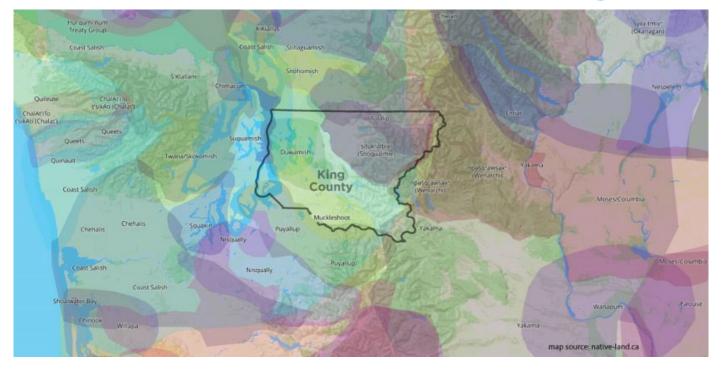


# 2023 Energy, Utility, & Resource Summit

## **House Keeping**

- Take care of your needs
- Practice active listening
- Be curious
- Make connections here and follow-up afterwards
- Wi-fi is available:

## **Ancestral Land Acknowledgement**



We acknowledge that the city of Seattle and its greenspaces are on stolen Coast Salish land, specifically the ancestral land of the Duwamish, Suquamish, Stillaguamish, and Muckleshoot People. We recognize the stewardship of Seattle's greenspaces by the Coast Salish people since time immemorial, the disruption of this work by colonization, and now endeavor to continue this work. - Green Seattle Partnership

# **Agenda**

9:00-9:10	Welcome & Land Acknowledgement		
9:10-9:30	Introductions & Welcome from Dr. Shukri Olow, HSD Director		
9:30-11:00	Keynote Speaker: <u>Ashley McGirt-Adair</u> , <u>Washington Therapy Fund</u>		
11:00-11:10	Break		
11:10-1:40	Speakers: Chaney Kilpatrick, Human Service Department, Tatiana Whitmire, Seattle Public Utilities, Andrew Rodriguez and Lani Loumoli, Seattle City Light		
11:40-1:50	Mialee Jose, Seattle Public Utilities		
11:50-12:00	Q & A		
12:00-1:00	Lunch, Raffle and Resource Table		
1:00-1:10	Speaker: Callista Kennedy, Public Health-Seattle & King County		
1:10-1:20	Speaker: Aden Hussein, African Community Housing		
1:20-1:30	Speaker: Elise Kalstad, Seattle Affordability Portal		
1:30-1:40	Speaker: Lindsey Bui, Mt. Baker Housing Association		
1:40-1:50	Q & A		
1:50-2:00	Wrap-up and Thank you		
2:00-2:30	Visit Resource Tables		
2:30-5:00	Tour Museum of Flight		



Dr. Shukri Olow, Youth and Family Empowerment Division Director

### **WELCOME!**

### City of Seattle Energy, Utility, & Resource Summit













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### **UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**







- Aging and Disability Services (Human Services Department)
- African Community Housing & Development (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Amerigroup (Resource Table)
- Asian Counseling and Referral Services
- Association of Zambians in Seattle
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Ballard Food Bank
- Build Lake City Together
- Byrd Barr Place
- Center for MultiCultural Health
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (Resource Table)
- Cham Refugees Community
- Chinese Information and Service Center
- City of Seattle Information Technology
- Downtown Emergency Service Center

- East African Community Services (Resource Table)
- FamilyWorks
- First Tongan Senior Association
- Harborview Pioneer Square Clinic
- Highline School District
- Hopelink
- Human Services Department (Resource Table)
- International Drop-In Center
- Interim Community Development Association
- Khmer Community of Seattle King County
- King County Regional Homelessness Authority
- Lifelong
- Madison Clinic/Harborview Medical Center
- Mercy Housing (Presenter)
- Mt. Baker Housing Association (Presenter)
- Neighborhood House

- Neighborcare Health
- North Helpline
- Odessa Brown Seattle Childrens Clinic
- Open Arms Perinatal Services
- Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank
- Public Health Seattle & King County (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Queen Anne Helpline
- Salvation Army
- Seattle City Light (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Seattle Public Utilities (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Seattle Housing Authority
- Seattle Information Technology (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Seattle Public Libraries (Presenter & Resource Table)
- Seattle Public Schools
- Somali Family Safety Task Force
- Sound Generations

- Southwest Youth and Family Services
- St. James Cathedral
- St. Vincent de Paul
- The Silent Task Force
- University District Food Bank
- Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle
- Villa Comunitaria
- Washington Therapy Fund Foundation (Presenter & Resource Table)
- West Seattle Food Bank
- YMCA

## **Keynote: Ashley McGirt-Adair**

Slide deck

### **Break**

- Take care of yourself
- Visit the resource tables
- Meet someone new
- Return by 11:10 AM



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Добро пожаловать

# Welcome

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**lity Bill Assistance Programs**Utility bill assistance programs help income eligible customers with affordable utility bills through discounted rates, and/or reduction in their outstanding balance.

#### Programs include:

- SPU and SCL Utility Discount Program
- SPU Emergency Assistance Program
- Seattle City Light Emergency Bill Assistance
- LIHEAP Federal Home Energy Assistance
- Short- and Long-Term Payment Plans

# Acronyms Used in this Presentation

- **SPU** = SEATTLE PUBLIC UTILITIES
- **SCL** = SEATTLE CITY LIGHT
- **EBA** = EMERGENCY BILL ASSISTANCE (SCL)
- **EAP** = EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SPU)
- UDP = UTILITY DISCOUNT PROGRAM (SPU+SCL)
- **HH** = HOUSEHOLD
- **S/E** = SELF-EMPLOYMENT
- DSHS = DEPT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
- LIHEAP = LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



**Utility Discount Program Stakeholders** 

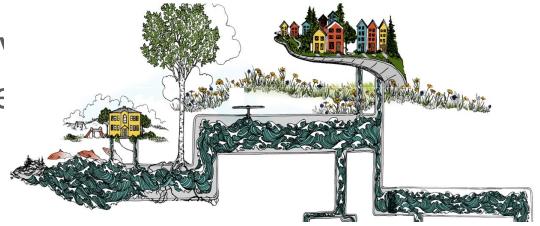
- Human Services
   Department
- Seattle City Light
- Seattle Public Utilities



# City Ordinance Established on Jan 1,1990

 Section 21.49.040 SMC - Residential Rate Assistance

Objective: To provious low-income reside



### **Program Features**

- 60% discount on SCL bill
- 50% discount on SPU bill if bill is in customer's name
- Non-Senior HH –
   Renewal is every 2 years
- Senior HH (at least age







# How to Apply for Utility Discount



Primary Eligibility Requirements

Name on SCL account should match UDP

Name on SCL account should match UDP applicant's name.

- Primary SCL account holder must be at least 18 years old.
- Household income must be at or below 70% of state median income.
- Any valid government-issued ID
- One-month income documentation while meeting the annual household income criteria
- 3-month income and/or other documentation as requested for Self-employed customers
- SNAP ID # for new applicants



### **Utility Discount Program 2023 INCOME GUIDELINES**

Household Size	Gross Monthly Income	Gross Yearly Income
1	\$3,441	\$41,292
2	\$4,500	\$54,000
3	\$5,558	\$66,696
4	\$6.617	\$79,404
5	\$7,676	\$92,112
6	\$8,734	\$104,808
7	\$8,933	\$107,196
8	\$9,131	\$109,572
9	\$9,330	\$111,960
10	\$9,528	\$114,336
<b>Each Additional</b>	\$199	\$2,388

# Ways to Apply for the Utility Discount Program (UDP)

- Call (206) 684-0268 to apply. (Monday-Thursday)
- Visit our office and meet with a representative.
- Attend an outreach event.
- Return signed application with required documents by mail, email or fax.
- Complete an online enrollment form by going to our website @ www.seattle.gov/UDP

### **Contact Us**

Address:

810 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, Suite 440 Central Building

b/w Marion and Columbia St.

Walk-in hours: 8:00 to 10:00 AM AND 12:00 to 2:00 PM Monday through Friday

Email: <u>UDP@seattle.gov</u>

Telephone: 206.684.0268

Fax: 206-621-5012



35,685 customers are currently enrolled in the program.



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

1

How long does it take to process my application?

If completed application is received, it may take 2 to 5 days to process and approve. Takes 1 to 2 billing cycles before discount is applied to SCL bill

2

#### Will this help with my current bill?

No, but we refer customers to SCL EBA, SPU EAP AND our community partners who may assist e.g., LIHEAP, 211, Salvation Army, Catholic Comm Services, etc. 3

Will the discount transfer with a client when they move to a new residence?

Yes, customer calls City Light and completes a Move in Move Out Service Request, then calls UDP

#### **Revisions to the Program Guidelines**

- Medicare Part B amount is now deducted from the total household gross income
- IRA is no longer considered as income
- Customers residing in subsidized housing are now eligible
- For new applications only, if SCL customer is verified as ACTIVE SNAP recipient in DSHS, HH does not need to submit income documents
- 1-month income verification required while still meeting the annual household income criteria



#### **Seattle Public Utilities – Emergency Assistance Program (EAP)**

- EAP is one of Seattle Public Utilities' customer affordability programs providing financial assistance to customers having difficulties paying their utility bills.
- Income-eligible customers may receive immediate, emergency assistance to reduce balances on their SPU (Water, Sewer, Solid Waste) bills
- Eligible households can receive up to \$980 per year to help pay outstanding balances.
- To qualify, a household needs to make less than the 80% of the Washington State median income.

### **SPU EAP – How to Qualify**

- To qualify for emergency assistance, the customer must meet all of the following criteria:
  - Property must be a single-family residence. Duplexes, apartments, and commercial properties do not qualify for emergency assistance.
  - Income eligible:
    - Gross household income is at or below 80% of Washington's State Median Income; OR
    - SPU/SCL account is currently on UDP rate; OR
    - Has received SCL EBA pledge in the current pledge year; OR
    - Is verified as ACTIVE SNAP recipient.
  - Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) account is in the applicant's name or, if a renter, City Light account is in the applicant's name.
  - Everyone eligible for EAP in 2023 can receive pledges up to \$980 for the year.

## Ways to Apply for SPU EAP

- Complete an application
- Online application @ <a href="https://utilityassistance.seattle.gov/">https://utilityassistance.seattle.gov/</a>
  - Can use one application to apply for multiple assistance programs
- Paper or PDF application by request:
  - Email <u>SPU EAP@seattle.gov</u>
  - Call: 206-684-3000
  - Can also be found online at <u>SPU Website</u>
  - Return completed and signed application with required documents by mail, email or fax.

### **EAP - Frequently Asked Questions**

1

How long does it take to process my application?

- Timeframes may change depending on staffing and number of applications being received at any given time
- Once approved, it can take up to 2 weeks for pledge to be applied to the account.
- Customer should see the pledge reflected in their next bill.

#### Will this help with my current bill?

#### Yes!

- EAP pledges are applied to your current account balance.
- Your balance can be current OR past due.
- You do not need a minimum balance to apply and receive EAP pledges
- You only have to apply once for the year, but can receive up to \$980 in pledges multiple times in that year (max 4 times)

Can I receive EAP if the SPU bill isn't in my name, but I'm responsible for paying it? (Tenants/Occupants)

#### Yes!

If the applicant is a tenant or occupant of a Single-Family Residence, and the Seattle City light bill is in their name, they can apply and receive SPU EAP pledges towards the SPU bill at the property



#### Seattle City Light- Emergency Bill Assistance (EBA)

- EBA is one of Seattle City Light's customer affordability programs providing financial assistance to customers having difficulties paying their utility bills.
- Income-eligible customers may receive immediate, emergency assistance to reduce balances on their Seattle City Light (electric) bill
- Eligible households can receive up to \$1000 in 2023 to help pay past due balances.

#### City Light EBA – How to Qualify

- To qualify for emergency assistance, the customer must meet all the following criteria:
  - Seattle City Light account is in the applicant's name, and is active at the time of applying
  - Account balance has a minimum of \$250 past due
  - Income eligible:
    - Gross household income is at or below 80% of Washington's State Median Income; *OR*
    - SPU/SCL account is currently on UDP rate; OR
    - Has received SPU EAP pledge in the current pledge year; OR
    - Is verified as ACTIVE SNAP recipient.

### Ways to Apply for City Light EBA

- Complete a combined Utility Assistance Program application
- Online @ <a href="https://utilityassistance.seattle.gov/">https://utilityassistance.seattle.gov/</a>
  - Can use one application to apply for multiple assistance programs (EAP, EBA, UDP)
- Paper or PDF application by request:
  - Email <u>SPUCustomerService@seattle.gov</u>
  - Call: 206-684-3000
  - Can also be found online at <u>SPU</u> and <u>HSD</u> websites
  - Return completed and signed application with required documents by mail, email or fax.

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#### **EBA - Frequently Asked Questions**

1

How long does it take to process my application?

- Timeframes may change depending on staffing and number of applications being received at any given time
- It can take 4 6 weeks for processing applications
- Applications will be processed in the order in which they are received

#### Will this help with my current bill?

EBA specifically assists with past-due balances.

- To receive EBA, you must have a past due balance of at least \$250
- You only have to apply once for the year
- Once you have been approved to receive assistance, you can receive up to a total of \$1000 for the 2023 calendar year

What if the account is in danger of being disconnected?

- When an EBA application is received, a temporary Credit and Collections hold is placed on the account, stopping any steps to disconnect the account
- Once the EBA application process is complete, the temporary hold is removed.

### What if the customer has already been disconnected?

- The quickest way to restore power is to work out an arrangement with the SCL Contact Center or Credit and Collections.
- Additionally, affected customers can pursue funding from community orgs (including LIHEAP agencies).
- If a customer applies for EBA and is approved, their power will be restored within 24 hours.

# SPU EAP AND SCL EBA 2023 Income aidelines

Household Size	Gross <u>Monthly</u> Household Income	Gross <u>Annual</u> Household Income
1	\$3,932	\$47,184
2	\$5,142	\$61,704
3	\$6,352	\$76,224
4	\$7,562	\$90,744
5	\$8,772	\$105,264
6	\$9,982	\$119,784
Each add'l	\$227	\$2,724



# LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

- Federally-funded program that provides grants of up to \$1000 annually to help customers afford their energy bills (electricity, natural gas, heating oil, wood, propane).
- Administered through several community-based organizations
  - Byrd Barr Place (for SCL households within Seattle city limits)
  - Hopelink (for SCL households north of Seattle)
  - Multi-Service Center (for SCL households south of Seattle city limits)
- Community organizations:
  - Verify applicant eligibility (household income of 150% of Federal Poverty Level or below, based on household size)
  - Calculate the grant amount based on (a) cost to heat home over previous 12 months, (b) household average monthly income, and (c) number of people in home
- If approved for an energy assistance grant, payment is sent directly to the energy provider (e.g., SCL) and placed as a credit on the customer account.
- Households with energy costs bundled into their rent are also eligible for assistance; if approved the organization sends a check directly to the vendor/landlord.

### **LIHEAP 2023 Income Guidelines**

Household Size	Average <u>Monthly</u> Household Income
1	\$1,823
2	\$2,465
3	\$3,108
4	\$3,750
5	\$4,393
6	\$5,035
Each add'l	+ \$643

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# Low Income Water Conservation Programs

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### **Overview**

- Single Family Homeowners: Free toilets and installation
- Multifamily: Free toilets (plus \$100 toward installation) and common area clothes washers
- New toilets are 1.1 gallon per flush (gpf) or less and meet performance standards
- Retrofits only no new construction

### **Single Family Program**

- 1 free toilet and installation
- Implemented by Sound Generations' Minor Home Repair program
- Process
  - Call 206-448-5751 (Sound Generations)
  - Sound Generations does intake & schedules appt
  - Sends plumber to install & recycle old toilet(s)
  - Easy for homeowners!



# Single Family Program Qualifications

- SPU customer
- Owner occupied (May add renters in
- Meet income qualifications
  - Less than 80% of state median income
  - Ex: 1 person \$47,184; 4 people \$90,744
- Existing toilets installed before 2004



### **Multifamily Program**

- Toilets & clothes washers (common area)
- · 100% of fixture cost
- \$100 per toilet for installation
- 100% of clothes washer instal



# Multifamily Program Qualifications

- SPU customer
- Non-profit multifamily property (4 units or more)
- Building is subject to rent or income restrictions
  - Less than 80% of state median income (\$47,184 1 person,
     \$90,744 4 people)
- Existing toilets installed before 2004 (no new construction)

## Why Participate?

- Save money on water costs (and often sewer costs)
- Save water
  - Approximately 10-30% reduction
- Save energy (for clothes washers)
- Reduce maintenance
- Help the environment



# **Low-Income Program Information**

Go to: <a href="mailto:seattle.gov/utilities/FreeToilets">seattle.gov/utilities/FreeToilets</a>

### **Questions?**

- Single Family:
  - Program Manager Mialee Jose –
     mialee.jose@seattle.gov or 206-615-1452
  - To Participate Email Sound Generations' Minor Home Repair Program at MHR@Soundgenerations.org or call 206-448-5751
- Multifamily:
  - Program Manager Melissa Levo 206-615-1282,
     melissa.levo@seattle.gov

# Overview – Market Rate Programs

- Residential
  - \$100 rebate per toilet (1.1 gpf or less)
- Landscape Watering
  - Up to \$100 rebate for eligible sprinkler timers
  - Up to 50% of irrigation upgrade projects
- Commercial
  - Fixed and custom rebates available for toilets, refrigeration, kitchen, medical equipment, etc.



# Market Rate Program Information

Go to: <a href="mailto:savingwater.org/rebates">savingwater.org/rebates</a>





Callista Kennedy | Project Program Manager IV | (206) 263-8368 | callista.kennedy@kingcounty.gov



Access & Outreach Program
Who are we?

**Build Systems** 

**Assure Access** 

Develop/Implement enrollment programs

Enroll the most vulnerable into program & service

Racism is a Public Health Crisis (Black/Hispanic-LatinX Equity Teams)

King County Navigator Network

King County ORCA Lift Network



We help resident enroll over the phone for most programs. This includes:

Community
Health Access
Program (CHAP)
1-800-756-5437

Health Insurance
ORCA Lift
Basic Food
Energy Assistance
Help Finding a Medical/Dental Provider
Breast Cervical Colon Health Program
King County Adult Dental Program
And much more!!!





# Lead Organization for Health Insurance Enrollment

#### **Three Counties**

- King
- Clallam
- Jefferson

#### **Robust Network of Navigator Partners**

- 39 Partners
- Over 300 Navigators
- Diverse Network representing the communities we serve

# OTHER PROGRAMS



#### ORCA LIFT offers reduced transit fare for qualifying adults 19-64.

This program reduces fare to \$1.00 any time of day. The fare, applies to travel on Metro buses, Kitsap Transit, Seattle Streetcar, Sound Transit buses, Sound Transit Link Light Rail, Sounder Train, Pierce Transit, & Everett Transit. And **discounted fares** on the Community Transit and King County Water Taxi, and Monorail.

Adult clients on Apple Health or Basic Food are income eligible!!!

ORCA Lift Subsidized Program is no charge for people on SSI or receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

All youth 18 & under ride for free!!!

Enroll: Call CHAP- 1-800-756-5437

On-line: www.reducedfare.kingcounty.gov

In Person:

Public Health LIFT Office: 201 South Jackson St., Seattle 98104 (next to Metro Pass Sales)

Federal Way Public Health Storefront: 1640 S 318th Pl. Federal Way 98003



Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD) puts young children across King County on a lifelong path to good oral Health.

ABCD connects low-income families with dentist who know how to care for young children, focusing on prevention and avoiding tooth decay, as well as educating parents about how to take good care of their children's teeth.

First tooth,
First birthday,
First dental visit

1-800-756-5437 www.kingcounty.gov/ABCD

You can also download the King County Dental list.

#### King County Prescription Discount Card

- •King County residents can show it to receive an average of 24% off the retail price of prescription medicine.
- •Residents who do not have insurance can show their card to save on all prescription purchases.
- •Residents who do have insurance can show the card when their prescription medicines are not covered by their insurance.
- •No annual limits placed on use.
- •No Application forms or waiting periods.
- •No age, income or immigration requirements

- It also covers pet prescriptions!!
- To print an ID card that can be used immediately at a participating pharmacy, locate a pharmacy, or access other program tools, visit www.nacorx.org, or call toll free 1-800-756-5437 for more information.
- The Live Healthy Discount Program is NOT health insurance.





# King County Adult Dental Program (KCADP)

- For residents living in King County who are not eligible for Apple Health due to citizenship status.
- Residents eligible will be covered dental services at our Public Health Center, Community Clinics, Mobile Van or other provider offices.
- To enroll they can call 1-800-756-5437 or contact a Public Health dental clinic.

#### Racism is a Public Health Crisis-Equity Programs

- Black, Hispanic/LatinX Communities & African Immigrant community.
- We're asking one question: What can Public Health do to improve relationships in your community".
- We are listening and responding!
- New King County Black Providers network. Kingcounty.gov/bcet





#### **Access & Outreach Team/Field/ Chinook/ Federal Way Storefront Team**

www.kingoounty.gov/outrooch

**Metro Storefront** 

(Next to Metro Customer Service) 201 S Jackson St Seattle, WA 98104

Mon-Thur 8:30am-4:30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat 10am-2pm

Federal Way Storefront 1640 South 318<sup>th</sup> Place Federal Way, WA 98023 Mon-Thurs 8:30am-5pm 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat 10am-2pm

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White Center	Blanca Phillips (Spanish)	(206) 477-6819	blanca.phillips@kingcounty.gov
Kent	Cristel Solis-Barrientos (Spanish)	(206) 477-0544	cristel.solis-barrientos@kingcounty.gov
Auburn	Leticia Vargas (Spanish)	(206) 263-1365	leticia.vargas@kingcounty.gov
Columbia	Rosa Zapata (Spanish)	(206) 477-7274	rosa.zapata@kingcounty.gov
Downtown	Rosie Martinez (Spanish)	(206) 848-0861	rosmartinez@kingcounty.gov
North	Fartun Mohamed (Somali)	(206) 477-9628	fartun.mohamed@kingcounty.gov
Eastgate	Enrique Palacios (Spanish)	(206) 477-0545	enrique.palacios@kingcounty.gov
Renton	Teresa Nguyen (Vietnamese)	(206) 477-1101	teresa.Nguyen@kingcounty.gov
Float/Metro	Karen-Hongyi Zou (Chinese)	(206)477-8716	karen-hongyi.zou@kingcounty.gov
Supervisor	Elizabeth Winders	(206) 263-0857	ewinders@kingcounty.gov



# AFRICAN COMMUNITY HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT

#### **OUR MISSION**

To provide opportunities for African Diaspora immigrant and refugee communities, families, and individuals in King County to attain health and housing stability, economic development, high-quality education, and access to legal services.

#### OUR VISION

An informed African immigrant and refugee community that is engaged in the holistic development of their families, communities, and

environment.

### MEET OUR FOUNDERS





#### HAMDI ABDULLE Executive Director

- Community Leader with 20+ years of service
- Recipient of
  - King County MLK Jr. Distinguished Service Medal
  - Congressman Smith's Champion of Justice Award
  - S.K.C.C.'s Human Services Equity Social Justice Award
- Multicultural, multilingual, & member of a variety of boards
  - Board Member, Communities of Concern
  - Board Member, All Home (King County)
  - Steering Committee Member, Rental Assistance and Homeless System Performance Measures (Dept. of Commerce)

#### BILAN ADEN, M.Ed. Associate Director

- Innovative thought leader and change maker with nearly 15 years of experience in community-building and organizing
- 2022 Puget Sound Business Journal 40 Under 40 Leader
- · Nonprofit Financial Stewardship Cert. & Family Engagement Cert. from Harvard University
- Masters in Education from University of Washington
- Member of
  - Black Homeownership Legacy Fund Committee (BHI)
  - Communities of Opportunity Governance Group
  - City of Seattle Sweetened Beverage Tax Advisory Board
- Chair of King County Immigrant and Refugee Commission

### BY THE NUMBERS



Just 42% of Black immigrant households own a home compared to 74% of white native-born households



25% of Black households in Washington are led by an immigrant or refugee



White households make 2.5x more than Black households on average: \$96,333 compared to \$39,936



King County, WA
has the 6th largest
East African
immigrant and
refugee population
in the country



The average price of a home in King County is \$800,000 as of February 2023

### AFRICAN COMMUNITY HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT

### BY THE NUMBERS

\$38M rent assistance distributed by ACHD from 2020 - 2023

number of individuals served annually by ACHD

9,000

- number of households
- receiving ACHD food assistance

**2,500** of ACHD participants that are women and children

languages and dialects spoken by ACHD participants

62%:

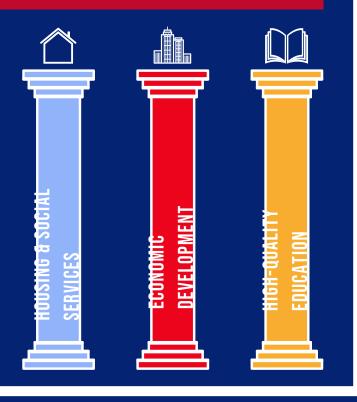






### OUR PILLARS

- Housing & Social Services
  - eviction prevention, housing support, senior care, food access, & basic needs
- Economic Development
  - small business assistance, workforce development,
     & continued education
- Education
  - STEAM program & outdoor curriculum, family engagement, & Black mentorship



### **EDUCATION**

- Outdoor S.T.E.A.M Education
  - Outdoor Explorers [aimed at upper elementary], Outdoor Leaders [aimed at middle school], & Outdoor Advocates [aimed at high school]
- Mentorship Program
  - high school students paired with adult mentors
- Collaborations with Highline Public Schools
   & Federal Way School District
  - family engagement



### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Workforce Development
  - in partnership with the Port of Seattle
- Small Business Support
  - a proud member of WA Dept. of Commerce's Small Business Resiliency Network
- Continued Education
  - in collaboration with Renton and Highline Technical Colleges, & the University of Washington
- Holistic Community Market Model





### HOUSING & SOCIAL SERVICES

- Jobs & Housing Program
  - supporting unhoused individuals find safe homes & fulfilling careers, ARPA funded
- Eviction Prevention
- Positive Senior Connections Program
- Youth & Family Homelessness Programs
- Health & Wellness Program
  - providing holistic health services at the Delridge Farmers Market
- Voter Education & Registration Program



## AFRICAN COMMUNITY HOUSING & UNIQUE WOODEL



CULTURALLY SPECIFIC & COMMUNITY DESIGNED SOLUTIONS FOR:







ROOTED IN THE PRINCIPLES OF:











ABUNDANCE, EQUITY, REPLICABILITY, SCALABILITY, & SUSTAINABILITY

### BY 2028...

**100** affordable, family-sized homeownership units

**250** affordable, family-sized rental units

**51,24** sq ft of commercial space for Black-owned businesses

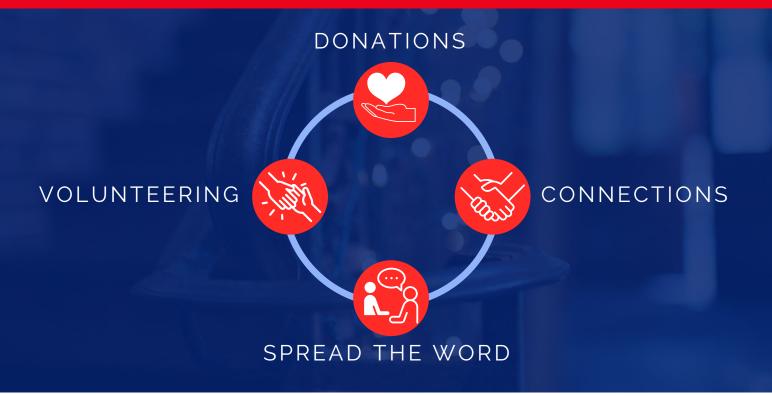
early learning & family engagement center







### HOW YOU CAN HELP



### Let's







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#### **VISION:**

We believe all people should have easy access to City programs that make it possible to live and thrive in Seattle.



### Affordable Seattle (seattle.gov/affordable)

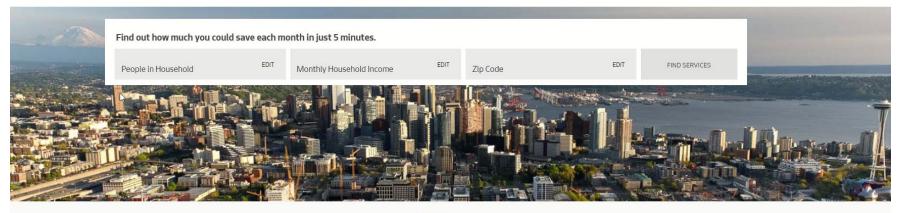




#### Affordable Seattle

Affordable Seattle is an online resource to help you find benefits you may be eliqible for in the City of Seattle.

GET HELP APPLYING





Programs with this symbol can be applied for online in under 10 minutes

#### **Community Programs**





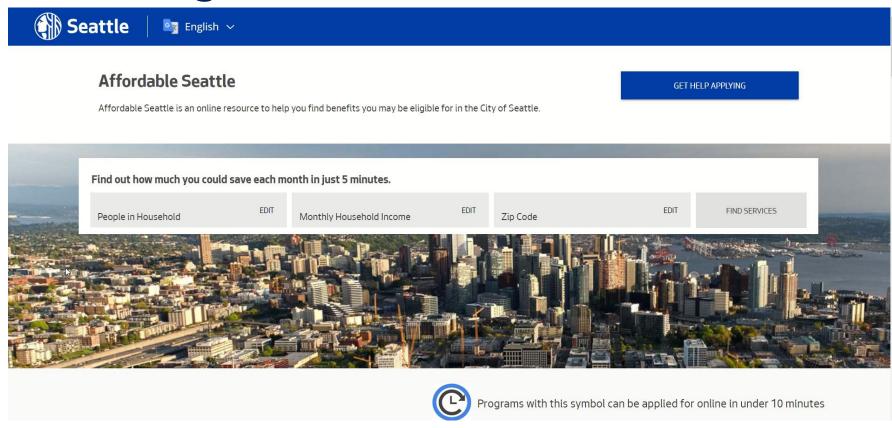




Find help in Seattle with child care, food, transportation and utilities. This list of programs and services offered by the City of Seattle can make life here a little more affordable for you.

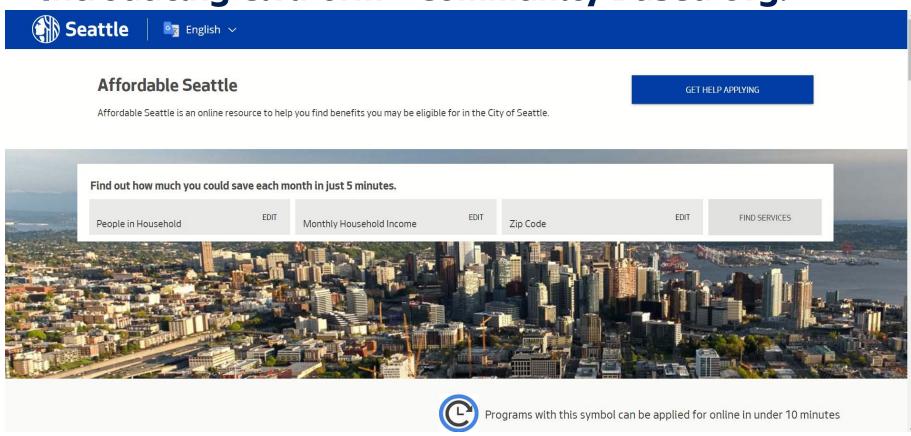


### **Introducing CiviForm**



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#### Introducing CiviForm - Community Based Org.



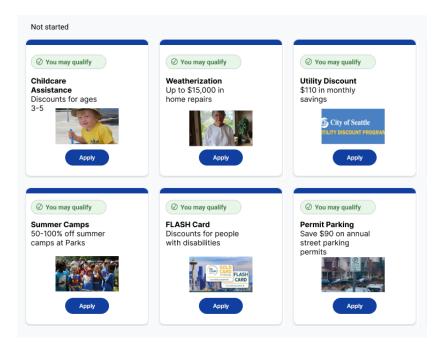
#### **Community-Centered Design**

- Ability to apply to programs on behalf of clients and get status updates
- Transferring applicant data across multiple applications to save time inputting details
- Clients can take control of their applications at any point
- Better access by not requiring an email to apply for programs



#### **Invitation to Contribute**

- We are in the beginning stages of building out this product.
- Not all city programs will be on this tool until the end of 2024.
- Focus on community-centered design
- Reimbursement to CBO for staff time.



#### **Invitation to Contribute**

Interested in adding your voice?

- User testing
- Research sessions
- Observations of current process

OR email/call <u>elise.kalstad@seattle.gov</u> 206.256.5515

Hold camera here!



# Mt. Baker Housing Association Lindsey Bui Services Coordinator

**Canva Presentation** 

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### **Questions?**

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## **Closing Reflections and Next Steps**

- Please provide your feedback by scanning the QR code
- Connect with others that you haven't had a chance to
- Please take the welcome packets with you and share broadly
- A follow-up email with the electronic version of emails will be shared with all attendees
- Visit the resource tables
- Enjoy the Museum of Flight exhibits
- Be safe, take care of yourselves, and each other



