

# King County Housing & Homelessness Efforts

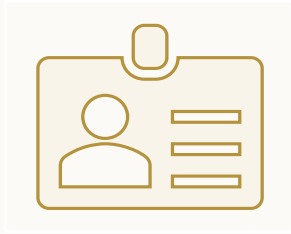
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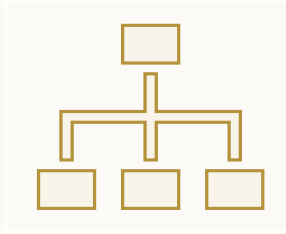
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# DCHS By the Numbers



Number of DCHS employees

**581**



Number of divisions

**5**



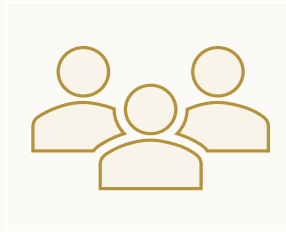
Number of contracts and scopes of work

**1,200+**



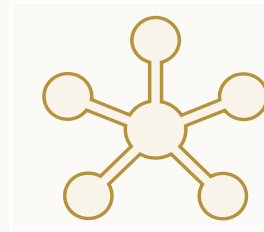
Funds administered annually

**\$1.3 Billion**



Number of people reached across five initiatives

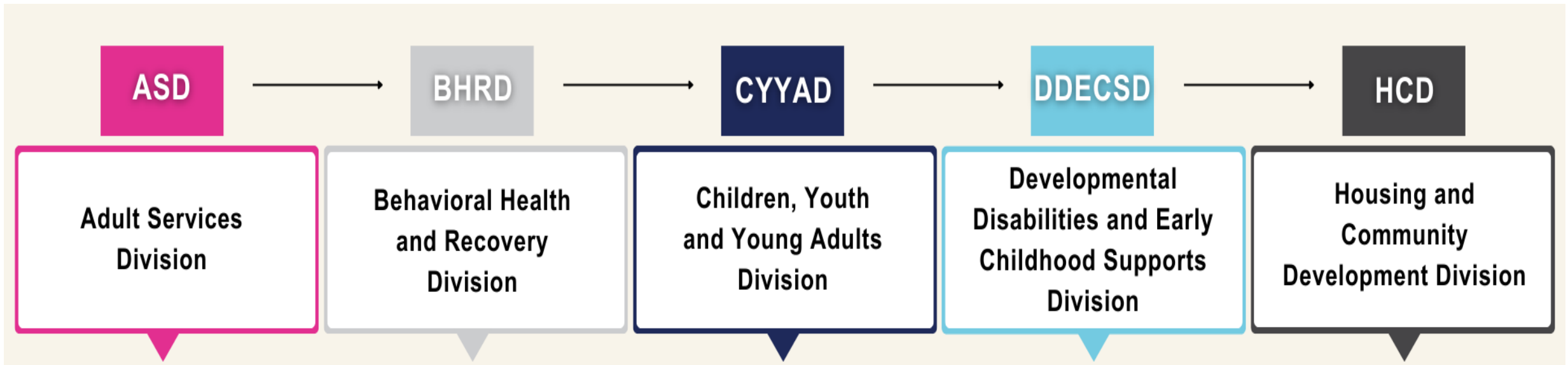
**439,000**



Number of strategic initiatives led by DCHS

**5**

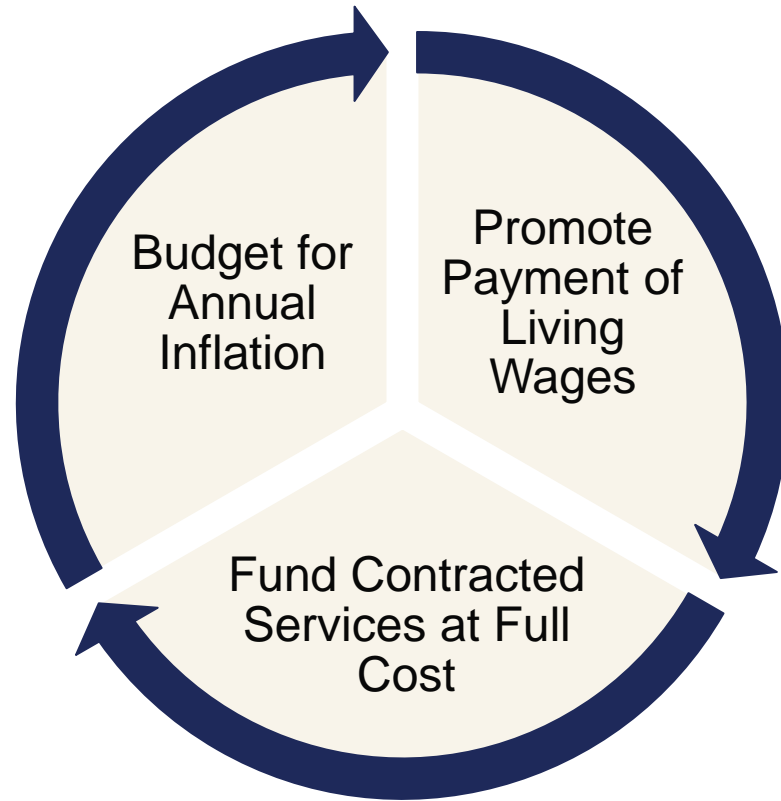
# DCHS Divisions



# DCHS Values:

## It Takes People to Serve People

We need to change our own habits to make this true.

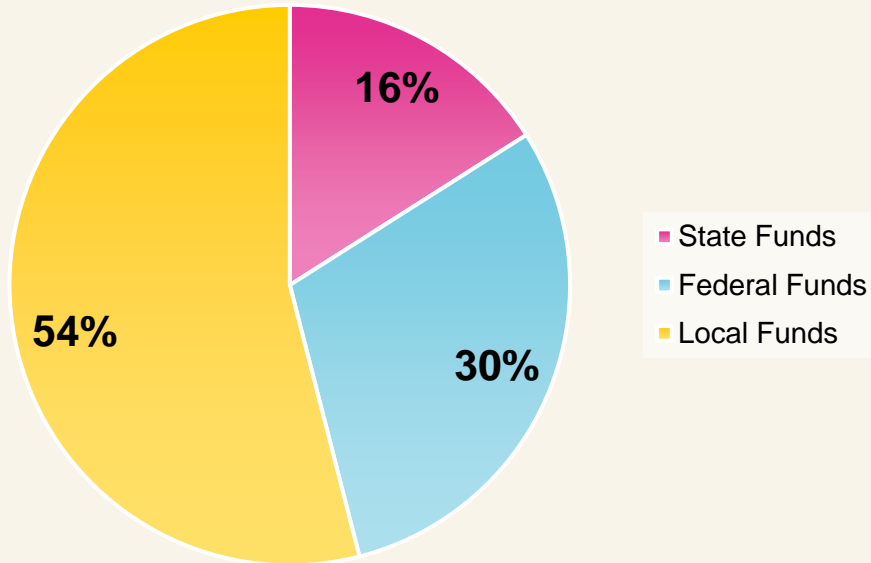


### DCHS Priorities:

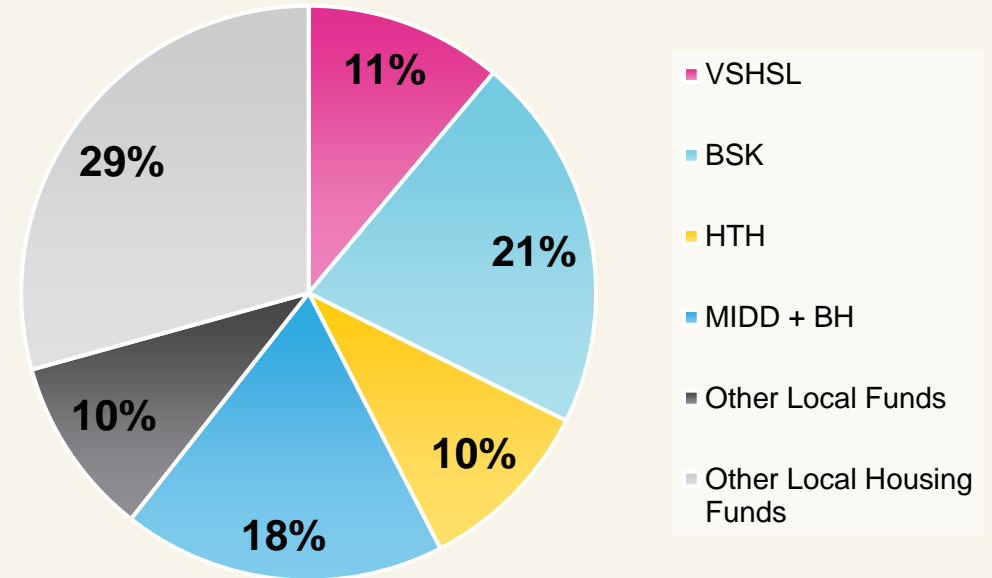
- Building a robust, quality, representative human services workforce
- Working toward fully funding fewer vs. partially funding more
- Strengthening the investments we're making, over adding new investments
- Implementing new Inflation Policy

# DCHS 2023-2024 Budget

All DCCHS Funds



Within "Local Funds"



*The King County General Fund makes up just over 1% of the DCCHS Budget.*

# King County's Primary Housing Funding Sources

Document Recording Fees

Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy

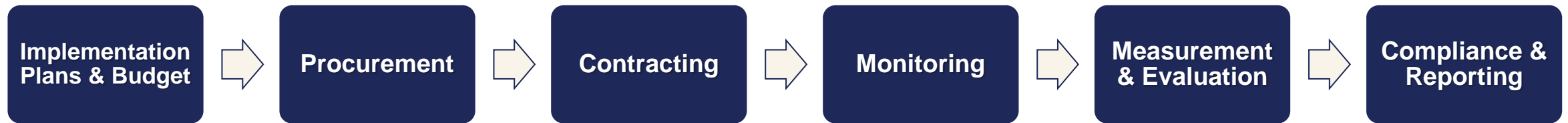
Lodging Taxes

.1% Sales Tax (RCW 82.14.540)

Federal and State "Pass Through" Funds

# How DCHS administers funding

Most of our region's work happens after the procurement, through our community-based providers



Provider Partnership & Leadership

Community Presence & Engagement

# Funding Opportunities

- **Bus Tickets:** \$4.4M from King County Metro
- **Housing Capital:** \$24.5M
- **Operating, Rental Assistance, and Services (ORS):** \$12M
- **Non-Housing Capital:** \$1M
- **Supportive Leasing:** \$3.7M
- **Child Care Facilities:** \$400K
- **Best Starts for Kids Capital Grants:** \$11.9M



**Find Funding Opportunities at:**

<https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/dchs/human-social-services/funding-opportunities-dchs>



# Priorities for Funding



**REDUCING  
HOMELESSNESS**



**REGIONAL  
DISTRIBUTION**



**HOUSING FIRST &  
PERMANENT HOUSING**



**COMMUNITY-BASED &  
REPRESENTATIVE**

# Homelessness Funding & the King County Regional Homelessness Authority

**DCHS contracts approximately \$50M funds to KCRHA for:**

- Shelter
- Transitional housing
- Rapid rehousing

**Funding includes:**

- Federal: ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) and CDBG (Community Development Block Grant)
- State: Consolidated Homelessness Grant (CHG)
- Local (limited): Document Recording Fees and Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy

<https://kcrha.org/>

# Community Accomplishments

## Health Through Housing



**1350** NEW HOMES OPEN  
OR SOON TO BE

## Additional Affordable Housing



**1,248** NEW AFFORDABLE  
HOMES OPEN IN 2024

## Youth Family Homelessness Prevention



**2,370** PEOPLE SERVED

## Operations & Services



**5,262** PEOPLE SERVED

# Regional Trends & Barriers



Scale



Speed

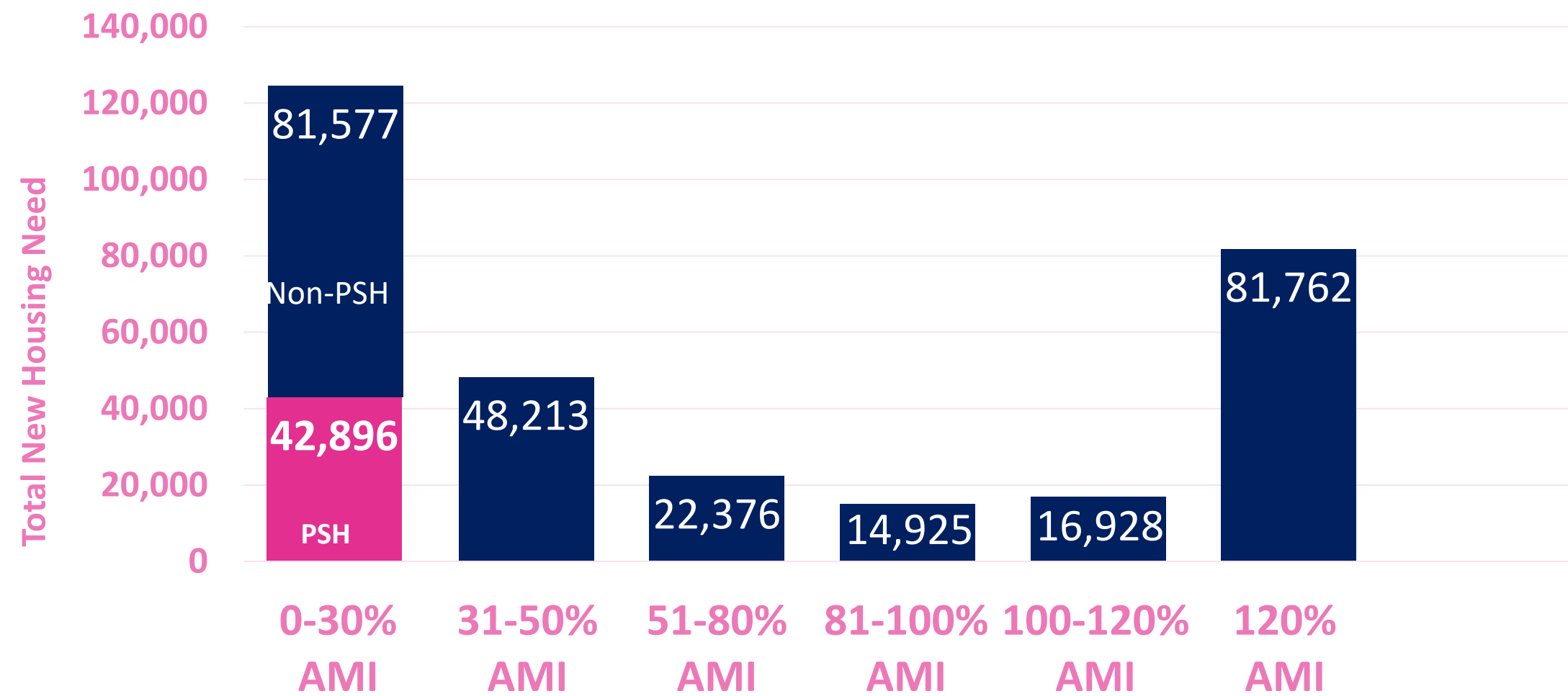


Workforce



Behavioral  
Health Care

# SCALE | Total King County Housing Needs



# **SPEED** | Expediting Access to Affordable Homes



## **SITING**

Permitting &  
Engagement



## **FUNDING RESTRICTIONS**

Arbitrary Caps, “Last  
Dollar,” and Siloed  
Uses



## **CONSTRUCTION & ACQUISITION**

Planning, Workers,  
Materials



## **OPERATOR IDENTIFICATION**

Recruiting, Hiring,  
Training

# WORKFORCE | Barriers to Recruitment & Retention



COST OF LIVING



JOB MARKET



BURNOUT

[Wage Equity Study | School of Social Work \(uw.edu\)](https://www.uw.edu/school-of-social-work/wage-equity-study)

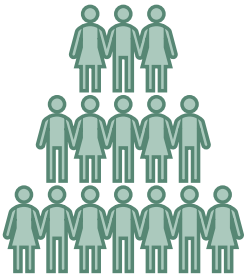
[King County survey shows chronic underinvestment in the nonprofit workforce is a driver for turnover \(dchsblog.com\)](https://dchsblog.com)

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# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH |

## DCHS invests in a wide variety of services



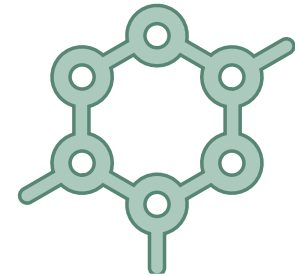
Serve **60,000**  
people annually



Lead the **Crisis  
Care Centers**  
Initiative



Oversee **MIDD**  
Initiative



Partner on **13 Actions to  
Stop Surge of Opioid  
Overdoses**

Read about our 13 actions to address opioid use disorder: <https://dchsblog.com>

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# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH |

## DCHS invests in a wide variety of services

- 24/7 Crisis Center
- Next Day Appointments
- Walk-in Medication
- Substance Use Disorder services
- Mental Health Residential
- Mobile Crisis Team/Mobile Rapid Response Crisis Team
- Designated Crisis Responders
- 24/7 Buprenorphine Prescription Line
- Fire Department Naloxone and Buprenorphine Access

# COMING SOON!!

## Crisis Care Centers Levy Investments

- **Crisis Care Centers** in each of 4 regions of the County, plus 1 for youth. **RFP now open!!!**
- **Early Investments**
  - **Mobile crisis** team expansion
  - Behavioral Health **Workforce** Development
  - Preserve existing **Residential Treatment Beds**
  - Expand access to **Naloxone**



SCAN ME

## CRISIS CARE CENTERS COMMUNITY SURVEY

We want to hear from you!

*¡Queremos escuchar de usted!*

*Chúng tôi muốn nghe ý kiến của quý vị!*

*Ждем вашего ответа!*

*Waaxaan rabnaa inaan kaa maqalno!*

*ਅਸੀਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਤੋਂ ਸੁਣਨਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦੇ ਹਾਂ!*

我们希望听到您的意见!

我們希望聽到您的意見!

여러분의 의견을 듣고 싶습니다!

Ми хочемо почути від вас!



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# Connect to Services

- **Mental health and substance use treatment**

- ☐ Client services line: **1-800-790-8049**
- ☐ Search our map to find a provider nearby:  
**[kingcounty.gov/bhrd](https://kingcounty.gov/bhrd)**
- ☐ Washington Recovery Help Line: **866-789-1511**
- ☐ Buprenorphine Prescriptions: **206-289-0287**

- **In a crisis**

- ☐ Call **988** or the Regional Crisis Line: **206-461-3222**
- ☐ Walk-in to Connections' new Crisis Center in Kirkland

**ON DEMAND  
BUP**  
**206-289-0287**

Providers available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Call now to get medication (suboxone) to treat opioid use disorder. Prescriptions are available for people ages 13+ located in King County.

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# DCHS Impact

## Questions?

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381,375

people reached by BHRD,  
DDECS, Best Starts, MIDD, and  
VSHSL

24,417

people engaged in more than  
one program

308

organizations received grant  
assistance, technical assistance,  
or capacity building support

*"We have seen the growth of  
many students and their drive to  
push and support their peers.  
Some students over the past six  
months have gone from failing  
grades to being honor roll  
students."*

- Best Starts partner

78%

of programs offered virtual  
and/or mobile services to  
increase accessibility

*"Individuals are building  
meaningful lives, engaging in  
behavioral health care and  
working to maintain sobriety. We  
see daily examples of health,  
resilience, and recovery."*

-MIDD partner

6,628

staff members trained at  
human service organizations

1,918

office locations to ensure  
County-wide access to in-person  
services

\$2 million

of financial assistance  
distributed by the King County  
Veterans Program



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