

Proposal for Ending Chronic Homelessness in King County

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6,500 people in King County are Chronically Homeless

Visible and Vulnerable:

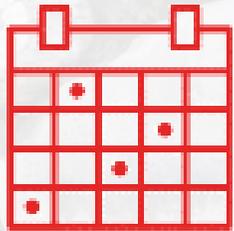
- Exposed on the street
- Suffer from higher rates of poor health, mental illness, and substance abuse

The Most Costly:

- Emergency services
- Hospitalization
- Police services
- Court
- Probation resources
- Time spent in correctional facilities



Someone is **Chronically Homeless** if...



...they have been homeless for:

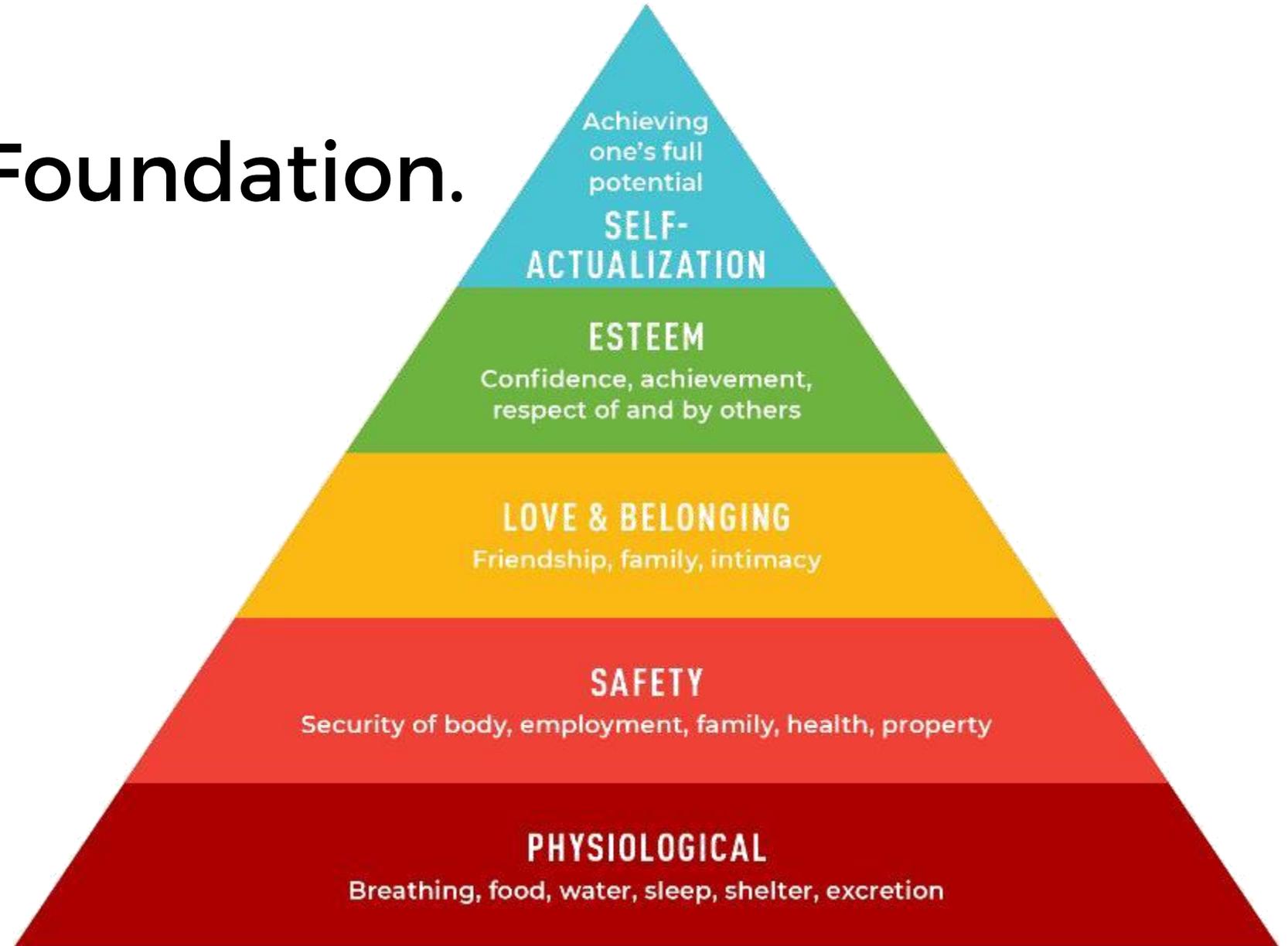
- 1 year or longer, or
- at least 4 times totaling 12 months in the last 3 years

and



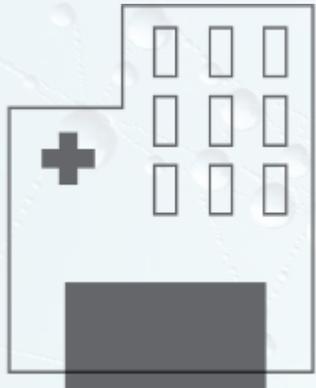
...they have a qualifying disability that prevents them from maintaining work

Housing First. Housing as a Foundation.



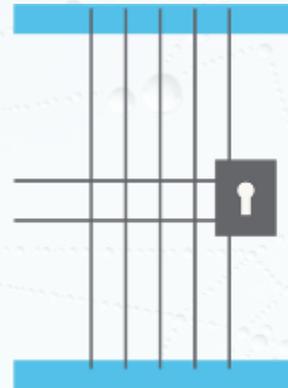
Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

It Costs The Same to Provide



3 Days
at Harborview

=



3 Months
in a King County Jail

=



One Year
of Permanent Supportive
Housing

A Proven Solution to End Chronic Homelessness

Permanent Supportive Housing

Permanent

Tenants can live there as long they want – it's not a temporary shelter. Most stay for the rest of their lives.

Supportive

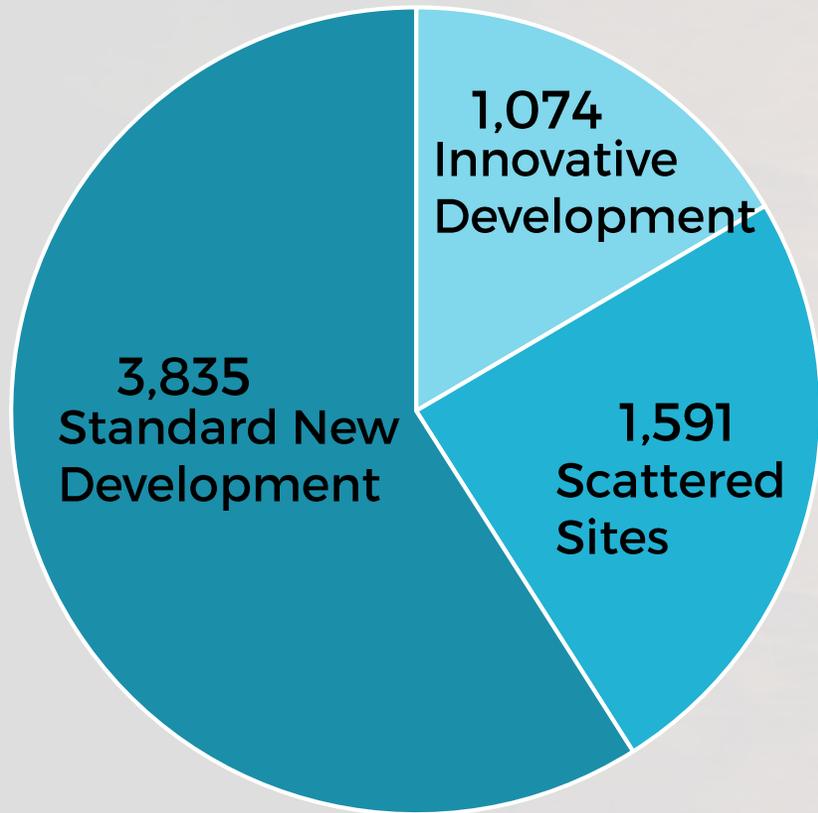
Tenants are provided robust, voluntary services aimed at housing retention and achieving life goals.

Housing

Tenants sign leases and contribute up to 30% of their income for their apartments, the same place they return to every day.

Living in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)





We need to create 6,500 more permanent supportive housing units in King County

- 16.5% through innovative development
- 24.5% through increasing scattered sites
- 59% through standard new development

Moving Forward, Faster Together



Status Quo Approach:

- Insufficient
- Costly
- Slow

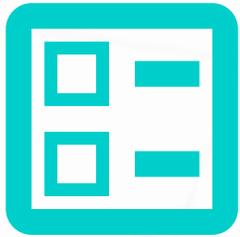


Permanent Supportive Housing:

- Cost effective, sustainable plan
- Addresses individual needs
- Saves taxpayer dollars

In 5 years, we can close the gap through a public/private partnership

Public-Private Partnership Framework



Formed through
legislature

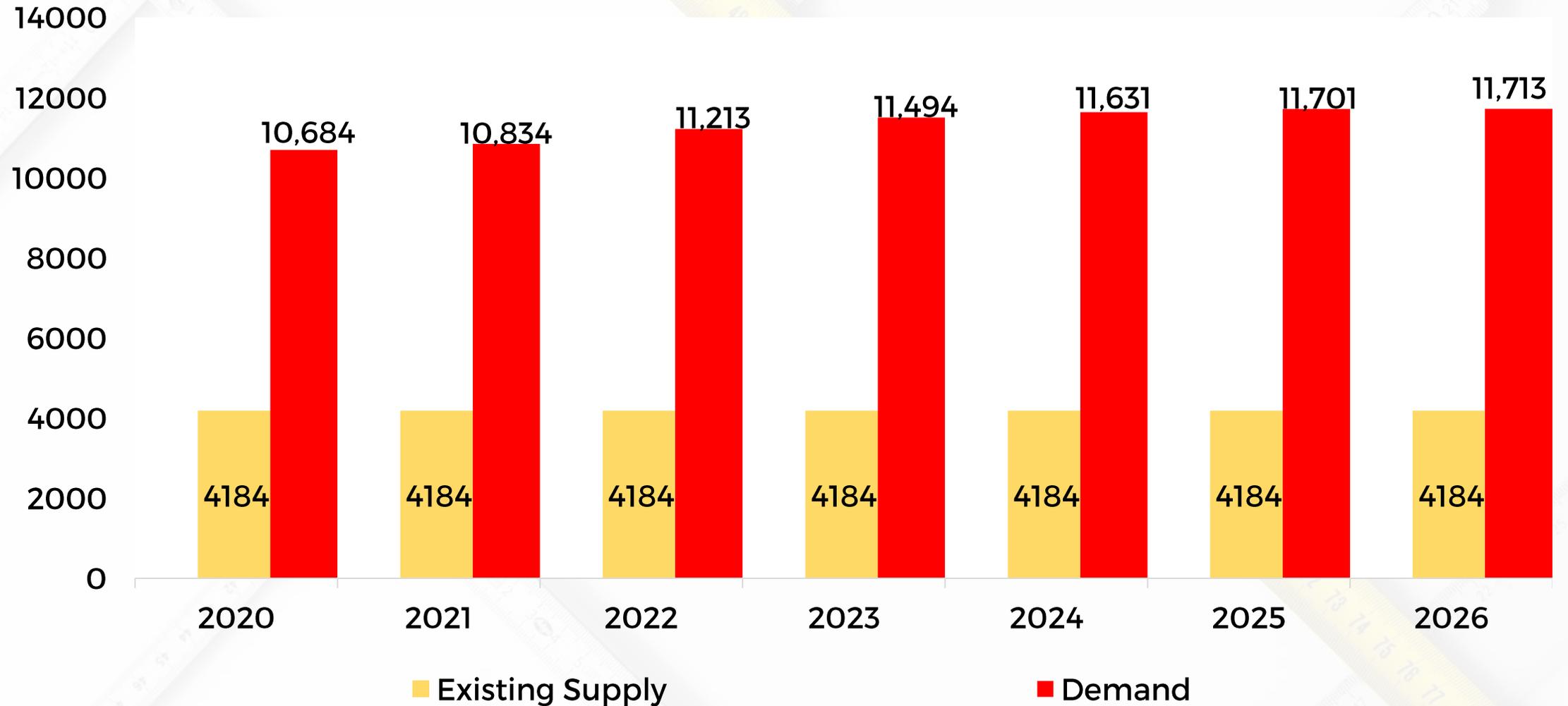


With representatives
from public and
private entities



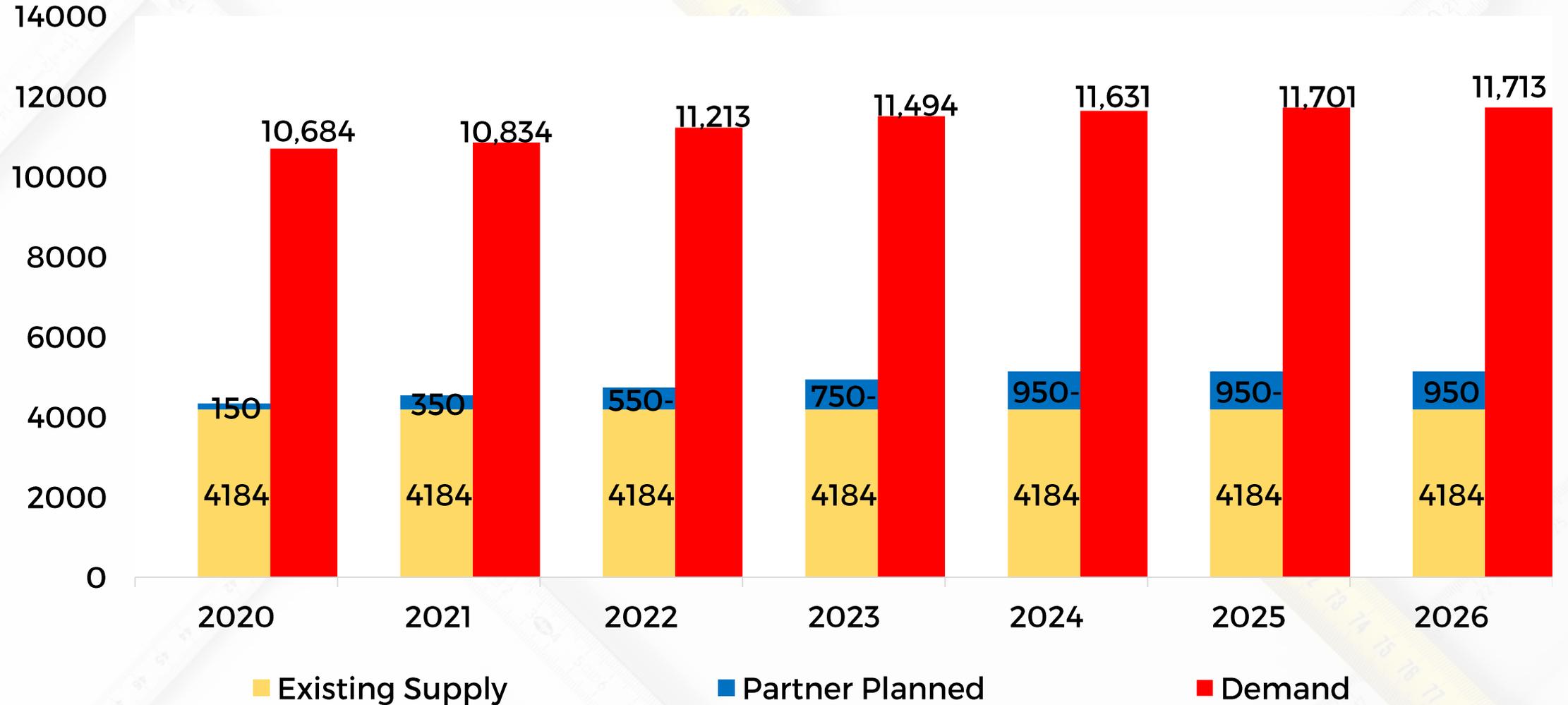
Managing a fund with
transparency and
accountability

Closing the Gap in Supply and Demand through Permanent Supportive Housing



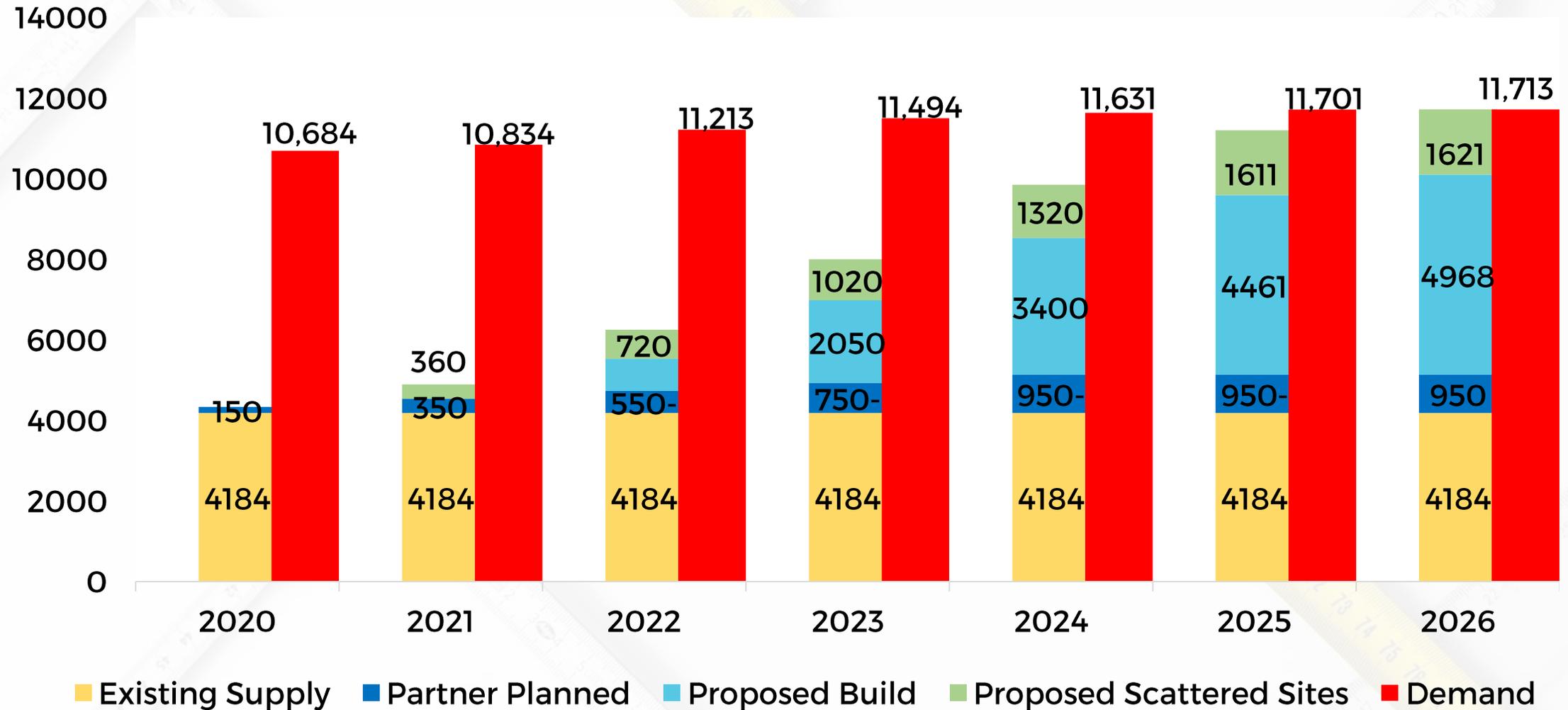
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Reducing the Cost to Build for Impact

Current Development (Today)

Avg Cost per unit:

\$331,953

Target

Avg Cost per unit:

\$284,155

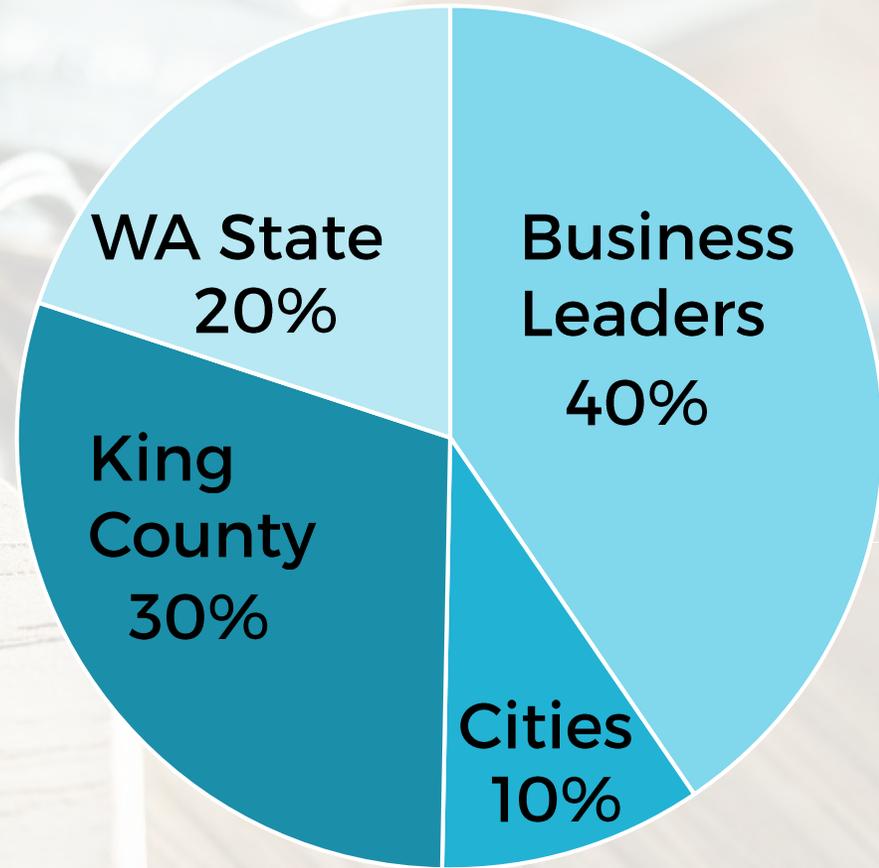
Savings 14%

\$47,798/unit

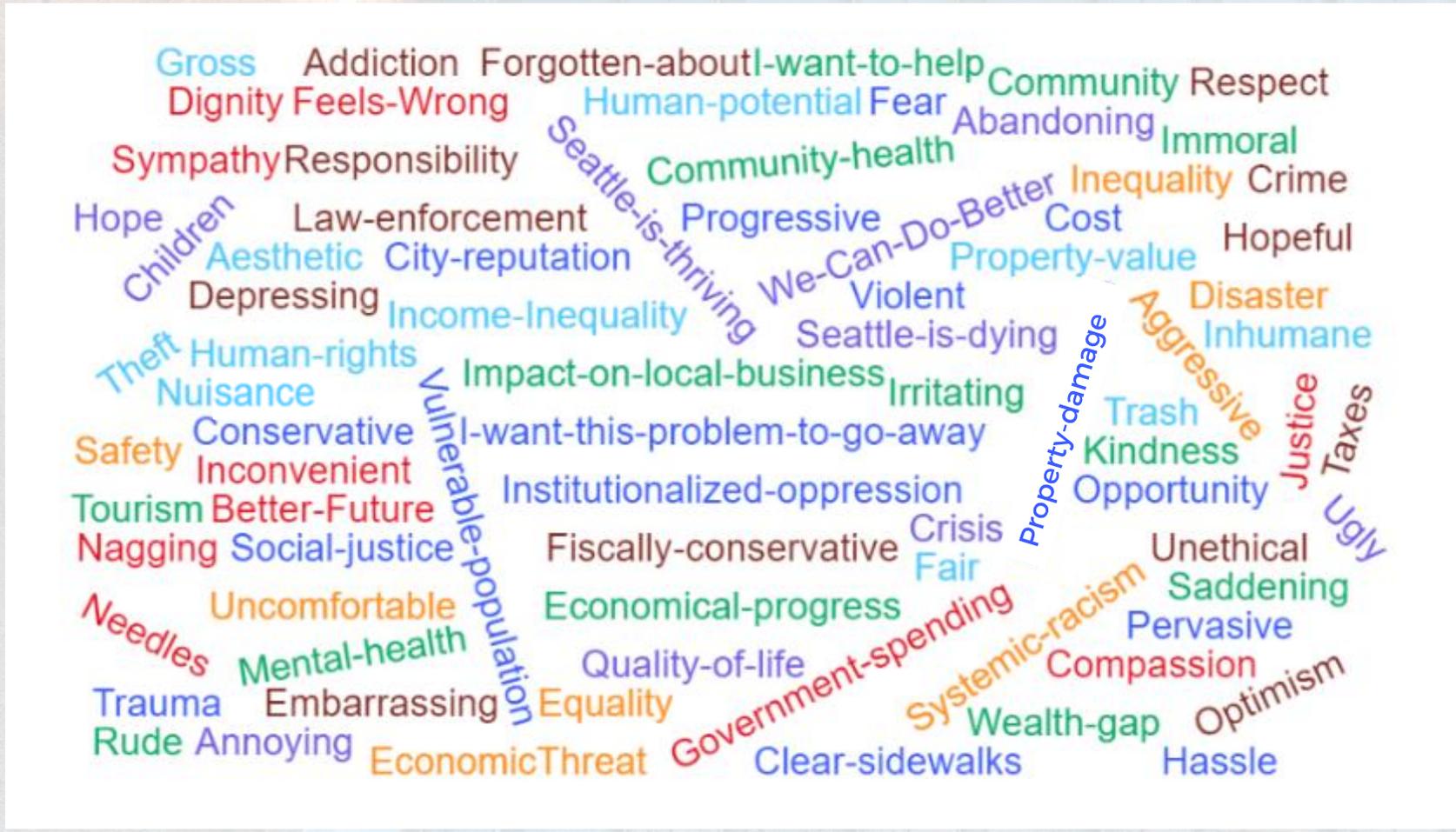
\$4,779,800/project

A Way to Create 6,500 Permanent Supportive Homes with \$1.676 billion in King County

Additionally, \$175 million to come from permanent annual levies to pay for annual operating and service costs



We Don't Have to Share the Same Reasons for Caring about this Issue to Solve It



We Are the



Leadership

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Project, Seattle University
School of Law

CHAD MACKAY
Fire & Vine Hospitality

MATT GALVIN
Pagliacci Pizza & Macrina
Bakery

JERI ANDREWS
Institutional Global Asset
Management/The Lion's Den

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Alliance

NOAH FAY
Downtown Emergency
Service Center

CATHERINE HINRICHSEN
Seattle University Project on
Family Homelessness

PAUL LAMBROS
Plymouth Housing

DANIEL MALONE
Downtown Emergency
Service Center

BEN MIKSCH
UnitedHealth Group

DEBBIE THIELE
Corporation for Supportive
Housing

H.S. WRIGHT III
Seattle Hospitality Group

STEVE WRIGHT
Arthritis Foundation

A Proposal Built on Data, Impact, and Partnership

- Focused on the most visible, vulnerable, costly, and solvable subset of our homeless crisis.
- Committed to collaboration and partnership – we don't have to agree on everything to agree on PSH as the most cost effective and humane solution.
- Evidence-based and data-driven. No other intervention has been as studied and proven to work.
- Informed by 2 years of analyzing needs and ways to effectively bring PSH to scale.
- Aware that government cannot solve homelessness alone, especially in light of strained local and regional budgets. We need a public private partnership to respond to this crisis.
- Pursuing transparency and accountability; we recognize the need to communicate what is being done and how it is working.

Over the next 5 years, we can house the most visible, vulnerable, and costly homeless population in King County.

How will you contribute?

Working Together to Bring King County Home

**Make a
Commitment.**

**Share Our
Story.**

**Make an
Introduction.**