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Friday Coalition Meeting – April 1, 2022

- 00:23:56 Shannon Ice: Good morning
- 00:24:05 Lavada Kent-Napier: is adgenda on print?
- 00:28:31 Andrea Haug: Good Morning 👙
- 00:28:40 Rob Huff (he/him): Good morning!
- 00:28:48 Sunshine Harper: Good morning!
- 00:29:03 Jeffrey Boyce: Good Morning!
- 00:29:11 Cathy Pick: Good Morning, all!
- 00:32:11 Toroid Ryan: Hi everyone, I'm officially a Pierce County residence we just moved into our new house this weekend. I'm excited to be here, however I've got another meeting in 30mins, but ill sponge what I can tell then......
- 00:32:30 Sally Perkins: Yay for the new house!
- 00:32:48 Jeffrey Boyce: Welcome Toroid!
- 00:33:19 Rob Huff (he/him): Awesome news, Toroid!
- 00:33:45 Theresa Power-Drutis: Congrats Toroid hope your move goes well.
- 00:33:53 Rob Huff (he/him): Zoom Norms
- Mute yourself when not talking.
- Use Zoom's raise hand feature if you have something to say.
- Limit distractions by turning off your camera if you need to take another call.
- 00:34:12 Rob Huff (he/him): Community Norms
- Lead with a racial equity lens.
- Be aware of power dynamics.
- Challenge concepts, not people.
- Listen to learn.
- One person speaks at a time.
- Speak from your own experience.
- Make space, take space.
- Assume best intentions and take responsibility for impact.
- Be aware of time and agenda.
- 00:34:30 Stacey Soltoff: Global Vaccine Poem?! 🔩
- 00:34:30 Toroid Ryan: for those that don't know me my names Toroid Ryan with Mary's Place Seattle as well as The 4C Coalition of King County. I'm here expanding my network and reach as well as in the process of getting a Tiny Homes community started.
- 00:35:05 Sunshine Harper: Sunshine Harper, CHAP (College Housing Assistance Program) Navigator at Tacoma Community College. sharper@tacomacc.edu 253-566-5210 Good morning community!!!
- 00:35:51 Shannon Ice: Wonderful, congrats Toroid Ryan <3
- 00:36:17 Toroid Ryan: <3
- 00:36:33 Joe Perva: Congrats Toroid!
- 00:38:14 Theresa Power-Drutis: Anyone who needs help using the raised hand function can post a private chat to me and I'll help you find it
- 00:38:14 Lanae Seaworth: My name is Lanae and I am a program Support specialist with Helping Hand House
- 00:39:10 Daniel Grey: Hello. I am Dan Grey, a member of APRI Tacoma Chapter.



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- 00:39:26 Paula Shirley: Good morning Everyone. Paula Shirley from Exodus Housing. It has been a loooonggggg time since I have attended. Hello to old friends & always great to meet new ones!
- 00:39:52 Richard Dorsett: 19th & Sprague seems to be a treehouse encampment structure.
- 00:39:57 Sally Perkins: More tents at 10th and L and 7th and Tacoma Avenue.
- 00:40:01 Sheila Miraflor: No April Fool's here either! Collaboration For A Cause 7.0 TOMORROW, South Hill Mall, old Sears Parking lot 12-4pm. 30 vendors with a plethora of Pierce County resources and services!
- 00:40:21 Marlon (Ty) Dilworth: Ty Dilworth, I am the Catholic Community Services Housing Program manager for the Family Housing Network, Pleasnt Greeting everyone!!!
- 00:40:41 Stacey Soltoff: @Richard that sounds fascinating... & potentially dangerous 🥹
- 00:42:03 Paula Shirley: Sheila Miraflor -- thanks for the info!
- 00:43:16 Shannon Ice: Good morning, Shannon Ice with Homeless outreach and Fpath at comprehensive life resources: sice@cmhshare.org :253-355-5803
- 00:43:18 rosemary powers: For Global vaccine Poem project: https://www.globalvaccinepoem.com
- 00:49:02 Rob Huff (he/him): MDC's Detox services are planned to resume service during the second guarter of 2022. That will restore some options for treatment.
- 00:50:27 Theresa Power-Drutis: better weather too
- 00:50:32 Andrea Haug: That is good news Rob.
- 00:51:44 Gerald Daniels: Yes absolutely correct Theresa
- 00:52:21 Stacey Soltoff: my completely armchair analysis of the rise in homeless youth is that it's an impact of the rise in mental health issues & dv/neglect during the pandemic
- 00:52:56 Gerald Daniels: Thanks Sunshine; Gerald Daniels, Gerald@risecenterofhilltop.org, (253)777-2625
- 00:53:08 Stacey Soltoff: WaPo & NYT had articles recently about the enormous pressures teens have been experiencing during the pandemic
- 00:53:09 Lanae Seaworth: I agree Stacey
- 00:55:20 Christine Lindquist: What is the capacity in CHAP program? (How many students can be covered?)
- 00:56:00 Stacey Soltoff: 'A cry for help': CDC warns of a steep decline in teen mental health

https://www.washingtonpost.com/education/2022/03/31/student-mental-health-decline-cdc/

Many Teens Report Emotional and Physical Abuse by Parents During Lockdown https://nyti.ms/3DrU9M6 00:57:16 - Courtney Love she/her LEC: - can you tell us what the letters stand for?

- 00:57:44 Theresa Power-Drutis: Can people who are currently incarcerated apply for CHAP if they know they will be released before the next quarter begins? If so, how do they get an application?
- 00:58:14 Stacey Soltoff: combine that with fewer teens & young adults attending college & there are going to be more young ppl going out into the world w less support to make that adjustment to adulthood. *I'm* struggling & I'm a grown-ass adult w a college degree & life skills. my heart goes out to Gen Z trying to get through the pandemic & make this transition
- 00:58:22 Lisa Kleiner: What's the current average wait?
- 00:59:54 Sally Perkins: The future that young people thought they were moving toward has been totally disrupted. They have a lot of reasons to feel lost and uncertain. Heart-breaking.
- 01:00:04 Toroid Ryan: See everyone next week.... I have another meeting sadly. Hope everyone has a wonderful weekend Happy April Fools



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- 01:00:20 Theresa Power-Drutis: Do people have problems finding landlords who will accept the vouchers?
- 01:00:29 Jeffrey Boyce: Please join us next week.
- 01:01:13 Adam Reichenberger: THA is working on improvements/changes to their vouchers, including CHAP, correct? Any thoughts on how these improvements could help CHAP applicants?
- 01:05:06 Jennifer Ammons: THA had also been considering doing away with or completely revamping the CHAP program. Is that off the table now?
- 01:05:12 Sunshine Harper: Sunshine Harper, CHAP (College Housing Assistance Program) Navigator at Tacoma Community College. sharper@tacomacc.edu 253-566-5210 Good morning community!!!
- 01:07:39 Sunshine Harper: Jennifer, I'm not sure what will be changed with CHAP but what might change is the vouchers, not the property base.
- 01:07:44 Rob Huff (he/him): We've written a book...
- 01:07:55 Laurie Davenport: True!
- 01:08:08 Jeffrey Boyce: yes we have
- 01:09:14 Rob Huff (he/him): I have fallen on swords a few times...
- 01:10:08 Stacey Soltoff: @Rob we are grateful when you take one for the team 😂
- 01:10:16 Christine Lindquist: I like that mission statement!
- 01:10:41 Stacey Soltoff: me too Christine!
- 01:10:43 Christine Lindquist: It's a Wednesday.
- 01:11:01 Theresa Power-Drutis: Can people email you if they cannot attend the meeting?
- 01:11:17 Shannon Ice: April 13th is a Wednesday
- 01:11:39 rosemary powers: prospective mission statement: The Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness connects and mobilizes people to take action to end homelessness.
- 01:11:50 Theresa Power-Drutis: If so, who should the email be sent to?
- 01:11:54 Rob Huff (he/him): It's all in the name
- 01:12:19 Richard Dorsett: https://www.nytimes.com/2022/03/30/nyregion/nyc-homeless-ericadams.html?searchResultPosition=4
- 01:12:40 rosemary powers: Yes, to email comments on mission statement if not able to join april 13 meeting. Send comments to me Rosemary Powers at rpowers@eou.edu
- 01:15:20 Christine Lindquist: We can also submit one on behalf of Washington Healthcare Access Alliance.
- 01:15:49 Carol Colleran: what would the other 50 beds in #2 be for
- 01:15:56 Cathy Pick: How can we submit one on behalf of Tacoma Tenants Union and as individuals?
- 01:16:02 Jennifer Ammons: April Fool's, right Gerrit?
- 01:16:21 Jennifer Ammons: The harmonica. :)
- 01:16:32 Heather Wiley: hahahahah
- 01:18:57 Rob Huff (he/him): https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7309/Comprehensive-Plan-to-End-Homelessness
- 01:20:39 Gerrit Nyland: Gerrit Nyland Pierce County Human Services
 - gerrit.nyland@piercecountywa.gov 253-370-9593 Information at
 - https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7309/Comprehensive-Plan-to-End-Homelessness
- 01:20:53 Theresa Power-Drutis: Carol Colleran asked: what would the other 50 beds in #2 be for? Maybe you can answer in the chat



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- 01:21:10 Lanae Seaworth: Back to what was said earlier in the chat about the youth at risk. I know that the mental health care is not the greatest by far n our state but it usually points toward the adults. How can we come up with a solution to help the youth with mental illness?
- 01:23:24 Sunshine Harper-CHAP Navigator: https://www.tacomacc.edu/tcc-life/liferesources/college_housing_assistance_program
- 01:28:36 Stacey Soltoff: @Lanae that's an excellent question... I just started as a case manager in a community behavioral health clinic in King County & we currently can't even take new youth clients because we don't have enough licensed clinicians at the moment
- 01:29:27 Theresa Power-Drutis: Great job of pulling this all together Timothy Thank you!
- 01:29:33 Stacey Soltoff: @Lanae I have no idea if there's any peer support groups for youth in the community or at the schools
- 01:30:29 Cathy Pick: "People have the right to live in the area where they became homeless" I'd like to "borrow" this phrase for our renters bill of rights we are drafting!
- 01:30:37 Lanae Seaworth: Stacey well that's something that should be started if not
- 01:35:20 Jay Worley: hi. did I miss all the fun
- 01:35:57 Stacey Soltoff: hi Jay!
- 01:36:23 Jay Worley: hello, morning.
- 01:41:50 Lavada Kent-Napier: 2532312303
- 01:42:17 Michelle Massero Tacoma Public Library: Michelle Massero mmassero@tacomalibrary.org 253.280.2959
- 01:42:27 Richard Dorsett: Don't know which group I was in, but some suggestions for outreach:
- Based on idea of homeless or formerly homeless, a panel that could speak to churches, service groups, neighborhood councils, law enforcement, fire department, medical providers.
- 01:42:48 Stacey Soltoff: speaking of networking... do we have anyone from either Pierce or Tacoma libraries that can reach out to me? stacey.soltoff@gmail.com
- 01:43:02 Sally Perkins: Room 6: Policy makers at Tacoma Public Schools and City of Tacoma, infographics on the realities of how people become homeless to counter misinformation and biases.
- 01:43:30 Stacey Soltoff: @ Sally LOVE that!
- 01:43:38 Rob Huff (he/him): Private Property Encampment Abatement
- In late 2021, Code Compliance launched a pilot private property encampment abatement program designed to assist property owners with addressing encampments on private property. Code Compliance works with the Homeless Engagement and Alternatives Liaison (HEAL) Team to offer outreach and alternative shelter options to those illegally occupying private property and then provides litter and debris abatement services at no cost to the property owner, once individuals have been relocated. To date, seven abatements have been performed under this program. Staff will be sending an alert to planned actions and a summary to Council members for the affected locations as future removals occur.
- 01:43:49 Rob Huff (he/him): City-funded Temporary and Emergency Shelter Performance
- The City posts weekly information about its Temporary and Emergency Shelter locations including current census, number of available beds and exits to housing. This information can be found at https://cms.cityoftacoma.org/NCS/City%20Authorized%20Emergency%20Shelter%20Sites/Weeklydata update.pdf and is updated weekly.

01:44:02 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Encampment Outreach

The City's Homeless Engagement and Alternatives Liaison (HEAL) Team (formerly the Homeless Outreach Team) performs encampment outreach throughout the week to provide individuals opportunities to



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connect to shelter, behavioral health, substance use and employment services. For the week of 3/21/2022-3/25/2022 staff visited five locations and conducted four phone referrals. This resulted in 36 individuals being contacted, three of whom were placed into shelter.

01:44:09 - Sally Perkins: - Thank you, Stacey!

- 01:44:54 Dana Peregrine: lots of great ideas! such as... general public, labor unions, contractors, chamber of commerce, other groups involved with homelessness like Tacoma Safe, Compassion Tacoma, Democratic Socialists, etc. also, Landlord Assoc, Tacoma Tenants Union, Pierce County Municipalities (for ex, city councils), congregations, Pierce Transit
- 01:44:58 Michael Yoder: Room 8 intentional outreach to elected officials in the County's smaller cities (councils and planning commissions), to make sure they fully understand the plan and its benefits. Also, more civic education about issues like homelessness throughout the County, especially in the more rural areas

01:45:30 - Cathy Pick-Tacoma Tenants Union: - Breakout room #3, We should be reaching out to:

- The unhoused themselves, finding out what their real needs are and finding out their reasons for declining shelter. Are they traumatized? Have they been the victim of crime while in a shelter? Do they need low barrier shelter (as in accepting partners & pets)?
- Landlords who have housing units available, to ask them to relax their strict screening criteria. Removing barriers helps people obtain affordable housing.
- 01:45:33 Sheila Miraflor: Room 9- Community Outreach in person to Governor, City Mayors and Council Members. Bring people with lived experiences as speakers. Be sure in person outreach stays within boundaries of non-profit the Coalition is a part of.
- 01:46:16 Laurie Davenport: Room 11 we need to engage the public with information about the plan and efforts to deal with misinformation and misconceptions. Suggestions included involving libraries in a variety of ways, holding public meetings, working with the faith-based community, signing on to petitions to support the plan, distribute the poster being developed by the SS4A media workgroup on paths to homelessness and use material such as the wonderful presentation Patricia did for the Coalition a while ago along with discussion and conversation — also engage the currently homeless population to let them know they are not alone and inform about the plan.
- 01:46:24 Theresa Power-Drutis: Room 2 response regarding potential outreach to build support for the Pierce County Plan to End Homelessness: service clubs; faith communities; community councils; real estate and landlord organizations; perhaps offer in-service or continuing credit options for educators and public service employees (including fire & law enforcement)
- 01:46:34 Stacey Soltoff: yay for civic duty! 😚
- 01:46:38 Sally Perkins: Room 6 addition: McKinney Vento program people in each school district for outreach about the Comp Plan.
- 01:46:43 Courtney Love she/her LEC: rm 8 also acknowledged the corrupting influence of money in politics and state legislators can use their positions as bully pulpits.
- 01:47:23 Timothy Harris: Room 10 notes: Reach out to coalitions to find areas of agreement and joint advocacy, ie Tacoma Business Alliance, Tacoma Ministerial Alliance. Faith-based outreach gets to regular folks out in the community. Lots of potential for engagement of parents and kids in school system. Because school system counts homeless differently (includes doubled up and couch surfing) it's both a sympathetic population and a shockingly large one). Parents need better access to resources.
- 01:47:40 Jennifer Ammons: Valeri or Laurie, do you know how long it's currently taking to get a mediation scheduled after requesting ERPP?



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- 01:47:40 rosemary powers: group 4 outreach to both elected officials in small communities (building on the approach we used in the post election forums we had here); also be aware of the importance of building commitment of Tacoma City Council to the county plan, given what appears to be a cautiousness by city council (not staff) about things. Also an important perception that elected officials may not be aware of the work of small programs in doing outreach to people living homeless and how govt approaches may make it difficult to maintain the relationships that outreach workers are developing when that is't understood. Discussed the dual meaning of outreach here, as coalition outreach to elected and the realities of outreach community work and the essential focus of relationships in both.
- 01:49:46 Jennifer Ammons: I think my question got buried. Valeri or Laurie, do you know how long it's currently taking to get a mediation scheduled after requesting ERPP?
- 01:50:12 Valeri Almony: Sorry Jennifer we don't. you would need to ask ERPP directly but they will be presenting Tuesday and providing data :)
- 01:52:50 Carol Colleran: Talking to County council weekly about funding homeless solutions. Contact me if need hand holding: Carol Colleran
- 01:52:52 Laurie Davenport: Yes, we don't know but CDR will have that info.
- 01:52:57 Carol Colleran: cacolleran@msn.om
- 01:56:41 Michele Barnes: Room 5 Working with Neighborhood councils, business districts etc. , Networking in your own neighborhoods (training to know what resources are available and how to access them) reaching out to HOA's, getting neighbors involved (possibly retired individuals that want to volunteer), Getting information to libraries for staff to be able to reach out to individuals needing resources (libraries in Tacoma often deal with individuals experiencing homelessness on a daily basis)
- 01:58:24 Jennifer Ammons: That's amazing, Laurie! Well done!
- 01:59:02 Stacey Soltoff: where can we download this? where can we post it in the neighborhood?
- 01:59:13 Carol Colleran: How can we get this & make some posters for the community?
- 01:59:20 Timothy Harris: This is amazing. Thank you.
- 01:59:30 Cathy Pick-Tacoma Tenants Union: I would love to share this on social media.
- 02:00:08 Stacey Soltoff: 50%?! WTF?!!! 😟 😟 😢
- 02:00:13 rosemary powers: Laurie....very powerful
- 02:00:15 Sally Perkins: FABULOUS WORK!
- 02:00:17 Sharon Seabrook: Love this! Will share will all the PCLS branches today!
- 02:00:36 Michelle Massero Tacoma Public Library: TPL will have it up too.
- 02:00:36 Stacey Soltoff: @sharon thank you!
- 02:00:44 Carol Colleran: Sending to all the city and county council members, mayors, executives, labor unions
- 02:01:07 Stacey Soltoff: great idea carol!
- 02:01:20 Jennifer Ammons: I want to post electronic copies on Facebook and Next Door!
- 02:01:47 Jay Worley: will this be on the PC homeless page?
- 02:01:48 Sally Perkins: city council chambers poster needs to be 11 feet by 17 feet.
- 02:01:51 Theresa Power-Drutis: Nice job Laurie!
- 02:02:11 Cathy Pick-Tacoma Tenants Union: Maybe they'd actually notice it...
- 02:02:22 Stacey Soltoff: I am so warmed by all the ppl excited to share this all over the place!
- 02:02:32 Sally Perkins: They couldn't not notice it... :)
- 02:02:51 Stacey Soltoff: kudos to Laurie & Theresa for developing such an inspiring poster!
- 02:03:26 Theresa Power-Drutis: This one was 99.9% Laurie :)



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02:05:32 - Laurie Davenport: - 🙂 here's the link to the file:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/uny90xezddwg6ld/pathstohomelessness2.pdf?dl=0

02:06:00 - Rob Huff (he/him): -

https://drive.google.com/file/d/16_XaFwC12f_8B43n7T1eCRCDDQR_Blzd/view?usp=drivesdk

- 02:07:29 Sally Perkins: Patricia, it is so great that you are here each week! Your perspective is extremely valuable.
- 02:07:33 Courtney Love she/her LEC: I support YouTube access
- 02:07:48 Theresa Power-Drutis: The next SS4A Campaign infographic will focus on effects of homelessness on mortality AND morbidity. Please join Laurie, Dana P. and me next Wednesday from 11-11:30 AM if you want to help develop this infographic. Invitation is on www.pchomeless.org
- 02:08:15 PATRICIA .: Register now for the 2022 Health Care for the Homeless Conference & Policy Symposium, May 10-13 in Seattle. The theme for this year's conference is "Toward Health & Belonging."

You may register for any combination of the following:

- Pre-Conference Institutes, May 10 A full-day focus on one of three topics: Medical Respite; Gender-Affirming Care; or Addressing Burnout.
- Main Conference, May 11-12 Two days of concurrent breakout sessions, keynote addresses, poster presentations, access to exhibitors, and networking opportunities.
- Learning Labs, May 13 A half-day focus on one of five topics: Safety and Security; Behavioral Health; Anti-Racism; Chronic Disease Management; or Supporting Survivors of Interpersonal Violence.

02:08:42 - PATRICIA .: - https://web.cvent.com/event/76e23cd1-7f8e-4f53-ad2a-

- 8f89df5b6a9c/websitePage:d1e5c1c0-2dad-4f02-8c95-f1fa2af93aff
- 02:09:38 Theresa Power-Drutis: Doing both is even better court of public opinion matters as well
- 02:09:42 Michael Yoder: Project Homeless Connect will be held Wednesday April 6, 11-3 at St Leo's parish. Send everyone there who needs access to critical services and to get free resources
- 02:10:29 Carol Colleran: Ed, agree totally!
- 02:10:53 Theresa Power-Drutis: That last comment regards testifying AND individual contacts
- 02:11:09 Rob Huff (he/him): I agree with you, Theresa. Doing both has the most impact.
- 02:11:24 Sally Perkins: CVS is Ushka, Daniels, Rumbaugh and Blocker. Blocker and Ushka expressed some skepticism about the County's Plan...Rumbaugh supportive.
- 02:11:42 Theresa Power-Drutis: Rosemary can you dust off your habit :)
- 02:11:44 Jay Worley: I agree Ed
- 02:11:52 Courtney Love she/her LEC: overwhelming presence of people can sway, as well (as a yes/and). I've seen 250 at a Committee hearing that won the day.
- 02:12:17 rosemary powers: lost that habit somewhere along the way
- 02:13:06 Stacey Soltoff: wait, Rosemary were you actually a nun?!
- 02:13:16 rosemary powers: yes stacey
- 02:13:24 Theresa Power-Drutis: Open house today in Roy
- 02:13:50 Stacey Soltoff: k, I totes need to interview you sometime about your life & work 🔩
- 02:14:21 Carol Colleran: Roy open house info?
- 02:14:23 Jennifer Ammons: Can't assign him--he volunteered!
- 02:14:28 rosemary powers: happy to talk
- 02:15:21 Jennifer Ammons: And I agree, Timothy, you do an excellent job. Thank you!!



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- 02:15:29 Sheila Miraflor: Collaboration For A Cause 7.0 Drive-through event TOMORROW, South Hill Mall, 12-4pm old Sears parking lot. 30 vendors providing a plethora of services/resources to the Pierce County community!
- 02:15:53 Laurie Davenport: One more: Good morning, everyone! Tacomaprobono will have an LFO reconsideration clinic at our office on Wednesday, 4/13. We have 8 open spots and are hoping to sign clients up. Please have anyone interested sign-up via our online intake linked below. Please also remember to have them use the referral code LFO this will help us locate the clients quickly and get them scheduled.

https://tpvlsoi.legalserver.org/modules/matter/extern_intake.php?pid=129&h=daa817&

- 02:15:55 Carol Colleran: All county council members can be easily contacted individually as well as at their weekly 3 pm meeting
- 02:15:56 Jay Worley: Will the chat be accessable later? I missed allot and can't take notes currently
- 02:16:46 Timothy Harris: Jay, you can download hat by clicking on three dots lower right.
- 02:16:48 Rob Huff (he/him): Hi Jay. You can save the chat yourself, and it will be posted on the website in the coming days.
- 02:16:58 Jay Worley: thank you
- 02:17:53 Cathy Pick-Tacoma Tenants Union: Renters Bill of Rights. Ideas? Suggested items to include? cathyp.tacomatenants@gmail.com
- 02:18:13 Sunshine Harper-CHAP Navigator: Thank you!!!