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Friday Provider Meeting Chat – June 11th, 2021

00:19:14 - Kelly Blucher: - Good morning!!!

00:21:06 - CC Mendoza: - Good morning Kelly!

00:26:57 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Jenny - sorry for your loss and the loss to the community he served

00:27:04 - Duane Parker: - Ah that is sad my condolences to his family.

00:27:21 - Jenny Lorton: - Thank you everyone

00:27:39 - Maureen Howard: - Jenny - please share Theresa's message with his family and your colleagues

00:27:49 - Jenny Lorton: - I absolutely will

00:32:15 - James Pogue: - let's do week on the streets.

00:32:41 - James Pogue: - I was hoping to get my computer but it looks like it'll be on my phone

00:33:10 - Maureen Howard: - I remember when Denny started....now let's give him work for his retirement.

00:36:53 - Sheila Miraflor: - Timely message! Thank you for the words of wisdom!

00:40:25 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Denny - you will be missed by the G street Community! Your work to build distributed leadership and collaboration in the community have made a real difference.

00:41:16 - Rosemary Powers: - Yes Denny! G street paved is a miracle!

00:41:22 - Colin DeForrest: - Thank you for being such a great leader Denny!

00:43:21 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you Denny for all that you have done for people in our community. You leave giant shoes to fill!

00:43:42 - Paula Anderson: - Thank you Denny for all your hard work and friendship for all these years! You were one of my mentors in the Puyallup saga! Your support has been so appreciated! Godspeed my friend!

00:44:55 - Kelly Blucher: - Thank you Denny for your passion, your leadership and your guidance. You are a true champion!!

00:46:03 - Michael Yoder: - My thanks to Denny for his continual encouragement and mentorship of me in my role at AM. You've been a valuable friend to me and everyone in this community!

00:47:30 - Delmar Algee: - Denny, I've truly enjoyed you and your leadership. You've taught me so much over the past five years of my time at CCS. I wish you well in your retirement. Please come back and visit us at FHN.

00:50:54 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Those would be great to drop in the chat, Colin

00:51:30 - Rob Huff (he/him): - KING5 TV did a piece on the site last night:

<https://www.king5.com/article/news/local/tacoma/tacoma-clears-homeless-encampment-under-509/281-d615bfb4-3b13-442c-ae08-198311e8aab3>

00:51:53 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - WE need a place for RVs

00:52:13 - Jennifer Ammons: - Agreed, Theresa!

00:53:48 - Maureen Howard: - Valeri Knight - could we use Rental Assistance money to relocate RV folks into decent RV parks IF they had a lease...pay the space rent ahead?

00:54:01 - Joanne Iverson: - I visited 705 encampment for the first time. I don't want to waste anytime talking about it, but I would like to give a shout out to all the beautiful, compassionate outreach workers who have not forgotten our unsheltered residents. God bless you all. This is "extremely disturbing" as Colin said.

00:54:44 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Valerie - that would be a good place to start

00:55:39 - Valeri Knight: - once they have a lease at the new site absolutely. we can even push them through quickly if someone wants to facilitate the lease component. We can pay arrears (1 day late) and 3 months future at a time



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- 00:55:40 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - But we also need to hold onto RV parks throughout Pierce County and help develop more
- 00:56:14 - Maureen Howard: - Depending on the final local rules on the new Emergency Housing Vouchers, we ought to be able to get some of the higher risk folks into permanent housing. These are the 196 federal emergency housing vouchers going to THA and PCHA July 1.
- 00:56:48 - Jennifer Ammons: - NJP has successfully argued before that Dan & Bill's RV Park is actually a manufactured home park. I get what Colin means by "legit RV park" (as opposed to a camp), but if you have clients who have been there for a year or more, the owners need to afford them the additional protections of the MHLTA. This is an interesting development.
- 00:57:14 - Maureen Howard: - Seems to me we could also work on getting better RVs...anyone want to take that on?
- 00:57:31 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Valerie - can we get a list of RV Parks in Pierce County from someone you work with or do we need to make a formal request?
- 00:58:05 - Valeri Knight: - I don't work with any RV parks currently. i don't know of anyone who has that list or would have that list.
- 00:58:05 - Maureen Howard: - We've been told we need a PDR for a list of RV parts.
- 00:58:14 - Valeri Knight: - an no formal requests are never required with me :)
- 00:59:04 - Maureen Howard: - Re Jennifer - who takes the lead on Manufactured Housing parks in Pierce County
- 01:01:35 - Maureen Howard: - Valeri - please send the RV Park list! Thanks
- 01:02:35 - Valeri Knight: - KEY PENINSULA HOMELESS OUTREACH EVENT: June 25th Key Peninsula Civic Center 9:30am to 3:30pm. flyers to come next week. GOAL: Showers, laundry, medical, clothing, housing signup, and building trust. NEW HOPE will be there being amazing!!! if you have services or supplies to offer, please email and I will set you up with the organizers (not me).
- 01:02:40 - KIMBERLY ELLEFSON: - Our systems should educate people and assist them attaining what is available. We all do not have the same skills.
- 01:03:22 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Agreed, Kimberly.
- 01:04:36 - Sheila Mirafior: - Congratulations, CLR and HYPE Center!
- 01:05:02 - Jennifer Ammons: - Agreed, Kimberly. I have a lot of clients who have no idea how to find a new apartment.
- 01:05:23 - Serena Thomson: - Did you say Valeo is taking over the Hype or the Shelter for 90 days?
- 01:05:41 - Valeri Knight: - shelter
- 01:05:44 - Valeri Knight: - young adult overnight shelter
- 01:05:50 - Judy TAYLOR: - yes Serena
- 01:06:25 - Maureen Howard: - Where is the new CLR program located? I missed that part.
- 01:06:31 - Valeri Knight: - Valeo staff we should chat very soon. please email me
valeri.knight@piercecountywa.gov
- 01:06:35 - Rob Huff (he/him): - 8th and Pearl
- 01:06:38 - Valeri Knight: - Maureen on Pearl Street
- 01:06:40 - Janet Runbeck: - 815 S Pearl
- 01:07:03 - Maureen Howard: - So no housing there?
- 01:07:17 - Valeri Knight: - no, its a day center
- 01:07:31 - Jeffrey Boyce: - no housing.
- 01:07:53 - Chong Lee White: - this seems like a great program offering a lot for individuals that is needed
- 01:08:47 - Valeri Knight: - PERFECT TIMING WITH YHDP OPENING :) :)
- 01:09:37 - Maureen Howard: - Safe Parking James?



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- 01:09:47 - Valeri Knight: - Is Morgan giving free membership to members of the day center :) hint hint
- 01:11:38 - Janet Runbeck: - Do you want donations of supplies?
- 01:13:36 - James Pogue: - Thank you all. Again, starting at 7am June 16th, we will be opening at 815 S. Pearl Street. We will be open until 9pm and will work to caravan folks back and forth to Beacon Center, if they wish.
- 01:14:06 - James Pogue: - In the month of June, we will be operating M-F, but, starting the 3rd of July, we will be open 7 days a week.
- 01:14:19 - Rosemary Powers: - Thanks so much James. This is so important for embodying the meaning of HYPE!
- 01:14:24 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you for the preview, James!
- 01:14:54 - Jeffrey Boyce: - Thank you James
- 01:17:45 - Maureen Howard: - Everyone - if you have advocacy or policy questions, please email me - mhoward@pchomeless.org
- 01:19:06 - Valeri Knight: - yes
- 01:19:25 - Rob Huff (he/him): - And Pierce County is actually doing better than many other counties. Thank you Valeri!
- 01:19:38 - Valeri Knight: - awe thanks Rob. our citizens deserve the best
- 01:20:14 - Al Ratcliffe: - I encourage the HC to invite the Port Director to come to a meeting and present the Port's concerns about homelessness and possible common interests that could be pursued together. Similar to our outreach to the Chamber of Commerce.
- 01:20:25 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Great idea, Al
- 01:20:42 - Maureen Howard: - We are really fortunate to have our Pierce County Rental Assistance program so incredibly accessible through Valeri. That isn't true everywhere.
- 01:21:49 - John Stovall: - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/15IAdIEFGGnooSw9D-gu4CshTo2DYZxZx6wYQepDcYy4/edit>
- 01:22:17 - Joanne Iverson: - Any ideas regarding long term solutions? Delaying rent is a good temporary solution—but we continue to have “hidden homeless” continuing.
- 01:22:18 - Maureen Howard: - If you are on the listserv, you have this in your email
- 01:22:41 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Good work on extending the moratorium. In addition: Have you been reaching out to landlords to let them know that they can receive funds if they hang in there with their tenants? Landlords could postpone evictions even if the moratorium does end.
- 01:22:46 - Rob Huff (he/him): - I can remind folks at the end of this meeting as well, John
- 01:22:53 - Valeri Knight: - Yes, we email the landlords weekly
- 01:24:02 - John Stovall: - Again, please make a call by using this script:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/15IAdIEFGGnooSw9D-gu4CshTo2DYZxZx6wYQepDcYy4/edit>
- 01:24:07 - John Stovall: - Here's the number - Call Governor Inslee: 360-902-4111, then press 2
- 01:24:19 - Kevin Glackin-Coley: - Maureen sent the link out yesterday as well so it should be in your inbox if you are on the list serve
- 01:25:25 - Sheila Miraflor: - It is refreshing to hear other WA Counties looking at what Pierce County is doing!
- 01:26:02 - Maureen Howard: - Reminder - check with your organization. You might need to use your personal phone or computer
- 01:32:26 - Valeri Knight: - GRANTS: <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2779/Solicitations-and-Competitive-Bids>
- 01:32:47 - Valeri Knight: - Voices that Matter on there right now, due today. American Rescue Plan opens today



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- 01:33:06 - Carolyn Read: - If anyone is willing to write a letter or verbally give a 3min comment to the County Council to encourage them to approve the 1/10th of 1% tax. We even have bullet points you can use. Please contact me. readcarolyn@comcast.net
- 01:33:18 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you Carolyn!
- 01:34:27 - Gerrit Nyland: - Read the action plan Mike just mentioned at <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/105165>
- 01:35:45 - Maureen Howard: - The Shelter Plan is to End Street Homelessness by Nov. 1, 2021
- 01:38:18 - Chong Lee White: - can mike provide his email address and program he's with thank you
- 01:39:04 - Jeffrey Boyce: - what day and time, Mike?
- 01:40:50 - Gerrit Nyland: - Current County shelter group meeting plan is every other Thursday from 2pm-4pm. Next meeting is June 24th. We'll have the links to join the meetings on the Coalition website.
- 01:41:48 - Mike Boisture: - Mike Boisture mboisture@outlook.com.
- 01:41:50 - Jeffrey Boyce: - Thanks Gerrit
- 01:41:58 - Valeri Knight: - WOOOHOOOOO
- 01:42:33 - Carolyn Read: - Congratulations!
- 01:42:51 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Great person for the job!
- 01:42:58 - Stephanie Schermerhorn: - Congratulations Gerrit!!
- 01:43:10 - Carolyn Read: - Gerrit may have to get into 'good trouble' with the county!
- 01:43:28 - Theresa Power-Drutis: -
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1oiSxRwc0GivFNIDvLvdeUUwROblwSsLw?usp=sharing>
- 01:44:29 - Kevin Glackin-Coley: - TP needs some more bandwidth!
- 01:45:50 - Maureen Howard: - If there is anything you want me to bring to the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, please put it in the chat or email me...mhoward@pchomeless.org
- 01:47:57 - Valeri Knight: - Point in Time Count 2022 will be interesting with no street homelessness and everyone in hotels :)
- 01:48:18 - Maureen Howard: - If anyone is working with DeLong Elementary School in Tacoma, please let me know. They've reached out to a local church - 80 homeless students. S. 12th and before Stevens
- 01:48:53 - Valeri Knight: - have they connect with TSHAP Maureen?
- 01:50:06 - Rosemary Powers: - Governance workgroup meeting
Wednesday, June 16
Zoom link at:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89178291255?pwd=VW4wRE85Vkc3NWRFS2NFTU9CSGNvdz09>
contact Rosemary Powers at rpowers@eou.edu if unable to attend but interested in future meetings that are at a time you would be available.
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- 01:52:51 - Rosemary Powers: - Update on governance workgroup meeting time is at 9:00 am on June 16.
- 01:53:20 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - These small sites are great - a much more sustainable and community building option than a large camps
- 01:53:55 - Valeri Knight: - Thanks :)



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- 01:58:29 - Maureen Howard: - City is beginning community meetings around 69th & Proctor...list was in the City Manager's June 3 report. Does the Coalition want to make a formal statement?
- 01:58:59 - Rob Huff (he/him): - I think we have already made a statement, haven't we? Or was that too general?
- 01:59:40 - Maureen Howard: - Our initial statement did not include "don't close down any existing" Nor mention THA's offer. Do you want a letter Friday to vote on?
- 02:00:00 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Yes please
- 02:00:06 - Janet Runbeck: - Yes please
- 02:00:23 - Valeri Knight: - American Rescue Plan Funding release today :) inclement weather/hotel/motel/emergency shelter. 1.7 million. starts July 1
- 02:01:01 - Maureen Howard: - OK - send me any language and I'll have a letter for Friday for coalition vote; Safe Sites 4 All - may want to have someone at each of the City's planned community engagement meetings
- 02:01:55 - Joanne Iverson: - Maybe it would be a good thing that the community sees them? We need a huge movement to get the attention of our political leaders.
- 02:02:04 - Maureen Howard: - WSDOT funds new hygiene stations at 705.
- 02:02:10 - Joanne Iverson: - The community needs to see them more or things may not change.
- 02:04:00 - Joanne Iverson: - I'm willing to volunteer to serve as a liaison.
- 02:04:17 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - If even aligned agencies oppose safe campsites (only accepting tiny houses) then we have an even more difficult road ahead than we imagined. We need to reframe this and engage the community. Got creativity? Come on by!
- 02:04:36 - Julian F. Wheeler,PC-ACACchair(he/his): - Let's commit together to make Pierce County more accessible for everyone, including, but not limited to, people with disabilities. And not only for PWD's as customers and constituents, but also as potential leaders, managers, department heads, and even elected officials.

All are invited to our next regular session of the Pierce County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee (PC-ACAC) is on-line on Tuesday, July 13th, at 9 am. We are looking for new members and new ideas.

Under the mandate of the Accessible Communities Act of 2010, we help expedite funding for accessibility projects in Pierce County.

Email your interest to attend our next meeting to Julianfwheeler@aol.com.

- 02:04:39 - Rosemary Powers: - Port of Seattle is supporting more tiny houses at Interbay village that will bring that site to about 75 dwellings. <https://lihi.org/2021/06/05/port-of-seattle-to-expand-interbay-village/>
- 02:04:39 - Valeri Knight: - American Rescue Plan NOFA: JUST RELEASED
- 02:05:32 - Rob Huff (he/him): - As a bird watcher, I do not advocate killing birds with stones
- 02:09:44 - Maureen Howard: - Allison Needles two articles on homelessness are in today's News Tribune...and on the listserv.
- 02:10:23 - Serena Thomson: - oh wow
- 02:10:30 - Janet Runbeck: - The Needles articles quotes our very own heroes from the Coalition
- 02:10:41 - Carolyn Read: - just email me and I will invite you to the meeting. readcarolyn@comcast.net
- 02:10:49 - Carolyn Read: - Revenue for Housing
- 02:10:53 - Colin DeForrest: - Al...NOOOOOOO!
- 02:11:05 - Valeri Knight: - i do not accept your resignation Al



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02:11:20 - Sheila Miraflor: - Second, Valeri!

02:11:23 - Serena Thomson: - me neither

02:11:27 - Kelly Blucher: - We still need "I am with AI" t-shirts

02:11:34 - Carolyn Read: - The meeting was great! good work

02:11:36 - Chong Lee White: - This session has been a great opportunity for me to take part in. I have found out that there are many organizations that are participating in ending homelessness which is great and is something that I have some strong feelings about that I am extremely interested in and I would like to assist because my beliefs are that people deserve the opportunity to become product members of Society again and if we can eliminate or decrease homelessness by providing resources for them to access. Thank you so much for this opportunity to hear the different informational resources

02:11:43 - Colin DeForrest: - Thank you for all your knowledge and leadership over the years...see you next week :)

02:12:44 - Sherrilla Bivens APRI-Tacoma: - Great meeting great resources and connections

02:12:50 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - It would be good to have regular small group breakout so that we get to know each other a bit more

02:13:47 - Chong Lee White: - you're welcome and again I am interested in becoming a part of any program that may need assistance this movement is something that I believe in

02:13:56 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - I always learn something at these meetings - that works for me

02:14:03 - Maureen Howard: - Our Coalition is very different in its composition from other coalitions in the state...we can talk about this another time.

02:14:10 - KIMBERLY ELLEFSON: - I am trying to find shelter for a person who identifies as a female emergency shelter. I am not receiving any return phone calls from agencies I have contacted. does any one have a contact who I can get in touch with.

02:15:03 - Gerrit Nyland: - It is fun to highlight and hear from local leaders like Denny Hunthausen, especially as they leave their positions or start new ones. Pass suggestions on who to invite to info@pchomeless.org

02:15:20 - Rob Huff (he/him): - rhuff@mdc-hope.org

02:16:05 - Stephanie Schermerhorn: - Thanks everyone!!