



# YAKIMA COUNTY HOME PROGRAM

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# HOME Goals and Eligible Activities

Administered by the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

## Goal of the HOME Program

1. To implement local housing strategies designed to increase homeownership and affordable housing opportunities for low and very-low-income Americans.

## HOME Eligible Activities

1. Homeowner rehabilitation
2. Homebuyer (acquisition, new construction, or rehab)
3. Rental development (acquisition, new construction, or rehab)
4. Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

# Yakima County HOME Consortium

**History:** Formed in 2009 to increase local governments' ability to provide affordable housing for low- and very-low-income residents in Yakima County

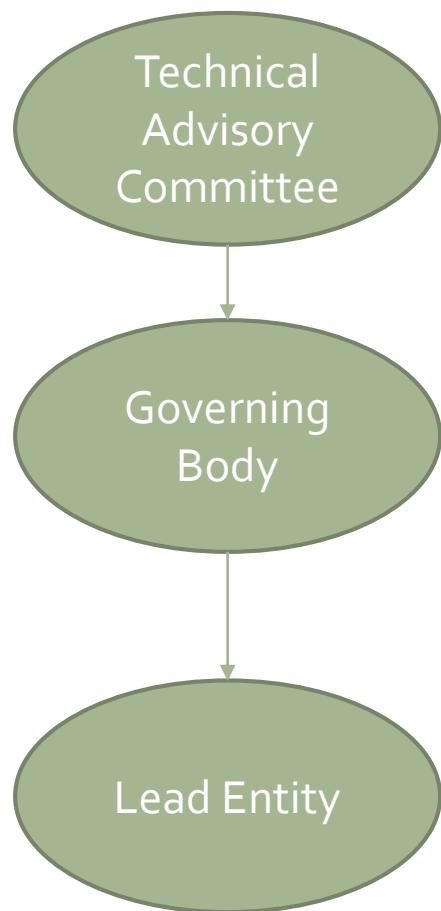
**Benefit:** Offers smaller communities, which do not qualify for a HOME allocation, the ability to participate in the program

Yakima County serves as the lead for the nine-member Consortium. The Consortium is comprised of:

- Grandview
- Mabton
- Sunnyside
- Toppenish
- Union Gap
- Wapato
- Zillah
- Town of Harrah and
- The unincorporated areas of Yakima County



# HOME Consortium Anatomy



- **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – Assists in:**
  - Reviewing and recommending projects to the Governing Body regarding programs to be undertaken with HOME funds; and
  - Provides guidance on the application process and HOME Policies
  - Composed of at least one staff member from each member jurisdiction who has some technical knowledge in the field of community development, affordable housing, or planning.
- **Governing Body is empowered to:**
  - Review and recommend to the Lead Entity all policy matters concerning the Consortium including the Consolidated Plan and related plans and policies
  - Review and recommend to the Lead Entity the projects and programs to be undertaken with HOME program funds
  - Composed of representatives from each of the Consortium member jurisdictions. Representatives should be elected officials, chief administrative officers (CAO), or persons who report directly to the CAO and who have broad policy responsibilities.
- **Lead Entity has responsibility for:**
  - Submitting the Consolidated Plan and other required documents
  - All obligations in the execution of the Yakima County HOME Program
  - Final responsibility for executing activities selected by the Consortium
  - Providing staff support for both the Governing Body and the TAC

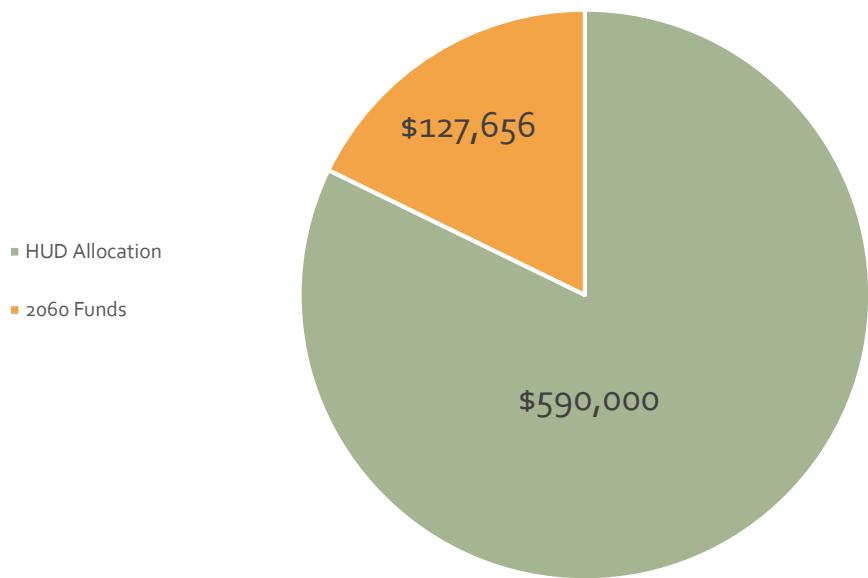
# How is the County's HOME Program Funded?

Primary Funding: Federal Housing and Human Development (HUD) Program\*

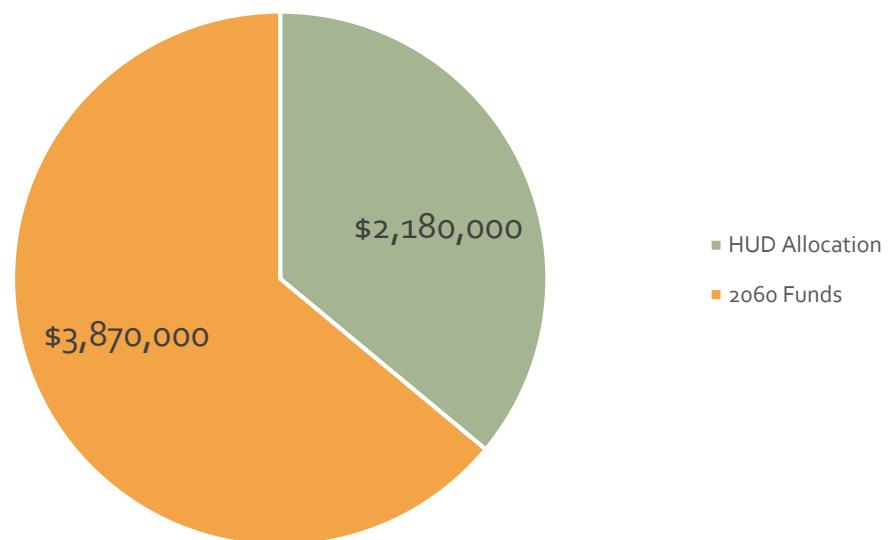
Secondary Funding: Local Filing Fees (2060 Fund) provide the Match

\*Yakima County receives the Consortium's allocation directly from HUD

\$717,656 Anticipated 2020 Funding



\$6.016 Million Received Oct. 2002 - Oct. 2020



# How Has the Money Been Spent?

Homeowner Rehabilitation



Rental Development Rehabilitation & New Construction



Homebuyer (New construction projects  
partnering with Habitat for Humanity)



# What's Next for HOME?

- Complete the 23 owner-occupied housing rehabilitation projects currently in process.
- Hold meetings of the HOME Board to affirm or modify its upcoming 5-year Consolidated Plan goals and objectives.
- Complete the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, hold public hearing(s), and take the draft Plan to the Board of County Commissioners for its consideration.
- **July 1, 2021: Transition HOME Program oversight from Public Services to Human Services**

Questions?