

**IMPACT  
REPORT  
2020**



# ANNUAL REPORT 2020

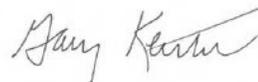
We are often reminded that there is a season for everything, and, if we plant our seeds and tend them carefully, they will in time shoot and mature. In 2020, we reaped the benefits of seeds we had sown in prior years, and as a result, we achieved progress on several goals of our near-term plan. The plan calls for the creation of a just and inclusive county that offers opportunity to all. The starting point and foundation for this county is justice housing, deeply affordable homes, with supportive services, located in thriving neighborhoods.

In 2020, we opened 8 new units in the Bayside located in Port Hadlock at the Old Alcohol Plant, including 4 family rooms. It also, developed, in conjunction with the Community Build Project, 12 Tiny Houses which are located on property leased from the Community United Methodist Church. Further, and with the help of many volunteers Bayside, has provided daily, meals to the homeless campers at the County Fair Grounds.

Growing the team in with new volunteers, Bayside also hired two new team members to assist with further growth; Greer Gates as its new Development Director and Mike Schleckser as a case manager.

With your support, Bayside has made great strides in providing safe, stable, and affordable housing for residents with low incomes. But our work is far from finished. As we continue to focus on those who face the greatest barriers to thriving, we must also endeavor to understand and respond to income disparities that lead to homelessness and food scarcity. Ahead of us lies new opportunities for justice, as we strengthen our efforts to foster inclusion and equity through affordable housing. We look forward to collaborating with you as partners in the solving of this wide-spread housing crisis.

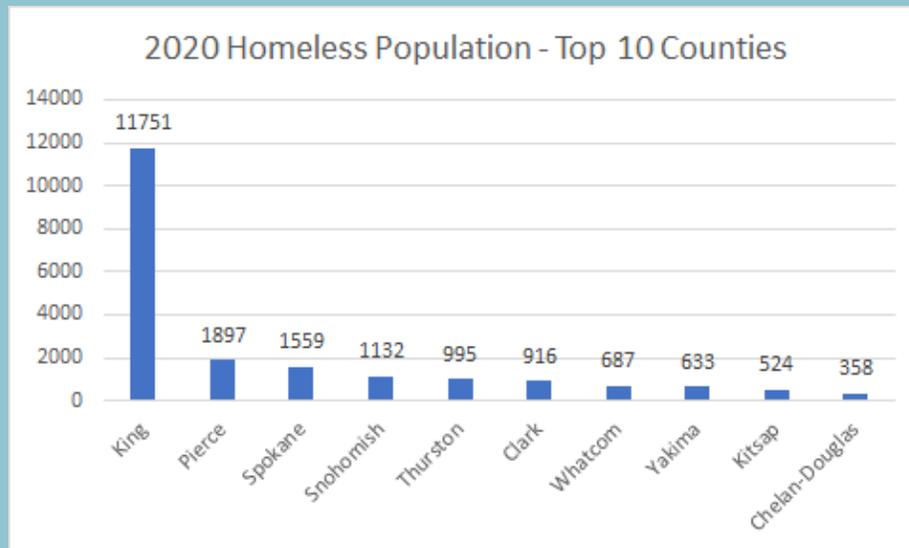
We are eager to see what 2021 brings and hope you will join us.



**Gary Keister, Executive Director**



# HOMELESSNESS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

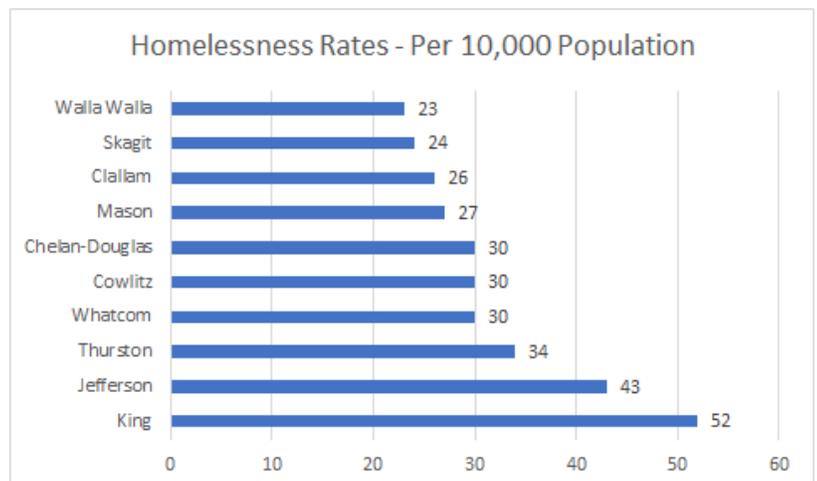


While navigating the Covid-19 Pandemic, Washington State has also been in the midst of an ongoing housing crisis. Figures from 2020 Point in Time count are sobering, and Jefferson County isn't even in the top 10.

When looking at the rate of homelessness per capita, Jefferson county has very similar rate to King County. Rates are the number of events that occur in a defined period of time (2020 Homeless Point in Time Count), divided by the average population. Epidemiologists use rates instead of counts as it allows for a better comparison of the level of impact an event is having. Using rate, we can better compare which population has a greater risk of homelessness on a per person basis.

While the Jefferson County rate of homelessness is similar to that of King County, we have a lot fewer resources available to those in need.

Budgeted 2020 spending in King County allotted nearly \$400 Million to new shelter beds, housing, and health services. Jefferson County's Budget for Affordable Housing and Community Development came in at \$655,560.





# INCREASING NEED & A "TINY" SOLUTION

As with most businesses, both non-profit and for profit, Bayside was financially challenged throughout 2020 and the Covid-19 pandemic. The expense of maintaining the facility and paying those costs related to its guests has increased, due to additional health and cleaning costs. The model for Bayside was developed in tandem with the renaissance of the Old Alcohol Plant Hotel (OAP) operation which is a major contributor to Bayside. Under the mandatory shut down of the OAP hotel and restaurant during the COVID-19 pandemic, the OAP was closed in Spring 2020.

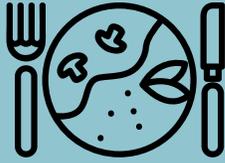
The most pressing issue was balancing of the expenses for ongoing operations and the essential requirement to expand beds.

When the Covid-19 pandemic was declared, the Bayside wait list nearly tripled with an extraordinary increase in families. We opened additional hotel rooms to accommodate the demand.

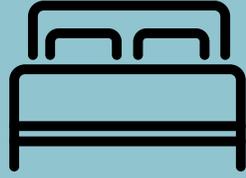
As we navigated the pandemic and growing need, we were able to expand our reach to help more people in need. Beginning in mid-September, we embarked on a mission to build a 12-unit tiny house community that would provide additional transitional housing units. These structures were built using community volunteer labor, and the Village is located on the Community United Methodist Church property in Port Hadlock. Community donations funded the construction, and local vendors provided discounted fees for services, and donations of some products for the Village.

The build wrapped up at the end of the year, opened and blessed on December 31st 2020. Community Build members and Bayside chose to name it "Peter's Place", after the dedicated volunteer and driving force, Peter Bonyun. Just like the Bayside residents, the Peter's Place residences are delivered meals daily, have access to our Case Manager, and cooperate with community governance.

## STATISTICS 2020



Over  
**6,000**  
meals served



Over  
**9,700**  
nights in a  
safe bed



**10**  
families  
served



**12** Tiny  
Houses built  
and placed

## To Our Community

Thank you! We could not be more grateful to our supporters, sponsors, donors, and volunteers for their dedication through this difficult year. Despite the many challenges, we were able to move **17 residents** into stable housing, added **4 new family rooms**, and served over **2,600** hot meals between the fairgrounds and Bayside residents.

As we move into 2021, we are eager to expand our community impact. Bayside Housing & Services is planning 2 additional Tiny House builds to take place this year, as well as working with community members and leaders to increase the supply of affordable housing options.

We will continue to work with partner organizations to assist the unhouse population while continuing to break through the biggest barrier: **a lack of affordable housing in the area.**

## A Big Thank You to the Local Businesses Who Sponsored and Partnered With Us This Year

### About Time

**Eagle Pipe Heating and Air**

**Peninsula Floor Coverings**

**Discovery Physical Therapy**

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**Bayside Housing & Services aims to strengthen our community through housing, advocacy, and human services supporting social and economic independence.**

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