Public Hearings for Affordable Housing  
April 16 Kelso & April 25 Longview  
Longview-Kelso HOME Consortium  
2013 Project Design Allocations

Speak in Support of Selecting One or More of the Projects Below

The purpose of the Public Hearings is to provide information on the HOME Program and Document Recording Fee Program, to identify housing needs and project designs eligible for funding, hear public comment particularly from low and moderate-income persons regarding proposed projects, ensure broad-based community support for a project, and select projects for funding.

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program

This program provides funding to agency and business “partners” to increase and maintain affordable housing in Longview and Kelso. Projects must target persons with incomes less than 80% of the Cowlitz County Median Income based on family size. Funded by the Cowlitz County Document Recording Fee Surcharge.

Document Recording Fee

This program provides for a variety of housing projects, including shelters, for persons with incomes below 50% of the Median Income for Cowlitz County based on family size. Funded by the Cowlitz County Document Recording Fee Surcharge.

Project Design Proposals are available for review on the web at http://www.mylongview.com/communitydev/HOME_program.html or at the Community Development Department for each City: Longview City Hall, M-TH. 7 AM-6PM (1525 Broadway, Longview) and Kelso City Hall, M-F, 8 AM-5PM (203 S. Pacific, Kelso)

Consortium Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Request for Funding

CHDO 5% Operating Costs

To support the Consortium’s Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Lower Columbia Community Action Program (Housing and Energy Division) operating and capital building costs (including salaries and benefits, training, department pro-rated cost allocations (rent, phone, etc.), equipment, materials, supplies and tools. The amount will be 5% of the 2013 HOME allocation.

Lower Columbia Community Action Program – $11,831 estimated

Requires approval from Consortium Partners (Longview and Kelso City Councils)

2013 Longview HOME Project Summaries

Amount Available: $274,792.65 Estimated Amount Requested: $251,040

CAP Homeownership – 4570 Windermere St. – Construct one new single-family home with 3-bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths with garage on an existing vacant lot for affordable home ownership. The family must be below 80% median income for Cowlitz County, meet credit requirements, and be able to obtain a bank mortgage. Lower Columbia Community Action Program – $144,000

Foundation for the Challenged Home – Purchase and rehabilitate a residential property for rental occupancy for persons with disabilities. The property will contain 4-bedrooms in either a single-family home or duplex. Case management is provided by Life Works funded by WA Division of Developmental Disabilities. Life Works sponsored through Foundation for the Challenged – $45,000

Tenant Based Rental Assistance for Survivors of Domestic Violence – Provide transitional housing rental assistance for 10 participants for 12 months who are referred from the Emergency Support Shelter and receiving supportive services. Longview Housing Authority – $62,040

2013 Kelso HOME Project Summaries

Amount Available: $90,516.19 Estimated Amount Requested: $93,473

Cowlitz Cottages – Construct 8 cottages for self-help homeownership (900-1200 sq. ft.) with parking located at 1124 N. Pacific Avenue, Kelso, formally the Terry Salvage Yard. Lower Columbia Community Action Program – $48,473

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2013 Longview Document Recording Fee

Amount Available: $28,547.62 Estimated Amount Requested: $28,527.54

Community House Operations – Provide continued operation funding for Community House on Broadway for the community’s homeless population. 90 beds and meals are provided within the facility. A case managed Homeless Recovery Program is also provided through Community House. Community House on Broadway – $22,027.54

Domestic Violence Shelter Program – Provide shelter and advocacy services to victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and other crimes. This project supports operating costs for the shelter which has 32 beds and 4 cribs for women and children. Emergency Support Shelter – $6,500

Public Hearing Dates & Times

Kelso  

Longview

Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 6:00 PM  
Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Kelso City Hall Council Chambers  
Longview City Council Chambers

203 S. Pacific Ave., Kelso WA  
1525 Broadway, Longview WA

Anyone interested may appear and be heard in regard to this public hearing. The Longview and Kelso City Halls are accessible for persons with disabilities. Please let us know 24 hours in advance if you will need any special accommodations to attend the meeting or an interpreter. If you are unable to attend, you may direct written correspondence the respective City Clerk’s Office: Kelso City Clerk, PO 819, Kelso, WA 98626 or the Longview City Clerk, PO Box 128, Longview, WA 98632 For further information, contact Julie Houck at 442.5081