

EPRAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2/9/2022

AGENDA

- 1. Introductions
- 2. EPRAP Dashboard / Program Updates
- 3. Document Recording Fee Update
- 4. Tenant Access to Courts

EPRAP DASHBOARD / PROGRAM UPDATES

- Successfully used ROI through a Certificate of Eligibility for SHA & KCHA, and using simplified form for Sound (mental health agency that houses tenants) & Plymouth to get tenants in program
- Launched dashboard <u>check out the data here!</u>
- 3. Dept of Commerce communicated to legislature that King County will be receiving approximately \$66 million more in rental assistance (but no contract yet, so things may change, but this is a good sign!)

DOCUMENT RECORDING FEE

- A document recording fee is a surcharge put on certain documents that are recorded with a county (e.g. deeds)
- 2. State local homelessness & housing programs are funded with surcharge
- 3. In 2021, the surcharge was increased by \$100
 - 20% goes towards the Affordable Housing for All Account (supports permanent supportive housing)
 - From July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023, 4% of the funds go towards the Landlord Mitigation Program. After Jun 30, 2023, this is reduced to 2%
 - Funds go towards vouchers, housing services, rapid rehousing, emergency housing, affordable housing acquisition, and EPRAP services.

DOCUMENT RECORDING FEE

- The Department of Commerce will administer the EPRAP (funds will be given to each County, and the County must follow the rules set forth by DOC)
 - The legislation requires that at least 10% of the grant given to counties must be sub-granted to organizations that serve and are governed by marginalized populations
- 2. DOC is working to determine EPRAP rules

DOCUMENT RECORDING FEE

What questions do we have for DOC about how the program will work?

What recommendations for DOC regarding the rental assistance program funded by the document recording fee?

TENANT ACCESS TO COURTS

- Last meeting, group discussed concerns regarding tenant access to courts
 - 1. Courts currently only offer Zoom court
 - 2. Not clear on website how to access courts
 - 3. Directions landlords are required to give are confusing
- 2. Prepare for meeting with Court Commissioner Henry Judson