



Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

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Friday Coalition Meeting Chat – November 11, 2022

00:06:41 - Verna Lilly: - I'm here just on chat today
00:06:48 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Got it, Verna
00:11:54 - Jenny Lorton: - Jenny - Hive Home Referral - 360-789-7071
00:14:26 - Víctor S.: - Good morning all!
00:18:04 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you, Rosemary.
00:18:24 - 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.
00:18:36 - 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.

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00:19:54 - Christine Lindquist: - Welcome Jennifer!
00:20:15 - Jennifer Strickling: - hi everyone - My name is Jennifer Strickling
00:20:19 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Hi Jennifer - what church are you with?
00:20:35 - Shalana Sharpe: - What church are you affiliated with Jennifer?
00:21:04 - Jennifer Strickling: - jennmarieartist@outlook.com Elim Evangelical free church in south hill
00:21:48 - Jennifer Strickling: - cell 253-267-9567
00:21:48 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Always great to have new groups join us in this work - welcome!
00:22:24 - Christine Lindquist: - This is heartbreaking, Theresa.
00:22:50 - Kerri Hill: - Seeing a ramp up in 311 complaints in Stadium District, especially around Wright Park senior /SHAG housing and car camping along St. Helens, slope along Stadium Way
00:22:55 - Richard Dorsett: - Lots of new NIMBY blocks and boulders all around town.
00:23:20 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Yes on the boulders. Some even inside a fence on Yakima Ave.
00:23:39 - Richard Dorsett: - RVs behind Habitat and more NIMBY blocks at 50th & South Adams. The small encampment at South Tacoma Way turnoff to Union has grown from three to at least fifteen tents. Feel that wind? Yep, it's cold out today. Tents and structures down. Stocking up on supplies: socks, tarps, clamps, hand warmers, sanitizer, and more.
Thanks to all.
00:23:45 - Jessica Hall: - wow Theresa! Which people were not calling? Are we talking about other outreach workers or the police?
00:24:02 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - The people putting up the fence
00:24:25 - Sally Perkins: - 2 tents at S 10th and S L. People pushing their belongings around at 4am on S 15th.
00:24:38 - Richard Dorsett: - Thank you Zara, nice being able to find all those posts in one place.



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- 00:24:39 - Jessica Hall: - Thats absurd and terrible.
- 00:26:21 - Zoe Grieder: - I got an email from Caleb about the 35th sweep
- 00:26:49 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - zoe what did he say?
- 00:27:55 - Zoe Grieder: - that the sweep is still happening, but it'll be over at least a couple days, he said Tuesday they'll just be doing "debris and towing cars"
- 00:28:22 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - With the escalation of sweeps it is ever more difficult to get basic survival needs to the people who need them most. Thank you Zara and everyone here who is a part of this unwieldy safety net
- 00:28:22 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - jeffrey, caleb admitted in a cold weather meeting that angie at the camp has the list- i was able to alert at least one camper who will tell others so that they at least may be able to get that information, even if we can't
- 00:28:43 - Jessica Hall: - Question: Have they said that they will create a map? Or are we asking them to and have not heard back?
- 00:29:07 - Rob Huff (he/him): - We have clearly asked for a map. It has not been created yet.
- 00:29:07 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - towing cars?? okay, i'll warn people today when i got out, doing a huge jacket delivery with shoes, hats, scarves, etc
- 00:29:14 - rosemary Powers: - HUD update on Veteran homelessness at https://www.hud.gov/press/press_releases_media_advisories/HUD_No_22_225
- 00:29:23 - Dionne Jacobson: - Has CoT provided a map of any kind, that reflects the boundaries for the camping ban?
- 00:29:24 - Zoe Grieder: - I'll forward you the email
- 00:29:32 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Not yet, Dionne
- 00:29:47 - Jessica Hall: - OK got it!
- 00:29:59 - Rob Huff (he/him): - The only map that I am aware of is the one that we already have, which doesn't clearly describe the boundaries
- 00:30:07 - Jay Worley: - Morning
- 00:30:18 - Bobby Ocasio: - Good morning everyone, I introduced myself at last weeks meeting but it doesn't hurt to do so again. My name is Bobby Ocasio and I am the Program Director at the Arlington apartments off of 38th and Portland which is a housing program for young adults experiencing homelessness ran by the YMCA of Greater Seattle and Tacoma Housing Authority. I have worked with this population in Tacoma for many years but spent the last 2 years up north working for King County. I'm excited to be back home. Please let me know if you have any questions about myself or my program. bobbyocasio@seattleyymca.org is probably the best way to reach me.
- 00:30:24 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - <https://tacoma.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=492e8fa34ebb4104b5acee805f1bc9a7>
- 00:30:49 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - you can view the map online here but we need a version which is distributable, not gis
- 00:30:58 - Rob Huff (he/him): - Thank you, Zara.
- 00:31:20 - Jessica Hall: - Bobby, is that up to 24?
- 00:31:43 - Bobby Ocasio: - Yes, 18-24
- 00:31:56 - Jeffrey Boyce: - The City has been asked for a map. They refused.
- 00:32:29 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - i will be on site as well- i will be trying to transport folks to a new spot outside the camping ban radius, if anyone would like to help with that
- 00:32:30 - Jessica Hall: - OK I figured they would for liability reasons. That was why I asked. red tape everywhere.



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- 00:32:56 - Andrea Haug: - I had the same response from Caleb. Copy/paste
- 00:33:15 - Rob Huff (he/him): - I received that message from Caleb as well
- 00:33:18 - PATRICIA .: - @Zoe -people are sick... like flu or what not... it is strong n going around... also to providers
- 00:33:25 - Jeffrey Boyce: - Zara, from that map, which says where the campers can't go, the campers need to know where they can go.
- 00:34:14 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - i agree jeffrey- i've been trying to find a gis map of publicly owned land or wsdot land, but it will have to be done manually i think
- 00:34:21 - Rob Huff (he/him): - I don't think that the city will create that map, Jeffrey. No matter how many times we ask them to do so...
- 00:35:00 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - perhaps we could put together a team from this coalition to create/distribute that map- i would be happy to help
- 00:35:02 - Andrea Haug: - The South End Neighborhood Council also requested a map and they won't do it.
- 00:35:46 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - i think the overall trend here is that city council is going to continually buck/refuse what we need- but we have so many people doing such amazing work here, with some organization i know it's something we can accomplish
- 00:35:52 - Timothy Harris: - Right, they're not going to say where people CAN go. People will say the city is directing homeless people to their neighborhoods.
- 00:35:58 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - then we could hand it out at warming centers, on the street, and places like new hope
- 00:35:58 - PATRICIA .: - can you send me that meeting calendar, plz
- 00:36:02 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - RE: The Forging Path Community Shelter The new site will be using ice-fishing tents similar to the ones at FOB Hope. But these are a step up and will actually be waterproof. Monique replaced 2 of the tents at FOB with the new tents and they are working much better.
- 00:36:23 - Richard Dorsett: - We are connecting with many of the ones and twos. They seem vulnerable.
- 00:36:24 - Jay Worley: - Patricia send request To Delmar
- 00:36:37 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - does anyone have a resource for finding wsdot/public land so we can begin creating that map?
- 00:37:17 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Need hand warmers tpdutis@nctacoma. org
- 00:37:19 - Christine Lindquist: - <https://forms.gle/4fTXmqFupXfg9zMD7>
- 00:37:32 - Andrea Haug: - The South End Neighborhood Council hosted Socktober. We have socks to share! Please email us at senco253@gmail.com if your outreach can use socks.
- 00:37:41 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Have household goods tpdutis@nctacoma.org
- 00:38:23 - Dionne Jacobson: - SVdP will be within a camping ban boundary- which I suspected. Thank you for that map, Zara. Do any other service providers have ideas about how to make access to your locations easier once the ban is in place?
- 00:38:23 - Richard Dorsett: - We have many cases of hand sanitizer in glass bottles (wine bottle size). I don't want to distribute these. Need about 50-100 8 ounce (about) plastic bottles. Could be empty water bottles with caps. If anyone has such, please contact and I can pick up. Also, my porch is available.
- 00:38:27 - Zara Sedore-Mallin: - i've filled in a good of chunk of those with richard's data- he does seem to have the most complete knowledge of encampments in the city
- 00:38:55 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Please save Altoid tins for our mini first aid kits
- 00:38:58 - Christine Lindquist: - You are also welcome to any outreach need/share items to me directly. I'm at christine.lindquist@ymail.com
- 00:39:02 - Zev Cook: - link?
- 00:39:09 - Christine Lindquist: - <https://forms.gle/4fTXmqFupXfg9zMD7>



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00:39:37 - Rob Huff (he/him): - That isn't the right link, Christine. I don't think so at least

00:39:43 - Christine Lindquist: - Sorry! My bad.

00:39:48 - Christine Lindquist: - Winter Outreach Tracking Spreadsheet:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10Ec_bw5KKsFQidzRN7XkM6yea6vHzD0Yf0m5IfjgdpU/edit?usp=sharing

00:42:32 - Sally Perkins: - City of Tacoma SOP for buffer zone enforcement and possibly for all sweeps...

00:42:37 - Courtney Love: - most definitely Jay it's really good to hear from you

00:43:14 - Courtney Love: - it's Carmela

00:43:17 - Courtney Love: - Right now, storage is the business location under my apt on 23rd and will remain available for after hours staging when we shift main storage to LEC space at First United Methodist

00:43:34 - Kenneth King: - absolutely

00:43:44 - Jay Worley: - Tis has been brought up. ^ month ahead need

00:43:54 - Courtney Love: - Carmela - why is your screen name "Courtney" 😊?

00:43:55 - Jay Worley: - 6 month lead

00:45:02 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Bob V: do you have what you need across the bridge?

00:45:58 - Rob Huff (he/him): - In case folks want to know where I track weather conditions, I have been leaning on this resource: <https://www.wunderground.com/forecast/us/wa/tacoma/KWATACOM495>

00:46:00 - Courtney Love: - sorry everyone my device died

00:46:33 - Rob Huff (he/him): - I post screen shots of the 10-day forecast on our Cold weather resources page, which is linked on <http://pchomeless.com>

00:47:54 - Jenny Lorton: - Re: Sanitizer - I have pallets of sanitizer, small individual packets of gel and individual wipes - that my company is looking to donate (I will check on how much we have left). If we have multiple pallets - is there anyone who could take that volume of a donation?

00:48:14 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - A lot of shouting on street right now - will check and be right back

00:48:31 - Jay Worley: - Jenny, Richard Dorsett was looking

00:48:44 - Jay Worley: - If i had space i would grab it.

00:49:47 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Great Jenny!

00:50:36 - Courtney Love: - Thank you Jenny

00:50:55 - Christine Lindquist: - If the LEC space isn't big enough, I could put it in my garage.

00:51:22 - Joe Perva: - I have some room to hold supplies @ Aspen Court for outreach team to have a centralized are to grab them if need be. We have done this in the past. Please let me know.

00:51:37 - Courtney Love: - thank you father Jeffery

00:52:46 - Jay Worley: - there is room for new ideas and tried experience we just need to ask questions and make room.

00:54:27 - Zoe Grieder: - If anyone is wanting to come watch the sweep and wants to talk about it offline, you can reach me at zoe.grieder@gmail.com

00:55:44 - Christine Lindquist: - Thank you for the excellent summary, Timothy!

00:56:03 - Courtney Love: - thank you Timothy

00:56:53 - Zoe Grieder: - Zara and I will be out there, but we also both have a lot of trauma around sweeps, additional support would be really appreciated

00:57:40 - Jay Worley: - there was a lot of community work and community backing communication before they brought the plan forward

01:13:55 - Christine Lindquist: - Room 8

Trying to connect outreach workers with supplies.



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Tracking what people need and have to share.

Advocating for local folks who are being swept.

Trying to organize soup vans on schedules people on the street could plan on having access to.

99 Stockings project.

Learning more about what is happening locally.

01:15:00 - Jay Worley: - My email is seededhopes@gmail.com

01:15:18 - Jessica Hall: - side note: does anyone have data on increases in numbers of family?

01:15:45 - jennifer scott: - LASA last year donated workers for the outreach efforts, drove around to check on people, keep items on hand; water, food, hand warmers, gloves and socks to hand out spontaneously. FHN has winter items for families and to hand out as needed; coats, blankets, handwarmers, hats, gloves, socks

01:15:47 - Timothy Harris: - Room 6: lots of work happening on supply hub project. Important to focus on onesie and twosie camps because these get missed by many and are increasingly common with the sweeps happening. Courtney has worked out a few figure 8 loops that covers many of these.

01:16:23 - Kerri Hill: - Reminder that food benefits will likely be shrinking significantly next month due to expiry of state emergency

01:17:32 - janne hutchins: - janne@lasawa.org

01:18:30 - janne hutchins: - Coffee pots and mini fridge

01:19:14 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Kerri - can you speak that into the room?

01:19:26 - Kerri Hill: - yes

01:20:12 - Jessica Hall: - I'm just interested in increased number to put into my information. I don't want to know where they are. :) If anyone knows increases because of rent prices. It's for landlords to have a better understanding of what is happening as a whole.

01:21:58 - Kim Ellefson: - You are so right Courtney!

01:22:29 - rosemary Powers: - plans for the winter include: working with People's assembly to provide specific supplies they need for outreach, responding to specific identified needs by visiting goodwill outlet store, seeing our work in this space as this micro work of providing what is needed in the last mile. Also outreach has become more difficult as case management responsibilities increase—so a challenge, but also some success in getting client's housing. St Vincent dePaul is getting into inclement weather provision, when people come in with needs, will ask them about this and share what can. Mutual Aid has developed many opportunities to serve and collaborate. Social media is expanding and more individuals wanting to help. Mutual aid continues to organize distribution days. Big concern raised about need for foot care as a major need—St Vincent can help people with shoes and socks when drop in. Foot powder is important need.

01:22:33 - Jay Worley: - Room 2: we discussed a map app created by Kim Ellefson, We discussed a permission form for workers to share name and birthdate and possible description.

01:23:02 - Jay Worley: - emergency use only with privacy in mind and no data base working with a social worker