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## Kane County Health Department Awarding Funds for Housing Projects that Support Behavioral Health in Kane County

The Kane County Health Department will award up to \$1,000,000 to eligible organizations to support affordable housing initiatives for Kane County residents. This funding is intended to assist community-based organizations in developing and expanding housing solutions that directly address the economic and housing challenges brought on by the pandemic, particularly for low-income residents and families at risk of homelessness.

The Safe Spaces, Healthy Minds: Kane County Affordable Housing Initiatives Program will support a variety of activities designed to address the housing needs of residents impacted by the pandemic. These activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Expansion of rental assistance programs or subsidies for low-income residents
- Creation of transitional housing solutions1 for individuals or families experiencing homelessness or are underhoused
- Implementation of eviction prevention programs
- Support services that complement affordable housing initiatives, such as case management, legal services, or tenant counseling
- Programs that address housing instability caused by pandemic-related job losses or reduced income
- Emergency funds for the mitigation of environmental safety issues in transitional housing units, like black mold, broken temperature control systems, or appliances.

The application closes at 11:59 CST on November 1, 2024. For any questions, requests for technical language assistance, or other feedback please email Kim Peterson at: <a href="mailto:PetersonKim@KaneCountyIL.gov">PetersonKim@KaneCountyIL.gov</a>