**Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness Weekly Meeting Agenda November 15st 2019**

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| 9:10 | **Introductions, Announcements and Opening Monologue**  Purpose: know who is in the room and prepare for the meeting  Leader: Benjamin Feldbush, Comprehensive Life Resources - [bfeldbush@cmhshare.org](mailto:bfeldbush@cmhshare.org) |
| 9:20 | **Handmade fleece blankets for people experiencing homelessness**  Purpose: Learn about a great new program, created by Bellarmine High School student Zoe Bucher, providing blankets to support folks experiencing homelessness  Leader: Zoe Bucher, Benevolence Blankets - [benevolenceblankets@gmail.com](mailto:benevolenceblankets@gmail.com) |
| 9:40 | **Resources for those affected by sexual assault and abuse**  Purpose: Understand the great programs offered by the Sexual Assault Center, how to connect your clients to them, and what they can expect  Leader: Carlyn Sampson, Sexual Assault Center - [carlyn@hopesacpc.org](mailto:carlyn@hopesacpc.org) |
| 9:55 | **Advocacy and Shelter Update**  Purpose: understand how to support work underway around shelter options  Leader: Maureen Howard, Senior Policy Analyst - [maureenhowardconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:maureenhowardconsulting@gmail.com) |
| 10:00 | **Safe Stations**  Purpose: Hear about new substance use disorder resources and how to access them  Leader: Laura Morris, City of Tacoma - [lmorris@ci.tacoma.wa.us](mailto:lmorris@ci.tacoma.wa.us) |
| 10:20 | **South Sound Summit Report Out**  Purpose: get a feel for connections made at the Chamber event  Leader: Don Sheppard, Tacoma Salvation Army - [donald.sheppard@usw.salvationarmy.org](mailto:donald.sheppard@usw.salvationarmy.org)  if this agenda manages to stay on schedule, it will be a minor miracle |
| 10:25 | **Increase emergency shelter capacity and Address homelessness in Tacoma**  Purpose: Learn how to assist Metropolitan Development Council, Associated Ministries, and the Tacoma Ministerial Alliance as they engage the community to increase shelter capacity.  Leader: Rob Huff, Metropolitan Development Council - [rhuff@mdc-hope.org](mailto:rhuff@mdc-hope.org) |
| 10:30 | **Stories we want to read about homelessness**  Purpose: A chat with Allison Needles with The News Tribune.  Leader: Allison Needles, The News Tribune - [aneedles@thenewstribune.com](mailto:aneedles@thenewstribune.com) |
| 10:45 | **City of Tacoma Update**  Purpose: Learn about all the irons in the fire.  Leader: Linda Stewart, Director of Neighborhood and Community Services, City of Tacoma, [lstewart@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:lstewart@cityoftacoma.org) |
| 11:05 | **Networking**  Purpose: “But I don’t want to go among mad people,” Alice remarked.    “Oh, you can’t help that,” said the Cat: “we’re all mad here. I’m mad. You’re mad.”  “How do you know I’m mad?” said Alice.  “You must be,” said the Cat, “or you wouldn’t have come here.”  Leader: Benjamin Feldbush, Comprehensive Life Resources - [bfeldbush@cmhshare.org](mailto:bfeldbush@cmhshare.org) |

Next Meeting: Friday, November 22nd - 9:00am – The Salvation Army Church

Contact Gerrit Nyland ([gerritn@ccsww.org](mailto:gerritn@ccsww.org) or 253-304-5105) to add an item to the agenda.

Coming meetings, meeting minutes, listserv self-signup and more at <http://www.pchomeless.org/>

Resources Guide: <https://www.piercecountyresources.com/>

# Committee 2018-19 Work Plans

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| Racial Equity | | Leadership Team:Heidi Nagel – Comprehensive Life Resources - [hnagel@cmhshare.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:hnagel@cmhshare.onmicrosoft.com)Larry Seaquist – League of Women Voters - [larryseaquist@comcast.net](mailto:larryseaquist@comcast.net) |
| Charter: Better serve communities of color | |
| Goals | * In Development | |

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| Workforce Development | | Leadership Team: Kelly Blucher, Goodwill - [KellyB@goodwillwa.org](mailto:KellyB@goodwillwa.org)  Sherri Jensen, Valeo Vocations [sherri@valeovocation.org](mailto:sherri@valeovocation.org) |
| Charter: Increase income through employment | |
| Goals | * Get 10 organizations enlisted in the 253Works Job Club program * Organize 3 Hire253 hiring fairs * Increase Hiring success at Hire253 to 110% of all attendees | |

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| Advocacy | | Leadership Team: Cynthia Stewart – League of Women Voters - [stewdahl@comcast.net](mailto:stewdahl@comcast.net)  Carolyn Read – St. Leo’s - [readcarolyn@comcast.net](mailto:readcarolyn@comcast.net)  Maureen Howard, Senior Policy Analyst –  [maureenhowardconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:maureenhowardconsulting@gmail.com) |
| Charter: Advocate for better laws, policies and funding around housing and homelessness | |
| Goals | * Connect to 4 other key advocacy groups around homeless issues * Develop selected policy and funding action agenda for Pierce County, Tacoma and 2020 WA St. Legislature | |

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| Innovative Shelter Team | | Leadership Team: Theresa Power-Drutis, New Connections - [tpdrutis@nctacoma.org](mailto:tpdrutis@nctacoma.org) |
| Charter: Increase temporary and permanent shelter stock for individuals with very low income | |
| Goals | * Identify rural tiny house village site and agency to fundraise for and operate site * Establish Tent City site and agency to fundraise for and operate site * Advocate for other alternative, temporary shelter options: Safe Lot; Youth Shelter; Urban Rest-stop. | |

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| Community Connections | | Leadership Team: Richard Berghammer, FBC - [ministrycounseling@comcast.net](mailto:ministrycounseling@comcast.net)  Pamm Silver – [Pamm.Silver@MolinaHealthCare.Com](mailto:Pamm.Silver@MolinaHealthCare.Com)  Sheila Miraflor – Molina - Sheila.Miraflor@molinahealthcare.com |
| Charter: Increase housing retention and client stability with the newly housed | |
| Goals | * Develop a Mentoring program with periodic care conferences are recommended. * Maintain continuity of support, beginning with Stability Site (or wherever) to their home. | |

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| Eviction Mitigation | | Leadership Team: Greta Brackman, CLR - [gbrackman@cmhshare.org](mailto:gbrackman@cmhshare.org) |
| Charter: Reduce number of evictions and the long-term impacts of evictions | |
| Goals | * Code Changes – gather support data to support code change recommendations * Develop Eviction Outreach Program. | |