

GH / KP Housing & Homeless Coalition Mtg Agenda -

July 25, 2024

10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

***Pierce County Human Services - Valeri Almony**

***TPCHD - Jeannie Schoppe**

***Key Note Presentations:**

Family Promise of Pierce County - Steve Decker / CEO -

FPPC's interest in supporting the Key Peninsula and what we on the KP can do to help.
Ash Nagz Shelter Hub,

Prevention and Community Response Update -

Overview of July 11th "Community Collaboration Meeting" -

Recognition: Westwynd Motel & Apts, Dep Nathan Betts, Sue Braaten/Homestead
Community, Paul Barbosa.

Community Events:

Aug. 17th - Back 2 School Event - 10am - 4pm - Key Peninsula Civic Center

1. Event registration link:

<https://hcctoday.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2320451>

Aug. 24th - FBKS 4 Kids - KPCC Free Clothing Program

Workforce Central "Career Path Event"

*****Root Causes of Homelessness** - A University of Washington professor and author offers [a compelling analysis of the root causes of homelessness in our region](#) in this video clip.

*****<https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/homeless/was-one-of-a-kind-youth-homelessness-response-shows-big-results/> (provided by Paul Schneider)**

*****Food Sustainability Crisis** - The need for food banks across Western Washington is greater than ever. According to Food Lifeline, food bank visits have increased by 63% this year with 1.6 million families and individuals finding themselves food insecure. But with increasing needs has come a decrease in donations.

*****Impact of rent increases on homelessness** - (State Representative Alex Ramel/40th District, WA. State - (San Juan/ -Whatcom/ Skagit Cos. "We know that for every \$100 rent increases, homelessness rates go up by 9% in an area.(this is a US wide statistic).

****Peninsula Community Health Services - Behavioral Health Tech Services** - any PCHS patient who has been established with a PCHS Medical Provider for 3 months, can make appointments with PCHS Behavioral Health Techs.

*******([Se Habla Media – Periodismo independiente en Seattle](#)) Jaime Mendez.

***** Tacoma Pro Bono Community Lawyers - Legal Aid Pop-Ups** offering eviction help, landlord-tenant, family law, consumer law,

Aug. 13th, Sept. 10th, Oct. 8th.

KPCS 10-12:00 p.m. Mustard Seed - 1-3:00 p.m. GH Civic Center - 4-6:00pm

Aug. 19th - Sept. 16, Oct 21 - GH Civic Center 10:00 am - 12:00 pm.

*****Key Free Clinic Update** - The clinic is open the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month, at 4:00 - 7: p.m.. to serve anyone, with or without insurance. If no patients are waiting they will close early. Located at the KP Council office, 8013 Key Pen Hwy.

***Pierce County Library at Key Center Computer Help** - Adam Jackman, Librarian at GH Library is at the PC KP Library Wednesdays. He is available to help residents with their computer questions. You can make an appointment to meet with Adam, by calling 253-548-3309 and requesting a Wednesday appointment at the PC Key Center Library.

*****City of Gig Harbor Local Community Resources website:**

<https://www.gigharborwa.gov/839/Community-Resources-Information>

*****Penlight “Project Help”** - Project Help program is designed to help income-qualifying families with up to \$200 of support each year. The program provides funds through a partnership with Key Peninsula Community Services to offset those who need assistance with their electric bill. (Ways to help - 1 time gift, Monthly Donation, Round Up Monthly Bill)

*****Emergency Shelters:**

<https://www.piercecountywa.gov/8220/Homeless-Emergency-Shelter-Availability>

*****West Sound Workforce Job resources** www.westsoundworkforce.com

253-853-3633

*****You Know Me Now Podcast** www.youknowmenow.com - A Seattle based storytelling/podcast project giving voice to those marginalized in our community and those reaching out in service. When we listen to those living different lives or views from our own, we begin a journey of understanding. An understanding of not only those around us, but also ourselves. More to Come.

*****TCHD Update -**

<https://tpchd.org/healthy-homes/key-peninsula-office/>

[Homelessness Providers Toolkit - Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department \(tpchd.org\)](https://tpchd.org/homelessness-providers-toolkit)

COVID-19 Updates

[Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\) and Washington State Department of Health \(DOH\) change guidance for isolation.](#)

[CDC's updated guidance is similar to other respiratory illnesses, like the flu.](#)

***Pierce County Home Repair assistance**

<https://www.piercecountywa.gov/1283/Home-Repairs>

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***New - Family Promise of Pierce County** - Transforming the lives of families experiencing homelessness. Because every child deserves a home.

www.familypromisepiercecounty.org

***Cornerstone Respite** - Graham, WA. - www.cornerstonerespite.org

Provides respite care for “medically stable” homeless individuals who have been released from the hospital or the ER and who would benefit from additional time indoors, with basic care, to enhance their recovery outcomes.

Online Resources:

*****New Coalition Zoom Link for 2024 (new calendar invite also)**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89793763452?pwd=vzanfoylFQzqm7fa8wCeqrvWFd9f5Q>

www.fentanylfacts.org

Greater Lakes

www.glmhc.org

Refugee Women’s Alliance - www.rewa.org

Legal Aid

www.tacomaprobono.org

Tacoma Rescue Mission www.trm.org

MDC

www.mdc-hope.org

Work Force Central www.workforce-central.org

Violet Sees

www.violetsees.org

Safe Streets www.safest.org

CCS Nativity House -

www.ccsww.org

Korean Women’s /Asn.www.kwacares.org

Crystal Judson Family Justice Center www.familyjusticecenter.us

“Love in the Time of Fentanyl” www.meaningfulmovies.org

Associated Ministries Programs <https://associatedministries.org/>

Miracle Messages - reach lost family - www.1800MISSYOU.org

Cornerstone Respite - www.cornerstonerespite.org

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