

**CITY OF BREMERTON AND KITSAP COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT -
CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS**

KITSAP REGIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL (KRCC) –
HOMELESS HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM (HHGP)
AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM (AHGP)
CONSOLIDATED HOMELESS GRANT (CHG)

**2015 PROGRAM POLICY PLANS and GUIDING PRINCIPLES
2015 COORDINATED GRANT NOTICE of FUNDING AVAILABILITY**

2015 CDBG/HOME POLICY PLANS

The City of Bremerton and Kitsap County are Entitlement Communities under the Federally funded Community Development Block Grant Program. Funds are received annually from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for local projects that primarily benefit low income people. Examples of eligible types of projects are: housing, public services, economic development and capital facilities projects. The City and County have published a coordinated 2015 Policy Plan detailing the management of its CDBG and HOME programs. It is available for review on the City and County websites (addresses below).

2015 AHGP AND HHGP POLICY PLANS

Kitsap County receives funding through Washington State legislation for the Homeless Housing Grant Program (ESSHB 2163), providing grant funds to reduce homelessness in Kitsap County, and for the Affordable Housing Grant Program (SHB 2060), to develop and support affordable housing. Eligible recipients include public housing authorities, IRS-certified non-profit agencies/providers of homeless housing, Cities, the County, Tribes, and for-profit developers. The KRCC manages these two grant programs, and has published its Policy Plan detailing the programs' management on the KRCC and Kitsap County websites (addresses below).

2015 CHG POLICY PLAN

Kitsap County receives funding through Washington State Department of Commerce to support an integrated system of housing assistance to prevent homelessness and secure permanent housing for households who are unsheltered or in temporary housing. This grant provides resources to address the housing needs of people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness, as described in local plans to end homelessness. Kitsap Community Resources manages these grant funds and has published the Policy Plan detailing the management of the funds on Kitsap County's website (address below).

2015 COORDINATED GRANT APPLICATION

The City of Bremerton and Kitsap County Block Grant Programs, the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council, and Kitsap Community Resources present a coordinated 2015 Notice of Funding Availability for the aforementioned grant programs.

Total estimated grant funds, including program income, are \$4,052,553. Of this \$3,398,283 is available through this NOFA. Full details are available in Proposed Distribution of Funds tables in the NOFA.

All applicants must attend mandatory Technical Assistance on May 28, 2014, 9am, at the Norm Dicks Government Center, 1st Floor Meeting Chambers, 345 6th St, Bremerton.

The 2015 Grant Policy Plans and Guiding Principles and the Notice of Funding Availability, including detailed funding availability by source and important dates, are posted on the City's website at <http://www.ci.bremerton.wa.us/display.php?id=788>, the County's website at http://www.kitsapgov.com/hs/block_grant_program/Application_Cycle.htm, and on the KRCC's website at http://www.kitsapregionalcouncil.org/housing_cga.php. Printed copies of the policy plans are available for review by request. Please inquire for more information. Further information, changes and updates will also be posted on these sites.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City and County Block Grant Programs and the KRCC are seeking written public comment now through May 20, 2014 on these four items. Please submit all comments to Kitsap County Block Grant Program, 345 6th Street, Suite 400, Bremerton, WA 98337.

*****Dates To Remember*****

5/21/2014 Public Hearing / City Council Meeting for the Adoption of the 2015 CDBG/HOME Policy Plan.
NDGC 1st Floor Meeting Chambers, 345 6th St, 5:30pm.

5/27/2014 Public Hearing / KRCC adoption of the 2015 CDBG/HOME Policy Plan, and 2015 HHGP/AHGP Guiding Principles.
NDGC 1st Floor Meeting Chambers, NDGC, 345 6th St, 10am.

5/28/2014 Mandatory Technical Assistance for all 2015 Coordinated Funding Applicants. 9am – 1pm. NDGC 1st Floor Meeting Chambers, 345 6th St, Bremerton.

7/1/2014 Coordinated Grant Online Applications due. Submit online by noon.

Dates, times and locations are subject to change.

All meeting locations are accessible to those with disabilities. For information or to make further accommodations, please contact Bonnie Tufts (btufts@co.kitsap.wa.us), Marie Vila (Marie.Vila@ci.bremerton.wa.us), or Kirsten Jewell (kirsten@kitsapregionalcouncil.org) at least 48 hours in advance.