

Presenter Template

Snohomish County Affordable Housing Task Force Meeting 3 June 20, 2019, 4-6 PM

PRESENTATION: Potential Solutions: How can County, Local and Tribal Governments Help Advance Housing Affordability?

Each Presenter will have 5 minutes to speak. Each presenter is asked to:

(1) address the following four questions, and

(2) complete this template and submit it electronically to Alessandra Durham

(Alessandra.Durham@co.snohomish.wa.us) (Phone: 425-388-3290) by Noon, MONDAY JUNE 3 so

it can be included in the meeting materials. The responses should be in summary format (no longer than 2 pages). You may append articles or weblinks as additional information. Thank you!

Presenter Name: Tom Sebastian

Title: President and CEO

Agency/Business Name: Compass Health

Question 1: What is your Agency/Business's role in addressing housing supply in Snohomish County? (your mission, priority goals, market role, etc.)
Compass Health's role is to ensure that community members with behavioral health needs-mental health and substance use disorders have access to adequate and affordable housing to support their recovery process.
Question 2: What are the most significant challenges your agency/business faces in developing housing?
The first challenge is navigating the complex multiple funding sources that need to be secured in order to develop new housing resources. The second challenge is securing the rental subsidies and operating funds to properly operate and staff housing sites.
Question 3: What are the 3-5 most important things that County, cities or Tribes could do to help increase housing affordability in Snohomish County?
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Include community members with behavioral health needs in prioritizing housing development and rental subsidies.2. Acknowledge and support the complex services that need to be provided to these community members in order for them to succeed in housing settings.3. Advocate for adequate operating funds for newly developed housing sites.
Question 4: Offer 1 example of a successful partnership with the County, a City or Tribal government in support of affordable housing (attach additional materials if desired)
Compass Health's new 82 unit Permanent Supportive Housing Project in Everett (will bring material to hand out)

A Vision for the Future

▶ **PHASE I: Permanent Supportive Housing (Cost: \$26 Million)**

Compass Health plans to build a new ~47,000 square foot, five-story, multi-family building on the northwest corner of the Broadway Campus.

Services in this building will include:

- 82 Permanent Supportive Housing units
- 5,200 square feet of space for onsite program services to support residents
- 5,200 Square feet of additional space to serve a variety of mental health and homeless service programs accessed by the broader behavioral health client population, including:
 - Peer Support
 - Homeless Outreach
 - Housing Stabilization Support
- **Dollars Secured to Date: \$25.6 million**
- **Timeline: January 2020 – Q1 2021**

