**Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness Weekly Meeting Agenda May 15th, 2020**

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| 9:00 | **Welcome**  Purpose: Time to change into your indoor sweater before the meeting starts  Leader: Gerrit Nyland, Catholic Community Services – gerritn@ccsww.org  |
| 9:05 | **Opening Message**  Purpose: Center us for our work and discussion  Leader: Laurie Jinkins, State House of Representatives - laurie.jinkins@leg.wa.gov |
| 9:10 | **Medicaid and Benefits under COVID-19**  Purpose: learn about changes under COVID-19  Leader: Ruth Bush, Coordinated Care - RUBUSH@coordinatedcarehealth.com  |
| 9:35 | **Advocacy Update** Purpose: understand how to advocate for policy improvements  Leader: Maureen Howard, Senior Policy Analyst - maureenhowardconsulting@gmail.com |
| 9:45 | **Homeless Prevention Update**   Purpose: Understand availability of rent assistance funding and how to connect to it.* Providers
	+ Yuni Medlin, LASA - yuni@lasawa.org
	+ Jessica Martinez, Share and Care House - jessicam@shareandcarehouse.org
	+ Rob Huff, Metropolitan Development Council - rhuff@mdc-hope.org
	+ Sean Dennerlein, Pierce County Veterans Bureau - sean.dennerlein@piercecountywa.gov
* Funders
	+ Erica Azcueta, City of Tacoma - eazcueta@cityoftacoma.org
	+ John Barbee, Pierce County - john.barbee@piercecountywa.gov
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| 10:00 | **Funding Recommendations Next Steps** Purpose: Get thoughts on how wide to distribute our funding recommendations Leader: Megan Capes, Tacoma Democratic Socialists of America - capesmegan@gmail.com  |
| 10:10 | **Government Updates**  Purpose: Understand the current efforts underway  Leaders: * Carrie Ching, Tacoma Pierce County Health Department - CChing@tpchd.org
* Ivan Tudela, Pierce County Emergency Management - ivan.tudela@piercecountywa.gov
* Valeri Knight, Pierce County Human Services - valeri.knight@piercecountywa.gov
* Erica Azcueta, City of Tacoma - eazcueta@cityoftacoma.org
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| 10:20 | **Shelter Updates** Purpose: Updates about shelter operations Nativity House, Adams Street, Tacoma Rescue Mission Men’s Shelter, Comprehensive Life Resources Young Adult Shelter, The Coffee Oasis Sara House, Catholic Community Services Family Day Center, MDC at Bethlehem Baptist, Altheimer, LIHI TEMS Shelter, Helping Hand House, Others? |
| 10:30 | **Networking** 16 Blacksmith Clipart drawing Free Clip Art stock illustrations ... Purpose: “The big companies are like steel and activists are like heat.  Activists soften the steel, and then I can bend it into pretty grillwork  and make reforms.” ― Temple Grandin |

Next Meeting: Friday, May 22nd - 9:00am

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

Resources, Listserv and Meeting info: [http://www.pchomeless.org/](http://www.pchomeless.org/%20)

# Committee 2019-20 Work Plans

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| Racial Equity | Leadership Team: Heidi Nagel – Comprehensive Life Resources –  hnagel@cmhshare.onmicrosoft.com Benjamin Feldbush, Comprehensive Life Resources -  bfeldbush@cmhshare.org  |
| Charter: Better serve communities of color |
| Goals | * In Development
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| Workforce Development | Leadership Team: Kelly Blucher, Goodwill - KellyB@goodwillwa.org Sherri Jensen, Valeo Vocations 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 Carolyn Read – St. Leo’s - readcarolyn@comcast.net Maureen Howard, Senior Policy Analyst 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 Legislature
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| Innovative Shelter Team | Leadership Team: Theresa Power-Drutis, New Connections - 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 Pamm Silver – 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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