

# **Yesler Legacy Commitment FAQs**

#### What Is Yesler Terrace?

- 28 acres just south of SU
- Oldest public housing west of the Mississippi
- First racially integrated public housing in the U.S.
- Going through a full redevelopment led by Seattle Housing Authority (SHA)

### What is the redevelopment?

- Pre-redevelopment: 561 units for residents living at 30% Average Medium Income (AMI), with approximately 500 children/youth
- Post-development: 561 units for 30% AMI, 400 at 60% AMI, 700 at 80% AMI, 2000 market rate, 800 children/youth living in 30% and 60% AMI housing

### What is the Yesler Legacy Commitment?

- SHA sold land and transferred \$15 million to the Seattle Foundation (SF) to offer permanent services for Yesler residents
- The focus of the initial 10 years of the fund is on youth development and youth education
- SHA and SF asked SU (CCE) to be their service delivery partner because of our long-standing commitment to the neighborhood through SUYI.

## How will the Yesler Legacy Commitment work?

- CCE to serve as the service delivery partner
- SF will provide funds (approximately \$850k per year) to CCE
- CCE will use most of the funds to contract with organizations (YTP, MMRTI, BFI) to deliver services
- CCE will use a portion of the funds to staff the project

#### What is Yesler Legacy Commitment's governance structure?

- Fund advisory committee (SF, SHA and possibly SU): Advises on overall fund management
- Yesler Community Services Committee (YCSC): Mobilize community voice, review evaluations and data, advise on annual investments
- YCSC structure: 4 Yesler Terrace residents, 1 rep from CCE, 1 rep from SHA, 1 rep from SF

#### What has been CCE's partnership at Yesler prior to this?

- Lead Education Partner on SHA's \$30 million Choice Neighborhood Grant (2012-2019)
- Representation on Yesler Citizens Review Board for the redevelopment (2006-2018)
- Partner on SHA's Best Starts for Kids Grant (2022-2025) placing students with youth development organizations
- Financial supporter of the Yesler Youth Media Program (2011-present)
- CEL partnerships with Yesler based organizations
- Supporting Yesler events (e.g. Yes Fest)

#### What is CCE's role now?

Contract for services with organizations

- Evaluate the impact of the services
- Coordinate the YCSC and community voice
- Engage partner organizations to pursue wholistic community approach
- When possible, place SU students with partner organizations

## What is the CCE staffing for Yesler Legacy Commitment?

- Associate Director for SUYI Education and Housing Partnerships (New 1.0 FTE position)
- Data Systems Manager (Portion of position)
- Budget manager (possible new part-time position)
- Data analysis (Faculty)

## What is the implementation timeline?

- 2024 is the transition year: hire staff, establish committees, develop initial year of contracts, establish data and evaluation plan
- 2025 the project begins
- 2033 SF begins assessment of whether to continue to focus on youth and education

#### How does this advance CCE's vision?

- Significantly deepens and expands SUYI
- Offers new opportunities for CEL partnerships
- Draws upon faculty expertise for data analysis
- Note: No additional CCE led programs