All Home King County – 2018 Priority Listing Decision Factors

All Home King County frames the CoC policies and priorities, including those for the HUD CoC Program. All Home Coordinating Board reviews the CoC Program policies regarding Tier 2 project placement. The following assumptions are proposed for use in FY 2018 to guide decisions regarding priority placement in Tier 2:

1. **Include only those projects that can receive full points for commitment to policy priorities; i.e., Housing First approach.**
   
   **Rationale:** Maximizing points for each of HUD’s scoring factors ensures the greatest likelihood of maintaining current funding and securing additional funding for the CoC.

2. **Order applications from smallest to largest funding requests within the four Categories of projects, except where local values and HUD priorities may dictate otherwise.**
   
   **Rationale:** Placing smaller requests before higher requests will result in marginally higher HUD project ranking scores for projects within that classification, which may result in additional funding for the continuum.

3. **Value Realignment Projects as the first priority in Tier 2.**
   
   **Rationale:** These projects are voluntarily reallocating funds and realigning in collaboration with and in support of system realignment efforts, which are designed to rebalance our system and better match homeless housing program types with the needs of the homeless households and current best practices. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless households is a HUD priority, and supports HUD’s goal to end chronic homelessness; while Dedicated PLUS may allow for a slightly expanded target population. Rapid Rehousing is nationally recognized as a best practice for rehousing homeless households quickly and in the case of certain projects expands local DV Rapid-rehousing efforts. Joint TH-RRH expands on the RRH model. These projects, if using a housing first approach and targeting priority populations will get HUD’s maximum score for commitment to policy priorities.

4. **Use the CoC preliminary score based rank order, with a special emphasis on a low barrier approach and movement to permanent housing, to identify current projects not to be renewed by identifying projects from the bottom and moving up the rank order to select lower performing projects as subjects for reallocation, taking into consideration geographic and population impacts.**
   
   **Rationale:** A certain number of renewal projects may need to be defunded or reduced to complete the dollar amount that we are required to place in Tier 2.

5. **Use the CoC preliminary score based rank order to identify renewal projects for placement in Tier 2 by identifying projects from the bottom and moving up the rank order to select projects that maximize HUD’s Project Type/Project Priority points and face the least risk in Tier 2.**
   
   **Rationale:** A certain number of renewal projects may be placed in Tier 2 to complete the dollar amount that we are required to place in Tier 2.

6. **Value renewal projects that are strategically placed in Tier 2 to meet the dollar amount we are required to place in Tier 2.**
   
   **Rationale:** These projects are existing projects receiving HUD CoC funding that are being placed in Tier 2 to meet the dollar threshold the Seattle King County CoC is required to place in Tier 2. The projects meet HUD project type and commitment to policy priorities.

7. **Value maintenance of number of Chronically Homeless dedicated units in the Housing Inventory when considering new project types or other program changes.**
   
   **Rationale:** Maintaining the number of CH dedicated units in the inventory will positively affect our CoC score in future years.