

Chapter 20-20  
Rules and Regulations of the  
Department of Development and Environmental Services

Notice of Proposed Social Service Facilities

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**20-20-001 Purpose.** It is the purpose of these rules to implement the provisions of K.C.C. 20.20.060 as amended by Ordinance 13555 and to further clarify the social service facilities for which public notice is required by K.C.C. 20.20.060.

**20-20-002 Definitions.**

A. Department. "Department" means the King County Department of Development & Environmental Services.

B. Halfway home for delinquents and offenders. "Halfway home for delinquents and offenders" means a residential facility providing temporary or transitional housing for juvenile or adult offenders or both. The facility may provide on-site counseling, social, welfare or referral services, or any combination thereof, for residents. Vocational counseling, rehabilitation and job training are not included in this definition and are defined in the SIC manual, Industry No. 8331.

C. Home for destitute men and women. "Home for destitute men and women" means a residential facility providing temporary or transitional housing for adults. The facility may provide on-site counseling, social, welfare or referral services, or any combination thereof, for residents. Facilities requiring anonymity to protect domestic violence victims are not included in this definition. Vocational counseling, rehabilitation and job

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training are not included in this definition and are defined in the SIC manual, Industry No. 8331.

D. Offender self-help agency. "Offender self-help agency" means a non-residential public or private non-profit facility providing counseling, social, welfare or referral services, or any combination thereof, to criminal offenders. Vocational counseling, rehabilitation and job training are not included in this definition and are defined in the SIC manual, Industry No. 8331.

E. Parole office. "Parole office" means a non-residential county or state facility engaged in the supervision of parolees from correctional institutions and persons placed on probation by the courts.

F. Settlement house. "Settlement house" means a non-residential public or private non-profit facility providing social services to any of the following groups: juvenile or adult criminal offenders, or individuals who are addicted to and current users of alcohol or unlawful substances.

**20-20-003 Application.** A. Land-use and building permit applications for offender self-help agencies, parole offices or settlement houses as defined in Section 20-20-002 of this rule are not protected by the federal Fair Housing Act. The Department and applicants shall provide posted and mailed notice consistent with the provisions of K.C.C. 20.20.060 and any rules promulgated thereunder.

B. Land-use and building permit applications for halfway homes for delinquents and offenders or homes for destitute men and women as defined in Section 20-20-002 of this rule shall be evaluated by the Department for Fair Housing Act protection. If the Department determines that the proposed use is protected by the federal Fair Housing Act, posted and mailed notice shall not be required, consistent with the provisions of K.C.C. 20.20.060. If the department determines that the proposed use is not protected by the federal Fair Housing Act, posted and mailed notice

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shall be required consistent with the provisions of K.C.C. 20.20.060. Protection under the federal Fair Housing Act does not preclude applicants from voluntarily notifying the community of a proposed project.

**20-20-004 Severability.** If a provision of the rules contained herein or its applicability to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the provisions of these rules or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.