



Whatcom County Housing Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, April 9, 2026

Time: 8:30 – 10:00am

Location: Hybrid –110 Unity St., Bellingham & Zoom

Agenda Items		Time
1.	Call to Order, Roll Call of Members, and Approval of Minutes (Andrew)	8:30 – 8:35
2.	Feedback on memo regarding additional development funds (Andrew)	8:35 – 8:45
3.	Update from subcommittee on strategy development (Janie)	8:45 – 8:55
4.	Discussion of committee function for 2026 (Andrew)	8:55 – 9:25
5.	Discussion of Quarter 4 Report and call for additional items (Andrew)	9:25 – 9:35
8.	City Update (Jason)	9:35 – 9:40
9.	Whatcom Homeless Service Center Update (Teri)	9:40 – 9:45
10.	County Update (County Staff)	9:45 – 9:50
11.	New items (Andrew)	9:50 – 9:55
12.	Public Comment – 2 Minutes Per Person	9:55 - 10:00
13.	Adjourn (Andrew)	

Next meeting: Thursday, June 11th, 2026, 8:30-10:00 AM

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Whatcom County Housing Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/12/2025

Time: 8:30 AM PST- 10:30 AM PST

Location: Hybrid –110 Unity St., Bellingham & Zoom

Participants: Von Ochoa, Dan Dunne, Adrienne Renz, Ashley Thomasson, Paul Schissler, Teri Bryant, Ann Beck, Andrew Calkins, Samya Lutz, Bruce Bosch, Mary Lou Steward, Kerri Burnside. Staff present include Chris D’Onofrio, Janie Oliphant, and Michaela Mandala.

	Agenda Item	Discussion/Action
1	Call to order, introductions and roll call, minutes approval, agenda review	<p>Dan completed a role call. A quorum was present.</p> <p>Dan called for a vote on the December 11, 2025 meeting minutes. Samya moves to approve and Ann seconds.</p> <p>December 11, 2025 meeting minutes were approved. Yes: 12, No: 0, Abstain: 0</p>
2	Chair and Vice-Chair Elections	<p>Dan nominates Ashley to serve as Chair. Paul seconds the motion and all vote in favor.</p> <p>Ashley nominates Andrew to be Vice-Chair. Ann seconds the motion and all vote in favor.</p>
3	Bylaws Update Proposal	<p>Bylaw proposal to remove prohibition on compensation for members is discussed. Chris suggests that the member with lived experience of homelessness be offered a stipend in line with WCHCS policy, which offers \$50 per meeting. Group discusses also expanding this stipend to include any member who is not participating as a professional; in other words, people who are not paid by employers for the time spent contributing to the committee. County staff agree to look into county policies related to payments or stipends for committee members and bring an updated proposal at a future meeting.</p>
4	Severe Weather Shelter Update	<p>Michaela shares info about severe weather operations. As of February 11th, the shelter had been open for 13 nights and provided 710 bed-nights of service and 1,420 meals. There were 64 instances of wound care or medical services provided, and 339 transportation services provided. Michaela reports that the shelter is operating smoothly this year and recognizes success of a cooperative environment with contributions from many partnerships.</p>



5	5 Year Plan Implementation Plan Update	<p>Committee discusses select strategies that have been prioritized from the 2026-2030 Homeless Housing Plan.</p> <p>The first project that we would undergo with consulting would be to have an outside provider help with supply and demand of various services across the continuum of our housing system.</p> <p>Strategy 7.6 is a presentation bi-annually to Whatcom County Council and the first one is planned for March.</p> <p>The new strategies discussed are ones that will be priorities in 2026.</p> <p>Samya asked if there's a particular target for the Rapid Rehousing shift away from serving families with children to individuals? Hoping this would be later in 2026 for more discussion to happen. The City would love to be apart of the plan and dialogue when it comes to the consulting piece.</p> <p>Teri asked if there's been conversation with our service providers regarding this. Consulting providers would be crucial prior to making any final decisions.</p> <p>Dan stated more discussion can potentially take place at the next meeting.</p> <p>Adrienne asked if we know a breakdown of available units, or placements, for singles? Chris stated it's difficult to answer that with the different levels of financial and service needs that are and are-not a part of the housing system. Once Housing Inventory Chart is complete, it'll speak a little bit to where we have public dollars supporting household configurations.</p> <p>Janie stated the Rapid Rehousing Program operates on the private market. Andrew stated they have more one-bedroom units than family sized units. The Unity Street redevelopment will mainly be one-bedroom units.</p> <p>Kerri asked if there could be a visual presentation of what the need is, what our inventory is, and in what areas to have specific data to show others.</p> <p>Chris stated the Quarter 3 report is in the Agenda packet, which gets into some of what is being asked. 72% are adult only households, 28% are with children. More information gathering does need to be done to get better data. The Quarter 4 report will be available in April.</p>
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	<p>Ashley stated she's concerned that we don't have enough resources to meet the current need and moving resources from families with children to other service types will be harmful. She's concerned that we may see a rise in homelessness by shifting some of these resources and harming some public trust that we are working to earn back when they don't understand what's happening with resources.</p> <p>Samya stated the last analysis the City did, we'd need \$75 million more a year to meet the rental assistance need in this community.</p> <p>Ann stated we are aware there needs to be continued conversation on this topic.</p>
<p>6 Request for Proposals Development Support</p>	<p>Chris discussed the outline for the Request for Proposals to fund housing services across the continuum of interventions. They're hoping to have new contracts developed and enacted for January 2027.</p> <p>The goal is to investigate three of the intervention types that are included in the new Homeless Housing Plan and currently in place in the housing system:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homelessness Prevention 2. Rapid Rehousing 3. Diversion Services <p>The goal is to help providers and general community to understand how these programs are operating and if their outcomes are serving us in a way that makes the most sense.</p> <p>Hoping we can get a group of folks from this committee to spend some time looking at some of these studies that have been done around the county to set some of the standards for how these programs should operate. The proposed group would help us understand how to apply these best practices and how to implement programs in a way that might be more effective than what's happening now.</p> <p>The group would meet again around August to go over proposals. Imagine the group would meet several times from now until August.</p> <p>Looking for fewer than 7 people from this group. Those who are interested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kerri Burnside • Adrienne Renz



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7	Development Update	<p>Samya shared the rental housing projects. At the last meeting they talked about the two Opportunity Council projects in the Bellis Fair area, which has been named Cedar Commons. One is marching towards completion in early Summer and the other has recently begun construction. Over 120 units of housing being developed at the site.</p> <p>A new Lake Whatcom Center facility is close to completing their financing and then will move towards construction of 38 units.</p> <p>Two major projects were awarded funding by the Washington State Housing Trust Fund: The Bellingham Housing Authority's Unity Street Redevelopment project as well as Mercy Housing Northwest's project for seniors in Old Town.</p> <p>A two-unit duplex that City Council discussed on Monday (previously owned by Opportunity Council) is available for a new non-profit steward.</p> <p>Compass Housing is doing a project at the current location of the severe weather shelter on North Forest Street, but have opted to push back another year.</p> <p>Catholic Community Services is planning their Lynden project in conjunction with WTA, with hope of securing Housing Trust Fund award next year.</p> <p>A lot of home ownership projects and condo co-op developed projects that we need to have a discussion at a separate time to have more focus on.</p> <p>Kerri stated they'll be doing a press release. They received a grant from The Department of Commerce for \$1 million dollars and she offers to deliver a presentation at a future meeting.</p>
8	City Update	<p>Jason provided updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Things are going great at the severe weather day shelter. They've been operating in collaboration with the county's overnight shelter. • Working on planning a permanent day center. Mayor Lund has made it a priority to get something up and running. • Working on getting a new tiny home village up and running. Partnering with Peace Health potentially using a

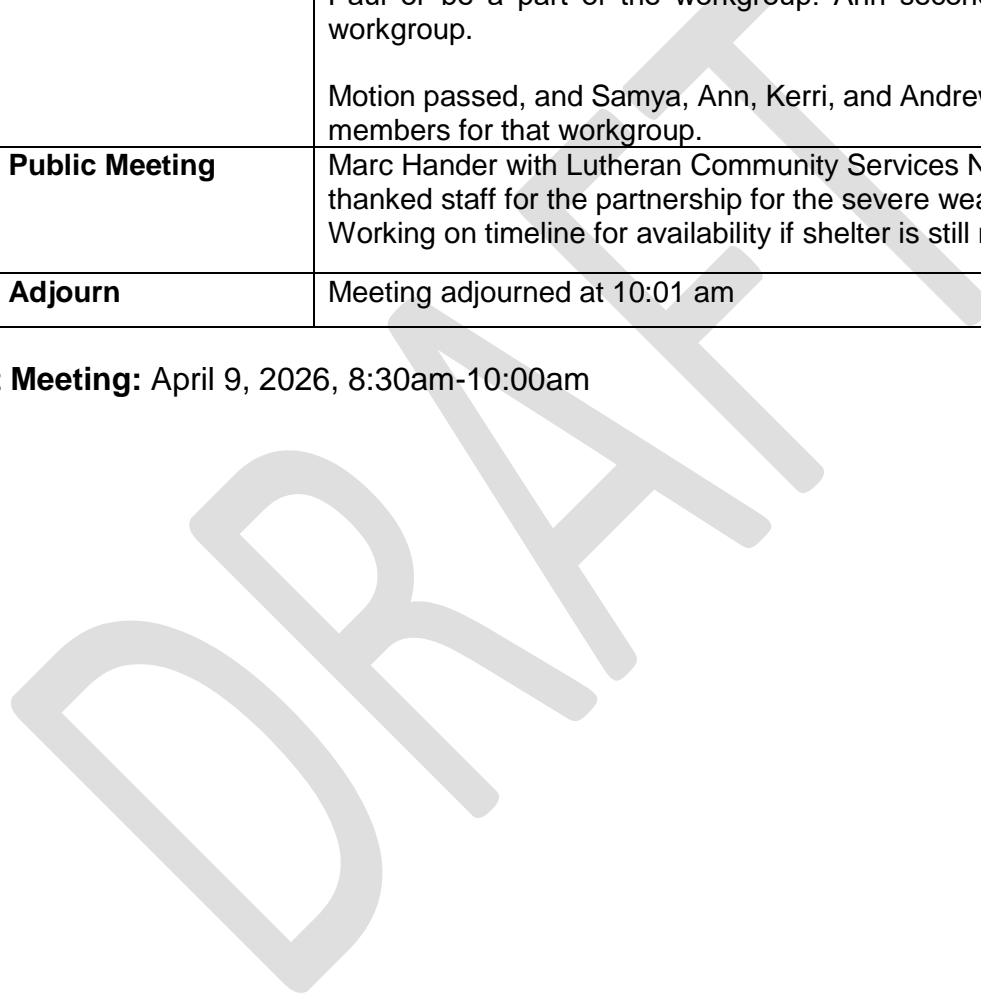


		<p>parking lot off of Birchwood. Looking at doing 24-30 units depending on layout.</p> <p>Samya provided updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of Funding Availability open and working through those applications and developing action plan for how funding will be distributed over the next year. • Will have to cut about \$65,000 from current services contracts due to budget issues and will be reflected in the Action Plan. Will work with Community Development Advisory Board. • Pilot project currently with Nesterly. Online platform that links folks with an extra bedroom or ADU, who are interested in a hands-on matching process. Nesterly has case managers, facility house meetings monthly, do background checks. The City has just launched it. Not designed to be a homeless intervention project, but a way to better use existing resources in community. • Please share with folks. There's a Home Share Ambassador website. You can search Home Share on the COB website.
9	<p>Whatcom Homeless Service Center Update</p>	<p>Teri provided updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated entry team is working on using technology better. SharePoint created for partners that participate in the system. • Open positions currently hiring for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 property managers ○ 2 case management supervisors ○ Residential Counselor – front desk position at 22 North PSH ○ Office Manager • Way Station Medical Respite has now served 58 guests. Currently responding to a NOFO for the Veterans Administration.
10	<p>County Update</p>	<p>Welcoming Janie back.</p> <p>Ann stated the Healthy Children's Fund has a rolling application right now for folks who are interested in supporting flood recovery response for families with children.</p> <p>Hiring for a part-time Doula Coordinator. The county is hiring for a Deputy Director.</p> <p>Samya requested County staff provide budget summaries in the quarterly reports to really understand the different funds. Which projects, agencies, programs and dollars the funds are in.</p>



11	New Items	<p>Paul provided suggestion – a report on what local funding sources are available and what we do have a say over, also community bonds or ways to generate money quickly to build more rental and home ownership programs. Suggest a potential workgroup to gather information and report back at the next meeting. Paul motions for a workgroup.</p> <p>Ann stated she’s started documents for the division and what they’ve got going on. She’s happy to have a conversation with Paul or be a part of the workgroup. Ann second’s motion for workgroup.</p> <p>Motion passed, and Samya, Ann, Kerri, and Andrew volunteer as members for that workgroup.</p>
12	Public Meeting	<p>Marc Hander with Lutheran Community Services Northwest – thanked staff for the partnership for the severe weather shelter. Working on timeline for availability if shelter is still needed.</p>
13	Adjourn	<p>Meeting adjourned at 10:01 am</p>

Next Meeting: April 9, 2026, 8:30am-10:00am



WCHCS HOUSING PROGRAM

Quarterly Report Quarter 4, 2025

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Executive Summary

The homeless crisis response system in Whatcom County consists of capable nonprofits and dedicated staff, yet remains unable to perform at the scale necessary to meet our community's enormous need for services. More than 1,000 homeless households have sought services and completed intakes over the last 12 months. This has increased the long queue of households waiting for services to nearly 800 households. New requests for assistance outpace the system's ability to respond. 72 households were referred for new service enrollments in the fourth quarter of 2025, this number is about one third of the number of households who were seeking services over the same timeframe and less than 10% of the number who were waiting for referrals to permanent housing projects on the last day of the quarter.

The housing program's four key intervention types, Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Rehousing, and Permanent Supportive Housing had capacity to serve a total of 704 Whatcom County households over the most recent quarter. This number includes households who may have engaged in more than one intervention type who are double-counted in this data set (for example, a referral into an Emergency Shelter program and then a referral into a Permanent Supportive Housing program would count twice), and households who may have started or concluded their service during the time period.

Administratively, Quarter 4 saw meaningful progress on several projects important to the housing program. The year-long process to develop a new homeless housing plan culminated in unanimous approval from County Council in December. Another notable accomplishment was the successful launch of this year's severe weather shelter, which saw its first activation in late November.

Background

During Quarter 4 of 2025, WCHCS housing program staff actively managed 30 contracts and initiated a facility lease for the severe weather shelter site. The program served a continuum of housing stability needs, including the following program types:

- Outreach services for unsheltered or otherwise vulnerable individuals,
- Long-term supportive services for people with disabilities in subsidized housing,
- Financial and social support for households at-risk of becoming homeless,
- Financial and social support for households re-entering the private housing market from homelessness,
- Overnight and day-time shelter to provide safety and support while pursuing housing stability

Performance Measures and Outcomes

Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) State Benchmarks

The Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) is a recurring grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce that provides resources to fund homeless crisis response systems across the state. Recipients of these funds establish and oversee housing assistance programs to support local governments and organizations in reducing homelessness in their communities. The Washington State Department of Commerce sets target benchmarks for CHG recipients including rates of positive exits and housing retention for key interventions. The benchmarks below cannot account for the unique challenges or advantages present in each county of the state, but are useful to guide general performance expectations for the work funded by WCHCS.

- Emergency Shelter (ES) = 50% exits to permanent housing
- Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) = 80% exits to permanent housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) = 95% retention or exits to permanent housing

Quarterly Outcomes and Outputs for County-Funded Partners

Table 1: Household Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations or Retention of Permanent Housing by Intervention Type

	Target	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025
Emergency Shelter exits to permanent housing (does not include hotel/motel stays)	50%	33%	68%	43%	27%	48%
Rapid Rehousing exits to permanent housing**	80%	74%	78%	74%	82%	83%
Permanent Supportive Housing retention (quarterly)	95%	96%	94%	93%	99%	97%

Source: Local agency data (only includes county funded projects) sent to WCHCS and/or uploaded to Homeless Management Information System database.

**These numbers were revised for Q3 2025 to correct an error in previous reporting

Housing exit data meets performance expectations. Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing show consistency over time, while Emergency Shelter has been more variable over time. This may be attributable to a smaller number of units dedicated to Emergency Shelter in our system, but is worthy of further attention.

Table 2: Number of Households Served with Whatcom County Funding by Intervention Type

	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025
Emergency Shelter (includes motel stays)	131	403	106	98	114
Eviction Prevention (not including Healthy Children's Fund)	90	92	108	145	140
Rapid Rehousing	140	150	119	168	169
Permanent Supportive Housing	264	266	268	278	286

*The Emergency Shelter numbers are typically higher in winter due to increased capacity and high turnover at the severe weather shelter. Severe weather shelter is not yet available for Q4 2025, but will be updated in the next report. Excluding temporary seasonal shelter expansions, Permanent Supportive Housing continues to serve the greatest number of households each quarter.

Table 3: Rental Assistance and Motel Funding Distributed Quarterly

	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025
Rental Assistance / Motel Funding Distributed	\$1,099,528	\$816,693	\$1,039,851	\$676,660	\$1,049,589

Rental assistance makes up a significant portion of program funding, and includes motel rent, homelessness/eviction prevention programs, and rental assistance used as a component of Rapid Rehousing programs. The majority of this category is for monthly rent and motel costs, but it also includes utility payments, security deposits, and other administrative fees charged by landlords.

Table 4: Number of Eligible Households in Housing Pool waiting at end of each Reporting Quarter (by Intervention Needed)

	Q4 2024 Households	Q1 2025 Households	Q2 2025 Households	Q3 2025 Households	Q4 2025 Households	Q4 2025 Individuals
PSH or Housing with Services	457	511	591	619	636	890
Rapid Rehousing	186	166	137	164	155	368
Not Yet Assessed	18	27	8	5	5	10
Deposit Assistance	7	6	5	0	0	0
Total Seeking Services	757	710	741	788	796	1,268

The number of households seeking service shows small variation from quarter to quarter as a whole. The number of households in need of Permanent Supportive Housing increased steadily over the last twelve months and remains the most needed intervention. Compared to Q4 of 2024, there are about 40% more households needing this intervention. The number seeking Rapid Rehousing is the second largest group and also had an uptick since the previous quarter, although it remains below Quarter 4 from a year ago (2024). The number of households awaiting assessments has remained low for the past few quarters, showing greater administrative strength and quicker processing of intakes. Total number of households waiting for services in Q4 of 2025 was higher than it has been in the last year.

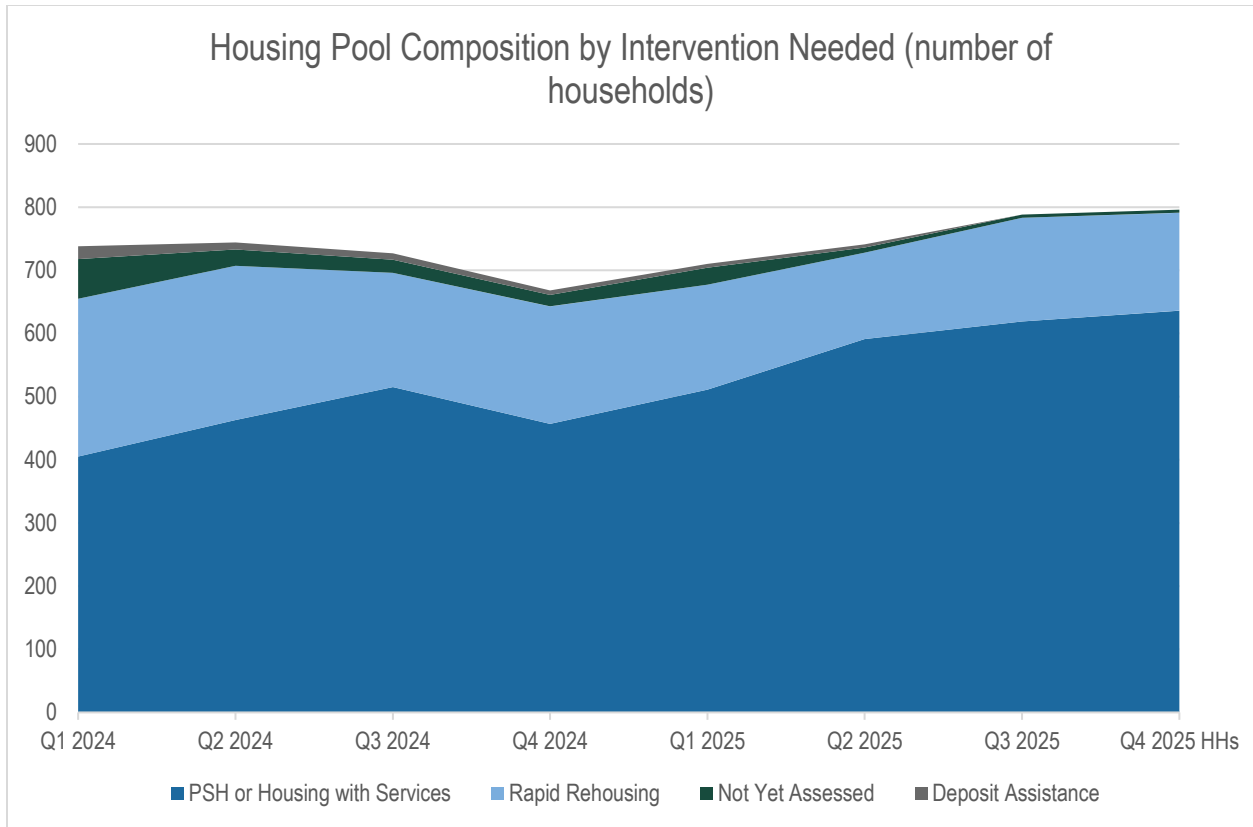
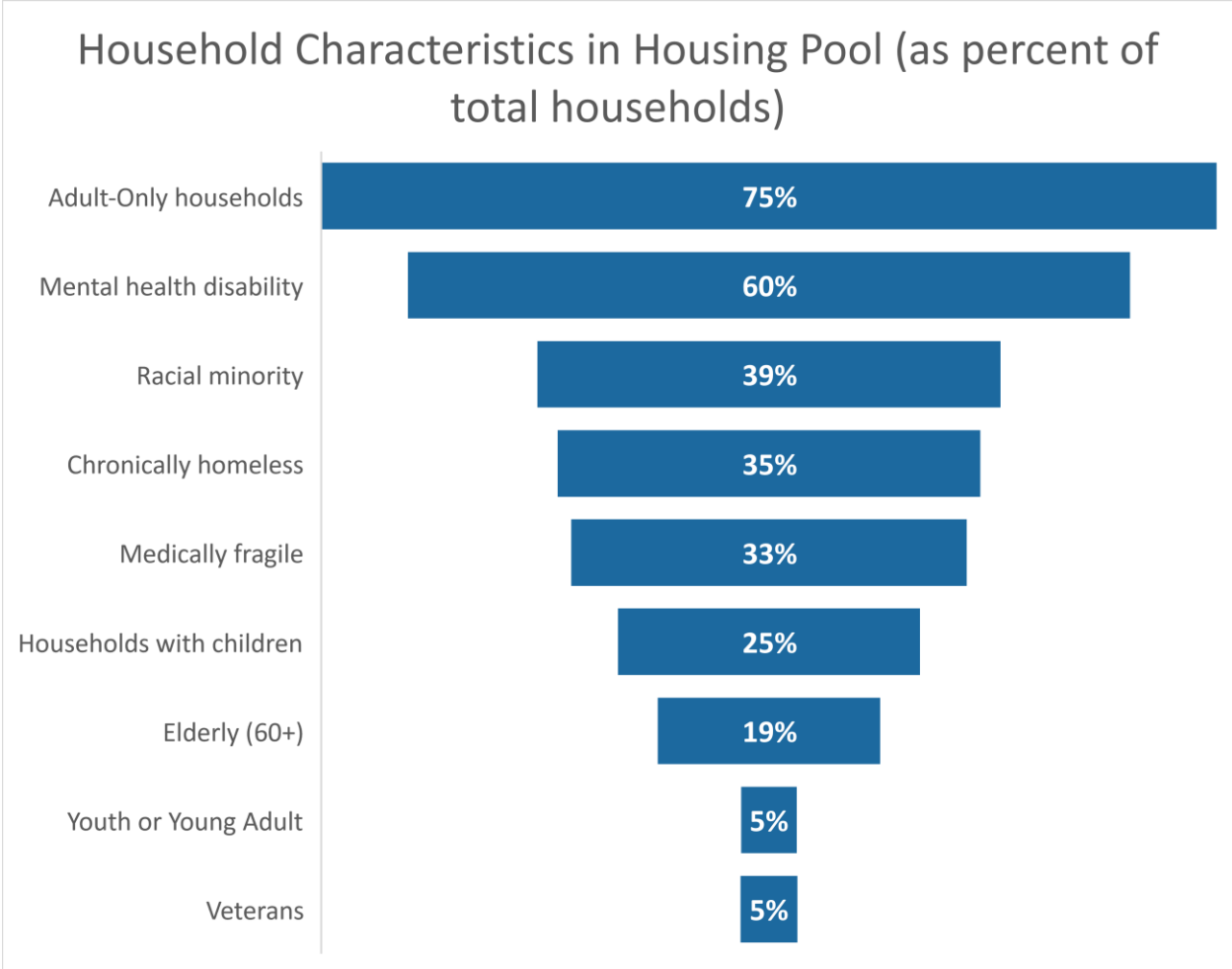


Table 5: Characteristics of Households Seeking Housing Assistance (Number of Households, may include duplicates who fit more than one category)

	Q4 2024 Households	Q1 2025 Households	Q2 2025 Households	Q3 2025 Households	Q4 2025 Households	Q4 2025 *Individuals
Adult-only households	562	514	561	593	595	634
Mental health disability	514	457	470	494	480	698
Racial minority	300	300	273	311	308	568
Chronically homeless	304	275	304	300	281	380
Medically fragile	214	215	228	269	263	326
Households with children	195	196	180	195	201	634
Elderly (60+)	110	103	113	134	148	157
Youth or Young Adult	64	48	49	54	37	65
Veterans	34	25	30	29	38	48

*The number of people shown reflects the members of these households, but does not necessarily indicate that every individual identifies with these categories.

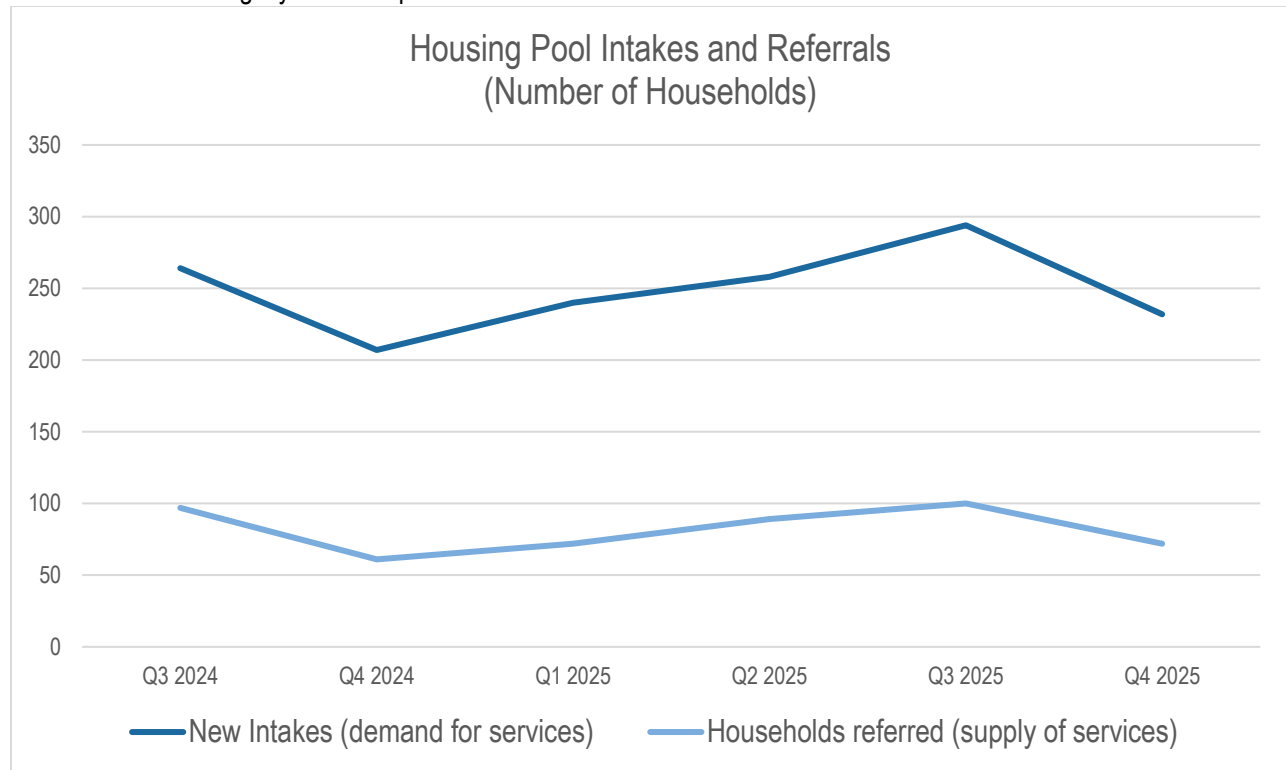


The Housing Pool includes basic demographic information about local households seeking services. Many households identify with several of the above characteristics that describe their overlapping identities and barriers to housing stability. Households comprised of only adults were consistently the largest subpopulation within the Housing Pool, followed by households that included a member with a mental health disability. The third and fourth most common characteristics were chronically homeless households (those that include a person who has experienced 12+ cumulative months of homelessness and are also impacted by a disability in their household) and households that include a person from a racial/ethnic minority. Medically fragile households and households with children remained relatively stable, but elderly households (60 years and older) increased in Q4 to nearly 150 households. This rise in the number of elderly households amounts to an increase of 30% in just half a year. The number of youth and young adult households decreased modestly from the previous quarter, while veteran homelessness has stabilized with between 25 and 40 households for each of the last seven quarters.

Table 6: Housing Pool Entries and Exits

	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025
New Intakes (households added)	207	239	257	294	235
Households referred to available projects	61	72	89	100	72
Difference between intakes and referrals	146	167	170	194	160
Households in Housing Pool last day of Quarter	757	710	741	788	796

Intakes into housing pool continued to outpace available housing programs. The number of households waiting for services increased slightly over the quarter.



The chart above shows the gap between the housing system’s ability to serve homeless households (household referrals resulting from program availabilities) and system demand (new intakes of eligible homeless households seeking services). The relatively consistent number of households in the housing pool (Table 6, above) is the result of households being removed from the housing pool without referrals due to loss of eligibility, self-resolution of their housing crisis, leaving the area, death, or otherwise discontinuing contact with the referral system. Additionally, some households are referred to continuous-stay Emergency Shelters, but remain in the Housing Pool until housed.

Table 7: Housing and Homelessness Contract Status (as of 12/31/2025)

Note: Many of the below contracts are subject to seasonal variability and other limitations that contribute to inconsistent spending levels from quarter to quarter. The information below reflects the funds spent and contract terms as of the end of December.

Contract	Contract term (months)	Months Remaining	Contract Amount	Total Billed	Total Remaining	Percent Remaining
CCS Francis Place PSH	12	0	\$277,723	\$239,388	\$38,335	14%
DVSAS Safe Emergency Shelter	12	6	\$131,052	\$64,033	\$67,019	51%
Ferndale Community Services - Severe Weather Shelter '24-'25	12	6	\$145,993	\$50,808	\$95,185	65%

Contract	Contract term (months)	Months Remaining	Contract Amount	Total Billed	Total Remaining	Percent Remaining
Ferndale Community Services – Community Resource Center & Outreach Services	12	0	\$500,643	\$447,199	\$53,444	11%
Ferndale Community Services Thriving Families (Healthy Children’s Fund)	12	0	\$376,416	\$274,632	\$101,784	27%
Lake Whatcom Center Community Leasing Scattered Site PSH	12	0	\$49,467	\$49,467	\$0	0%
Lutheran Community Services - SWS Facility Support	5	3	\$21,768	\$7,801	\$13,967	64%
Lutheran Community Services - SWS Facility Lease	5	3	\$66,455	\$39,873	\$26,582	40%
Lydia Place Emergency Shelter	12	6	\$436,352	\$120,098	\$316,254	72%
Lydia Place Rapid Rehousing and DVSAS on-site housing services	12	6	\$473,162	\$255,226	\$217,936	46%
Lydia Place Permanent Housing Program	12	6	\$258,976	\$148,566	\$110,410	43%
Lydia Place Chronically Homeless Families PSH	12	6	\$50,000	\$14,060	\$35,940	72%
Lydia Place Healthy Children’s Fund	12	0	\$1,155,524	\$704,297	\$451,227	39%
Mercy Housing Stability & Healthy Children’s Fund Services	12	0	\$240,870	\$227,052	\$13,818	6%
NWYS Street Outreach	6	0	\$75,000	\$59,858	\$15,142	20%
NWYS Case Management	6	0	\$198,565	\$185,132	\$13,433	7%
NWYS Ground Floor Day Center	6	0	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$0	0%
NWYS PAD Shelter for Minors	6	0	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0	0%
OC 22 North PSH	12	0	\$648,568	\$598,296	\$50,272	8%
OC Access ID	12	0	\$45,803	\$45,803	\$0	0%
OC Case Management	12	6	\$2,007,866	\$916,279	\$1,091,587	54%
OC HEN (Housing & Essential Needs)	12	6	\$2,611,906	\$1,182,136	\$1,429,771	55%
OC WHSC Rental Assistance	24	18	\$6,819,926	\$1,164,826	\$5,655,100	83%
OC WHSC Coordinated Entry	12	6	\$544,577	\$281,765	\$262,812	48%
OC Community Leasing Scattered Site PSH	12	0	\$428,074	\$408,720	\$19,354	5%
OC Severe Weather Shelter Volunteer Coord	12	4	\$32,000	\$18,390	\$13,610	43%
Pioneer City Gate Apts. PSH	12	0	\$670,010	\$631,987	\$38,023	6%

Contract	Contract term (months)	Months Remaining	Contract Amount	Total Billed	Total Remaining	Percent Remaining
Sean Humphrey House PSH for people with HIV/AIDS	12	0	\$59,000	\$45,851	\$13,149	22%
Sun House (Emergency Shelter)	12	0	\$640,070	\$640,070	\$0	0%
Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center Housing Mediation Service	12	0	\$71,759	\$71,759	\$0	0%
YWCA Combined Operations for Shelter and PSH	12	6	\$910,503	\$433,217	\$477,286	52%

Additional Updates for Quarter 4, 2025

Severe Weather Shelter

Housing program staff completed training regiments for newly hired staff to safely operate the severe weather shelter operations and conducted training into the month of October. Mild weather in November and December resulted in only six nights of activation in Q4 but helped prepare the staff for longer activations in early 2026.

Capital Projects

Two projects with funding derived from RFP 23-88 are receiving ongoing support:

- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services is receiving rehabilitation support for two of their safe shelters for survivors of domestic violence. Structural analysis has determined that more extensive repairs will be necessary.
- Lydia Place is working through a county-supported renovation process to create a new Permanent Supportive Housing unit for large families exiting homelessness.

Budget Forecast for 2026 and 2027

Housing program staff created a budget for 2026 contracts with modest reductions to the overall program in order to balance operational costs with updated revenues and promote sustainability. Raising costs of services and rental units is putting strain on current contracts and will likely lead to decreased services beginning in the second half of 2026. A request for proposals is planned for late Spring to generate new applications and new contracts for 2027.

Contract Updates

No significant changes are being considered to existing contracts in early 2026.

Glossary

Coordinated Entry

A coordinated entry system assesses households in need of housing services to determine each household's urgency of need as well as the intervention type that would be most appropriate. The coordinated entry system refers households from the Housing Pool to fill project vacancies as they occur. The system links individual households with partner agencies who provide direct services for those clients.

Diversion

Assistance for people seeking shelter or other services by helping them identify immediate alternate housing arrangements and, if necessary, connecting them with services and providing one-time financial assistance to help them return to permanent housing.

Emergency Shelter

Short-term, temporary housing for people experiencing homelessness (drop-in night-by-night or continuous stay). May serve general population of adults or a specific subpopulation(s).

Eviction Prevention

Assistance for households who are at risk of homelessness to maintain or obtain stable housing and avoid homelessness. May include arrears, rental assistance, and supportive services to promote stability.

Housing Pool

Registry of clients who are eligible and waiting for housing services. This registry is drawn upon to issue referrals for housing programs based on client needs and available resources instead of a first come, first served basis.

Housing with Services (HwS)

Housing with services in an intervention similar to PSH but that does not require a disability as criteria for eligibility. Households enrolled in HwS projects are expected to be matched with long-term subsidies to permanently reduce the household's rent costs and with supportive services to help maintain stability.

HMIS

HMIS is a local information technology system used to collect client-level data and data on the provision of housing and services to individuals and families at risk of and experiencing homelessness.

Permanent Supportive Housing

A long-term evidence-based best practice housing solution for vulnerable families and individuals with persistent challenges to stable housing. At least one member (adult or child) in the household must be living with a disability. This intervention pairs a rental subsidy with case management to support long-term stability and increase wellbeing of the household.

Rapid Rehousing

A best practice housing solution for homeless families and individuals to regain stable housing through short- to medium-term rental assistance paired with case management.

Transitional Housing

Transitional Housing (TH) provides temporary housing with supportive services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness with the goal of interim stability and support to successfully move to and maintain permanent housing. TH projects can cover housing costs and accompanying supportive services for program participants for up to 24 months.

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