

2018 Moving to Work Annual Report Highlights

Households Served

- Seattle Housing Authority served more than 35,000 people in 2018. Roughly a third were children and 20 percent were seniors.
- Median income for SHA households at year end was \$12,000. Approximately 84 percent of households were extremely low income (earning less than 30 percent of Area Median Income).

Housing Resources

- Seattle Housing Authority's year end affordable housing stock included nearly 6,000 public housing units and 10,000 vouchers. Additional households were served through various programs such as Section 8 Moderate Rehab and tax credit units.
- Seattle Housing Authority awarded 55 new project-based vouchers that will support permanent service-enriched housing programs, in addition to SHA's more than 3,700 existing project-based vouchers.
- Building upgrades in 2018 included roofs, exteriors, and elevator design work at multiple properties, including Jefferson Terrace, scattered sites locations, and several Seattle Senior Housing Program buildings.
- The agency has completed security upgrades at Bitter Lake, Columbia Place, Gideon Matthews Gardens, South Park Manor, Reunion House, and Pinehurst Court, and installation has begun at the remaining sixteen Seattle Senior Housing Program buildings.





Waiting Lists

- The number of households waiting for public housing remained high at 6,700 households as of year-end.
- Seattle Housing Authority held a lottery in 2017 to establish a new Housing Choice Voucher waiting list of 3,500 households. As of year-end 2018 2,100 households remained on the waiting list.

MTW Activities

Evaluation of Seattle Housing Authority's ongoing MTW activities identified a number of achievements in cost and time savings in 2018, as well as increased access to service-enriched housing. These annual outcomes included:

- More than 3,000 units paired with supportive services made available in Seattle through project-based commitments.
- More than \$8.2 million leveraged in service dollars for project-based vouchers and agency units located in public housing communities.
- More than 5,000 hours of staff time saved through efficiencies in inspections, project-based partnerships, and rent policies.



More than \$2.5 million saved through resource conservations strategies, including water conservation, electrical upgrades, and the use of dedicated staff to continuously identify opportunities for resource conservation rather than conducting a HUD-prescribed energy audit every five years.

