# Introduction to the Project

- Welcome to the presentation on "King County House Price Prediction"
- Our objective is to accurately estimate house prices in King County using predictive modeling techniques
- This analysis aims to provide valuable insights and recommendations for homeowners, buyers, and real estate professionals

## **Project Overview**

- In this presentation, we will dive deeper into our project on "King County House Price Prediction"
- We will discuss the business and data understanding, modeling techniques, regression results, recommendations, and next steps

### **Problem Statement**

- The real estate market is highly dynamic and competitive, making it crucial to understand factors influencing house prices
- The challenge is to develop a predictive model that can estimate house prices with accuracy and reliability
- By leveraging historical data and advanced machine learning techniques, we can empower stakeholders in making informed decisions and optimizing their real estate investments

# Methodology

Our project follows a structured methodology to address the problem:

- Data preprocessing: Cleaning, handling missing values, and feature engineering
- Exploratory data analysis (EDA): Gaining insights and understanding relationships between features and house prices
- Model development: Building and evaluating regression models
- Model selection: Identifying the best-performing model for predicting house prices in King County
- Recommendations: Providing actionable insights based on the selected model's findings

## **Business and Data Understanding**

- Understanding the real estate market in King County is essential for homeowners, buyers, and real estate professionals
- By analyzing historical housing data, we aim to identify key factors that influence house prices and provide insights for decision-making
- Our dataset contains a wide range of features such as bedrooms, bathrooms, square footage, condition, grade, and more, which impact the prices of houses in the area

### Modeling

- Regression modeling is utilized to predict house prices based on the available features
- Linear regression, feature selection models, random forest regression, and ensemble models were developed and evaluated
- These models leverage the relationship between the features and house prices to provide accurate predictions

### **Regression Results**

The performance of the regression models was assessed using several evaluation metrics:

- Mean Absolute Error (MAE): Measures the average absolute difference between the predicted and actual house prices.
- Mean Squared Error (MSE): Measures the average squared difference between the predicted and actual house prices.
- Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE): Represents the square root of the MSE, providing a measure of the average prediction error.
- R-squared (R2): Indicates the proportion of the variance in the dependent variable (house prices) that can be explained by the independent variables (features).

### **Model Comparison**

The models were compared based on their performance metrics:

- We evaluated the baseline linear regression model, feature selection model, random forest regression model, and ensemble model.
- The ensemble model showed the most promising results, with lower MAE, MSE, and RMSE values, and a higher R-squared value compared to other models.

#### **Coefficients and Feature Importance**

- Coefficients in the ensemble model represent the impact of each feature on house prices.
- Feature importance analysis revealed the following key factors affecting house prices:
  - Bathrooms: Each additional bathroom increases the price by \$7,630.70.
  - Square footage: Each square foot of living space increases the price by \$61.05.
  - Waterfront (Yes): Having a waterfront view adds \$480,977.41 to the price.

#### Recommendations

Based on our analysis, we provide the following recommendations to enhance house value:

- 1. **Expand living space**: Increasing square footage can significantly raise the estimated price.
- 2. **Upgrade bathrooms:** Investing in modern fixtures and amenities can add value to the property.
- 3. **Improve curb appeal:** Enhancing the exterior appearance of the home can attract buyers and potentially increase the price.
- 4. **Consider waterfront features:** If the property has a waterfront view, highlight it to maximize the estimated price.
- 5. **Upgrade home grade:** Focus on upgrading the quality and finishes of the home to increase its estimated value.

#### **Next Steps**

To further refine our model and gain additional insights, we recommend the following next steps:

- \*Collect more recent and relevant housing data to capture the current market dynamics.
- \*Incorporate additional features such as neighborhood characteristics, proximity to amenities, and market trends.
- \*Conduct a sensitivity analysis to assess the impact of different factors on the predicted house prices.
- \*Continuously monitor and update the model to ensure its relevance in a changing real estate market.

# **Questions and Conclusion**

- We have discussed our project on "King County House Price Prediction" and presented the key findings and recommendations.
- Thank you for your attention. We invite any questions you may have regarding our analysis or any aspects of the project.