

Staff Present:

Delmar Algee - Social Service Supervisor
Jeff Rodgers – Program Specialist
Bryan Barmore – OA

General Discussion:

Delmar Algee – Starts the meeting and welcomes everyone

Theresa – There are still come Cambros available

- Jan – there is also stackable chests, which keeps food warm for 4 hours.

Outreach Update:

Luis – TRM- Outreach Team is going out during the day, and Search and Rescue has been going out in the evening, we have been handing out hat and supplies, and trying to convince people to come in. We will be working over the weekend.

- One of the biggest Stumbling blocks is people do not want to lose their stuff.

Arianna – CLR - Our outreach team has been going out daily giving out handwarmers, sleeping bags, and blankets. We're running into a lot of folks that are in need of blankets and tarps for their tents

Theresa – Richard, Liz, and I brought out Soup, but we want to bring out more at night

- Jay – Please post the sites you plan to go to an hour earlier so we can not double our efforts

Shelters

Luis – TRM – We are running Overflow, we have 30 beds available for females, and 30+ beds for males, the beds for men are cots and mats. But we still have capacity

CCS – Nativity House – As of Yesterday they had 40 overflow beds and all were full, they are not turning people away because of the need.

Safe Parking:

Jan – We are trying to find more sites – so if you know of any potential site, please let us know

Paula – we still have a couple of spots open, and we are trying to get people in

TPCHD

Adam – We were active last night and will be until temps improve, backpacks are going to be delivered this morning, We were able to hand out gloves at the collaboration event last night and the extras will be taken to the distribution sites, We are working on our cold weather emergency cards, and we might get some help from Central Pierce Fire on that project

Day Centers:

Luis – TRM – We are open, we have a few encampments near by so a lot of people coming in and out.

Vicky – The senior Center is open, and they are not turning away by age.

Jay - Gig harbor library is closed

Pierce County DEM

Ivan – No specific updates – We did stop by FOB Hope – and provided some recommendations, we assessed the situation. As a lesson learned form that, if you have emergent needs, please have the provider reach out to PC DEM directly.

- Kenneth – the information about the fuse box blowing due to electric heaters was not true
- Ivan – They are working with COT as we speak to upgrade their electrical systems
- Vicky – That is correct we are currently in the process of looking at getting that upgraded, it's a 200amp panel and cant handle additional load, but we are working with TPU to get that upgraded, but we don't have a timeline
- Vicky – they do have electric blankets, and we have offered to move them to the shelters, but the residents have declined that offer.
- Group discuss logistics about the FOB Hope Camp
- Tammy – Pierce County Fire Marshal Came out last night and said the 1lb propane tanks
- Vicky – will have to check on that with TFD

Transportation:

Ivan – Pierce Transit is still offering free rides to warming centers, but they don't track the numbers of people using the services for that.

Jay – I talked to some drivers yesterday and they are letting people on in the cold

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