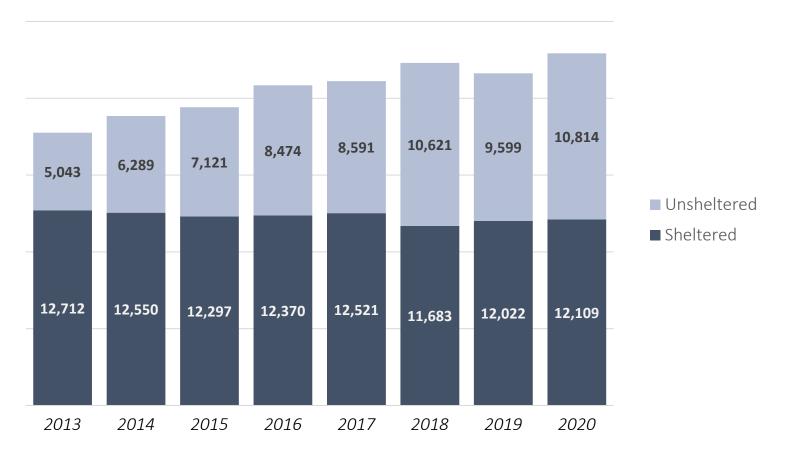
Unsheltered Homelessness & Public Right of Way



Housing & Homelessness – Current State



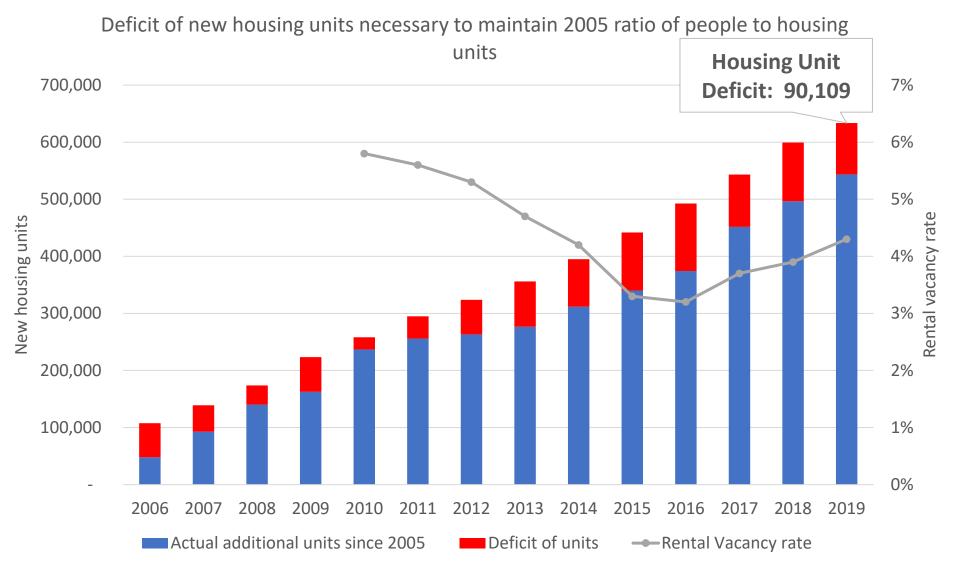


Reasons for Homelessness

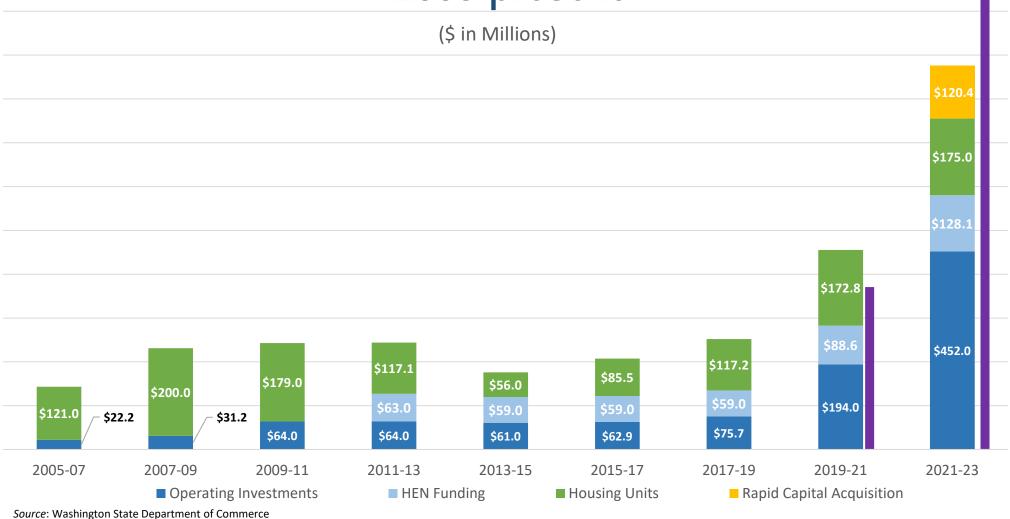
Lack of affordable housing (rising rents) Unemployment Poverty – insufficient income Mental illness & lack of services Substance abuse & lack of services Domestic violence Disability

Sources:

Since 2005 in WA: Population +24%, Housing units +21%



Housing and Homelessness Investments 2005-present



Flow of state homeless housing funding*

Commerce

- Grants funds to counties
- Publicly reports performance outcomes
- Publicly reports on use of state/local/federal/private funds by county and project
- Provides technical assistance to help counties and projects meet performance targets

County Governments

- Determines specific priorities and strategies within allowable uses of funds
- Selects organizations to provide housing assistance
- Monitors contract compliance, including performance and fiscal transparency requirements

Local non-profit housing providers

Provides housing and services

Reports outcome data at client level into HMIS

WA homeless shelters and other homeless housing performs above the national average, as measured using success moving people to stable housing

^{*}Exceptions for some funding, and in counties that have opted-out of managing state funding

What works

- Intergovernmental approach w/ clear expectations
 - Resources
 - Limitations
- Outreach
 - Continuous process
 - Interdisciplinary team or alternative response team
- Case management
- Services (supported housing, supported employment, BH services)
- Emergency shelter and housing solutions