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Friday Coalition Meeting Chat – June 24, 2022

00:18:29 - Timothy Harris: - Wonderful job Theresa!

00:18:34 - Stephanie Schermerhorn: - HI Delmar , Nice to see you.

00:18:46 - Delmar Algee: - Great to see everyone.

00:18:57 - Jenny Lorton: - Agreed! Wonderful representation Theresa!

00:19:07 - CC Mendoza: - Delmar's in the house! Welcome!

00:19:40 - CC Mendoza: - Great job Theresa!

00:21:01 - Cathy Pick: - Good Morning Everyone!

00:21:36 - Sally Perkins: - Good morning, Cathy!

00:21:57 - Rob Huff (he/him): - It is great to see everyone this morning! Good people doing good things!

00:22:50 - 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.

00:23:04 - 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.

00:27:56 - christina feeder: - Good morning, Christina Feeder Spoke care navigator from Northwest Integrated Health in Lakewood,WA

00:28:10 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Welcome, Christina!

00:29:55 - Rob Huff (he/him): - TRM = Tacoma Rescue Mission

00:30:22 - Lavada Kent-Napier: - old problem apt in upark raise rent above the voucher amount and the 30% tenant would pay its the new HUD funded building

00:33:01 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Green River is being swept

00:34:30 - Sally Perkins: - Unhoused people with medical challenges can be especially vulnerable to heat that to us might not look extreme.

00:35:39 - Sherrilla Bivens APRI-Tacoma: - Free outdoor market open to everyone 10-2 no requirements 4819 S 12 Tacoma WA open tomorrow

00:37:12 - Rob Huff (he/him): - <https://www.craft.do/s/f0GVFmAubX8YUg>

00:38:21 - Paula Anderson: - New Hope Resource Center-for water pick up until 4:00 pm today...414 Spring Street. South Hill Baptist for Propel is located at 7914 112th St. E. Puyallup available until 4:00 today

00:38:32 - Sally Perkins: - I have been in touch with The Peoples Assembly and Serve the People about the Stability Site's water availability. Also with Brotherhood RISE who is also a water distribution site.

00:39:54 - Dionne SVdP: - To pick up water from St. Vincent de Paul- please call me at 253-355-5868. Water is available today and tomorrow from 10am-5pm. DO NOT CALL THE HELPLINE.

00:40:20 - Janet Runbeck: - Thank you Dionne & SVDP!

00:40:23 - Kimberly Ellefson: - Thank you for the excessive heat resource document!

00:41:44 - Christine Lindquist: - What is a NOFA?



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- 00:41:59 - Rian Booker: - Notice of Funds Available
- 00:42:00 - Jay Worley: - notice of funding
- 00:42:00 - Jenny Lorton: - Notice of Funding Availability
- 00:42:03 - Sally Perkins: - Notice of Funding Availability
- 00:42:09 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you.
- 00:42:23 - Delmar Algee: - (253) 281-3944 Delmar Algee
- 00:42:50 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - Decoding acronyms is an ongoing effort.
- 00:46:40 - Jay Worley: - spray bottles. there a dollar at the dollar tree. spraying down can save lives.
- 00:48:30 - Sally Perkins: - Need a "standard" that recognizes microclimates. FLEXIBILITY is essential.
- 00:49:10 - Christine Lindquist: - Local government policies (beyond Tacoma) are also all over the place.
- 00:50:06 - Stephanie Schermerhorn: - Above is my list... :) Enjoy and correct or add as you need.
- 00:52:08 - Sally Perkins: - Thank you, Stephanie!
- 00:56:18 - CC Mendoza: - Could any family shelters or agencies use some children's books in excellent shape?
- 00:58:18 - Jennie Schoeppe: - I know it won't address the current issues (heat, sweeps), but will the PC Comp Plan address some of this lack of inter-governmental agency communication/coordination? I believe the structure of the uniformed system it calls for will help? (I HOPE).
- 01:06:42 - Delmar Algee: - Everyone, I'm sorry that I have to run. It's been a great pleasure seeing you all today. Please always feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions, concerns or simply want to talk. Thank you. delmar.algee@piercecountywa.gov (253) 281-3944
- 01:07:42 - Valeri Almony: - Hi team, im off starting at 10am but wanted to give a quick update. Rental Assistance is still processing applications. We have gotten out 153 million dollars since we started, and have around \$40 million remaining to spend. The 9 amazing nonprofit providers are still processing applications and doing great! If you are serving someone and have a question, please email hsrent@piercecountywa.gov so we can respond to your questions
- 01:09:50 - CC Mendoza: - Thanks Valerie!
- 01:10:16 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - FYI this shared screen is out of focus.
- 01:10:28 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - Nevermind...
- 01:12:51 - Jennie Schoeppe: - this is great Rob. thanks for your work on this.
- 01:13:45 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you so much for putting this together.
- 01:14:31 - Gerald Daniels: - We also have water here at Brotherhood rise as well
- 01:15:02 - CC Mendoza: - Excellent Rob!
- 01:15:14 - Janet Runbeck: - Is the RISE water for any geographic area?
- 01:27:55 - Gaiety Jay - IPPC Referral Matching: - Group 6:
- 01:28:19 - Julie Hoffman: - Hot weather resources needed
- - Sunshades, hats, material around necks
 - o - Can the material be purchased for folks to make these?
 - - Sunscreen, water, shade, Chapstick
 - - Sandals for feet
 - - Keep cases of water in cars to give out
- 01:29:44 - Kimberly Ellefson: - Are busses going to be allowing individuals free rides to cool off at the parks listed. I do not see actual cooling sites listed just parks
- 01:30:15 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Hi Kimberly. I am not aware of any announcements from Pierce Transit yet.
- 01:30:18 - Gaiety Jay - IPPC Referral Matching: - Group 6: cooling tips, post actual temperature, signs of heat stroke/heat exhaustion and what to do/where to go; where to go to get out of the heat with links



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to participating communities, provide free umbrellas and/or cooling rags, dollar tree water bottle with the fan

01:30:26 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - Group 7 for those of us without transportation who cannot buy water and bring somewhere, what can we do to contribute to other's outreach efforts?

01:30:41 - Leah Ford: - Room 1: still some confusion around if availability of cooling centers etc. Our individual agencies can offer water but engagement varies over time. Heat protection would be good to offer. Possibly partner with business near encampments to allow for outdoor spigot access

01:30:57 - Kelli Roulette: - Our ideas for future hot weather information sharing: Get the information for resources available out to the libraries, metro parks, and county parks so they can share/put up signs. Same for Pierce county transit. Also food banks, restaurants etc.

01:31:04 - Paula Anderson: - We need to have a representative from Pierce Transit on these calls, and especially when there is inclement weather we are trying to mitigate

01:31:06 - Christine Lindquist: - Room 2

Rob did an excellent job putting this together. It's clean and easy to access. Thank you, Rob!

Rob shouldn't have to work as a point person on this effort over the weekend. Why is there no city/county staffing for this effort?

Should we include information about additional resources - like bus passes that were made available last year.

(Placards should also be put on buses so that everyone sees that type of resource is available.)

Safeway has electronic coupon for cases of water, so does Grocery Outlet. As individuals, we can stock up to hand these out.

Why aren't libraries automatically open on weekends when there are several weather? Inclement weather doesn't just happen during business hours.

01:31:21 - Janet Runbeck: - Room 5: there is no agreed threshold to initiate an emergency response to prevent poor health outcomes. Therefore, any HS contracted service provider must individually negotiate funding per event. This level of response results in loss of limb and life.

01:32:40 - Timothy Harris: - Room 3: Some cities have free air-conditioned buses running during heat emergencies. Something to consider. Should be nurses or shuttles to bring people to cooling stations. Is information there about locations, hours of cooling stations? Recognition of importance of coalition in ensuring homeless people are not left out of the broader public response to heat emergencies. Discussion about having locations where homeless individuals can access water on their own, ie, libraries, post offices.

01:34:46 - Paula Anderson: - Room 2: also feel that the webpage Rob created needs to have required response from County and cities as to what they are doing during inclement weather....perhaps that would help with pulling together a more regional response.

01:35:47 - Sally Perkins: - Please join us at the City Council meeting, either in person or virtual. Non-police crisis response.

01:38:01 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Here is the link to that video segment:

<https://www.king5.com/article/news/local/homeless/tacoma-homeless-encampment-removal/281-2c086773-972a-4a78-93a5-90cedfd8f933>



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- 01:38:05 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Group 4 (I think, based on process of elimination?): is there a way the Coalition can support a "clearinghouse" to organize the distribution of resources like in the heat emergency. Appreciate the existing efforts but wonder -- is it possible to go to a centralized place to find info on what outreach groups are delivering what supplies to where (other than this call)? For example, how does an individual know if a certain encampment area need has been met (delivery of water for example) so that we are not bringing more than is needed to one area while neglecting another area?
- 01:40:29 - Rob Huff (he/him): - The "One paycheck away" story is real...
- 01:41:34 - Dionne SVdP: - I am here, thank you Jan :)
- 01:42:27 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Hello all. Please email me with questions or concerns (or complaints!) about any isolation and quarantine issues. If you run into an issue with someone needing I&Q, it is helpful to hear as many details as possible. JSchoeppe@tpchd.org
- 01:43:29 - Dionne SVdP: - St. Vincent de Paul is located at 4009 So. 56th St, and I can be reached any time at 253-355-5868. The store is only open from 10am-5pm, and I am on site today but off site tomorrow. Please call if possible- if you show up Saturday, the in store point of contact will be Lindsey.
- 01:43:36 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Hot weather resource updates can be emailed to me this weekend at rhuff@pchomeless.org
- 01:43:43 - Jennie Schoeppe: - I&Q phone number is: 253-820-4684. The line is staffed Sunday-Friday 8am to 5p.
- 01:45:56 - CC Mendoza: - Well said Janet!!!!
- 01:46:02 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - I am going to quote you on that last part!
- 01:47:17 - Sally Perkins: - Jennie, never apologize for your emotions!
- 01:47:20 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Never apologize for emotions! We appreciate you, Jenny. Best wishes for your next impact!
- 01:47:36 - Jennie Schoeppe: - agree! Your emotions are welcome.
- 01:48:00 - CC Mendoza: - Love you Jenny!!!!
- 01:48:02 - Kimberly Ellefson: - Thank you!
- 01:48:08 - Dionne SVdP: - Thank you for your good work and advocacy, Jenny.
- 01:48:21 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - Thank you, Jenny!
- 01:48:38 - Jay Worley: - thank you Jenny
- 01:48:41 - Leah Ford: - Thank you Jenny
- 01:49:15 - Kathleen Edelheit: - We will miss you, Jenny. :-(
- 01:49:27 - Jenny Lorton: - Appreciate each and every one of you! I will miss you greatly.
- 01:49:49 - Gerald Daniels: - Thank you Jenny for your partnership and leadership, good luck and God bless.
- 01:51:47 - Rob Huff (he/him): - ARPA = American Rescue Plan Act
- 01:54:21 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Here is info from Caleb at the City of Tacoma:
- 01:54:35 - Rob Huff (he/him): - 1. Inclement Weather- A press release will be sent out by MCO about Inclement weather. For people who are homeless who need a cooling center on Sunday/Monday can access Brotherhood RISE as a place to escape the heat. The libraries will be open on Saturday for a place to get cool. On Monday if the weather hits the threshold of 90 degrees, Lighthouse will be open to Seniors (60+) and Families with kids. Please make sure thresholds have been met before passing out water but it sounds like it will be from Saturday through Monday and the water from the Stability Site goes to Tacoma residents.
- 01:58:29 - Christine Lindquist: - Excellent job facilitating, Rob. Thank you.
- 01:58:54 - Cathy Pick - Tacoma Tenants Union: - Good to be back...the wheels are turning...
- 02:00:24 - Lisa Kleiner: - Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness



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02:01:09 - Janet Runbeck: - Jan 253-370-3988

02:24:36 - Jennie Schoeppe: - it's not weekly, Jan.