

# Update on 2021 Investments

## Select Committee on Homelessness Strategies & Investments

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# Winter Storm Response – Shelter Recap



Garfield Community Center prior to opening on February 11, 2021

## Severe Weather Shelter Sites:

- Fisher Pavilion
- Garfield Community Center
- Bitter Lake Community Center
- City Hall
- *First Presbyterian*

## Operations/Details:

- Operated over span of 6 days
- 24-hour a day operations
- 90% occupancy (Peak: 216 occupied beds, out of 239)
- Three meals a day provided
- Showers available at Fisher, Garfield, and Bitter Lake
- COVID-19 safety precautions

# Winter Storm Response – Partners

Department, Provider, and Community Partners	
The Salvation Army	Seattle City Light
Compass Housing Alliance	Seattle Parks & Recreation
LIHI	Office of Emergency Management
Urban League	SPD Community Service Officers
Catholic Community Services	Freedom Project
WHEEL	HOPE Team
HSD/HSI staff	Health One
Operation Sack Lunch	Seattle Center

# Winter Storm Response – HOPE Team

## During the storm, the HOPE Team and Parks:

- Conducted **380** welfare checks
- Shared information with **310** individuals about the temporary severe weather shelters
- Provided **277** individuals winter supplies (hats, gloves, hand warmers, etc.)
- Provided basic needs supplies (water, snacks, etc.) to **237** people
- Transported **42** individuals to temporary shelter

# Street to Housing – Hotel Pilot

Program	Units	Operator	Notes	Timeline/Next Steps
<b>The Kings Inn</b>	66	Chief Seattle Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Case management &amp; housing navigation services</li> <li>Focus on culturally appropriate supports to help AI/AN clients</li> </ul>	<p><b>Site control:</b> Mid-March</p> <p><b>Operations begin:</b> Late-March</p>
<b>Executive Hotel Pacific</b>	155	LIHI <i>(pending contract finalization)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Case management &amp; housing navigation services</li> </ul>	<p><b>Site control:</b> Early-March</p> <p><b>Operations begin:</b> Mid-March</p>

*Both these programs will be supported by COVID-specific ESG funding for **Rapid Re-Housing**, which will offer access to housing with up to 12 months of supportive service for as many as 230 households*

# Street to Housing – New Tiny House Villages

New Villages	Units	Operator	Next Steps	Timeline
<b>U District Village</b>	40	LIHI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreement between LIHI &amp; Sound Transit</li> <li>• Community engagement, service provider agreements</li> </ul>	<p><b>Site control:</b> April</p> <p><b>Operations Begin:</b> Q2 2021</p>
<p><b>North Seattle Village</b> <i>(Location yet to be finalized)</i></p>	40	LIHI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program design, community engagement, lease agreements, service provider agreements</li> </ul>	<p><b>Site control:</b> Q2 2021</p> <p><b>Operations Begin:</b> Q2 2021</p>

# Street to Housing – New Enhanced Shelter

Program	Operational Details	Status	Next Steps/Timeline
<p><b>Women's Shelter at First Presbyterian Church</b></p>	<p>Serve up to <b>60 people</b></p> <p>HSD contracts with Catholic Community Services as fiscal sponsor</p> <p>Catholic Community Services works with WHEEL to operate shelter</p>	<p>Open now as overnight-only</p> <p><i>**Opened during winter storm as 24/7 emergency shelter**</i></p>	<p>Provider staffing up to meet 24/7 operational needs</p> <p>Will be fully operational this spring</p>



# Update – HOPE Team

## Enhanced Shelter Referral Process

- The new shelter resources coincide with enhancements to the shelter referral process
- Enhancements made in collaboration with contracted outreach and shelter service providers through weekly meetings
- The aim to improve the efficiency, accuracy, and equity of service connections
- The HOPE Team is actively coordinating outreach priorities in partnership with providers and City departments
- The goal is to leverage contracted outreach's ability to work with encampment occupants to accept shelter



# Questions/Answers