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I celebrate myself, and sing myself, And what I assume you shall assume, For every atom belonging to me as good belongs to you. ...

Long have you timidly waded
Holding a plank by the shore,
Now I will you to be a bold swimmer,
To jump off in the midst of the sea,
Rise again, nod to me, shout,
And laughingly dash with your hair.

-Walt Whitman, Song of Myself

WOOT! BBQ event at People's Park. Contact Jay W if interested in helping organize: seededhopes@gmail.com

Notes and Resources List

New and Notable

Pride Month: The State of the States.

https://www.wisconsin.edu/lgbtq-resources/equality-by-state-2/

The Housing Narrative Lab has published new messaging resources for how to talk about homelessness, Down load the report at https://indd.adobe.com/view/c6faf641-e14f-4048-95d9-e408daadd9c1

More on the Housing Narrative Lab: https://housingnarrativelab.org

Richard Dorsett is collecting paperback books for Portland's Street Books.

- Fiction: literary, westerns, science fiction, horror (think Stephen King or Dean Koontz) and thrillers (like James Patterson).
- Work by underrepresented writers: books by BIPOC and LGBTQ writers are popular and hard to keep in stock.
- Nonfiction: history, spirituality, self-help, wilderness survival, foraging, herbal guides, etc. Also needed are new puzzle books and adult coloring books.
- Spanish language: fiction, poetry, nonfiction, children's books.

Please donate if you are able (porch delivery is perfect). We will deliver to the street librarians on June 5. And if you get a chance, read Ben Hodson & Laura Moulton's "Loaners: The Making of a Street Library."

If you can donate items for Brotherhood Rise tiny shelter furnishings, please contact Teresa: tpdrutis@nctacoma.org

Where are all these great leaders coming from?

You can learn more about the Resident Action Project at https://www.wliha.org/rap

Follow-up info from Guidehouse on Broadband for All.

www.broadband.wa.gov

internetforall@commerce.wa.gov

My email for any questions: dkyle@guidehouse.com

Good360 Resource Link https://good360.org/nonprofit/

Tacoma Community House Needs help with their bedding drive.

Drop items to 1314 S. L Street Tacoma, Contact Omari jarmon, ojarmon@reachtacoma.org 253-921-5864

UNHCR Recourse on Angola crisis: https://www.unhcr.org/countries/angola

Resources and webinars on immigration and asylum seeking.

https://www.nwirp.org/news-events/events/webinars/

Political action opportunity: If anyone is interested in cosigning a petition/call to action for our elected officials please contact myself or Nathalie at Congolese immigration Network: tlarson@tacomacommunityhouse.org Nathalie@cinseattle.org

There is a Catholic Portuguese language church in Sumner

https://schoenstatt-pilgrimmother.us/enthronement-of-our-blessed-mother/

How to sign up for Coalition listsery:

You can sign up for the email lists here: http://pchomeless.org/Home/Listserv

Community Spotlight Opportunity: Tell the coalition about your organization's good work. Contact tpdrutis@nctacoma.org to schedule a brief presentation.

Recent Press

Guaranteed Basic Income experiment in Tacoma

https://www.kuow.org/stories/how-s-tacoma-s-guaranteed-basic-income-program-going

Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot program in Oregon

https://basicincometoday.com/proposed-oregon-bill-would-give-1000-a-month-to-homeless-low-income-people/

Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot in LA, Oakland, and SF.

https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/basic-income-provided-to-california-homeless-in-new-pilot/

Ongoing Resources and Needs

Need good street shoes. No more sad feet. Nativity House, St Vincent DePaul, TRM all need shoes. Shoes have a hard life if the feet are in them 24/7.

Free Food & Resources Market, Greater Heights Church, 4819 South 12th St., Tacoma WA 10-12 Saturday 5/12/23. Everyone welcome. You can pick up for others.

Housing Alliance Advocacy Links

WLIHA Advocacy pages - Take Action Now! https://www.wliha.org/take-action Advocacy resources: 2023 Public Policy Priorities https://www.wliha.org/advocacy/2023-public-policy-priorities

Join the weekly advocate calls on Fridays, 2-3pm on Zoom:

 $\frac{https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUsdumvrDMtHtSqWteCBB4VIDeAolIRnuCI}{https://leg.wa.gov}$

https://tvw.org

Catholic Community Services Safe Parking at Holy Rosary, a 90-day program to work on housing, opened this week. Need to call for screening, no drive ups. Referral phone: (253) 719-9333, 9 AM to 5 PM Monday – Friday. Eligibility:

- City of Tacoma residents
- Submit to background check (specific crimes against persons screened out)
- Driver's license and proof of ownership of car
- Families or individuals welcome
- No RVs or trailers at this time

Priority referrals taken from City of Tacoma HEAL team, or outreach teams from The Rescue Mission and Comprehensive Life Resources

Pierce County Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness can be found here: https://www.piercecountywa.gov/7309/Comprehensive-Plan-to-End-Homelessness

Please sign up to the inclement weather listserv at https://www.pchomeless.org/Home/Listserv