SKHHP 2025 Legislative Forum

Friday, September 19, 2025 | 1 PM | Tukwila Community Center

Purpose | Uplift and amplify the good work of SKHHP as a unified, coordinated, and collaborative voice. Show South King County's strength on the topic of affordable housing to demonstrate the power of the SKHHP coalition to state legislators.

Facilitator | Claire Goodwin

Attendees and Roles | Executive Board Members (speakers as assigned and roundtable facilitators); Staff Work Group Members (support staff, subject-matter experts, and observers); Advisory Board Members (greeters and observers); SKHHP staff (logistics); State Delegates (audience); Others (audience)

Agenda

1:04 PM – Meeting Start (Mayor Ralph)

1:05 PM – Introduction (Claire Goodwin)

Description: Introduction, purpose of the event, agenda, timeline, snacks, bathrooms, emergency exit, handouts on tables to take, attendees, and icebreaker.

1:25 PM – Welcome (Mayor McLeod)

Description: Welcome from Tukwila as host city. Importance of SKHHP to Tukwila.

1:27 PM – A History of SKHHP and the Housing Capital Fund (Mayor Ralph)

Description: An overview of SKHHP, including why SKHHP was formed and key milestones. Describe impact of the Housing Capital Fund on affordable housing in South King County. Reference that the cities are using 1406 and 1590 and we are thanking the legislators for those revenue tools!

1:33 PM – Legislature Supporting South King County and SKHHP in 2026 (CMs Lovell and Schroff)

Description: Call to action based on SKHHP legislative priority. South King County has immense needs and lacks the resources to create the affordable housing units required to accommodate the future growth of the region. Let's be partners to address these challenges together!

1:38 PM - Roundtable Discussions (Claire Goodwin)

Description: Explain roundtable process and table assignments.

1:40 PM – First Roundtable | Highlight Housing Capital Fund Projects (All)

Table Facilitators: Executive Board Members

Description: Five tables of 6-8 participants. Table assignments provided.

Topic: Discuss overall housing needs (308k affordable housing units needed across King County by 2044, 31k alone in South King County); highlight SKHHP Housing Capital Fund projects, their impact, the people who will benefit, and who funded them.

2:00 PM - Second Roundtable | SKHHP Legislative Priorities (All)

Table Facilitators: Executive Board Members

Description: Executive Board Members remain at their original table. Guests mix and change tables. Will need at least one Legislator at each table.

Topic: Highlight the SKHHP legislative priority:

- South King County is facing a growing affordable housing crisis. In order to address this crisis, we need to fund aspects of affordable housing that include:
 - Homeownership for moderate income households and below
 - Preservation of naturally occurring affordable housing (NOAH)
 - Land acquisition to secure permanent affordability
 - Permanent supportive housing (PSH)
 - Infrastructure around affordable housing developments
 - Workforce housing; especially smaller sized units below 60% AMI and family sized units at all income levels

2:20 PM – Questions (Claire Goodwin)

Description: Inquire with the group if there are any questions that would benefit the group for clarification before closing out.

2:25 PM – Close Out (Mayor Ralph)

Description: Thank guests for engagement and willingness to connect and join in dialogue. Encourage continued dialogue and outreach to SKHHP. Keep South King County in mind when thinking about affordable housing during the budget development process. Conclude event by 2:30pm.