

Housing Research Center

Growth Management Policy Board

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Puget Sound Regional Council



We are leaders in the region to realize equity for all. Diversity, racial equity and inclusion are integrated into how we carry out all our work.

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Background

- Housing affordability continues to be a major priority for the region
- PSRC has been responsive to numerous legislative requests for research and analysis (TOD, Missing Middle, etc.)



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- Housing Research Centers could serve as a model to support statewide research for policymakers, stakeholders, and advocates



Examples of Housing Research Centers

- [Turner Center UC Berkeley](#)
- [Furman Center NYU](#)



Proposed Mission

The mission of the Washington State Center for Housing Research is to provide timely analysis and data-driven research to formulate bold strategies supporting programmatic innovation for policymakers, practitioners and advocates.



Potential Areas of Research

- Increasing the supply and lowering the cost of housing in ways that align with equity and environmental goals
- Strategies to expand affordability and access to quality homes and communities to support racial, social and economic inclusion
- Driving innovation in housing policy and practice
- Analysis that supports efforts to maximize housing production around planned transit investments while addressing displacement



Next Steps

PSRC is helping to advance initiative by convening a Housing Research Center Summit in the fall of 2024.

The Summit will seek to mobilize a coalition campaign for public-private funding from the Washington State Legislature and the private and philanthropic sectors to make the center a reality in 2025.





Thank You!

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