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Chat from the February 26th, 2021 Coalition to End Homelessness Meeting

00:08:16 Sally Perkins: Definitely brilliant for the sign-in, and it is easy! Thank you!

00:14:48 Robin OGrady: Robin O'Grady, FUSION (360) 731-2313 robin.ogrady@fusionfederalway.org

00:14:54 Sarah Mitchell: Good morning- Sarah Mitchell with Pierce County District Court Probation

00:15:16 Theresa Power-Drutis: welcome compassionate resident!

00:15:38 Amelia Escobedo: hello

00:15:59 Kim Cummins: Kim Cummins, MultiCare Health System. Will introduce myself when we present

00:17:30 T. Idella Dunn: Good Morning all, T. Idella Dunn (Tru) with MDC FHARPS Trueblood Program.

00:17:31 Theresa Power-Drutis: Great to have Neighborhood Clinic here!

00:17:56 John Van Buskirk: John Van Buskirk, DO

00:21:33 Gerrit Nyland: Coalition information is available on our website at <https://pchomeless.org/> - and you can email us any questions at info@pchomeless.org

00:22:22 Sarah Rumbaugh: Is Valeo Vocational here today? Concerned about what will happen with the people who were staying at the warming centers at Center for Norpoint and Eastside Community Center.

00:22:51 Sarah Rumbaugh: I don't believe everyone will be housed. I have been to the warming center and those staying have no idea where they are going.

00:22:53 Maureen Howard: Valeo is here

00:24:17 Cynthia Stewart: WE care!

00:24:20 Amelia Escobedo: don't give up we hear you!! ❤️

00:24:25 Maureen Howard: No body gets to give up. Everybody gets to step back and rest but no body gives up.

00:25:21 Amelia Escobedo: why do they refuse?

00:25:51 Amelia Escobedo: is it something that can change to shelter?

00:26:28 Maureen Howard: We never know why people refuse unless they tell us why. We just respect their decisions and try to develop alternatives that are acceptable. There is nothing simple or easy about this work.

00:26:40 Sarah Mitchell: Thank you Mike

00:27:16 Irene Morrison: closing down beds is closing down beds. there are still people outside and not enough beds.

00:27:47 Theresa Power-Drutis: Irene, I know it can feel like "nobody cares" but You care and so do we - there is actually a pretty strong group of people throughout the county working on shelter for all - that is a start. Maybe more accurate to say, "We need more people to care and we need to direct public funds toward the goal of shelter for all."

00:28:23 Mike Boisture: Mike Boisture, mikebatvaleovocation.org. If you have any question please let me know what you need and I will get right back to you. As well you can contact me on my cell 253.381.4365

00:28:25 Alan Brown: Everyone is here because they care.

00:30:10 Rob Huff (he/him): Is there a link to the SPARC report that we could share in the chat?

00:30:27 Maureen Howard: Re the Lincoln encampment - anyone interested should let Kevin Glackin-Coley know. He's the Coalition's point person.

00:31:58 TIEGAN TIDBALL: • Within the existing programs, what avenues do you use to hear directly from Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) individuals utilizing services?
o Even if it is informal feedback, example: conversation in case management, etc.



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- How does your agency act on that feedback to support BIPOC communities?
00:40:49 Crystal B: no worries!
00:41:46 Emily Huff: Thanks for the update!
00:43:14 Maureen Howard: I can't remember my room but thanks to the great people in it!
00:43:40 Gerrit Nyland: Tiegan - thanks for making the time to bring the Coalition into this work.
00:44:03 janne hutchins: Group 8
00:44:06 Rosemary Powers: group 14 mostly the group discussed how orgs are doing assessment of
00:44:19 Duane Parker: Thank you Maureen it was great to be in the room with you. I appreciate your passion and knowledge.
00:44:42 Audrey Goulart: Group four spoke about how it is very hard to get "numbers" for folks since a lot of them are in traumatic situations or just trying to get basic needs met. Getting qualitative data is not as valued as quantitative. Additionally spoke about how important it is to get folks onto boards or advisory committees, but also dealing with questions around paying for work and how agencies can support that
00:45:26 Jena Anderson: Colin -speaker advocate. Kevin/Colin/Jena - safe parking Sheila of Goodwill -PC Engagement Task Force - voice of those homeless. Community awareness, grassroots approach along with provider infrastructure
00:46:33 Irene Morrison: We would like to offer a big thing starts with understanding why people decline services. Many times service providers come from a position where they assume that the services being provided are in someones best interest and fail to see why people are refusing the services.
00:47:43 Jenny Lorton: Group 5 discussed connection to culturally competent resources, having a conversation about why a client is declining services to ensure we are providing the resources that are the best fit for the client
00:48:40 janne hutchins: group 8 some groups have follow up and everyone has some sort of exit interview. one agency talked about client meetings where everyone had a chance to provide feedback on a variety of topics. As to how we follow up information we hear from the people we serve we all agreed that is taken care of on a case by case basis. One organization stated that she will start to look at the information we gather accrodign to demographics of those served
00:49:30 Rosemary Powers: oops group 14 orgs discussed approach to outreach to BIPOC for helping guide our work —one has a community advisory board, another engaged in agency assessment. one person has been working at home so not currently much engaged in the discussion, and one community member from Lakewood hoping to learn more to help and if any shelters in Lakewood. questions about data collection re experiences of BIPOC were not very easy to address so not much specific to say
00:50:23 Maureen Howard: So can we add a “homeless status” to the intake form? Just like there is on the MultiCare financial aid form?
00:50:34 Sally Perkins: Irene, this is a really important point. Services need to be designed with the unsheltered person involved in the design conversation and with their actual circumstances at the center of the thinking. But the incentives in the system (especially from funders) are often for quick outcomes that get people out of sight.
00:52:49 Maureen Howard: So what can the Coalition do to help the ER Social Workers get the level of staffing you need to assist people experiencing homelessness? We are the ones gettin the after hours requests.
00:53:00 Amelia Escobedo: how do you work with police officers and homelessness and behavioral helath
00:55:21 Maureen Howard: The ER Barriers and Drivers slide is great...thanks



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00:55:25 Irene Morrison: Food Not Bombs street medics has a clinical therapist, and a medical doctor, and we are noticing that if we don't accompany the people we bring to the hospital the care they receive is different. Numerous chronic patients have been released from hospitals the same day despite having severe active infections

00:56:04 Dana Peregrine: In my group I heard frustration with lack of data collection and/or lack of acknowledgement of the data/information received directly from those in encampments. Also heard that mental health and substance abuse issues are extremely prevalent in [our local] encampments.

00:56:37 Maureen Howard: How many of the people waiting in the ERs for beds could go into a hotel room by themselves?

00:57:20 Maureen Howard: If the ER SW had hotel vouchers, would that help?

00:57:28 TIEGAN TIDBALL: Room 15

Shared Housing has used data and feedback to inform their outreach strategies to BIPOC communities. When looking at data they identified that the host home owner's often did not meet the identities of the clients/seekers for housing. The YYA BIPOC seekers reported that they would feel more comfortable with hosts that shared their identity. The agency began focused outreach to support this need, and made huge steps forward to make this happen. Continuing focused outreach to the BIPOC community for all ages of shared housing seekers.

Bethel Reserve Core provides direct support to vulnerable communities with medical support, aimed to improve health and safety of the communities. They have informal feedback, yet collaborate with the Health Dept. who collects direct data and feedback. They engage with communities based by geographical areas. After every public health engagement, they debrief to strategize and discuss needs they identified.

Questions: How to collect demographic data? How to ask for it?

00:57:36 Amelia Escobedo: is there a mobile teams that help homeless having a mental health crisis?

00:58:34 Sarah Rumbaugh: Group 3: Notes from Tacoma Pro Bono and MultiCare

Tacoma Pro Bono

They survey their clients who come in for services. After intake and the meeting, they give them a survey to answer how was their experience.

MultiCare

At organizational level they have a Center for Equity Inclusion where they do a Community Needs Assessment. This document provides information on where there are gaps in services. They use the foundation as a way to give grants and funding to make up for gaps in services with black and BIPOC populations. They also have a group at MultiCare that includes various groups representing several populations, Black, BIPOC, LGBTQ, who are part of an organizational committee to elevate their ability to serve more parts of the community, providing a wider lens on issues.

00:59:04 Amelia Escobedo: is there a homeless living space available to build tiny homes with self sustaining garden and home these group of people?

00:59:43 Kathryn Green: Working with Lamont Green to choose a equity officer. Also with our inhouse Diversity team, looking at the impact of every individual that walks through the door and the



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impact of service that individuals are experiencing. We are moving towards putting on a equity lens. Just recently I challenged the team to look outside of a "Northwest" lens to a more United States equity lens to educate ourselves on various models or examples that we could possibly try on at our agency. Of course we are also taking into account the client voices and requesting that they take a moment, complete a questionnaire regarding service. There is also have questions about race and equity.

00:59:53 Maureen Howard: Nor are shelters intended to be interim medical facilities.

01:00:39 Sarah Mitchell: Great point Maureen

01:01:21 Henry Hewitt: consider Eminent Domain per 5th Amendment. There are empty and dying malls with all required utilities and distressed owners. Amazon will put up the dough; Bankruptcy Judge will keep defaulting owners honest; wide parking lots will accommodate medical annex and personnel and allow police to minimize drug trafficking. what's not to like? Just needs a Conductor. That would be you or those you think best. That is all. Thanks for your attention

01:04:49 Maureen Howard: We have to figure out how to close this gap - we are facing COVID Year 2 and we have no assurance congregate shelters will be able to return to pre-COVID CDC guidance. Funding?

01:06:05 Maureen Howard: Can we adapt the Temporary Care Center to meet some of this need during the Emergency Declaration? It wouldn't solve every problem but might be a piece of a solution

01:06:46 Maureen Howard: Where are there communities who have solved this gap?

01:07:39 Amelia Escobedo: is there a hospital that specifically deals with psychiatric beds

01:07:44 Amelia Escobedo: help

01:07:51 Irene Morrison: as of now, there really is no where in the community to care for our housless community that has severe chronic infections. They are told they need to attend the wound clinic, but have no access to transportation, and it is a huge barrier to ask housless people with severe infections to get themselves to weekly care at the wound care clinic

01:08:31 Amelia Escobedo: Thank you all for what you do.

01:09:06 Maureen Howard: How do we call in the moment? Especially an after hours event?

01:09:49 Al Ratcliffe: To what extend does the current operation of WellFound psychiatric hospital provide an alternative to discharge to the street?

01:10:09 Kathy Ryan: For SJMC and SCH you can call my cell at 253-549-9930. Please do not give my cell to patients/non-professionals. I am available 24/7 and prefer in the moment problem solving. Thank you. Kathy

01:10:32 John Van Buskirk: The hospital social workers/case managers are at the very uncomfortable interface between the needs of the acute care hospital and the lack of community resources. We need more outpatient resources and case managers.

01:10:45 AiHousingSystems (Adrian): It's rather disturbing to live in a modern era, where we can write a BLANK Check for War, but we can't finance a program to help a small percentage of the population struggling with mental health issues...

01:11:59 Janet Runbeck: I agree with Dr. VanBuskirk. Can the Coalition advocate for more resources to assist SW at the hospitals?

01:11:59 Irene Morrison: @adrian- yep, hence Food NOT Bombs. it's hard to day in day out watch nothing change, except for the cellulitis that creeps farther up a leg.

01:12:02 Theresa Power-Drutis: Is there a master contact list for hospitals/healthcare folk who would take calls from the community? If not, can you create one for your hospitals? Hard to do the research while dealing with a person in need

01:12:28 Al Ratcliffe: What solutions do our two presenters believe would help most?



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- 01:12:37 Kathy Ryan: Anyone in the community can call any hospital system and ask to speak with an ER Social Worker.
- 01:14:01 Kathy Ryan: Solutions: afterhours shelter access for those with behavioral health issues with a harm reduction model and not a list of exclusionary criteria that causes barriers to help.
- 01:14:06 Irene Morrison: @Kathy, Arrow had to sit in the waiting room for 2 hours demanding to speak with the SW at St Joes despite being on a patients emergency contact list.
- 01:14:23 John Van Buskirk: Would it not be cost effective for the large health care organizations to subsidize the medical respite beds.
- 01:15:04 Kathy Ryan: Arrow, if you would like to call me directly to discuss your experience at SJMC, please call me on my cell at 253-549-9930.
- 01:15:42 Maureen Howard: COVID limits shelters' ability to do things they once could do - they can no longer simply squeeze in one more person. Those days are over.
- 01:15:54 Irene Morrison: thanks Kathy, we got your number down now
- 01:16:20 Theresa Power-Drutis: So, we should call the emergency room and request the social worker, Is this true for hospitals in general?
- 01:17:01 Kathy Ryan: If you are having a medical emergency, call 911. If you are needing resources you certainly can call SJMC and SCH or myself if you need problem solving or resources.
- 01:17:15 Kim Cummins: @Maureen agree about the Covid barriers impacting shelters. It also impacts hospitals. We cannot allow families to visit / spend time in the hospital with patients which impacts social / emotional recovery
- 01:17:19 Rob Huff (he/him): It comes down again to Build More Damned Housing! Make it affordable.
- 01:17:28 Amelia Escobedo: "affordable"" according to whom
- 01:17:38 Amelia Escobedo: the scale is all wrong
- 01:17:48 Rob Huff (he/him): 0-50% Area Median Income is what I am talking about
- 01:18:06 Amelia Escobedo: without a living wage the lower class have no choice
- 01:18:16 Amelia Escobedo: no avenue
- 01:18:42 Jeffrey Boyce: Yes that is an issue Amelia.
- 01:18:49 Theresa Power-Drutis: Yes Rob! and also publicly funded housing for 0-30% AMI
- 01:18:51 Irene Morrison: we like to say "extremely low or no income housing" and "permanent supportive housing" since the term "affordable" has, as you point out, been co-opted
- 01:19:20 Maureen Howard: We need a short term plan to get through from now until we at least get unsheltered people vaccinated, people in the shelters, and all the staff and volunteers.
- 01:19:27 Janet Runbeck: Thank you Kathy, Kim & Kirk!
- 01:19:42 Kathy Ryan: kathyryan@chifranciscan.org
- 01:19:42 John Van Buskirk: Thank you very informative presentation of tough issue.
- 01:19:50 Gerrit Nyland: something like 9 mental health beds per 100,000 in Pierce county - nation-wide research indicates we need around 50 mental health beds per 100,000.
- 01:20:23 Kathy Ryan: THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY! You are all doing amazing work.
- 01:20:34 Jeffrey Boyce: That is a very sad number Gerritt
- 01:20:49 Kim Cummins: There are discussions at the State Level with the State Hospital Association to consider adding peer specialists to emergency rooms. We have done that in the past with mixed results but it is a promising practice
- 01:21:24 Theresa Power-Drutis: Please know that we do not believe the hospitals should "solve" this alone. Thank you so much for the great information and compassion you brought here this morning.
- 01:21:43 Billi Schmitt: Hi all I am, FHARPS CLR Trueblood team



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- 01:22:05 Crystal B: I had no idea our numbers were that low. as prior LE I remember bringing people in and having ZERO issues getting them care.
- 01:22:42 Crystal B: In rural communities there is almost no help for someone who needs mental services and isn't a danger to themselves.
- 01:23:20 Sally Perkins: See the Behavioral Health Strategic Plan (2020) for a strong description of the unmet need for mental health services in Pierce County.
<https://issuu.com/pierceco/docs/stragetitplanforbehaviorialhealthsystemimprovements>
- 01:23:58 Irene Morrison: arrow is headed out for medical rounds, thanks for all the work you all are doing, solidarity
- 01:24:13 Rob Huff (he/him): Thank you, arrow!
- 01:25:20 Duane Parker: Where can we access the video and slides? I believe I missed that information.
- 01:26:12 Rob Huff (he/him): Duane, I will ask Kimberley for the slides, either here in chat or make them available on the <http://www.pchomeless.org> website
- 01:26:14 Kim Cummins: Dr Van Buskirk, we do pay for the medical respite beds. We pay anywhere from \$150 to \$200 per night. IN 2020 we paid for 1,420 bed nights at Nativity House at \$282,000. We paid a higher amount for our Tideflats respite.
- 01:28:07 Craig Jacobson: <https://youtu.be/Nf9ntodUXfw>
- 01:28:21 Craig Jacobson: This is a link to a video on the Trueblood Settlement
- 01:28:47 Rob Huff (he/him): Thank you, Craig!
- 01:31:52 Maureen Howard: I've heard that Trueblood members are often housed in hotels/motels and then end up back as homeless. Is that accurate?
- 01:33:08 T. Idella Dunn: I can attest that while there are some that go back to being homeless we do have more success stories of going from homeless to housed.
- 01:34:16 Billi Schmitt: Pierce County is the only county in Washington that have 2 FHARPS programs.
- 01:34:19 Maureen Howard: Do you have data on folks returning to homelessness? This could be important as we try to end street homelessness by Nov. 1, 2021
- 01:34:32 Rob Huff (he/him): That is great to know, Billi!
- 01:34:38 Craig Jacobson: HCA is working on gathering that data
- 01:36:02 Maureen Howard: Nice to see the system slide
- 01:37:42 Maureen Howard: Do you track class members and their housing status by name?
- 01:38:20 Billi Schmitt: Thank you Kimberly. This was a great presentation to help others understand.
- 01:38:43 Duane Parker: Thank you Kimberly
- 01:38:46 Theresa Power-Drutis: Tiegan: some ideas from our group:
- 1) Establish an advisory council that is representative of people being served (perhaps incentivizing in some cases)
 - 2) Increase anecdotal reporting to funders (shift away from data only) as a way to elevate DEI goals. Working to meet funder data requirements can be at odds with doing the work.
 - 3) Prioritize DEI in board recruitment; important to have more than 1 board member with lived experience/ representative of underrepresented group. One person may feel (or actually be) tokenized.
- NOTE: it is difficult to gather the "required" data from someone experiencing trauma, especially during a crisis.
- 01:39:01 Kimberley Bjorn: kimberleyb@elevatehealth.org
- 01:39:32 Craig Jacobson: craig.jacobson@hca.wa.gov
- 01:40:49 T. Idella Dunn: Thank you Kimberley
- 01:41:59 Pamela Williams: pwilliams@mdc-hope.org, HARPS



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- 01:42:07 Janet Runbeck: Kim, MRC has data on the success rate of the Respite Bed program at NH. It justifies expanding the service. Contact me if you want a copy. janetrunkbeck@gmail.com 253-370-3988
- 01:42:49 Pamela Williams: Thank you Kim
- 01:43:06 Billi Schmitt: bschmitt@cmhshare.org -- Forensic HARPS Housing Specialist
- 01:44:11 T. Idella Dunn: Thank you Valeri
- 01:44:23 Kim Cummins: Janet, we have those data and presented it to our organizational leadership. It is the reason we get approved to buy more beds over the contract. We have done that often when those beds are available
- 01:44:39 Kimberley Bjorn: Thank you to all the Forensic Peeps for answering the questions and sharing contact information!
- 01:45:04 TIEGAN TIDBALL: Here is the link to Study Session on February 23rd.
https://cityoftacoma.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=4&clip_id=4608
- 01:45:04 Gerrit Nyland: Any applicants to the Young Adult shelter RFP?
- 01:45:32 T. Idella Dunn: tdunn@mdc-hope.org HARPS
- 01:45:43 Valeri Knight: <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7142/Rental-Assistance>
- 01:46:29 Serena Thomson: thank you Valeri
- 01:46:31 Maureen Howard: Reanna - appreciate you forwarding emails to the appropriate contact person within TPCHD.
- 01:46:34 Pamela Williams: Correction-pwilliams@mdc-hope.org. Forensic HARPS-Housing Specialist 253-999-2734
- 01:46:48 TIEGAN TIDBALL: Any and all applications are welcome. I am not aware of how many responses we have received, because the Purchasing Department informs us after it closes.
- 01:47:12 Gerrit Nyland: Thanks, Tiegán.
- 01:47:41 Jeanette Crute-Bullock: careshouse.org
- 01:48:13 Duane Parker: Thank you Tiegán
- 01:49:24 Kimberley Bjorn: Link to Trueblood Slides.
<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:933034c6-519c-4a26-b4f5-5e194cbcb7f7>
- 01:49:36 Rob Huff (he/him): Thank you, Kimberley!
- 01:50:29 Jeanette Crute-Bullock: Jeanette Crute-Bullock Newly formed 501c3 looking for matching funds to use as startup for a grant already received. please contact me at 2534399378 representing careshouse.org
- 01:52:37 Reanna Bettencourt: COVID Vaccine Education Outreach Info:
rbettencourt@tpchd.org

If you haven't already, I recommend joining a couple of listservs at <https://www.tpchd.org/i-want-to/about-the-health-department/sign-up-for-notifications> to get the most up-to-date info on vaccine and health equity efforts:

- 1) "COVID-19 Community Vaccine Events" under "news"
- 2) "Equity Action Network" under "news"

For Vaccine FAQs, availability info., current phase guidance, & blogs:

<https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/diseases/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information>

- 01:53:46 Theresa Power-Drutis: Thank Colin - especially for clarifying the need for safe lots for individuals and couples



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- 01:55:49 Colin DeForrest: colin@i2-strategies.com 253-348-4596
- 01:55:53 Rob Huff (he/him): The City and County have the funds, so if we can be strong partners to help guide what that looks like, to ensure that those who are actually homeless can inform the plan, that's a big win!
- 01:56:21 Colin DeForrest: please call/send me any and all referrals for Safe Parking Network
- 01:56:54 Janet Runbeck: This is the same County that wanted to absorb the Health Dept, in order to save money. Without any understanding of its population health outcomes. I am reservedly cautious.
- 01:57:15 Rob Huff (he/him): The links to join the Steering Committee meetings are on <http://www.pchomeless.org>
- 01:57:54 Jena Anderson: are there medical mobile vans for Pierce Co. such as AMR in Seattle?
- 01:58:27 Janet Runbeck: Yes, both SeaMar and CHC have mobile medical vans.
- 01:58:50 Kim Cummins: So does MultiCare - mobile mental health services
- 02:00:57 Gerrit Nyland: Every meeting we attend and every chat with friends we have in the next 6 months should start with a reminder of the available rental assistance and how to get it.
- 02:01:18 Gerrit Nyland: That file is the Proposed rental housing code changes.
- 02:03:41 Gerrit Nyland: This is the presentation at the study session about adopting the affordable housing sales tax allowed by HB 1590.
- 02:04:06 Jena Anderson: are seamar and chc involved with us re; medical mobiles?
- 02:04:30 Theresa Power-Drutis: Wish the county would step up to the plate - more useful to be regional especially if they want to lead the shelter for all efforts. Walk the talk!
- 02:06:05 Kathryn Green: Has there been any thought to lease agreements that are expired, and landlord not willing to renew leases. Owners/managers requesting the 20-day notice given to tenants to just move because they can request them to? My fear is that eviction loop....with the decision to give this 20 day notice because there is only a month-to-month agreement. Of course then with new tenant move in, rent can be increased with new tenant. And because the the rental market is little opportunity, the old tenant is forced into homelessness.
- 02:07:28 Rob Huff (he/him): Kathryn, that is being considered by lawmakers in Olympia in the package they are hoping to pass to help create an offramp from the current eviction moratorium.
- 02:07:35 Suzan LeFurgey: Love Abounds Here - we are a non-profit helping people in far southwest Thurston County (Yelm area) and far southeast Pierce County (McKenna area).
- 02:07:55 Rob Huff (he/him): Including legislation to require Just Cause eviction, rather than the current No Cause.
- 02:08:02 Valeri Knight: @Theresa the County cant create programs. Providers must apply for funds and create a program and the County can fund it.
- 02:08:29 Kathryn Green: Thank you Rob
- 02:08:39 Laurie Davenport: Thanks Maureen, that was great.
- 02:08:40 Theresa Power-Drutis: Valerie: I meant the 1 10th of 1%
- 02:08:51 Suzan LeFurgey: Please repeat email address(es)? Maureen, etc.
- 02:09:04 Kathryn Green: Thank you Maureen
- 02:10:38 Maureen Howard: Thanks Valeri for including the volunteer outreach workers in the Outreach Team meeting.
- 02:11:13 Maureen Howard: If you do outreach and didn't get invited to yesterday's meeting, please let Valeri know
- 02:11:50 Rob Huff (he/him): Brandon will be here next week to talk about the City's Purple Bag Project



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- 02:12:12 JulianF Wheeler,PierceCoACACchair(he/his): Pierce County Accessible Community Advisory Committee meeting on-line on Tuesday, March 9th, at 9 am. Email julianfwheeler@aol.com if you'd like to attend.
- 02:12:13 Theresa Power-Drutis: Let's get a pink bag program going then
- 02:12:35 Gerrit Nyland: Suzan, what emails are you looking for?
- 02:12:49 Suzan LeFurgey: Love Abounds Here email is: loveaboundshereandeverywhere@gmail.com We have board members who live in Pierce County. Please add us to your email lists for meeting notices, etc.
- 02:13:15 Rob Huff (he/him): Thank you to everyone for joining us today. Have a great weekend!
- 02:13:16 Maureen Howard: Everyone - you can sign up for our distribution list at pchomeless.org
- 02:13:33 Suzan LeFurgey: Thank you. Will sign up.
- 02:15:18 Jennifer Ammons: jennifera@nwjustice.org
- 02:15:29 Colin DeForrest: Unfortunately they will go the same places they always do. Lincoln field, across from TRM, 35th and Pacific field...same places as always.
- 02:15:54 Reanna Bettencourt: Thank you all for the work you are doing in our community. I have to jump off. rbettencourt@tpchd.org
- 02:16:23 Maria Fola: Appreciate all the information. Thank you!
- 02:16:34 Suzan LeFurgey: Thank you.
- 02:16:42 Crystal B: before everyone goes! I'm with Resilient Veterans, Anyone with questions please email me at cbuchholz07@gmail.com
- 02:17:07 Crystal B: We are focused on Veterans and right now many are in crisis and homeless.
- 02:17:43 Crystal B: If anyone has any resources to help with shared housing, please message me!
- 02:23:02 Rob Huff (he/him): There needs to be two approaches. One in the city of Tacoma, and one outside.
- 02:24:01 Abril Mitchell-Ward: any community style cleanups planned? that we can get some advocates like myself engaged in?
- 02:24:48 Rob Huff (he/him): Working with City Council Members like Ms. Ushka is a good approach
- 02:25:42 TIEGAN TIDBALL: I am sorry, but I have to run.
- 02:29:54 Verna Lilly: Folks, I stayed on because Jan invited me to approach the group about the Trauma Resilience Team do a presentation on stress/compassion fatigue for the group. This thought in response to Food Not Bombs person expressing discouragement this morning.
- 02:30:23 Laurie Davenport: I have to stay muted because of background noise, Jeffrey, would you update me on your conversations with Ushka and I'll contact her separately as a constituent (she knows me as an advocate for eviction defense already)
- 02:31:00 Laurie Davenport: My email is vls@tacomaprobono.org
- 02:36:24 Laurie Davenport: There was no way we could get through all 3 and one of them wasn't a question - shorter is good!
- 02:37:36 Janet Runbeck: kglackincoley@pchomeless.org (Verna, I can email his address also)
- 02:40:48 Jena Anderson: 7 degrees to Jackie Flowers. How should we connect with her? Certainly there is concern at tPU??
- 02:41:37 Maureen Howard: Did she leave TPU? She's been on our agenda before.
- 02:42:17 Rob Huff (he/him): One other point - TPU does not oversee Solid Waste. Solid Waste is a utility of the City's General Government function.
- 02:42:27 Rob Huff (he/him): TPU is just Power and Water.
- 02:42:59 Rob Huff (he/him): Metro Parks also maps
- 02:46:47 Rob Huff (he/him): Also recognize that maps can be used for evil as well as good



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- 02:47:10 Jena Anderson: build on medical mobiles to bring emts and crisis responders to those living homeless. Old metro buses. a new task force
- 02:47:40 Jena Anderson: No agency is compiling statistics?
- 02:48:24 Jena Anderson: A person , an group is needed to compile map statistics?
- 02:49:36 Jena Anderson: An idea like 'rescue mobiles
- 02:50:04 Rob Huff (he/him): Jena, we have been working with Pierce County to urge them to create more data resources. That would scale because it is regional and could be reliably funded - has the potential for better long term viability
- 02:52:02 Janet Runbeck: Jenna, Tacoma Rescue Mission also send out a hot team to do search & rescue
- 02:53:15 Janet Runbeck: Thanks Abril
- 02:53:46 Verna Lilly: There is a shorter, 1-hour compassion fatigue presentation we can do. Not as much help, but it's a start and better than nothing. We can also promote the full 3-hour version for those that might be able to fit it in.
- 02:56:14 Gerrit Nyland: Ivan Tudela with emergency management did a compassion fatigue presentation about a year ago, but I think it was pretty short. I think it would be great to do a longer separate session, though.
- 02:56:41 Laurie Davenport: That longer session would be helpful for our staff.
- 02:57:01 Abril Mitchell-Ward: yw and sounds like a plan!my email is: abrilis4ourkids@gmail.com. also our website is: CAIRESHOUSE.ORG....thx 4 welcoming us aboard. we support those facing tragedy in our community and we again are invested in the.wellness of our community.
- 02:57:26 Jeffrey Boyce: Thank you Abril
- 03:00:50 Laurie Davenport: That was really good.
- 03:05:15 Rob Huff (he/him): I need to step away. Can you stay here for the duration, Gerrit?
- 03:05:17 Laurie Davenport: We are looking for funding to get our own 'justice' van out there.
- 03:06:50 Rob Huff (he/him): Have a good weekend everyone!
- 03:07:39 Maureen Howard: Kevin - get those medical vans into our Ending Street Homelessness rough draft
- 03:08:10 Laurie Davenport: Thanks! Bye!
- 03:08:42 Abril Mitchell-Ward: see yall. next week