



## **Compass Housing Alliance Report for the Northwest Washington ELCA Synod 2024**

Hello from the Compass Housing Alliance family! We are honored to be supported by the Northwest Washington ELCA Synod; thank you for your partnership in our mission work!

There has been a lot of exciting growth and change at Compass over the last 6 months. President Michael Bailey was welcomed as Compass's new leader. Formerly the Deputy Director of Operations and Homelessness at the City of Seattle's Human Services Department, he has hit the ground running. Since Michael joined, Compass has celebrated the Grand Openings of two exciting new programs, Don's Place and Blaine Veterans Center.

In partnership with King County Health Through Housing, Compass operates [Don's Place](#) emergency housing program. Located in Auburn, Don's Place serves up to 90 people exiting chronic homelessness or at risk of chronic homelessness, with a special focus on Veterans and seniors.

Made possible by the King County Veterans Program, [Blaine Veterans Center](#) is the first all-Veteran 24/7 enhanced shelter in King County. The center now provides onsite services and supports to 36 veterans experiencing homelessness in King County, including case management, housing navigation support, and connections to behavioral health care, medical services, and skill development opportunities.

The Compass team is working hard to continue our century-long legacy of providing stability, growth, and community to our neighbors in need. We deeply appreciate this community's love and support and look forward to sharing more soon as we continue to grow and expand to meet our community's needs.

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