

Engaging & Supporting Landlords through Risk Mitigation Funds

Quick Guide to Community Profiles

A risk mitigation fund can be an important tool in your community's landlord engagement toolbox. The table below provides a brief overview of four communities currently implementing this strategy to landlords. Learn more detail about each program in our <u>risk mitigation funds community profiles</u>.

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What tenants are eligible?	 Veterans Individuals experiencing chronic homelessness 	 Prioritized for: Individuals experiencing chronic homelessness Veterans (SSVF participants) *Other tenants exiting homelessness are eligible if funds are available. 	 Veterans (SSVF or HUD-VASH participants) 	 Veterans and their families
Who is currently leading the effort?	 CoC lead agency Local affordable housing non- profit Regional mayors caucus 	 City of Orlando 	 The City of Portland and Multnomah County 	 King County
What/who are the funding sources?	 Regional mayors caucus Private funders Local property management firms 	 City of Orlando Code Enforcement Revenue 	• The City of Portland	 Initial \$1 million investment from the King County Veterans and Human Services Levy Three primary funders: King County, City of Seattle, and United Way of King County

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				 Other funders have also contributed, including King County Housing Authority and Seattle Housing Authority
How is the fund managed/staffed?	 CoC lead organization Local affordable housing non-profit Administrative and operating costs covered by other funding sources 	 City of Orlando Office of Business and Financial Services CoC lead agency Funds are held in a non- lapsing appropriation 	 Funded by the City of Portland Managed and operated through contract with local service provider, who oversees and staffs a landlord liaison team Staff are available 24/7 for issues that arise 	 Fund is managed by YWCA and delivered by 6 staff members Staff are available 24/7 for issues that arise Staff are responsible for approving any charges to the fund
What is covered by the fund?	 Property damage after deposit is applied Unit holding fees 	 Property damage after deposit is applied Unpaid rent reimbursements (holding fees, abandoned units, unpaid tenant rent) 	 Property damage after deposit is applied Unpaid rent and breaking of a lease 	 Property damage after deposit is applied Unpaid rent and legal fees Eviction prevention funds are available for two years after move-in, as needed
How much will the fund cover?	 \$300 in property damage Up to \$1,000 in property damage (case by case) Half of monthly rent or \$600 (whichever is less) to hold a unit 	 \$300 in property damage without inspection Up to \$2,000 (single unit) and \$3,000 (multi-bedroom) in property damage (case by case) 	 \$3,000 cap per household unless otherwise negotiated 	 A landlord can submit a claim for damages over and above the original deposit and up to a set amount
How do landlords participate?	 Participate in the landlord recruitment program For holding fees, landlords must have previously placed a tenant through the landlord 	• Participate in the Central Florida Supportive Housing Program (a tenant/landlord liaison program managed by the CoC lead agency)	• Connect with City staff who are managing the local efforts to end Veteran homelessness	 Landlords work with a housing support specialist on the landlord liaison team Landlords sign a partnership agreement that is reviewed annually

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	campaign and be renting to another tenant in the process			
How do agencies/ providers participate?	 Participate in regional coordinated entry system 	 Participate in the centralized intake 	 Support Veterans with SSVF and HUD-VASH vouchers 	 Agencies complete partnership agreements with the landlord liaison staff
How do tenants participate?	 Case managers/agencies must be part of the regional coordinated entry system 	• Any tenant referred by the landlord liaison program, with prioritization going to individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and Veterans with SSVF vouchers	 Any Veteran who has an SSVF or HUD-VASH voucher is eligible to participate 	 Tenants are referred by a partner agency
How and by whom is it paid out?	 Landlords directly submit claims to a specialist CoC lead agency manages payment 	 City of Orlando CFO manages payments CoC lead agency manages claims and bills the City 	• Landlords contact the landlord liaison team directly, who manage a 24/7 hotline in order to assist them to immediately access funds	 Landlords submit a fund claim to the landlord liaison team
Have the funds been utilized since their start?	• Only one claim; fund began in 2015	• No; fund began in 2014	 One claim totaling about \$1000; fund began in 2014 	 Claims have been paid out but funds still remain from the original investment; fund began in 2009.
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