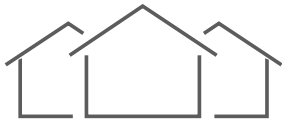
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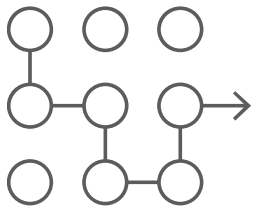
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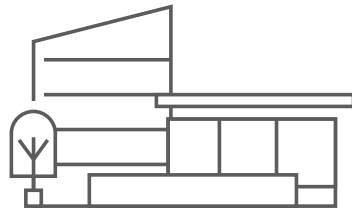
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Continuum of Care Program

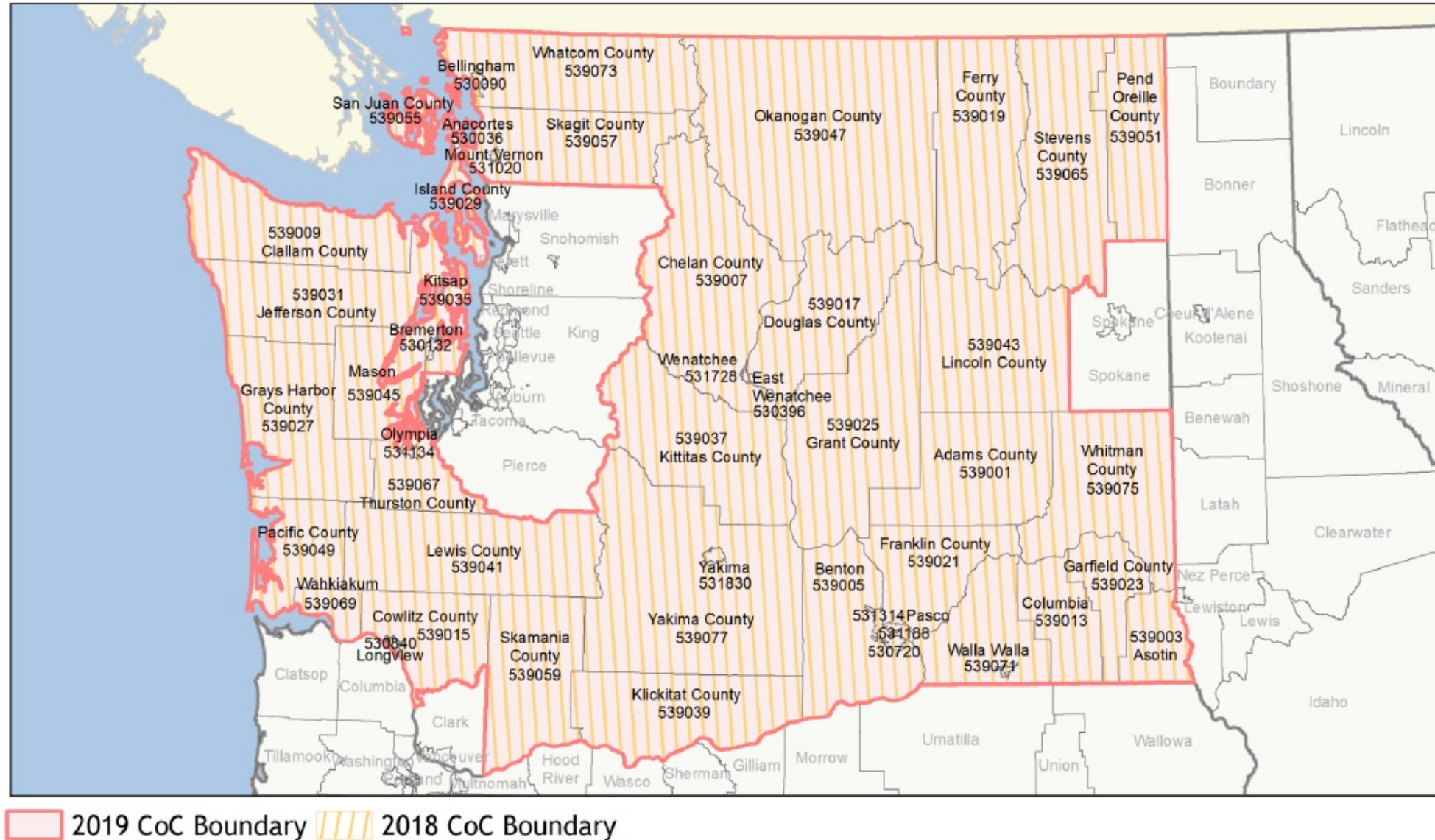
- Regional, community-wide approach to ending homelessness
- Planning body composed of local governments, state agencies, and non-profits
- Together apply for funding for housing projects that serve people experiencing homelessness

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- **Project types:**
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Permanent housing for persons with disability
 - Rapid Re-housing
 - Time-limited (24 months) rental assistance
 - Transitional Housing
 - Time-limited (24 months) housing
 - Supportive Services
 - Case management only
 - Outreach

CoC Number: WA-501

CoC Name: Washington Balance of State CoC



Tuesday, June 30, 2020

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- The Continuum of Care (CoC) is the group responsible for carrying out the duties defined in the CoC Program rule. The group must be composed of representatives of relevant organizations within the geographic area served by the Continuum.
- Once established, the CoC is required to appoint a CoC board and to designate an HMIS lead agency and a collaborative applicant to assist with its responsibilities.

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- The CoC Board (Steering Committee) is the entity established by the CoC to act on its behalf. All responsibilities of the Board must be documented in the CoC's governance charter.
- The Collaborative Applicant is designated by the CoC to apply for HUD funds on the CoC's behalf.
 - Unless granted additional responsibilities by the CoC that are documented in the governance charter, the collaborative applicant's sole responsibility is to compile and submit the annual application to HUD for CoC Program funds.

BoS CoC Steering Committee Co-Chairs

Joe Ingram, Western Region & Melissa Hess, Eastern Region



- For the past **17 years**, **JOE INGRAM** has given time, talent, and vision to the BoS CoC!
- Not only is Joe a Veteran with lived experience, he is on his **fourth** two-year term as **Co-Chair of the Steering Committee** (yep, that's 8 years!) and also serves as **co-chair for the Veterans Subcommittee**, leads the **Policies & Procedures Ad Hoc Committee**, the **Planning Committee**, and the **Rating & Ranking Ad Hoc Committee**.
- Joe also does outreach on his own and in a paid position. In his spare time, you can find Joe doing ride-alongs for Seattle Times reporters and Community leaders.



- MELISSA HESS** Co-Chairs the Steering Committee.
- She was re-elected as co-chair in November of 2020. She will serve until Dec. 31, 2022.
- Melissa also represents **Benton and Franklin Counties**, and participates on the **Policies & Procedures Ad Hoc Committee** and the **Planning Committee**.
- Advocating for change in the homeless response system in her community and across Washington State is one of her passions.
- Melissa has over 18 years of experience in Community Action.*

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- The HMIS Lead is the eligible applicant that is designated by the CoC to manage the day-to-day operation of the CoC's HMIS.
 - Point in time Count
 - Housing Inventory Count
 - System Performance Measures
 - Ongoing performance measurement
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- The CoC must also establish other workgroups or subcommittees to carry out other responsibilities of the CoC, but these must also be identified in the CoC's governance charter.
 - Rating and Ranking Committee
 - Veterans Committee
 - Youth Committee
 - Single Adults Committee
 - Families with Children Committee
 - Racial Equity Committee
 - Coordinated Entry Committee
 - Youth 4 Youth Board (decision-making committee)

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- Subcommittees are responsible for proposing strategies and actions to end homelessness within their designated focus area.
- Provide updates, recommendations, and sponsor special initiatives and projects.
- Assigned tasks by and report to the Steering and Planning Committees.
- Chair also sits on the Planning Committee



2022 – 2023 BoS CoC Subcommittee Goals

Coordinated Entry Subcommittee

- Develop CE 101 Training
- Update CE guidelines
- Recruiting and paying members with lived-experience

Veterans Subcommittee

- Recruit co-chair from eastern Washington
- Provide presentations from a mix of state and federal Veteran programs as well as private entities that serve Veterans

Families with Children Subcommittee

- Determine how the BOS FWC committee and work of its member agencies aligns with and informs the State of Washington Homeless Housing Strategic Plan.
- Provide opportunities for communities across the Balance of State to learn from each other
- Include trainings and resource-sharing opportunities at each subcommittee meeting to increase knowledge and application of best practices for serving the FWC population

Families without Children & Chronically Homeless Subcommittee

- Recommend and support strategies and best practices that reduce chronic homelessness and homelessness among adults without children
- Support technical assistance and training opportunities
- Elevate legislative priorities that will reduce homelessness among households without children and people experiencing chronic homelessness

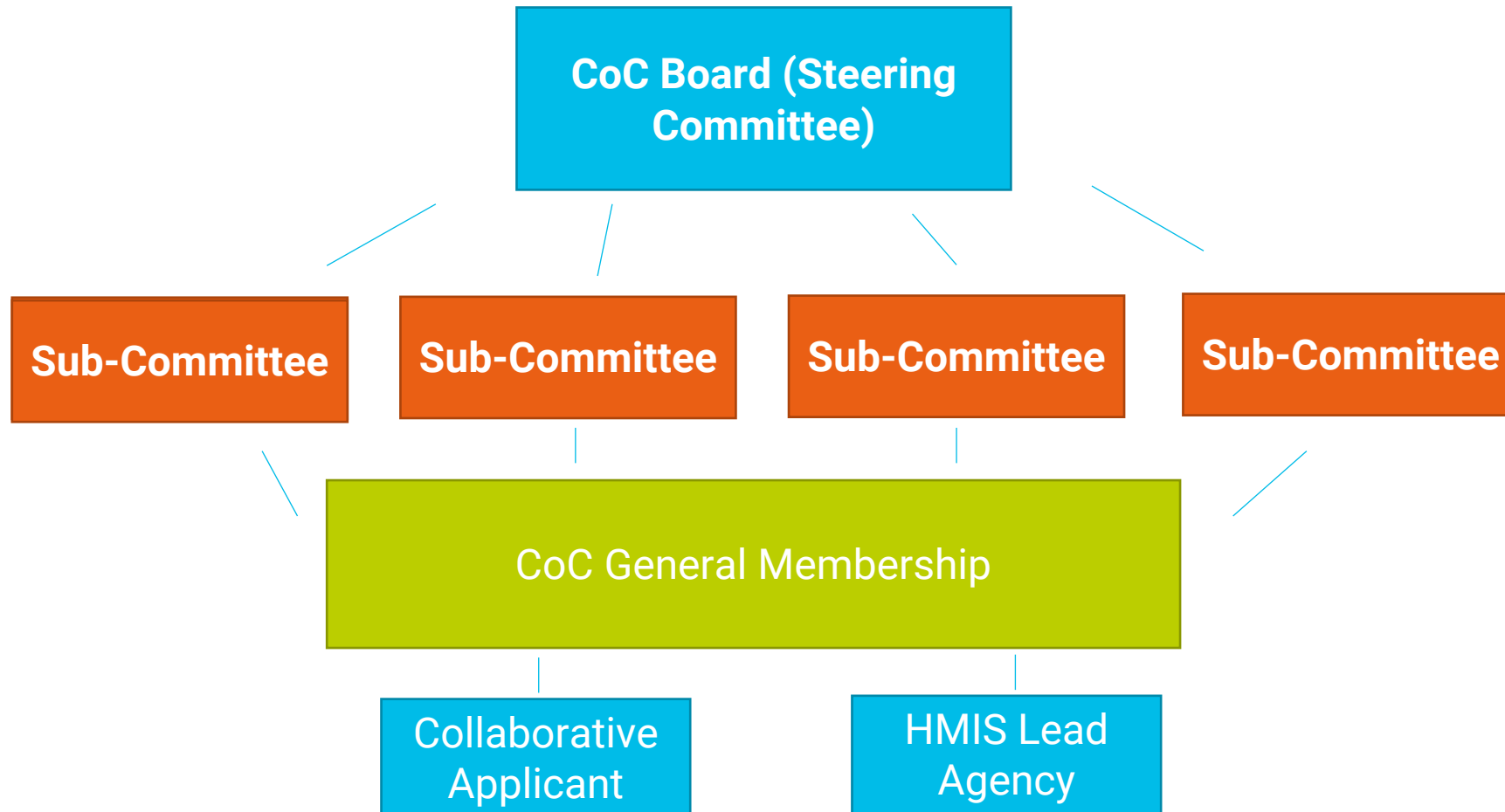
Youth Subcommittee

- Conduct CE trainings for all BoS YHDP counties
- Partner with other young leaders and established YABs across the state.
- Provide technical assistance and training to specific YHDP-funded organizations

Racial Equity Subcommittee

- Elect new leadership to guide the group through 2022
- Reexamine the purpose and goals of the Racial Equity subcommittee

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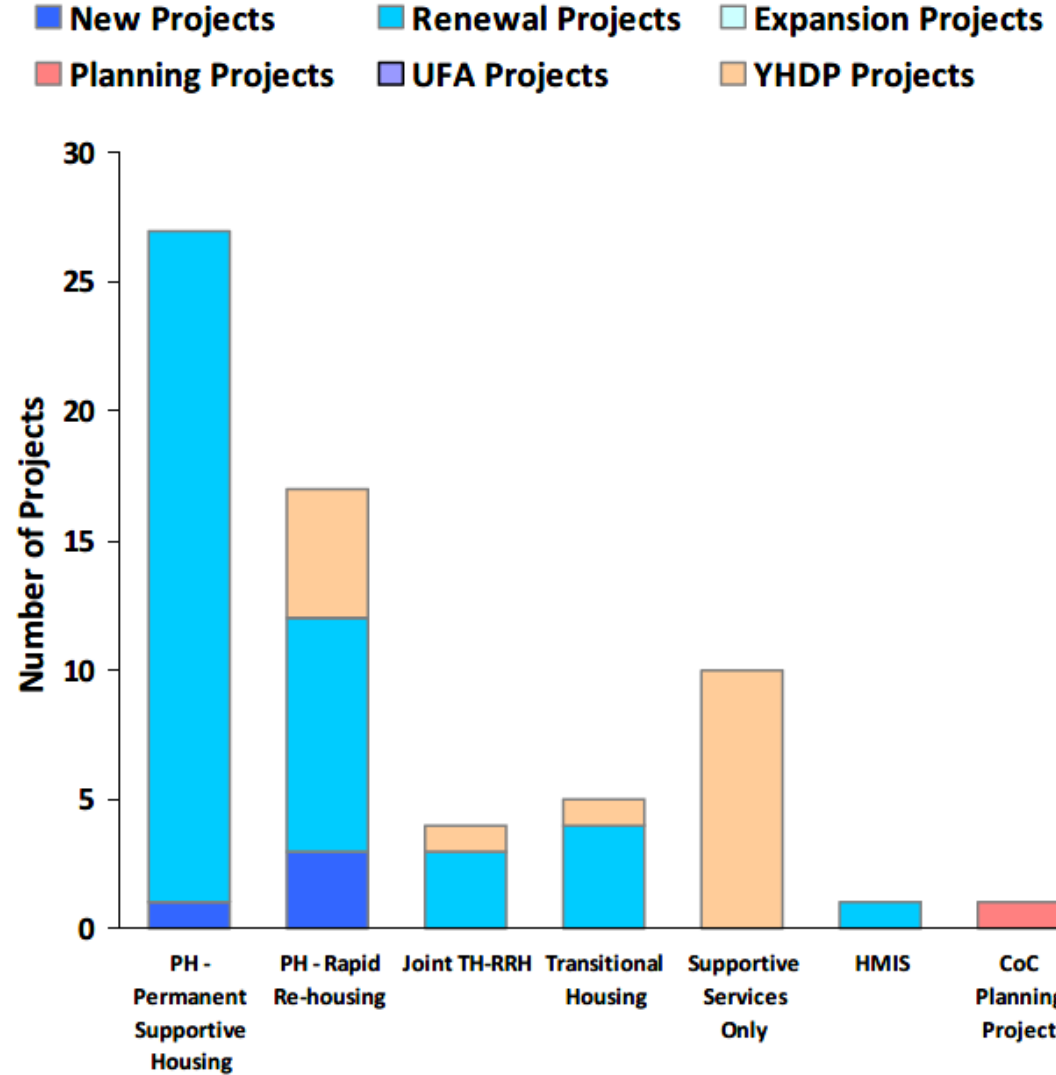
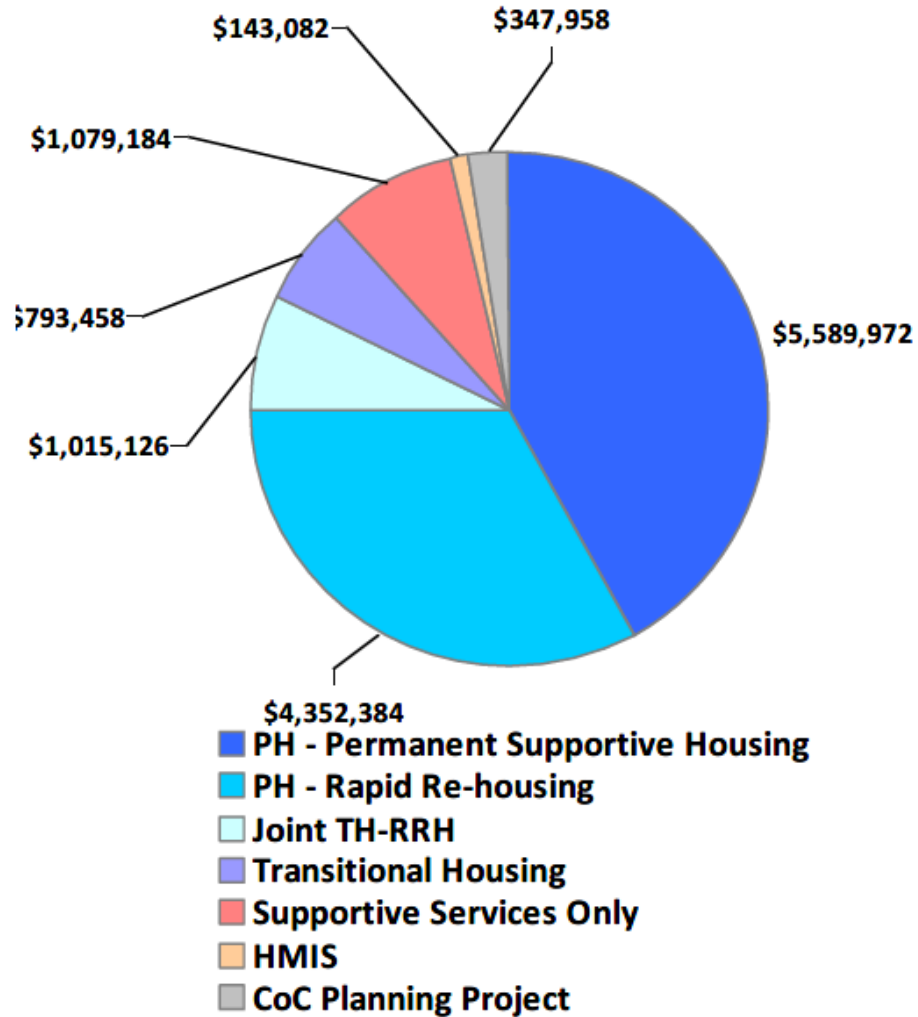
- Consolidated Application
 - Data
 - Planning
 - Partnerships
- Priority Listing
- Individual Project applications
 - Renewals
 - New Projects (bonus)
 - Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program

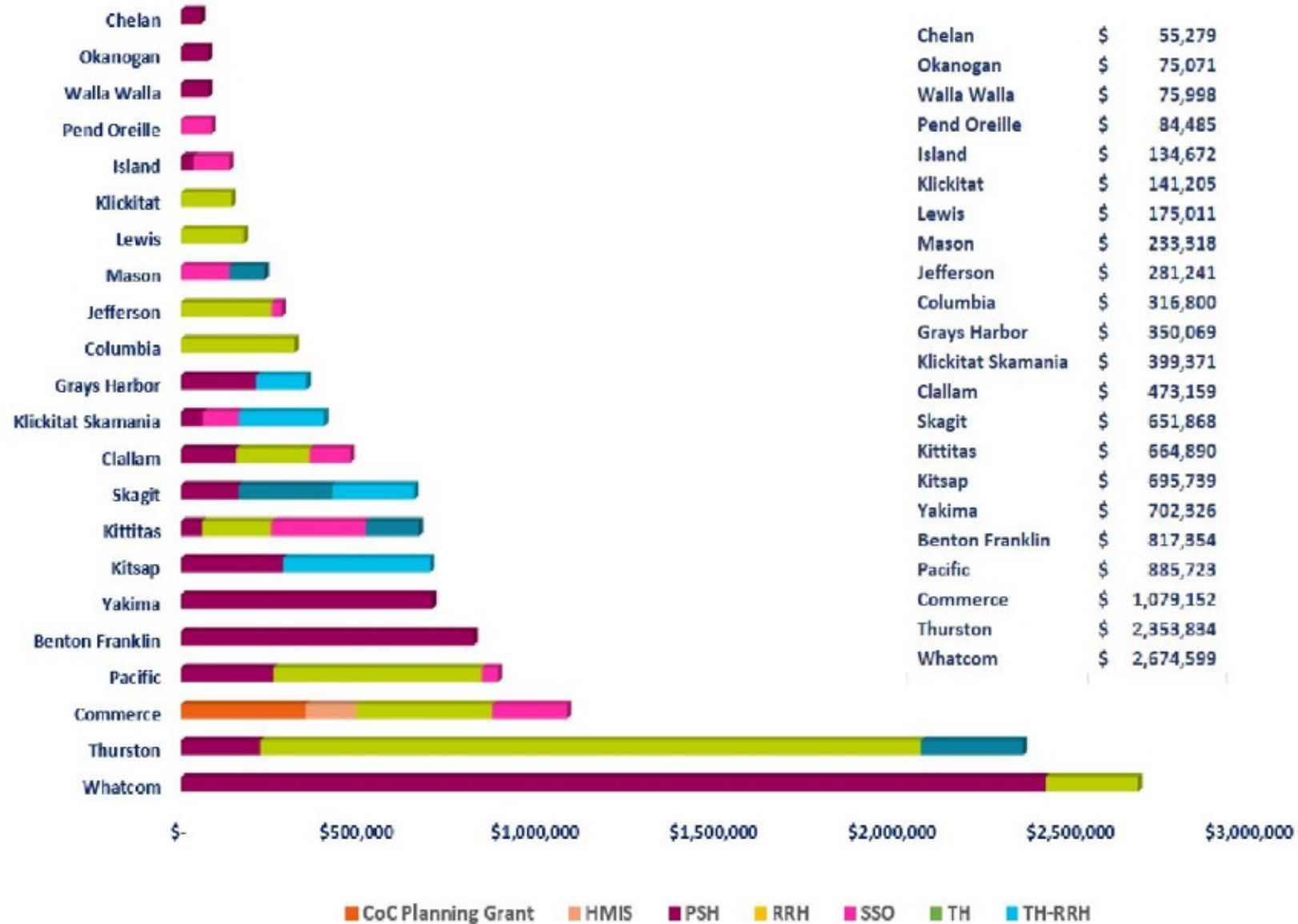
- Innovative new projects for serving youth and young adults experiencing homelessness
- Competitive process started in 2017
- Portion of CoC was selected as one of 11 communities in Round 2 in 2018
- Announced as one of 17 communities selected in Round 6 on October 24, 2022.
- Over \$5 million annual funding for all 34 counties of CoC

2021 Awards by Component and Renewal Type

Total Award Amount
\$13,321,164.00



Total Awards By County and Project Type



BoS CoC Youth For Youth

Youth and Young Adult Coordinated Entry (CE) System



- An upgrade to the Youth and Young Adult Coordinated Entry (CE) System began when the WA BoS Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) was awarded a grant in 2018 to invest in the 23 most rural counties.
- Youth-specific coordinated entry tools were neither youth nor trauma informed, so with guidance from the BoS CoC YHDP Team, the Y4Y Board created a CE tool and process for young people to be piloted within the BoS YHDP-funded counties.



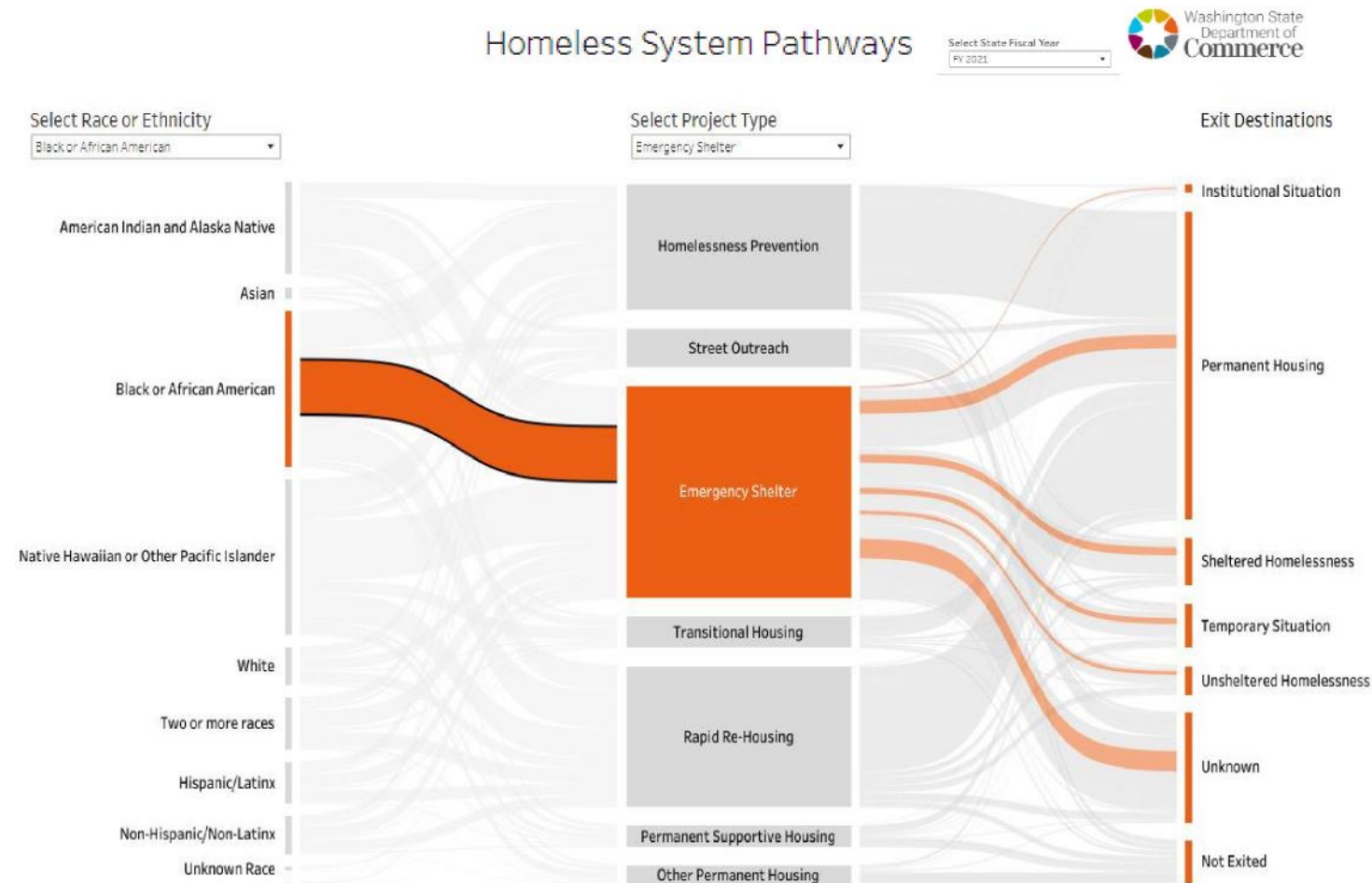
•**Riannon Bardsley and family**

•“A lot of people talk about being an ally to youth; Riannon doesn’t talk about it – ***she just does it!***”

•- Greg Williamson, Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families

2021 BoS CoC Racial Equity Analysis Dashboard

• Emergency Shelter Data



In 2021, **6,585 people** enrolled in the **WA BoS Emergency Shelters**. For every 100,000 people, identified by Race or Ethnicity,

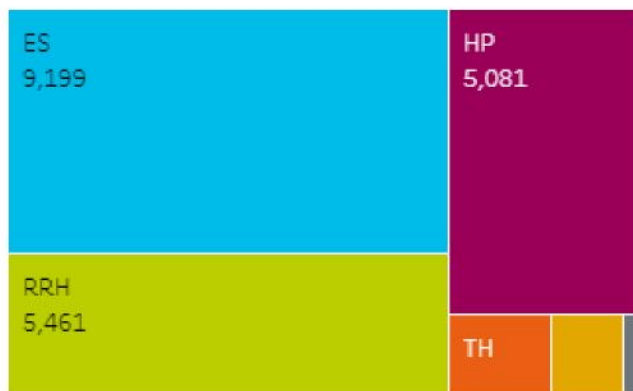
- > **1,642** Black or African American enrolled
- > **1,876** Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander enrolled
- > **1,183** American Indian or Alaska Natives
- > **397** Hispanic/Latinx enrolled
- > **561** Two or more races enrolled
- > **482** Non-Hispanic/Non-Latinx, Other/Unknown enrolled
- > **332** White enrolled
- > **112** Asian enrolled

Want to learn more about the inequities in housing in Washington State?

[Equity Analysis Dashboard](#)
[Equity Analysis Reporting Specifications](#)

BoS CoC Homeless System Performance Report Card

Entries by Project Type



•21,138 Project Entries into the BoS CoC Homeless System

•143 Days Length of Time Homeless 43% Exited to Permanent Housing

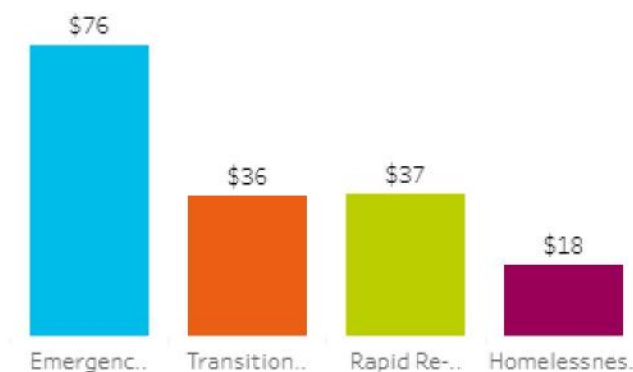
• 14% returned to Homelessness

•Purpose and Use:

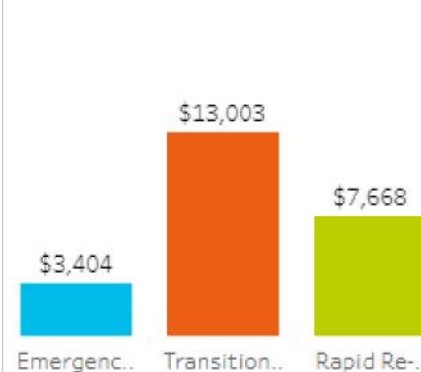
•The purpose of homeless system performance reporting is to promote evidence-based housing interventions that efficiently move people experiencing homelessness into permanent destinations and to improve county data reporting.

•Additionally, these reports provide communities with information regarding their progress towards locally established performance benchmarks. Because each community has established performance benchmarks using local baseline data, it is not appropriate to compare the performance outcomes of different counties.

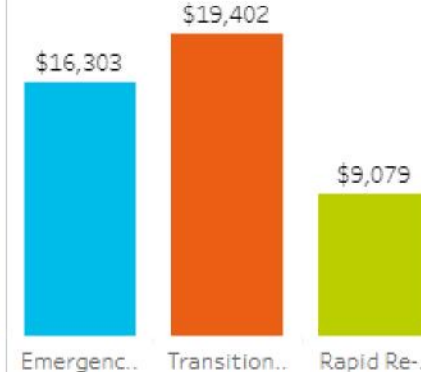
Cost per Day



Cost per Exit



Cost per Successful Exit



•Data Sources:

•HMIS: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is the data source for most of the information used in our performance reports. Each county in Washington State reports all expenditures, by funding source, for each homeless housing project in their community.

•***Want to see more data by County?***

•[BoS Homeless System Report Cards by County](#)

Continuum of Care (CoC) Program

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

- [Introduction to the CoC Program](#)
 - [CoC Program Laws, Regulations, and Notices](#)
 - [SNAPS In Focus Messages](#)
 - [SNAPS-Shots](#)
 - [System Performance Measures Resources](#)
 - [CoC Re-Imagining Initiative](#)
- [CoC Program Competition: FY 2020 Funding Availability](#)
 - [CoC Program Competition: e-snaps Resources](#)
 - [Moving On Strategy](#)
 - [Consumer Engagement](#)
 - [Community Examples](#)



The FY 2021 CoC Program Competition is Now Open

The FY 2021 CoC Program Competition opened on August 18, 2021. The deadline for submissions is **Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 8:00 PM EST.**

[Visit HUD.gov for FY 2021 Competition Resources](#)

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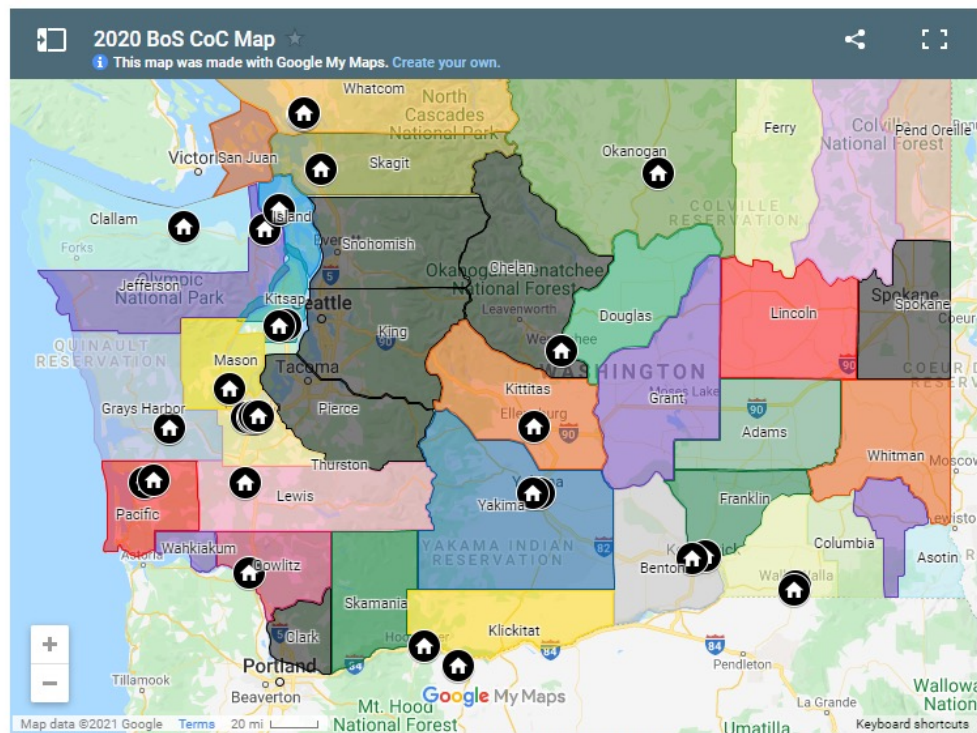
[View CoC FAQs](#)

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The Department of Commerce is the Collaborative Applicant for the Washington Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC). The BoS CoC's 34 small and medium-sized counties receive about \$8 million annually for 50 permanent and temporary housing projects funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Program.

[Invitation to Join our BoS CoC \(PDF\)](#)

[2019 Renewal and Bonus Projects \(PDF\)](#)

[2020 BoS State of the State Annual Report \(PDF\)](#)

[BoS CoC Feedback Survey and opportunity to sign-up for subcommittees \(web\)](#)

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If you or someone you know find help using this list of [Washington Information Net](#)

Program Links

[Landlord Fund Programs](#)
[Consolidated Homeless Grant](#)
[Annual Point in Time Count](#)
[Emergency Solutions Grant](#)
[Tenant Based Rental Assistance](#)
[HUD Section 811 Rental Assistance](#)
[Homeless Student Stability Fund](#)
[Homeless Management Information System](#)
[Homeless System Performance](#)
[Office of Homeless Youth](#)
[Homeless Councils](#)
[Homeless Services Grantee](#)
[State Strategic Plan, Annual](#)

Resources

[BoS CoC Policies and Procedures](#)
[Coordinated Entry Guideline](#)
[Racial Inequity in the United States](#)
[Addressing Racial Inequity in Housing](#)
[Pew Research Center: Social Inequality](#)
[Race \(web\)](#)
[HUD Family Options Study \(web\)](#)
[WA BoS CoC YHDP Coordinator](#)



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