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King County

June 8, 2026

Kelly Kinnison, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer
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RE: King County Regional Homelessness Authority's Corrective Action Plan Response

Dear Dr. Kinnison:

The King County Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS) and the City of Seattle Human Services Department (HSD) have completed our review of the King County Regional Homelessness Authority's (KCRHA) Corrective Action Plan (CAP) submitted on May 22, 2026.

King County and the City of Seattle are committed to strong financial stewardship of public funds. The April 17, 2026 Forensic Evaluation uncovered several areas for improvement. KCRHA is responsible for administering public funds transparently and effectively, and it is imperative that the items identified in the evaluation be resolved expeditiously.

As a next step, the County and City will partner to quickly embed an external financial consultant within KCRHA to assist with stabilizing the organization and advancing improvements.

A full assessment of KCRHA's CAP is enclosed with this letter. KCRHA's comprehensive CAP addresses key areas to improve fiscal oversight, but additional documentation and a clear internal control framework are still needed. Section 7 of the assessment (pages 20-21) lists immediate, near-term and ongoing action DCHS and HSD require of KCRHA.

- By July 31, 2026, please provide DCHS and HSD with proof that the four immediate recommendations have been met:
 1. Require written response on three absent governance directives related to the hiring freeze, discretionary spending freeze, and the pause on new agreements increasing costs or liability;

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2. Require evidence-based confirmation of the four May 8 high-risk responses;
 3. Require a specific corrective action plan for the \$6.4M programmatic overspend;
 4. Require a written description of an interim federal compliance framework.
- By August 28, 2026, please provide DCHS and HSD with proof that the three near-term recommendations have been met:
 1. Require direct funder review of Phase 1 deliverables;
 2. Engage independent verification of areas designated 'Implemented/Continuing';
 3. Establish a CFO hire timeline with a specific target date.
 - By September 30, 2026, please provide DCHS and HSD with proof that the three ongoing oversight conditions are in place.
 1. Require Finance Committee reporting directly to funders on a defined schedule;
 2. Require milestone-linked reporting with quantitative before-and-after comparisons;
 3. Treat external stabilization support as a prerequisite for Phase 2 and 3 milestones.


Thank you for your commitment to serving the community. If you have any questions, please contact us at jelani.jackson@kingcounty.gov and chris.klaeyesen@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,

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City of Seattle HSD

Enclosure: KCRHA Corrective Action Plan Assessment

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The Honorable Katie Wilson, City of Seattle Mayor
KCRHA Governing Board Members
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