

King County CDBG Consortium

The King County CDBG Consortium was organized in 1975 as a HUD-designated “urban county” to receive CDBG funds. King County is the official grantee on behalf of the consortium, which consists of 34 cities and towns, plus the unincorporated areas of the county. The CDBG Consortium operates pursuant to an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between King County and the participating consortium jurisdictions. The cities of Seattle, Bellevue, Kent and Auburn, receive CDBG directly from the federal government and do not participate in the King County Consortium.

The King County CDBG Consortium covers a large and diverse territory which contains very large urban areas as well as very small cities. The growth rate of the population in the consortium was very high in the last decade (18% at the 2000 census), with the percentage of the population that is racially and ethnically diverse doubling between 1990 and 2000. The region has a very strong housing market and there is a substantial gap between what very low to moderate-income households can afford for housing and actual housing costs. Many very low to moderate-income households and communities in the King County Consortium have benefited from the activities the consortium is able to provide through CDBG funds.

POPULATION: 1,578,645

CDBG funds are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies for:

- Community Facility Projects – funds are used for the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of health and human service facilities, including, but not limited to, senior centers, childcare centers; healthcare centers and food banks.
- Public Infrastructure and Improvement Projects – funds are used for activities that benefit low to moderate-income communities, such as the construction or reconstruction of storm water systems, water and sewer systems, streets, sidewalks, and park facilities, as well as accessibility modifications to public facilities for persons with a disability.
- Human Services – due to declining resources funds have been concentrated on activities that contribute to ending homelessness, such as emergency shelter services and emergency assistance, including vouchers, food distribution, and eviction prevention.
- Affordable Housing Development – funds are awarded for the acquisition of property that will provide affordable housing.
- Housing Repair – funds are used to provide interest-free, deferred loans for low to moderate-income homeowners for home repairs that increase the safety, health and comfort of the home; smaller grants are provided for certain emergencies and for important health and safety repairs in a mobile home.

CDBG AWARD HISTORY FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS:

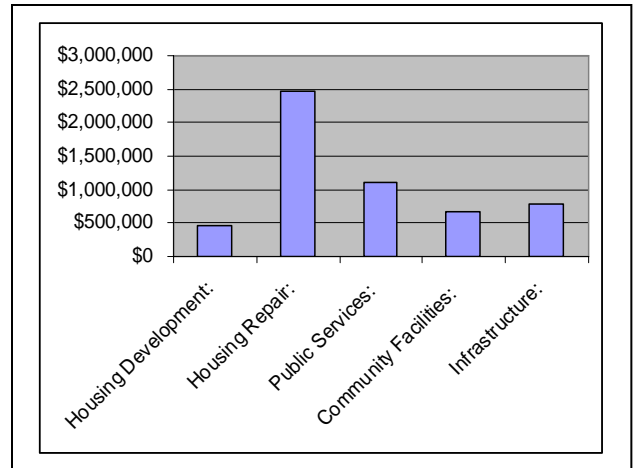
2003 - 7,440,000
2004 - 7,164,000
2005 - 6,774,405
2006 - 6,209,982
2007 - 6,200,622



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**MOST RECENT CDBG FUNDING ALLOCATIONS
For Program Year 2007**

Housing Development:	\$ 472,311
Housing Repair:	\$2,460,223
Human Services:	\$1,115,291
Community Facilities:	\$ 674,282
Public Infrastructure:	\$ 794,126



ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS



White Center Food Bank

The food bank was re-located and expanded significantly as part of the HOPE VI redevelopment of Park Lake Homes in White Center. The project involved the installation of a 3,700 square foot modular facility on a vacant parking lot adjacent to a King County Public Health Clinic. \$500,000

The White Center food bank had long needed a larger space and is now able to serve more households in a more efficient manner.



Northshore Senior Center Skybridge

CDBG funds were used to build a pedestrian sky bridge for the benefit of low and moderate-income elders and severely disabled adults. It links the Northshore Senior Center with the new Northshore Health and Wellness Center across the street. \$185,000



King County Housing Repair Program

The Dream On Foundation contacted King County about the need for repairs to this house. The foundation helped the owner with extensive clean up of the interior and exterior of the home. The County Housing Repair program worked with the King County Housing Authority Weatherization Program to provide new windows, new vinyl siding, new front and side doors, and new floors in the kitchen, bathroom, and living room. In addition, the bathroom plumbing fixtures were replaced and the kitchen received a new countertop.



Working together with community volunteers and the housing authority, the King County Housing Repair Program provided this owner with a safer home that will be more sustainable and will contribute to the owner's health and well being.





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Federal Way Armstrong Park



CDBG funds were used to construct a playground in a low to moderate income neighborhood in Federal Way. \$74,650

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