

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING/HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES** **\$888,421**

**Housing Production Opportunity Fund** **\$300,000**

- Accelerate the production of regulated affordable housing by approximately 50 units per year
- Seeking opportunities and financial leverage to advance the housing production timeline for building and/or preserving affordable housing
- Strategies for accelerating production include, but are not limited to:
  - Gap financing
  - Partial pay-down of system development charges (SDC)/transportation development tax (TDT)
  - Financial support for initiatives promoting cost-effective home ownership

**Housing Senior Planner in Land Use & Transportation (LUT)** **\$127,361**

- Focus on Affordable Housing development within LUT
- Point person within LUT for Affordable Housing
- Development of policies and ordinances in support of Affordable Housing development

**Disability and Aging Services Coordinator**

**in Health & Human Services** **\$95,060**

- Work with Housing Services to assist veterans and seniors as a homeless coordinator
- Help connect veterans and seniors with services to prevent them from becoming homeless and assist those that are already homeless

**Community Connect** **\$75,000**

- Centralized assessment system for homeless populations
  - Homeless individuals and families seeking housing or services to end their homeless situation
- Integrated system of care that aligns and leverages local, state and federal resources through a single-point of entry
- Operated by Community Action Organization
- Refers individuals and families to appropriate housing and service programs based on need and ability to become self-sufficient
- Phone access 24 hours/7 days a week
- Scheduled one-on-one assessment appointments with highly-skilled Community Resource Advocate staff

**Affordable Housing Development Initiative** **\$30,000**

- Target population is low-income households, in particular those under 50% of area median income

- Supports the Washington County Housing Affordability Work Plan and Housing Production Opportunity fund by exploring options to encourage the construction and preservation of affordable housing
- Promotes affordable housing partnerships with public and private agencies, funders and developers
- Provides project feasibility analysis/ supports PSU workshop project recommendations

**Prevention Rent Assistance** \$150,000

- Target population is very low-income (50% of area median income or less)
  - Households paying more than 50% of their income on rent, e.g., seniors, people with disabilities on fixed incomes or Supplemental Security Income (SSI), veterans, etc.
- Provides immediate support to extremely rent-burdened households who are homeless or at-risk of displacement
- Funding level will serve 50 families at an estimated cost of \$3,000 each

**Renters Rights Hotline** \$10,000

- The Community Alliance of Tenants (CAT) organization is the only tenants' education program in Washington County designed specifically for renters
  - CAT's membership base are low-income tenants – predominately low-wage workers, families with children, people living with disabilities and seniors
- Renters Rights Hotline is the only hotline available during the evening and on weekends

**Homeless to Work Program** \$20,000

- A joint venture with Community Corrections beginning in 2009 and is the only single adult homeless program in the county
- Focuses on obtaining income and permanent housing at the end of the participation period

**Homeless Program Administration** \$40,000

- Supports the 10-year Plan to End Homelessness
- Supports the increase in administrative cost associated Federal Homeless grants

**Health Careers NW Grant** \$41,000

- Sponsored by Worksystems to create housing affordability through higher wages
- Target population are recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds and other low-income individuals seeking well-paid, high demand occupations in the health care field