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### Friday Provider Meeting Chat – October 8, 2021

- 00:20:25 Laurel MacIntyre-Howard: - Good morning. I think I joined a bit early. sorry!!
- 00:20:49 Laurel MacIntyre-Howard: Thank you!
- 00:21:17 Rob Huff blah blah blah: Ed Jacobs!
- 00:21:55 Rob Huff blah blah blah: His email is in today's agenda, CC!
- 00:23:40 Luis Rivera Zayas: Hey there everyone! Happy Friday!
- 00:23:58 Rob Huff blah blah blah: Thank you for joining us, Luis!
- 00:25:35 Rob Huff blah blah blah: Have a great meeting, everyone!
- 00:29:17 Sara Williamson: Hi everyone from the hot team, could I please get a someone's email,
  - would like to reach out to you guys. thank you :)
- 00:32:19 Jenny Lorton: Hi Sara whose email contact would you like?
- 00:33:06 Sara Williamson: Jenny- could I please get Kendricks
- 00:33:37 Rosemary Powers: Https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kgnac8x-sim
- Puyallup Tribal Lushootseed Land Acknowledgement

#### ZOOM NORMS

- 1. Mute yourself when not talking.
- 2. Use Zoom's raise hand feature if you have something to say.
- 3. Limit distractions by turning off your camera if you need to take another call.
- (Use chat for announcements, questions, comments on presentations, contact information so others can be in touch---Chat info that is shared with everyone during the meeting is saved and is able to be retrieved).

#### COMMUNITY NORMS

- 1. Lead with a racial equity lens.
- 2. Be aware of power dynamics.
- 3. Challenge concepts, not people.
- 4. Listen to learn.
- 5. One person speaks at a time.
- 6. Speak from your own experience.
- 7. Make space, take space.
- 8. Assume best intentions and take responsibility for impact.
- 9. Be aware of time and agenda.
- 00:34:38 Laurel MacIntyre-Howard: Hi Sara. I will get you mine and Keidricks contact info. Thanks!
- 00:34:53 Jenny Lorton: Thanks Laurel!
- 00:34:56 Wolf Cook: stp\_tacoma to support on venmo you can also find us on facebook to get in touch about donating supplies. Also feel free to message me with any questions at 5106857264
- 00:36:23 Info PCHomeless: I was not able to get tarps and tents from the hoped for source. We're up to requests for 500 tarps and tents. If you have a source, please let me
- know...mhoward@pchomeless.org 00:38:31 - Sherri Jensen: - Luis, do you have a dog on you?
- 00:38:57 Keidrick O: Keidrick O'Bannon 253-306-3525 kobannon@cityoftacoma.org

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- 00:39:36 Laurel MacIntyre-Howard: Laurel Howard (HOT) #253-231-0873 email: Imhoward@cityoftacoma.org
- 00:41:12 Serena Thomson: what is the contact info for that shelter sorry...
- 00:41:16 Sherri Jensen: Awww cute puppy!
- 00:43:23 Luis Rivera Zayas: luisr@trm.org
- 00:43:23 Gerrit Nyland: County funded expansion for inclement weather: 50 beds at TRM, 80 beds at CCS, 20 beds at Brotherhood Rise, 1000+ hotel vouchers with St. Vincent DePaul.
- 00:44:12 Gerrit Nyland: TRM = Tacoma Rescue Mission, CCS = Catholic Community Services
- 00:44:31 Info PCHomeless: Gerrit are those beds for specific nights only or open every night from Nov. 1 March 31?
- 00:45:09 Gerrit Nyland: except for the hotel vouchers, those beds will be available every night from 11/1/2021 to 3/31/2022.
- 00:45:23 Dean Teehee: how does one sign up for vouchers?
- 00:46:39 Sheila Miraflor: Gerrit is looking into how one obtains the motel vouchers....
- 00:46:41 Serena Thomson: good question Dean..
- 00:46:42 Gerrit Nyland: I don't know the process around the St. Vincent DePaul hotel vouchers. I'll check in with them and see if they can send out some information and come present to a Coalition Meeting. I suspect it is following their existing processes, which I'm a bit embarrassed that I don't know.
- 00:46:44 Dionne Jacobson: For hotel vouchers with St. Vincent de Paul- please email the assistance email or call the Helpline (case workers or clients can reach out). Email: assistance@svdptacoma.org Helpline: 253-426-1710
- 00:47:02 Gerrit Nyland: Gotta love the knowledge in the room.
- 00:47:48 Dionne Jacobson: If anyone has questions about hotels you can always email me at djacobson@svdptacoma.org
- 00:47:57 Jenny Lorton: I can speak to that! The client needs to contact the St Vincent de Paul Helpline and request a motel voucher - they will typically approve a stay for 3 days at a time and the client can request an extension for additional stays
- 00:48:15 Jenny Lorton: Ha! Dionne got to it before me :)
- 00:50:55 Dean Teehee: thanks all!
- 00:51:06 JoLynn Dunavant: Luis & all, I can help with staffing in a paid work experience, that has hopes to move into employment with you or other organization. SCSEP is program located at Goodwill corp office, 253-573-6759
- 00:51:41 Duane Parker: Thank you JoLynn!
- 00:52:29 Theresa Power-Drutis: As you work on coming up with a benefits package for providers please make a place at the table for tiny organizations (like New Connections) - very tough to provide benefits for 2-3 employees. We'd love to join a collaborative insurance plan tpdrutis@nctacoma.org
- 00:52:43 Info PCHomeless: Re vouchers do people need ID? Are there barriers?
- 00:54:05 Sherri Jensen: @Theresa, a collaborative insurance plan is an amazing idea for providers. Perhaps could be housed through the coalition. As an employer to 12 internal and about 100 temporary, our rates for insurance for our shelter staff are obscene and Medicaid is a better option.
- 00:54:43 Dionne Jacobson: At this time, ID is required for Motel vouchers. I am working to create relationships with several other local Motels in hopes that we can lower barriers to access.
- 00:54:57 Kelly Blucher: Thank you JoLynn! To everyone- Goodwill has SCSEP and our Workfirst programs where we can provide paid staff. Yes, we pay the staff. We have several participants

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looking for placement. These are open to any nonprofit organizations needing staff. Please contact JoLynn to open this discussion.

- 00:55:03 Info PCHomeless: Re Staff benefits please include me in the conversations. mhoward@pchomeless.org
- 00:55:04 Luis Rivera Zayas: Team, TRM will be opening a satellite site on November 1st 2021 that will run until March 31st. We will increase capacity by 50 beds. These beds will support unaccompanied men and women over 18 years of age.
- 00:56:20 Gerrit Nyland: Proposal responses are due by 4:30pm on October 25, 2021. All materials can be found on the Pierce County Human Services website at:

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- 00:56:31 Gerrit Nyland: There will be an informational workshop via Zoom to answer questions from prospective respondents on October 18, 2021 at 9am (see RFI link above for link to join)
- 00:56:38 Gerrit Nyland: Questions contact Gerrit Nyland gerrit.nyland@piercecountywa.org 253-370-9593
- 00:59:26 Sherri Jensen: Valeo has put a proposal together to the city to create a paid skill development training program for homeless service providers, with the goal of increasing your workforce. This might be appealing for this RFI. Please let me know if your org would be interested in hearing the vision and potentially being a partner
- 00:59:35 Imon Allen: Hey I just switched from my phone to the computer. Could someone resend me the links?
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- 00:59:51 Sherri Jensen: (curriculum developed by BH clinician and will have clinician trainer)
- 01:00:04 Imon Allen: Thanks :)
- 01:00:08 Josh Castle: Thank you Gerrit! Very helpful!
- 01:00:13 Paula Anderson: Sherri that's so awesome!!!
- 01:01:10 Duane Parker: Breakout discussion: What brings you to these meetings? What can you or your agency do to respond to winter shelter needs? What do you need to do that?
- 01:15:20 Paula Anderson: Suggestion to the County. After the RFI s come in, pull agencies doing similar projects together to create task forces. Primary concern should be keeping people alive this winter.
- 01:15:33 Janet Runbeck: Rm 6. 3 community members , and Sherri from Valeo. The world will be a better place because of Valeo: her big push will be a workplace development program that can help fill the staffing needs at shelters
- 01:16:02 Sheila Miraflor: Group7- Share the RFI with CBOs and smaller organizations. If they aren't a 501c3, then help to find an organization who would be willing to sponsor.
- 01:17:17 Janet Runbeck: Who is Brotherhood Rise, please?
- 01:17:41 Maureen Howard: Brotherhood RISE Gerald DAniels
- 01:18:12 Jeffrey Boyce: Rm 12- Community member looking to help, and supervisor with Inside Passage.
- 01:20:26 Rosemary Powers: one idea in our group re: the RFI responses. If could help in connecting people/agencies with similar interests and ideas to one another so might develop a collaborative proposal. Also noted that the huge rent increases happening throughout the county -\$200-600 a month in some cases even more—is making the winter even more dire. the group emphasized the



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need to prioritize survival —may need a major campaign to raise awareness and funding (especially noting the loss of a potential source for multiple tents and tarps).

- 01:21:09 Gerrit Nyland: Questions contact Gerrit Nyland gerrit.nyland@piercecountywa.org 253-370-9593
- 01:26:40 Maureen Howard: I just put a pdf In the Chat...my suggestions to Gerrit on the Comp Plan to End Homelessness Permanent Housing Interventions - my questions, data request, suggestions
- 01:34:27 Janet Runbeck: So Beacon closes as a shelter?
- 01:37:48 Maureen Howard: Jeff -where are you with a written Winter Shelter Plan to cover emergency storms...etc?
- 01:40:08 Maureen Howard: Valeri there's a coalition in Sumner?
- 01:42:04 Maureen Howard: Rent control requires change inn State Law...
- 01:43:11 Maureen Howard: Without COVD requirement, we won't have anywhere near enough rent assistance money
- 01:47:39 Maureen Howard: I've been invited to participate in the process Amy is giving us.
- 02:00:50 Jennie Schoeppe: Who is eligible for a COVID booster (currently)? Who Is Eligible for a COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shot? | CDC
- 02:01:05 Jennie Schoeppe: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/boostershot.html#long-term-care
- 02:03:12 Jennie Schoeppe: To help folks get proof of vaccine:

https://medium.com/wadepthealth/need-proof-of-your-vaccination-c1ae79166b83

- 02:04:36 Jennie Schoeppe: Current IQ referrals, STILL go through MultiCare: 253-820-4684. 7 days a week. Leave a message if someone doesn't pick up. From 7:30a to 5:30p someone is monitoring closely. After those hours but until 10:00p someone is "on call" -- they are supposed to respond to calls that come in, but we know this has not been consistent or timely. TPCHD does placements between 8a-630p on weekdays and between 10a-630p on weekends. Referrals received before 330p can usually be placed the same day.
- 02:05:46 Jennie Schoeppe: IQ Capacity as of 10:00 am TODAY: Avenue House = 1 bed, White House = 1-4 beds (Emergency Only), Lighthouse = 7 beds, Total space in Adult Family Homes (AFHs) = 1.
- 02:08:58 Gail Misner: Theresacan I have a copy of this power point. My neighbors have formed a group and I would love to share this tool vs. trying to recreate the wheel. gail.misner@molinahealthcare.com
- 02:09:06 Paula Anderson: Can you put a copy of this powerpoint in the chat! Love this!
- 02:09:19 Laurie Davenport: This is great. Thank you Theresa!
- 02:09:35 Sherri Jensen: Love that Theresa!
- 02:09:40 Gail Misner: Yes, thank you theresa
- 02:09:40 Jennifer Ammons: Or send it out to the list? I'd love a copy too!
- 02:10:36 Jeffrey Boyce: This is great, send me one Theresa.
- 02:10:46 Rob Huff: 506 people have signed that petition so far. We have a lot of work to do.
- 02:13:15 Theresa Power-Drutis: I'll send the PowerPoint out on the coalition listserve. Also, sorry for the delay in getting out the Critical Issues this week (will send it out soon) NOTE to self: if you leave 2 things till the last minute the last minute does not multiply.
- 02:14:38 Laurie Davenport: That's bad news Theresa, I count on stretching out that minute!
- 02:15:00 Julian F. Wheeler, PC ACAC, chair (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, November 9th, 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.

https://www.piercecountywa.gov/5895/Accessible-Communities-Advisory-Committe

https://piercecountywa.zoom.us/j/99738836805

- 02:15:40 Maureen Howard: Some great presentations from Housing Washington and the Conference to End Homelessness I'll put links on the listserv when they become available.
- 02:16:31 Maureen Howard: Re Vaccine incentive cash cards we have more. Talk to Jan Runbeck. They are working. State Dept of Health is interested in this project.
- 02:18:28 Laurie Davenport: Check out our new website for Theresa's critical issues each week as well as links to Safe Parking and progress on the County plan: http://ss4a.pchomeless.org
- 02:21:21 Maureen Howard: Look for State Dept of Corrections State Legislative action on Dept of Corrections housing. vouchers
- 02:22:21 Julian F. Wheeler, PC ACAC, chair (he/his): also...Please support HB 1566 for greater inclusion of people with disabilities.
- 02:22:47 Monique Patterson: thank you
- 02:22:51 Sheila Miraflor: Great job facilitating, Duane! :)
- 02:22:52 Laurie Davenport: Thank you Duane!
- 02:23:10 Maureen Howard: Rosemary good catch...thanks
- 02:25:08 Theresa Power-Drutis: 5 minute break and then planning?
- 02:25:34 Ed Jacobs: Chaplain.edj@gmail.com 206-369-0297