



# Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

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## Coalition Liaisons with National Organizations

The Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness invites people interested in serving as a liaison from the Coalition to national homelessness, housing, health, and economic justice organizations.

These organizations represent our interests at the national level and work to secure federal legislation and funding on behalf of people experiencing homelessness and people with low wealth/low incomes. They work with individuals and organizations in the field to develop public policy that benefits the people we serve. Most have research, organizing, training, and technical assistance capacity.

Engaging with these national organizations does not commit the Coalition to a specific action or position without the vote of the Coalition.

Coalition liaisons will attend virtual meetings, monitor communications - such as websites and newsletters, report back to the relevant Coalition committee, share updates, new research, status of legislation, action alerts, opportunities for training and technical assistance.

There are many national organizations. For now we have selected six and identified key committees or activities for individual liaisons. These are good opportunities for professional development. People working in government agencies or nonprofit organizations should check with leadership about use of computers, phones, staff time for this purpose to be certain of the agency/organization policies on websites, receiving newsletters, action alerts, etc.

- National Coalition for the Homeless
- National Low Income Housing Coalition
- National Homelessness Law Center
- National Alliance to End Homelessness
- Healthcare for the Homeless National Council
- National Community Reinvestment Coalition

There should be no out-of-pocket costs but liaisons will need Internet access. If there is a membership fee for the Coalition, the Coalition will pay it. Unfortunately, the Coalition does not have funding to cover fee-based training. Most of what these organizations offer, though, is free.

Maureen Howard will be the Coalition's point of contact for the liaisons. We'll figure out the best way to communicate information without overwhelming the general listserv.



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**These are today's opportunities - we can have more than one liaison per opportunity.**

### **1. National Coalition for the Homeless - <https://nationalhomeless.org>**

Mission: To end and prevent homelessness while ensuring the immediate needs of those experiencing homelessness are met and their civil rights are respected and protected.

Note: NCH is a membership organization but the Coalition's membership would only be \$25.

NCH has a new Bringing America Home NOW Campaign, a Policy Committee, a Civil Rights Work Group, and a Racial Equity Work Group.

#### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The National Coalition for the Homeless - the organization itself

NCH Bringing America Home NOW Campaign

NCH Policy Committee Every 2nd Tuesday @ 2pm E.T.

NCH Civil Rights Work Group Every 3rd Tuesday @ 3pm E.T.

NCH Racial Equity Work Group Tentatively Every 4th Wednesday @ 3pm E.T.

### **2. National Low Income Housing Coalition - <https://nlihc.org>**

Mission: The National Low Income Housing Coalition is dedicated solely to achieving socially just public policy that ensures people with the lowest incomes in the United States have affordable and decent homes.

NLIHC has a new HoUSed Campaign, Tenant Talk, Legislative Working Group, Disaster Recovery Working Group (FEMA), State/Local Implementation Working Group,

Note: NLIHC is a membership organization and the Coalition does not have the funding required to pay the membership fee. However their website and calls are free.

#### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The National Low Income Housing Coalition - the organization itself

NLIHC HoUSed Campaign every Monday at 2:30 EST

NLIHC Tenant Talk Live for Resident Leaders - Mondays at 6pm EST

NLIHC Legislative Working Group - Tuesdays at 12:30 EST

DHRC's Disaster Recovery (FEMA) Working Group - Tuesdays at 3pm EST

NLIHC State/Local Implementation Working Group - Wednesdays at 3pm EST

### **3. National Homelessness Law Center - <https://nlchp.org>**

Mission: Dedicated solely to using the power of the law to end and prevent homelessness and to protect the rights of people experiencing homelessness.



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NHLC is our go-to source on Martin v. Boise, the Housing not Handcuffs Campaign, and specific legal issues - like the City of Tacoma's proposed "Use of Public Policy" ordinance.

### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The National Homelessness Law Center itself  
Housing not Handcuffs Campaign

### **4. National Alliance to End Homelessness** - <https://endhomelessness.org>

Mission: The National Alliance to End Homelessness is a nonpartisan organization committed to preventing and ending homelessness in the United States.

NAEH has Advocacy Alerts.

### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The National Alliance to End Homelessness itself  
NAEH Advocacy Alerts

### **5. Healthcare for the Homeless National Council** - <https://nhchc.org>

Mission: Working to End Homelessness by Ensuring Health Care and Housing for All. The Council is a membership organization uniting thousands of health care professionals, people with lived experience of homelessness, and advocates in homeless health care.

Note: We do not have the funding to actually join this organization but their website is free.

### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The Healthcare for the Homeless National Council itself  
NHCHC Policy & Advocacy

### **6. National Community Reinvestment Coalition** - <https://ncrc.org>

Mission: The National Community Reinvestment Coalition and its grassroots member organizations create opportunities for people to build wealth. We work with community leaders, policymakers and financial institutions to champion fairness and end discrimination in lending, housing and business.

Note: We do not have the funding to actually join this organization but their website is free.

### **Liaison Opportunities:**

The National Community Reinvestment Coalition itself