



# Pierce County

## Human Services

### HS Shelter Survey

#### Ad Hoc Committee to End Homelessness - Shelter Survey

1. Are you currently experiencing homelessness? \*

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

2. What city did you sleep in last night? \*

- ☐ Auburn  
☐ Bonney Lake  
☐ Buckley  
☐ Carbonado  
☐ DuPont  
☐ Eatonville  
☐ Edgewood  
☐ Fife  
☐ Fircrest  
☐ Gig Harbor  
☐ Lakewood  
☐ Milton  
☐ Orting  
☐ Pacific  
☐ Puyallup  
☐ Roy  
☐ Ruston  
☐ Sumner  
☐ Tacoma  
☐ University Place  
☐ South Prarie  
☐ Steilacoom  
☐ Wilkeson  
☐ Other - Write In

3. How old are you? \*

4. Including yourself, how many people live in your household? \*

5. How many kids under 18 are in your household? \*

6. What is your gender?

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- ☐ Female  
☐ Male  
☐ Trans Female (MTF or Male to Female)  
☐ Trans Male (FTM or Female to Male)  
☐ Gender Non-Conforming  
☐ Prefer not to say

7. What is your ethnicity?

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- ☐ Non-Hispanic/ Non-Latino  
☐ Hispanic/ Latino  
☐ Prefer not to say

8. What is your race? (select multiple)

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- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native  
☐ Asian  
☐ Black or African American  
☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  
☐ White  
☐ Prefer not to say

9. What is your sexual orientation?

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- ☐ Heterosexual  
☐ Gay  
☐ Lesbian  
☐ Bisexual  
☐ Questioning/Unsure  
☐ Other  
☐ Prefer not to say

10. Do you have a disabling condition?

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- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Prefer not to say

11. Have you used an emergency shelter in the last 5 years?

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- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Prefer not to say

12. How likely are you to stay in an emergency shelter in the future? \*

- ☐ Very Likely  
☐ Somewhat likely  
☐ Not very likely  
☐ Prefer not to say  
☐ Other

13. When do you use emergency shelters? \*

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- ☐ During cold weather - to escape the cold  
☐ During hot weather - to escape the heat  
☐ Year round - weather doesn't matter  
☐ Other - Write In

14. What do you consider when choosing a shelter? (select multiple) \*

- ☐ Location of the shelter  
☐ How easy it is to gain entry to the shelter  
☐ The reputation of the shelter  
☐ Your previous experience at the shelter  
☐ Cleanliness of the shelter  
☐ Rules about drugs and alcohol use  
☐ Rules about pets at the shelter  
☐ Bed availability at the shelter  
☐ Curfew times at the shelter  
☐ Other - Write In

15. What are some reasons you may not use services at a shelter? \*

- ☐ Don't trust staff or volunteers  
☐ Don't know services available  
☐ No transportation to services  
☐ Don't know what to expect from services  
☐ Services are at bad times  
☐ No place to store my things  
☐ I don't want to  
☐ Other - Write In

16. What do you like about emergency shelters? \*

- ☐ Good Locations  
☐ Hours are convenient  
☐ Shelters are Safe  
☐ Easy to get to  
☐ Storage for my things is on site  
☐ Staff is respectful and trustworthy  
☐ Other - Write In

17. What would improve emergency shelters? (select multiple)

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- ☐ Better day time hours  
☐ Easier daytime storage of my things  
☐ Toilets and showers on site  
☐ More services like food and transportation  
☐ Located closer to buses and shopping  
☐ Healthcare on site  
☐ Other - Write In

18. How many staff should be hired to work at emergency shelters? \*

- ☐ We can manage ourselves – no staffing is needed  
☐ Daytime staffing to assist with services  
☐ 24 hours security  
☐ Other - Write In

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