



Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

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Friday Coalition Meeting chat – June 10, 2022

00:06:39 - Joe Perva: - joe.perva@lihi.org

00:07:17 - Tyjana Campbell, LIHI 6th and Orchard Manager.: - tyjana,campbell@lihi.org

00:10:19 - Janet Runbeck: - I hope to have 2 RNs who asked to shadow me as a public health RN. I told them this was a friendly group.

00:11:38 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Two cheery topics

00:14:42 - 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.

00:15:02 - 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.

00:16:27 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Welcome, Mireya!

00:17:05 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Welcome, Thomas!

00:17:51 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Welcome, Britney!

00:18:35 - Mireya Borunda: - Mireya Borunda

00:18:48 - Mireya Borunda: - Mireya.Borunda@molinahealthcare.com

00:19:40 - Thomas Breitenbauch: - I go by Tom (he,him) and my contact information is Thomas.breitenbauch@beaconhealthoptions.com 360-798-2356

00:20:18 - Rob Huff (he/him): - The Mound is at 38th and Hwy 7

00:21:57 - Sherrilla Bivens APRI-Tacoma: - Food & Resources Free Market open THIS SATURDAY 10-2 4819 S 12 th Tacoma WA EVERYONE welcome you can pickup for others

00:22:15 - Verda Washington: - Rosemary's reflection on her camping by choice can help us to communicate with our community that camping by choice versus necessity are very different experiences. Sometimes this can best done in small spaces that allow for reflection.

00:22:44 - Britney Crabb: - Britney Crabb, my information is bcrabb@wgu.edu

00:23:46 - Jennie Schoeppe: - amazing, Joe & LIHI!

00:23:57 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - New meaning for "mixed use" :)

00:23:57 - Heather Wiley: - can you put that info in the chat as well Joe

00:24:32 - Joe Perva: - joe.perva@lihi.org

00:26:44 - Jeffrey Boyce: - Good Morning Colin! We NEED to get a beer together!

00:30:24 - Jennie Schoeppe: - I can confirm that the homeless outreach team from Spokane Regional Health District is active there doing weekly outreach!

00:31:55 - Janet Runbeck: - "Low barrier" = fewer regulations for admission

00:32:06 - Rob Huff (he/him): - <http://www.spokanehc.com>

00:34:05 - Colin DeForrest: - I will follow up with WSDOT on this and see if I can bring anything back to the group



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- 00:34:30 - Janet Runbeck: - Colin, we're counting on you as our expert with DOT
- 00:34:51 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thanks, Colin. That would be helpful.
- 00:36:03 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Dispatches from the Field, by Richard
- 00:36:27 - Sally Perkins: - Spokane benefits from being several hours away from W Washington.
- 00:36:53 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Great point, Sally
- 00:37:05 - Jennie Schoeppe: - What do you mean, Sally?
- 00:37:22 - Sally Perkins: - Out of sight, out of mind. Distance matters. :)
- 00:37:35 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Yes, SRHD has been involved!
- 00:37:52 - Jennie Schoeppe: - AH, I see what you mean, Sally.
- 00:39:10 - Janet Runbeck: - 9-1-1 calls is another indicator of safety and health concerns
- 00:39:37 - Kenneth King: - Often, the bulk refuge, is "dropped off" by visitors. If they are self protective, that may not be the issue. Especially if they have supplies and don't have to worry about trading with passerbys ?
- 00:39:46 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Could we have someone who is engaged in the self managed group and someone from the Spokane Coalition join us via zoom at a Friday meeting?
- 00:41:00 - Rob Huff (he/him): - That is a good idea, Theresa. We can reach out.
- 00:41:31 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Good points Jay
- 00:41:34 - Kenneth King: - good point.
- 00:41:47 - Rob Huff (he/him): - As perspective, Spokane is a larger city than Tacoma.
- 00:42:12 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Great point, Rob!!!! I compare it to Seattle but such a good point that it is larger than Tac.
- 00:42:26 - Rob Huff (he/him): - But it is also THE large city in Eastern Washington
- 00:43:00 - Jeffrey Boyce: - Thank you Richard
- 00:43:55 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - thank u Jay for the explanation because that's how I've been treated by government workers and people in public positions since I've been in workforce since 1963.
- 00:44:07 - Joe Perva: - The two properties are the Candle wood suites which we are looking to have 83 rooms for families and singles with children. the Heron Hotel is looking to be divided with 55 rooms for Permanent Supportive Housing and 31 rooms for low wage workers.
- 00:46:50 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Seismic chart
- 00:47:06 - Jay Worley: - there has been a big question of how many people that ave been incarcerated have become houseless. Is there numbers for that in HMIS?
- 00:47:29 - Sally Perkins: - Great question, Jay.
- 00:47:43 - Andrea Kilgore: - This is what my company is seeing. Most of our clients have been housed for many years and were facing homelessness when their landlords doubled or tripled the rent last year. My program works with elderly and disabled on Social Security. They cannot stay in place or find a new place without a Section 8 voucher, but there are no vouchers available in Pierce County
- 00:48:03 - Sally Perkins: - Is the dashboard available publicly?
- 00:49:06 - Jay Worley: - also how many have been blocked by services after nagitive insident
- 00:50:47 - Kenneth King: - oh, good question jay
- 00:54:06 - Kenneth King: - These are great points. My team is double checking our own data now.
- 00:55:58 - Andrea Kilgore: - Every time we call 211 they tell us to wait in line at Assisted Ministries, but my staff do not have time to stand in line
- 00:56:12 - Andrea Kilgore: - We would like to schedule appointments so housing specialist can attend
- 00:57:41 - Jay Worley: - It would be nice to have a shifting site to optimize entry opportunities. Currently the people that need to get into the system have the most barriers.
- 00:58:29 - Sally Perkins: - Jay, can you say more about your "shifting site" idea?



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- 00:58:32 - Christine Lindquist: - How heartbreaking.
- 00:58:44 - Richard Dorsett: - Where does HMIS presume banned people go? Is there a secondary safety net?
- 01:00:30 - Jay Worley: - It would be nice to have a mobel entry group that could go out to sites such as Park and rides, libraries, civic centers and schools.
- 01:00:58 - Sally Perkins: - Jay, thank you.
- 01:01:11 - Nicole Pace: - Does a person have to homeless or at least at risk being homeless to meet with CE? I have clients are at risk and 211 says they don't qualify to meet with CE
- 01:01:29 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - no safety net the most part women are stalked by predator and sold into sexual activities or move to another state
- 01:02:32 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - safety is not at associated or shared housing
- 01:02:59 - Rob Huff (he/him): - A challenge with callbacks is the lack of access to a reliable phone number, cell phone without minutes, etc.
- 01:03:24 - Alan Brown: - People can also request a CE appointment/screening through the Coalition website.
- 01:03:27 - Sally Perkins: - and people use up their minutes sitting on hold.
- 01:03:29 - Heather Wiley: - You can also be CE certified yourself with in your agency...if that's an option Andrea
- 01:03:30 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - addressing call backs are danger for a person in human trafficking
- 01:03:56 - Janet Runbeck: - Thank you Lavida, for recognizing the increased risk of trafficking among those needing services.
- 01:04:36 - Jay Worley: - Lavada good point there are many times you can not answer a call back
- 01:04:38 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - LaVada
- 01:05:01 - Jay Worley: - Sorry forgive my miss spelling LaVada
- 01:05:31 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - with the tracking system in use by predators
- 01:05:55 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - Thank you
- 01:07:52 - Jay Worley: - how can we expand past 30 days that is not enough time. what would be needed?
- 01:08:06 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Jenny, to LaVada's point, are those who are being victimized through trafficking prioritized similarly to those fleeing DV?
- 01:09:01 - Jay Worley: - the more diversion fails the less it will be utilized
- 01:09:47 - Kenneth King: - am I reading that right as a ten percent placement rate?
- 01:11:58 - Andrea Kilgore: - Tacoma needs more Section 8 vouchers. In Spokane, I can get up to 4 a month for my program and it's the only reason why we are getting anyone housed in this housing market
- 01:12:16 - Betty Beer: - yes Garrett great point
- 01:13:11 - Rob Huff (he/him): - This reflects the information shared with the County earlier this year about the under-investment in shelter and other resources along the entire West Coast, as compared to the rest of the country. We have a huge gap in available resources, not just here, not just in King County, but across the West Coast.
- 01:15:09 - Kenneth King: - wasn't it stated there was no data point for non returns?
- 01:15:21 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - homelessness is worst in 2022 most homeless hide and go back into serious, troubled situations.
- 01:16:03 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - they cut all ties to flee danger
- 01:17:05 - Stacey: - sorry I showed up late. had a client. this may have been answered already but how does this data compare to 2020 & 2019?
- 01:17:33 - Betty Beer: - we need affordable housing. shelters are just that. Putting people i.



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- 01:17:45 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Some of the timelines presented to go back to 2020, but I don't believe so across the board, Stacey.
- 01:17:57 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - they young female stalked by predator is isolated and passed on to another state drug house
- 01:17:59 - Betty Beer: - we need Affordable Housing
- 01:18:47 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Yes, we need much more housing in our community, across our region, and across this state. There is a huge gap between the need for extremely low income housing and what is available.
- 01:18:54 - Dara Bardelas IPPC she/her: - Going back to LaVada question earlier, Hi This is Dara with the Matching and referrals Team. Yes, survivors of human trafficking is prioritized similarly like DV survivors. HUD definition of Category 4 - fleeing DV means they have to be attempting to flee or actively fleeing Dv (includes dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or family member that either takes place in, or him or her afraid to return to, their primary nighttime residence (including human trafficking). This is a conversation that may be discussed during CE Conversation and uploading de-identified-ly on HMIS.
- 01:19:20 - Janet Runbeck: - Does CE ask if someone is in their car?
- 01:19:24 - Michael Yoder: - FYI, at Associated Ministries we have walk-in CE screening appointments available Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. If the client comes here (901 S. 13th St, Tacoma) at 9:00 am it is very likely they'll be seen. We also have a form on our website that clients can fill out in advance that expedites the screening process (<https://associatedministries.org/ces/>)
- 01:19:33 - Jay Worley: - we need housing with out risk and time to heal the biggest factors are time housing and treatment
- 01:19:43 - Jay Worley: - as in there treatment
- 01:20:18 - Stacey: - @michael Yoder that's awesome news!
- 01:20:26 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - just trying to close the gape for the people wanting out of abuse
- 01:20:28 - Jay Worley: - Thank you Jenny i know its hard being the face of the effort.
- 01:20:53 - Betty Beer: - thanks Jenny and yes your team caught on fast and are doing great 👍
- 01:21:40 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you, Jenny.
- 01:21:56 - Janet Runbeck: - COC = Continuum of Care
- 01:22:11 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you for the information and overview, Jenny. And for the work that your team is doing. It is daunting and needed.
- 01:23:05 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Great to have Jenny and Carolyn here - thank you both!
- 01:23:16 - Timothy Harris: - Great question
- 01:23:30 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Network poverty
- 01:23:42 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - thank you for the Great question
- 01:23:43 - Alan Brown: - CCS Family Housing Network also has walk-in appointments available M-F 5050 South Tacoma Way. Weekend appointments are also are also available there. For more information: 253.471.5340, or the Coalition website.
- 01:25:22 - Heather Wiley: - yes Jay...
- 01:25:23 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Jay, you are right - both types of data are important
- 01:26:02 - Dara Bardelas IPPC she/her: - Jay, i love your questions.
- 01:27:39 - Laurie Davenport: - Sorry I need to take off — GREAT presentation and questions!



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- 01:28:38 - Jenny Lorton: - @Rob - currently there is no question asked during the Creative Conversation that captures anything related to trafficking - however, there has been an increase in individuals disclosing this information and they should be supported in the same way as DV. I can raise this.
- 01:29:28 - Jenny Lorton: - @Kenneth - 10% placement is about right. More people into our system, and the same rate of housing openings.
- 01:29:40 - Jay Worley: - Dr Weisz ?i hope that is the correct title. Is there a chance i could speak with you at a different time about the research and results?
- 01:29:57 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - A county-wide coherent approach is a lofty goal!
- 01:31:16 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - thank Dr Weisz, my experiences in homelessness , home ownership of homes, building 15, 5 bed room rentals, and small business owner for 40 years plus, construction development and fringe homelessness present, spend 90 % of income to operate in Society as invisible unshelter person.
- 01:31:25 - Gerrit Nyland: - The Unified Regional Approach Request for Proposals is on the Human Services Solicitations and Competitive Bids page - <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2779/Solicitations-and-Competitive-Bids>
- 01:32:10 - Alfred Kirk: - Lived experience is difficult to distill into mere numbers.
- 01:32:19 - Gerald Daniels: - I've got to jump off and head over to FOB Hope. Great conversation and questions today. Have a happy Fun Friday :)
- 01:32:21 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Yes
- 01:32:25 - Jenny Lorton: - @Jan - yes, CE asks if households are living in their car. This is a HUD classification identified as 'place not meant for human habitation'
- 01:32:34 - Jay Worley: - Very true Alfred
- 01:33:31 - Gerrit Nyland: - It doesn't look like the agenda for Tuesday's County Council Study Session has been posted yet - but a link to information on the July 14 noon meeting is at <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/4898/Study-Sessions> - that is where the agenda will be posted.
- 01:34:45 - Janet Runbeck: - Jennie, you're a natural. Always welcome!
- 01:34:59 - Verna Lilly: - Yes!
- 01:35:12 - Jay Worley: - o also there are 8 more tests available from the federal site
- 01:35:13 - Jay Worley: - <https://www.covid.gov/tests>
- 01:36:08 - Jennie Schoeppe: - thank you, Jan and Verna. I was truly inspired by the two of you!
- 01:37:12 - Kenneth King: - I have to run. Thank you all for this shared time
- 01:37:34 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Links from Jennie :) TPCHD data dashboard: <https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/diseases/covid-19/pierce-county-cases> STATE of WA dashboard: <https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/diseases/covid-19/state-dashboard>
- 01:38:33 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Are you eligible for a COVID booster? <https://doh.wa.gov/emergencies/covid-19/vaccine-information/vaccine-booster-doses#:~:text=Everyone%2012%20years%20and%20older%20who%20is%20fully,vaccine%20primary%20series%20to%20get%20a%20booster%20dose>.
- 01:39:19 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - and Dana and Dana!
- 01:39:28 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Where can I get a vaccine in Pierce County? COVID-19 Vaccine | Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department (tpchd.org)
- 01:39:44 - Jennie Schoeppe: - OOPS: <https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/diseases/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information>
- 01:39:51 - Rob Huff (he/him): - This is the updated information from the City of Tacoma today:
- 01:39:55 - Sally Perkins: - Tues County Council Study Session agendas are often not posted until the day of the meeting, FYI.



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- 01:40:06 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Rental Assistance: The rental assistance portal continues to be open! Since 2021, the City has provided 940 households with \$6,765,238 in rental assistance (this is an increase of 3 households and \$31,286, in assistance over last report. When we launched this program in 2020, we set a goal of having at least 45% of the households served headed by a person of color, to date, 65% of the households served are headed by a person of color.
- 01:40:18 - 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/Weeklydataupdate.pdf> and is updated weekly.
- 01:40:21 - Jenny Lorton: - I have to hop off - great to see everyone! Have a great weekend y'all!
- 01:40:32 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Encampment Outreach: The City's Homeless Engagement and Alternatives Liaison (HEAL) continue to perform encampment outreach throughout the week to provide individuals opportunities to connect to shelter, behavioral health, substance use and employment services. For the week of May 31 – June 3, 2022, staff visited seven locations. This resulted in twenty-three individuals being contacted and five individuals connected to resources.
- 01:40:59 - Stacey: - I am interested in providing a workshop to develop elevator speeches around homelessness & trauma. if anyone wants to help me run it, stacey.soltoff@gmail.com
- 01:41:12 - Jennie Schoeppe: - If you have test kits for your organization, you can fill out this form:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=5Kj32tfFQ0e-gC9zkXEVDIFhIGsH8RLhhOeWmgHiA5UOUFBWTFXWURCVFNTUTZOUURHT1ZPSEFFMC4u>, or email epitesting@tpchd.org or katelynh@tpchd.org
- 01:41:46 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Tim - this is great!
- 01:43:40 - Janet Runbeck: - Stacey, count me in: trauma and homelessness - Jan R
- 01:43:50 - Jennie Schoeppe: - The Pierce County Early Childhood Network has funding to provide care seats, booster seats, etc. for families. Items are first come first served. Submit a request by 6/15/22 at:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdS5ojCsNnjgP85OOj2D7vWeexeqCu9kIfo8CElSkMn69uqQA/viewform> FOR QUESTIONS Reach out to Cecily Croskey at cecilyc@first5fundamentals.org
- 01:44:27 - Stacey: - thanks Jan! I'll connect w you to schedule something. maybe for July? my June is booked!
- 01:47:01 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Our TPCHD Maternal Child Outreach Team (MCOT) wanted me to share their informational flyer that outlines the services they provide. I will share flyer with Rob. You can make referrals for nursing services (including the Nurse Family Partnership and the Black Infant Health program) via this form: <https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/family-health/phn-referral>
- 01:47:08 - Gerrit Nyland: - Saved you the work, Rob. That document above has a brief update on the Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness implementation.
- 01:47:55 - Gerrit Nyland: - The Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness also approved a charter for the group - which I'll post in this chat as well.
- 01:48:19 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you, Gerrit!
- 01:48:55 - Stacey: - time for the County to put their money where their mouth is!
- 01:50:00 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Come on by! Safe Sites for All Committee
- Every Monday - 12:00 PM
- Location: Join this meeting on Zoom link is here <https://www.pchomeless.org>
- 01:50:46 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Those are my notes from yesterday's CVS Committee meeting



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- 01:52:12 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Looking at the rest of the country - we should peddle a little faster on our plan for heat events
- 01:53:34 - Stacey: - Tacoma DSA is hosting an event tomorrow training organizers around their Home In Tacoma for All campaign
- 01:53:48 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Good topic for another meeting: where do banned people go
- 01:53:50 - Richard Dorsett: - FOB Hope 12:00. - 3:00 today, food & speakers. 82nd & Pacific
- 01:53:55 - Jay Worley: - If you will have me i would be glad to Help Stacey
- 01:55:15 - Stacey: - of course Jay! I'll be in touch :)
- 01:55:26 - Jay Worley: - Sounds good
- 01:55:32 - Stacey: - details for the organizing training tomorrow See more details and and RSVP for the June 11th Training here: <https://actionnetwork.org/events/organizer-training-home-in-tacoma-for-all>
- 01:57:07 - Michael Yoder: - Don't forget about Project Homeless Connect on June 24... come to provide services or volunteer!
- 01:57:44 - Julie Hoffman: - Thanks!
- 01:57:55 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you!
- 01:58:01 - Jeffrey Boyce: - I can't be there today.
- 01:58:22 - Nick Turner: - Thanks everyone have a blessed weekend
- 02:03:13 - Gail Misner: - you caught my attention w jail population. Molina has assigned Community Connectors to Jail trnsitions. we struggle with working resources.
- 02:09:55 - Gail Misner: - gail.misner@molinahealthcare.com
- 02:10:07 - Gerrit Nyland: - I have to jump.
- 02:10:33 - Jennie Schoeppe: - i was hoping for something more basic. BUT it's not about me. LOL.
- 02:13:38 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - I have 2 requests out for Partner Spotlight - will circle back on Wednesday.
- 02:15:13 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Rob - are you still up for getting the agenda up and when do you leave for the Islands?
- 02:18:10 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Yes, I can still do the agenda
- 02:18:37 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Sometime soon it would be good to have a meeting devoted to the rise in elder (first time) homelessness and how the system is changing (should change?) to serve that demographic.
- 02:19:33 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Yes, that issue around the benefits cliff is a big deal too
- 02:19:58 - PATRICIA .: - it's limit is \$600
- 02:20:06 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - The benefits cliff is a real thing
- 02:21:31 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - So sorry that happened Jay
- 02:22:41 - Jay Worley: - seededhopes@gmail.com 253-365-2368
- 02:22:43 - Rosemary Powers: - so Jay, not sure I have your email. mine is rpowers@eou.edu
- 02:23:13 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - I need to leave in 10 minutes. Do we have a wrap on the agenda?
- 02:24:13 - Rosemary Powers: - I need to leave soon also. Want to be sure we have enough for next week and alternative if CCMendoza is not available
- 02:24:36 - Jay Worley: - Please forgive me i just dont know what to call this as an ask for the agenda
- 02:25:11 - Jay Worley: - so far its Carol and ?
- 02:26:33 - Rosemary Powers: - JayI think something around the catch 22 for interacting with systems like housing and income supports might be one way to think about it
- 02:26:39 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Good decision to move the breakout to next week
- 02:27:15 - Jay Worley: - yes there is a middle ground between crisis and omeless that has no good answers or services