



# Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

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Friday Coalition Meeting Chat – January 20, 2023

00:03:18 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - You may have a speaker issue, CC

00:03:48 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - We can hear you, CC!

00:16:19 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - 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.

00:16:50 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - 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.

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00:19:45 - Dana Peterson: - Donna is a CHRP partner.

00:19:54 - Kenneth King: - welcome Donna. Tell Ronita I said hi

00:19:58 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Welcome Donna!

00:20:18 - Mindy McCoy: - Hey Donna

00:20:29 - Gerald Daniels: - Welcome Donna

00:22:49 - Jennie Schoeppe: - well said, Jan. lack of transport is such a huge gap

00:23:08 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - SB 5335 is a single-payer plan that covers ambulance

00:24:01 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - When does that have a hearing coming up, Courtney?

00:25:10 - Mindy McCoy: - I have to excuse myself for a little bit. Will be back as soon as possible.

00:25:54 - Kenneth King: - they have to find spot or they will fall where they are

00:26:33 - Jay Worley: - I'll pull it up

00:26:47 - Jay Worley: - I need to switch devices

00:29:03 - Tammy Creley: - Veterans village could use some hand warmers please

00:29:04 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: -

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10Ec\\_bw5KKsFQidzRN7XkM6yea6vHzD0Yf0m5IfjgdpU/edit#gid=690658298](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10Ec_bw5KKsFQidzRN7XkM6yea6vHzD0Yf0m5IfjgdpU/edit#gid=690658298)

00:30:11 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - RE: Union Street loop visits -----We have commitments for food prep for today, Tuesday, and next Friday. If anyone is interested in helping during the week of January 30th or after that- please be in touch. [tpdrutis@nctacoma.org](mailto:tpdrutis@nctacoma.org) Theresa Power-Drutis

00:30:31 - Kenneth King: - current scheduled sweeps related to the ban.

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00:30:53 - Kenneth King: - other sweeps seem to be based on complaints and not related to the ban

00:31:31 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - RE: addition to my first message -----I have a 2 gallon insulated container that I can bring to you - that's about the amount we need for each visit

00:32:13 - Kenneth King: - Courtney, do you have a schedule of when you are in the LEC office ?



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- 00:32:14 - Sally Perkins: - City can justify sweeps on safety or health reasons, beyond the 10 block buffer thing...
- 00:32:27 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Can we get any trench foot relief kits?
- 00:33:00 - Janet Runbeck: - DEM hypothermia kits went to LEC, St Vinnie's, and New Hope.
- 00:33:03 - Kenneth King: - Theresa, whats in those. socks wipes ointments?
- 00:33:15 - Gerald Daniels: - @Kenneth, I am unaware of what street sweep for us at RISE, we are in the ban zone, but not any sweeps.
- 00:34:02 - Kenneth King: - Gerald, you are the ban zone. the sweep is any folks outside of your building sitting or laying or putting down their belongings within ten blocks
- 00:34:18 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - I don't have set hours at the office, yet - and I'm looking to get car work done next week (and my birthday 1/24) so people still need to text me and I have backup for when I'm unavailable.

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- 00:35:12 - Kenneth King: - Happy Birthday! (Early)
- 00:36:05 - Kenneth King: - Gerald, the Ban Sweep schedule  
<https://www.cityoftacoma.org/cms/one.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=133588>
- 00:36:56 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Thanks, Ken!!
- 00:37:17 - Gerald Daniels: - Yeah, we do not have any encampments or anyone hanging out, we're on the ban because of the tiny home project that we are building. A street sweep here around us would be news to me, for we do not have any of that sort of activity. Thank you for pointing that out, and thanks for the happy b-day shout out,
- 00:38:01 - Kenneth King: - Gerald, from this point forward anyone siting, laying, or putting down their belongings within ten blocks of your facility, are subject to fines or arrest.
- 00:38:01 - Richard Dorsett: - Who is We Care sponsored by? An independent organization or something else?
- 00:38:15 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - [norma.pancake@piercecountywa.gov](mailto:norma.pancake@piercecountywa.gov)

How may did you give out ?

Were they given to the 'target' population?

Did they meet needs of those who received them?

Other OutreachTeam member comments?

- 00:38:27 - Jennie Schoeppe: - Brooke -- could you clarify -location of mobile, location of brick and mortar, services (is it only for SUD?). thanks!
- 00:39:05 - Gerald Daniels: - Kenneth, thanks for the map and this valuable information.
- 00:39:20 - Kenneth King: - no prob
- 00:44:38 - Kenneth King: - Dave Morell is the County Council member for district 1. that's from south hill all the way to the mountain. for folks not sure who falls in his zone
- 00:46:19 - Carol Colleran: - Sign up to speak to PC Council on housing tax email. I will send you talking points, etc.: [cacolleran@msn.com](mailto:cacolleran@msn.com)
- 00:46:36 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - Thank you, Carol!
- 00:47:17 - Kenneth King: - Carol, can I be added to that list of email recipients. [kingk@p-c-a.org](mailto:kingk@p-c-a.org)
- 00:48:54 - Kenneth King: - for your Olympia reps <https://app.leg.wa.gov/DistrictFinder/>



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- 00:49:12 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - RE: what would a trench foot treatment pack look like? I don't know, but I imagine it would include a simple booklet with images explaining what it looks like and how it progresses, when to go to urgent care, where to go for free foot care, etc., For sure it should include moisture-wicking socks, maybe a coupon (St. VDP?) for getting a free pair of footwear that fits properly. Cleaning cloths? Talcum powder? Vaseline? What do medical people suggest? And - of course - available dry, warm shelter. In the absence of that, the ability to set up the best shelter that can be managed without fear of being swept.
- 00:49:39 - Kenneth King: - Pierce County district finder  
<https://matterhornwab.co.pierce.wa.us/infobyaddress/>
- 00:50:35 - Kenneth King: - Theresa, im sure we can find the military trench foot booklets and make something based off that, quite easily
- 00:55:05 - Kenneth King: - yall did awesome. everyone did awesome coming to coordination for the cold weather emergency
- 00:56:16 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Thank you Rob and Gerrit for keeping this page up and for the many hours to keep it current! Also thanks to CLR for the resource page
- 00:59:20 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Maybe we can work with the CoC to get daily bed reports embedded into the RFP/contracts.
- 00:59:33 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - I would love that, Courtney!
- 01:01:29 - Rosemary Powers: - Housing conference on Jan 27 in Tacoma on barriers to affordable housing in Pierce county. Check this registration link for more  
[info.https://www.tickettailor.com/events/tpcahc/815327](https://www.tickettailor.com/events/tpcahc/815327)
- 01:07:00 - Laurie Davenport: - Great idea Courtney.
- 01:07:07 - Richard Dorsett: - Some nice packets of writing and drawing supplies have come, thanks. Some packets include postage stamps and postcards.
- 01:07:08 - Jay Worley: - Timothy what was the name of the movie?
- 01:07:35 - Jay Worley: - thank you
- 01:08:04 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - RE: Website ---Can we create a little box or a link to a google docs page with local research about shelter and homelessness? I could start a google doc and ask others to add
- 01:18:20 - Kenneth King: - ouch, great convo that got cut off
- 01:18:36 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Same
- 01:18:57 - Kenneth King: - Dana, Rian, I would love to have a longer chat
- 01:19:00 - Sally Perkins: - Wish it had been longer.
- 01:19:00 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Can we create a little box or a link to a google docs page with local research about shelter and homelessness? I could start a google doc and ask others to add
- 01:19:21 - Gerald Daniels: - @Matt, Congrats
- 01:19:30 - Jay Worley: - that would be helpful Theresa
- 01:20:01 - Kenneth King: - and no action where there has been notifications
- 01:20:18 - Richard Dorsett: - Don't know which room. Bethlehem shelter has has covid positive and is on hold for taking new people until February 10. Also noted that younger faces seem to be showing up at Coalition meetings; a good thing.
- 01:20:47 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Lesson learned: Don't take your notes directly into the breakout room chat. Mine got lost when we were pulled back into the main room. Will try to remember it all : (
- 01:21:17 - Anita Letasi: - Hi. Matt how can I reach you?
- 01:21:19 - Kenneth King: - Thank you Richard. We actually needed that update
- 01:21:30 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - NOFA - Notice of Funding Availability
- 01:21:48 - Kenneth King: - brb



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- 01:21:54 - Timothy Harris: - Room 2: We heard a bit about Tacoma Mutual Aid Collective and their powerful network. They're most active on Instagram and Twitter but also on Facebook. Talked about possibly organizing some sort of Party at Alma Mater in May of so. Jan Runbeck in lead on this. Tim said he'd follow up with folks on previous discussions about organizing some sort of narrative shifting cultural event.
- 01:22:09 - Matthew Jorgensen: - [mjorgensen@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:mjorgensen@cityoftacoma.org) (253)591-5054
- 01:22:32 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Matthew - when the city builds a "safety and health" case for a sweep 1) who is involved in that?  
2) where do we find the information in those cases?
- 01:23:04 - Sally Perkins: - Courtney, the City has a detailed policy spelling this out.
- 01:23:51 - Matthew Jorgensen: - Courtney, here is a link to those procedures:  
[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_6/File/cms/NCS/Camping%20Restricted%20Areas%20Maps/DRAFT%20SOP%20for%20Ban%20Areas.pdf](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/cms/NCS/Camping%20Restricted%20Areas%20Maps/DRAFT%20SOP%20for%20Ban%20Areas.pdf)
- 01:24:02 - Sally Perkins: - And within the NCS web page are summary reports of each sweep.
- 01:24:12 - Anita Letasi: - Thank you Mathew
- 01:24:13 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - Thank you Sally and Matthew
- 01:24:18 - Rosemary Powers: - group 8 talked about importance of developing catalogs and updates of resources available and need to help address immediate needs. also discussed possible joint development by providers of targeted training programs that could help prepare potential employees for staffing 24/7 type sites. Suggested building on Homelessness 101 and surveying the trainings currently available by any agencies that offer these to current or prospective employees. We are aware of the difficulty in finding staff for some of the current needs.
- 01:24:41 - Jay Worley: - mathew that page leads to a page not found
- 01:24:47 - Jay Worley: - link
- 01:25:19 - Matthew Jorgensen: - Thank you Jay, hopefully this one works!  
[https://www.cityoftacoma.org/government/city\\_departments/neighborhood\\_and\\_community\\_services/homelessness\\_services/encampment\\_cleanups\\_and\\_site\\_reclamation](https://www.cityoftacoma.org/government/city_departments/neighborhood_and_community_services/homelessness_services/encampment_cleanups_and_site_reclamation)
- 01:25:39 - Jay Worley: - success thank you
- 01:25:49 - Janet Runbeck: - Great newsletter from T-PCHD
- 01:26:09 - Jay Worley: - the newsletter is great. thank you
- 01:27:38 - Richard Dorsett: - I can still use about 15 boxes of Narcan each week if anyone has source.
- 01:28:10 - donna stinson: - For PIT count please contact [Jeff.Rodgers@piercecountywa.gov](mailto:Jeff.Rodgers@piercecountywa.gov)
- 01:28:27 - Janet Runbeck: - Needle Exchange has Narcan available, the needle style, not the mist. MRC is applying for more Narcan.
- 01:29:04 - Zoe Grieder: - @Richard, I just got connected with state DOH, they might be a new source for us
- 01:29:17 - Richard Dorsett: - Even some needle users have told me they don't like to administer needle Narcan.
- 01:29:27 - Jay Worley: - still looking for a source fentanyl strips
- 01:29:50 - Kenneth King: - Zoe, while you chat with them, will you check if they still have a shortage of nasal sprays? I know they have injectables but that's harder to give folks
- 01:29:55 - Janet Runbeck: - Libraries want fentanyl strips, also.
- 01:29:57 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Room 5: Communication is key and Covid has dampened that. The meetings are a good way to network/collaborate. Ways to bring more folks in: announce/promote meetings when we are in meetings with others. Theresa would appreciate "spotlight scouts" willing to refer people to [tpdrutis@nctacoma.org](mailto:tpdrutis@nctacoma.org) to schedule a 5 minute presentation. Knowing what others are doing helps us to collaborate. \*Do more of what we are already doing: gathering people, resources,



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sub-group (committee and workgroup) meetings on specific issues. Strengthen advocacy efforts. More opportunities to meet in person.

- 01:30:17 - Kenneth King: - Its not decriminalize.... rawr
- 01:30:21 - Jay Worley: - a strong connection that can cause in so much harm
- 01:31:26 - Kenneth King: - That letter was so insulting
- 01:31:50 - Richard Dorsett: - There is quite a racket being made that the Tacoma mayor did not sign on. Robnet might have taken time to meet with mayor before sending out the letter. It's a mess and the business council isn't helping matters.
- 01:31:58 - Kenneth King: - Our program is the Blake Diversion program
- 01:32:21 - Courtney Love LEC she/her: - There are horrible issues within the therapeutic courts... It's not a universal answer
- 01:33:12 - Kenneth King: - You have to already be in the system and see a judge to get into therapeutic court programs. We need intervention and diversion. We need the city and county and law enforcement to participate
- 01:33:15 - Sally Perkins: - Rob, unified regional approach?
- 01:33:16 - Jennie Schoeppe: - thanks for that feedback Jay and Jan.
- 01:33:21 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Kenneth - did the people running the study session reach out to you for information?
- 01:33:25 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - Stand up for rent fairness. Visit <https://rentfairness.org>
- 01:33:34 - Kenneth King: - Nope, they want to pretend its all legal now
- 01:33:45 - Jay Worley: - Thank you Jennie
- 01:33:56 - Jennie Schoeppe: - anyone who wants to give me or Isiah feedback about what you'd like to see us bring to this space, please reach out to us via email or drop your comments here in the chat. Jennie = JSchoeppe@tpchd.org, Isiah = icocroft@tpchd.org
- 01:34:08 - Kenneth King: - Its all still a crime. only simple possession was changed from a felony to a gross misdemeanor
- 01:34:19 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - Housing Advocate meeting, 2-3 p.m.:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9101864320>
- 01:34:59 - Kenneth King: - And simple possession needs to be offered diversion twice before charged. But its still a chargeable offence
- 01:35:27 - Kenneth King: - Any official that says its not against the law, or "our hands are tied" is misinformed or ...
- 01:37:22 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - @ Kenneth and Sally- do you have an info sheet or link that we can put out about this to counter the misinformation about the Blake decision?
- 01:38:18 - Kenneth King: - <https://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/program/recovery-navigator-program-fact-sheet.pdf>
- 01:39:51 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - The web page for the Comp Plan to End Homelessness and details can be found here: <https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7309/Comprehensive-Plan-to-End-Homelessness>
- 01:40:37 - Richard Dorsett: - The Unified Regional Approach question is a larger potential train wreck than Rob and Courtney mention. If you have interest, please pay close attention.
- 01:41:45 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Jan really rocked at the meeting - a calm and informed voice in a sea of fear. BUT there were also a number of neighbors who either supported the effort or were at least open to giving it a chance.
- 01:42:00 - Jay Worley: - Rob wat time and date for the advisory comment oppritunity ?



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- 01:42:58 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - The meeting is Jan. 30 from 3-5 p.m. Public comment time is at the end of the meeting. You can visit that webpage link above to submit comments now.
- 01:43:31 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - There is the legal requirement and also "the neighborly thing to do."
- 01:43:40 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Glad the meeting happened
- 01:43:46 - Timothy Harris: - Long venerable tradition of neighborhood concern settling down after it's a real thing.
- 01:44:05 - Jay Worley: - found it.
- 01:44:41 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - There is also a very real effect of low income neighborhoods becoming "containment zones"
- 01:45:27 - Kenneth King: - have to run to another meeting. Can someone send me the info for all these meetings. Blake, Housing, Coordinating office. Im going to try and make them.
- 01:46:16 - Timothy Harris: - Hear hear!
- 01:46:45 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - @ Jan: what I was trying to say (above) is that, although we are not legally required to do so, it is a good thing to do. Realized it was stated strangely : )
- 01:47:29 - Richard Dorsett: - An arrest was made of the potential murderer of Mason Hall.
- 01:48:17 - Janet Runbeck: - Including neighbors at the 56th street site, reversed the antagonism reaction to being supportive. But the effort is draining.
- 01:48:37 - Janet Runbeck: - Project Homeless Connect
- 01:49:15 - Sally Perkins: - <https://piercescountywa.zoom.us/j/91084688732>  
Webinar ID: 910 8468 8732  
Join by phone: 253-215-8782 or 877-853-5247 (Toll Free) IAB meeting on unified regional approach, Jan 30 3-5 pm.
- 01:49:35 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - Thank you, Sally!
- 01:49:40 - Matthew Jorgensen: - We've definitely seen that the fear of the unknown and/or stereotypes is one of the largest hurdles for communities hosting new shelters. But so often those the most opposed become the biggest supporters once they see the success of sheltering and housing the folks that need it most.
- 01:50:03 - Richard Dorsett: - I have misplaced details, but TPCHD has some workshops forthcoming on community land trusts.
- 01:50:47 - Jay Worley: - another thing we could use. a upcoming event list/box. using chat to save idea
- 01:51:23 - Richard Dorsett: - Good outreach occurred during the cleanup.
- 01:51:23 - Jay Worley: - success
- 01:51:30 - Rosemary Powers: - Yes Jay...that is something to really think about
- 01:51:36 - Jennie Schoeppe: - thanks for sharing that, Jan!
- 01:52:23 - Rob Huff (he/him) Housing Alliance: - It has everything to do with people!
- 01:52:46 - Jay Worley: - i have a meeting with christine. ill talk to her about potential with the data base and the best way to do it. i am great at organizing people and things she is the digital master.
- 01:52:59 - janne hutchins: - good topic today
- 01:53:11 - Janet Runbeck: - Courtney, can we learn more about HB on transportation?
- 01:53:24 - LAVADA KENT-NAPIER: - Is there any news about homes being built?
- 01:53:53 - Theresa Power-Drutis: - Welcome Lisa!