



## Partner Planning Committee Expectations and Process

The Partner Planning Committee will help **shape the King County Flood Management Plan's goals, objectives, and guiding principles**. The Partner Planning Committee will also help to define the strategies to address anticipated flood risks, including identifying options for projects and programs to mitigate flood risks.

We will ask committee members to provide input on:

- The plan's goals and objectives.
- The problems caused by flooding in King County.
- Key topics such as equity and climate change.
- Ways to achieve other community benefits while addressing flood hazards.

A professional facilitator will support the committee. County staff will take part in meetings to share subject matter expertise. For community-based organizations or community members who represent priority communities, described below, King County can provide compensation for participation on the committee.

### **Participation**

King County is committed to creating an inclusive and equitable flood plan. To create a flood resilient future, the plan must center the perspectives of people who are most at risk of flooding and least able to prepare or recover from flooding. We encourage people of all backgrounds and identities to participate, including members of priority communities who are Black, Indigenous, and People of Color; people with family income that is 200% below federal poverty level or receive food assistance or other income assistance or do not have health insurance; renters; people who are age 65 or older; people with disabilities; immigrants and refugees; and people with Limited English Proficiency. We encourage participation from those who may not have experience with this type of public planning process. In addition, King County is interested in participation from the following groups:

- Tribes
- Community based organizations and interest groups
- Community members
- Floodplain management professionals
- Floodplain residents
- Local government staff
- State and federal agency staff

Additionally, select King County staff will participate as committee members.

### **Committee Meetings**

**Frequency:** The Partner Planning Committee will meet up to 10 times between Fall 2022 and Fall 2023. Committee members are strongly encouraged to attend all meetings or identify an alternate to attend.

In addition to the Partner Planning Committee, King County will host a series of workshops on coastal flood hazards, urban flooding, and tributary flooding. Three to four workshops will be dedicated to each topic. These workshops will be held separately from the Partner Planning Committee. Committee members will be invited to participate in these workshops, but attendance is not required. The full Partner Planning Committee will receive the results of the workshop series.

**Location:** Meetings are likely to be virtual to accommodate participants across the County. Though a combination of virtual, hybrid, and in-person meetings are possible during the committee term.

**Structure:** Meetings will be structured to complete work. The facilitator or a speaker will present content to partners. Partners will provide input through breakout groups. County staff will synthesize the input received and report back at a later meeting before moving onto the next topic.

**Accommodation:** Translation, interpretation, and other accommodation is available.

**Compensation for priority communities:** King County can compensate community organizations or members that represent or are members of priority communities (described above) at a rate of \$77 / hour per organization. Funds are available for meeting preparation, travel (as needed), and meeting attendance. Compensation will require entering into an agreement with King County and submitting invoices with supporting documentation at monthly or quarterly intervals. Compensation per organization is limited to \$10,000 per calendar year.

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