

# BASIC NEEDS GRANTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING PROGRAM SUMMARIES



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**Agency:** Babies of Homelessness

**Program:** Outreach

**Category:** Health

The Outreach program provides direct, low-barrier delivery of diapers, wipes, and infant formula to families experiencing homelessness or housing instability. Participants are identified via 2-1-1 and partner agency referral, or via the client intake line. Intake includes assessment, referrals to additional resources, and a scheduled delivery within 48 hours.

**Agency:** ChildStrive

**Program:** Counseling for Connect Casino Road Families

**Category:** Health

Counseling for Connect Casino Road (CCR) Families provides counseling services for young children and their families being served by any program associated with the Connect Casino Road Collaborative. These services will include, at a minimum: outreach to families referred by a partner in CCR; direct trauma-informed counseling services focused on children birth to five years of age to meet needs of mostly immigrant families experiencing trauma and toxic stress; infant and early childhood mental health services; family counseling; and referral to other needed supports and services to benefit the child and family. This funding will support hiring a counselor who is experienced in and credentialed to provide Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Services and is also trained and experienced in trauma-informed services.

**Agency:** Cocoon House

**Program:** Cocoon House North Maternity Group Home

**Category:** Housing

Cocoon House North is a five-bed maternity group home in Arlington serving pregnant/parenting teens ages 13-17. Cocoon House North creates a peaceful, nurturing, and trauma-informed environment to ensure the safety and meet the basic needs of homeless pregnant and parenting young mothers and their babies, while helping build the parenting and self-sufficiency skills they need for future independence and family success. Program components at Cocoon House North include life skills training, parenting and family management skills, mental health and substance abuse counseling, health care, education and employment services, social support and community building, and aftercare planning to facilitate the transition out of the shelter to permanent housing.

**Agency:** Domestic Violence Services (DVS)

**Program:** Supportive Housing

**Category:** Housing

The Supportive Housing program centers on empowering parents and children who have been victims of domestic violence while they are sheltered in the DVS emergency shelter or transitioning to DVS housing. The Supportive Housing program model provides intensive support, tailored to each family's background and circumstances, through which the parent works with a case manager to set and work toward goals. Supportive Housing program staff work with the children—individually and in group settings—to help them process and express their emotions in healthy and age-appropriate ways and to support them build the skills for healthy future relationships. The program model addresses the immediate needs of program participants and works toward breaking the cycle of domestic violence and preventing such violence in future generations.

**Agency:** Housing Hope  
**Program:** Emergency Family Shelter  
**Category:** Housing

The Emergency Family Shelter provides safe, stable, free housing and wraparound supportive services designed to serve families in crisis. Whole families are sheltered together in apartments with the goal of stabilizing families and moving them to permanent housing within 90 days through a comprehensive housing and service platform. The shelter is inclusive of two-parent and single-male heads of households, families with disabilities, mental health concerns, or child behavior challenges.

**Agency:** Housing Hope  
**Program:** Homeless Teen and Young Parent Program  
**Category:** Housing

The Homeless Teen and Young Parent Program provides housing and wraparound services to pregnant and parenting youth ages 16-24 and their young children. Family Support Coaches help teen parents meet all their basic needs, including free or affordable food, clothing, transportation, and childcare. The goal of this program is to assist young parents to complete their own child development, learn the skills and attitudes needed to transition to adult roles and responsibilities, and ensure their children are developing on target. The program includes wraparound supportive services, on-site Education and Employment Specialists, College of Hope adult life skills courses, and child development services.

**Agency:** Kindering Center  
**Program:** Families in Transition  
**Category:** Health

The Families in Transition (FIT) program provides children experiencing homelessness with the opportunity to make social, emotional, and developmental gains at a critical time for brain development through individualized, highly tailored therapies and interventions. FIT focuses on developing protective factors that mitigate the risks factors for children experiencing homelessness by supporting parents in developing the foundational skills and confidence to build a lasting, impactful connection with their child. FIT provides comprehensive developmental evaluations, early intervention services, and Promoting First Relationships parent training.

**Agency:** Lutheran Community Services NW  
**Program:** Community Resource Center  
**Category:** Housing

The Community Resource Center provides family support programming in Everett and Arlington. Programming includes crisis stabilization, including homelessness, food scarcity, lack of sufficient clothing and hygiene needs, mental illness, unemployment, domestic violence, and substance use. The program also includes assessment, planning, prevention services, and service navigation to support families in gaining stability and self-sufficiency.

**Agency:** Pacific Treatment Alternatives  
**Program:** Parent Child Assistance Program  
**Category:** Housing

The Parent-Child Assistance Program (PCAP) provides evidence-based home visitation case management for mothers who use alcohol or drugs during pregnancy. PCAP's goals are to help mothers build healthy, independent families and prevent future births of children exposed prenatally to alcohol and drugs. PCAP works with mothers to provide recovery support and assure that children are in safe and stable homes. This funding will support PCAP in establishing an emergency shelter for participating families that are experiencing homelessness.

**Agency:** Stanwood Camano Food Bank

**Program:** HOPE Backpack Program

**Category:** Food

The HOPE Meals for Kids Backpack Program provides food packs for low-income families living in the Stanwood Camano area. Distribution is coordinated through the Stanwood Camano School District, providing packs of kid-friendly, nutritious food to 250 children each week, 52 weeks per year. Packs include a rotating menu with shelf-stable items and “fresh packs” (produce and dairy) delivered each week to all schools in the district, as well as partner agencies/businesses.

**Agency:** Stilly Valley Health Connections (Public Hospital District #3)

**Program:** Darrington Mental Health Counseling

**Category:** Health

This program will provide the Darrington School District with mental health counseling for elementary students in grades K-3 with Medicaid insurance. Initially, it will provide one day per week and expand to more days per week as the program develops. This funding will support a therapist in becoming credentialed with Medicaid and will reimburse the remainder of their rate that is not reimbursed by billing Medicaid.

**Agency:** YWCA

**Program:** Parents for Parents Emergency Housing Flex Fund

**Category:** Housing

The YWCA Parents for Parents Program (P4P) supports parents involved with child welfare services who are experiencing addiction issues. The program seeks out and supports families at court hearings and gathers community resources and information to assist these families. Parents for Parents Emergency Housing Flex Funds will provide housing intervention for families who are experiencing homelessness or at immediately risk of becoming homeless. This funding will provide flex funds that can be used when shelter and housing resources are not available, participants are waiting for a treatment bed to open and/or are faced with eviction including: motel vouchers, Oxford or Clean and Sober House, eviction prevention, utility payments, move-in assistance, or other circumstances in order to stabilize crisis and achieve reunification.

**Agency:** YWCA

**Program:** Shelter and Housing Services

**Category:** Housing

The YWCA's Shelter and Housing Services Program provides emergency shelter, housing, and services specifically designed to meet the unique needs of low-income homeless mothers with children (ages prenatal-8). Clients receive emergency housing, housing navigation and application support, project-based vouchers, financial assistance through referrals to Rapid Rehousing and Landlord Engagement Programs, and direct access to Parents for Parents and Children's Services programs.