Fact Sheet: Health through Housing – Extended Stay America Renton

In June 2021, King County purchased the former Extended Stay America hotel in Renton, the second property through the Health through Housing Initiative, for a total of $28.6 million. As with all purchases pursued through the Health through Housing Initiative, King County worked closely with local elected officials, including Mayor Armondo Pavone and Renton City Council.

About the hotel

The hotel, located at 1150 Oakesdale Avenue Southwest, Renton WA 98057 was constructed in 1998 and contains 110 units. It sits on approximately 3.88 acres. The site has one three-story structure, one building for storage and parking areas. A small-wooded area is on the southern side of the hotel. Some necessary site work is required before the hotel welcomes its first residents to their new home.

How it will serve the community

The goal of the Health Through Housing program is to create permanent housing for people experiencing chronic homelessness. In the long term, all Health Through Housing properties, including the Renton hotel will operate as permanent supportive housing. With the goal of moving people in as soon as possible, the Renton hotel may start as emergency housing while final improvements are made to the property. The housing combined with 24/7 staffing and onsite supports will help very vulnerable people in South King County regain health and stability.

Residents:
- This hotel will support and welcome home about 100 people experiencing chronic homelessness.
- 15% of units will be provided to individuals living in or near Renton or have ties to the community.

Services:
- Housing counseling
- Case management
- Connection to physical and behavioral health services
- 24/7 staffing and controlled access
Community Engagement:
The City of Renton will take the leadership role in community engagement and the County is proud to partner in those efforts.

HTH sites have a code of conduct that is agreed upon by residents at the time of entry. Property operators and service providers are committed to being responsive to local jurisdiction and community concerns.

About Health Through Housing

The Health Through Housing Initiative is a regional approach to address chronic homelessness at a countywide scale. By the end of 2022, King County will partner with local jurisdictions to create up to 1,600 emergency housing and permanent supportive housing units for people experiencing chronic homelessness. By acquiring existing facilities, such as former hotels, nursing homes, and other similar properties, HTH immediately creates housing units that are dignified, protective and service enriched. King County is committed to working with local cities and communities to identify suitable properties, and then participate in planning and community engagement together.

Definitions

Chronic Homelessness

A household that includes an adult with a disability, that either is currently experiencing homelessness for at least twelve consecutive months or has experienced homelessness for a cumulative twelve months within the previous three years.

Emergency Housing

Emergency Housing is a housing type where a chronically homeless person or person at risk of chronic homelessness can reside temporarily while seeking permanent housing. While intended to be temporary, there is no time limit on housing. Emergency housing will offer housing-oriented services, case management and other necessary services and supports to assist households in stabilizing.

Permanent Supportive Housing

Permanent supportive housing provides permanent housing for a household that is homeless on entry, where the individual or a household member has a condition of disability, such as mental illness, substance abuse, chronic health issues, or other conditions that create multiple and serious ongoing barriers to housing stability.