

# Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

## Hot Sheet: Including Cooling Center Locations & Hours

*Pierce County Resources for managing excessive heat while unsheltered*

The information on this sheet was verified on 7/8/2024, but resources change quickly. Check before traveling whenever possible. If a service is no longer active or you have updates to offer, please contact the Coalition at [info@pchomeless.org](mailto:info@pchomeless.org). For access to emergency shelter, call the Shelter Hub (253) 444-4563. If you are in crisis, please call 988 or to report a crime contact 911.

**Transportation:** Pierce Transit MAY offer free bus transportation to cooling centers when temperatures exceed 85°. Check with your bus driver.

### Locations to cool down: (holiday hours may vary)

- **Day Centers** can be used as cooling sites during hot weather. Use the QR code to learn more about day centers and additional inclement weather resources on the coalition website ([www.pchomeless.org](http://www.pchomeless.org))
- **Pierce County Public Libraries** are open Mondays through Saturdays, with most large branches also open on Sundays.
- **Tacoma Public Libraries** are open Tuesdays through Saturdays.
- **YMCA locations in Pierce County** operate as cooling centers on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday when it is over 90°. Non-members have to sign a waiver and provide valid ID to access the facility.
- **Publicly available options to stay cool include** visiting a mall or large retail store during business hours.
- **Wooded parks and places close to bodies of water** are also good options to cool off during the heat.
- **Additional overnight shelter beds** (when temperatures are above 85°) Use QR code to find contact information.
  - 80 additional beds at Nativity House
  - 20 added beds at the Beacon Youth Center



[pchomeless.org](http://pchomeless.org)

### TACOMA

- **St. Vincent de Paul resource center (4009 S. 56th St., Tacoma)** is open with full services Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat/Sun 10-3. Due to inclement weather, the center will be open extended hours of 10-4 from **July 8– 11, 2024**.
- **Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center (1321 MLK, Tacoma)** is open M-F from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. until July 31, 2024
- **Nativity House Day Center (702 S. 14th St.)** is open from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. 7 days a week
- **CCS Family Day Center (5050 South Tacoma Way)** is for families only and is open Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri. (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.); Wednesday (Noon to 6 p.m.); Saturday & Sunday (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.) "Family" is defined as a parent or parents with minor children in their custody, or a pregnant woman.
- **Tacoma Rescue Mission (425 South Tacoma Way)** Cooling tent open 7a.m. - 6 p.m. 7 days a week until further notice.

### FIFE

- **Fife Community Center (2111 54th Ave. E., Fife)** will be open Monday & Tuesday (July 8th & 9th, 2024) from 10am-7pm.

### PUYALLUP, PARKLAND, FREDRICKSON, AND GRAHAM

- **Department of Emergency Management Cooling Centers**
  - **Brookdale Elementary School (611 132nd St. S., Parkland)** Sunday-Tuesday Noon - 8 p.m.
  - **Cross Park (4420 Military Rd. E., Fredrickson)** Monday & Tuesday (July 8th & 9th, 2024) Noon - 8 p.m.
- **New Hope Resource Center (414 Spring St, Puyallup)** Monday & Tuesday (July 8th & 9th, 2024) 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

## GIG HARBOR AND KEY PENINSULA

- **Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church (7700 Skansie Ave., Gig Harbor)** is open M-F, 12:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Enter Door D.
- **Waypoint Church (12719 134th Ave. NW, Gig Harbor)** is open M-F, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- **Key Peninsula Civic Center (17010 S. Vaughn R. NW, Vaughn)** is open daily, 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
- **Key Peninsula Lutheran Church (4213 Lackey Rd NW, Lakebay)** 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **Key Peninsula Community Services (17015 9th Street Ct NW, Lakebay)** open T/TH 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Wed. 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., closed Sat-Monday
- **Public access to water:**
  - ◇ GHP Fish Food Bank (4303 Burnham Dr, Gig Harbor)
  - ◇ Food Backpacks4Kids (9127 154th Ave court NW, Lakebay)
  - ◇ Bischoff Food Bank (12402 134th Ave NW, Gig Harbor)
  - ◇ **Little Food Pantry Locations – Free 24/7 Water/Food Access**
    - ◇ Agnus Dei Lutheran Church (10511 Peacock Hill Ave, Gig Harbor)
    - ◇ Peninsula Life Church (6501 147th St Ct NW, Purdy)
    - ◇ Waypoint Church North (12719 134th Ave NW, No. KP)
    - ◇ Food Backpacks4Kids (9127 154th Ave court NW, Lakebay)
    - ◇ Key Pen. Lutheran Church (4213 Lackey Rd NW, Lakebay, (mid KP))
    - ◇ Lakebay Community Church (11 Cornwall Rd SW, Lakebay, (so. KP))
  - ◇ **Community / State Parks (water/some covered shelter)**
    - ◇ Sehmel Homestead Park (10123 78th Ave NW, Gig Harbor)
    - ◇ Gateway Park (10405 WA-302 NW, Gig Harbor)
    - ◇ Joemma State Park – So. KP (20001 Bay Rd Kp S, Longbranch)
    - ◇ Penrose State Park (321 158th Ave SW, Lakebay)

Heat Exhaustion	Heat Stroke
<p><b>ACT FAST</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move to a cooler area</li> <li>• Loosen clothing</li> <li>• Sip cool water</li> <li>• Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve</li> </ul>	<p><b>ACT FAST</b></p> <p><b>CALL 911</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move person to a cooler area</li> <li>• Loosen clothing and remove extra layers</li> <li>• Cool with water or ice</li> </ul>
<p><i>Dizziness</i></p> <p><i>Thirst</i></p> <p><i>Heavy Sweating</i></p> <p><i>Nausea</i></p> <p><i>Weakness</i></p>	<p><i>Confusion</i></p> <p><i>Dizziness</i></p> <p><i>Becomes Unconscious</i></p>
<p><i>Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.</i></p>	<p><i>Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.</i></p>