# Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness – Major Areas to Include

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| Plan Section | Subsections | Purpose | Subcommittee Need |
| Plan Purpose | * Introduction * Related Plans * History of Past plans * Purpose of this plan * How plan developed | Understand how this plan fits in with similar and related efforts, and why this plan was needed | **None** – this is straightforward content that can be created by County staff with draft revisions by steering committee members. |
| Guiding Principles | * Goal is ending homelessness * Use Targeted Universalism framework * ownership of implementation, status reporting, and change management | Document ideas that underpin the entire plan. | **Targeted Universalism Subcommittee** - this work requires thought and analysis on both the groups and approach to implementation – significant steering committee input will be valuable. |
| Data: Scope of Need | * Quantitative Data showing need and services provided * Qualitative information describing need and impact of services * Breakdown of need by target populations | Understand the full scope of need to serve all people experiencing homelessness, highlighting overrepresented groups. | **None** – data can be provided by County Staff, with review opportunities and recommendations for additional analysis or additional data by steering committee members |
| Homeless Prevention | * Rent Assistance Programs * Other systems addressing drivers of homelessness | Identify the role of homeless prevention programs in ending homelessness | **Homeless Prevention Subcommittee** – This intervention is fairly new to Pierce County and could use significant steering committee input on the priority and role of this intervention. |
| Proposed Homeless System | * Outreach * Coordinated Entry and Critical Time Intervention * Shelter * Diversion * Rapid Rehousing * Permanent Supportive Housing * Landlord Liaison Program * Solutions to barriers to housing | Understand the interventions needed to end homelessness, including amount they need to be expanded to meet current demand. | **Homeless System Design Subcommittee** – the design of homeless systems has substantial research and national best practices supporting it, but unique situations and specific populations in Pierce County could use tailored approaches that the steering committee is able to push. |
| Accountability and Responsiveness | * System-wide outcome and funding dashboards * Population specific dashboards * Intervention specific dashboards * Provider specific dashboards * Qualitative Survey Schedule * Quality Improvement Plan | Improve the effectiveness of the homeless system across populations, interventions, and providers. Allow altering the system to ensure demand is met. | **Accountability and Responsiveness Subcommittee** – Delving into the approach to holding the homeless system accountable to the public and able to self-monitor so changes can be made to improve outcomes will benefit from the wide range of skills on the steering committee. |
| Support System Connections | * Education * Workforce Development * Disability benefits * Behavioral Health * Healthcare * Transportation | Create plans to modify existing systems to better meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness. | **Medical and Behavioral health Connections Subcommittee** – connections to medical and behavioral health are challenging for homeless service providers. Steering committee members will be able to identify areas to push for better services |
| Provider Support | * Provider Strength Test * Continuing education * Professional Development * Leadership Development * Living wages | Ensure agencies provide the needed quality and quantity of service. | **None** – County staff have a long history of creating professional development opportunities for agency staff and can develop recommendations around expanding those supports with opportunities for steering committee review and input. |
| Implementation | * Funding Sources * Prioritization of Implementation | Map out potential funding sources and a plan prioritizing how that funding would be used. | **Funding Source Development subcommittee –** expertise on the steering committee will be valuable in thinking through how to consider new or expanded funding.  **Prioritization Approach Subcommittee** – explicitly identifying spending priorities is work that will benefit from substantial discussion and the widest input – ideal for a subcommittee |
| Appendices | * Definitions * Detailed data * Related Resolutions | Include material relevant to this work but not necessary to understand the report | **None** – this section will contain little new content – just supporting information. |

Notes:

1. A recommendation was made to include a section on housing. Since a separate work group at the County is working on affordable housing, that work may be well underway. We’ve invited that group to present at the September Steering Committee meeting so that we can understand their work and to have an opportunity to recommend any considerations for them to include in that work.
2. The guiding principles need to be integrated into the entire plan, so how to do that work may benefit from an accelerated schedule.
3. An implementation schedule is dependent on funding. However, knowing the number of households that each type of intervention needs to serve each year allows modelling how different funding levels will impact the number of people experiencing homelessness.
4. Plan organization can be further refined for readability, but ensuring topics are included in the plan and that the Steering Committee has say in drafting that section is most important at this stage.
   1. Shelter is listed under the Proposed Homeless System but could be separated out as a distinct section at a later date.
5. An explanation for each subcommittee or lack of a subcommittee is intended to provide some background information. It may be fewer or more subcommittees are needed. These suggestions are simply areas identified that the steering committee can potentially add significant value.
6. The list of recommended subcommittees has changed since the August Steering committee agenda list. Below is a cheat sheet list of the committees identified above:
   1. **Targeted Universalism Subcommittee**
   2. **Homeless Prevention Subcommittee**
   3. **Homeless System Design Subcommittee**
   4. **Accountability and Responsiveness Subcommittee**
   5. **Medical and Behavioral health Connections Subcommittee**
   6. **Funding Source Development subcommittee**
   7. **Prioritization Approach Subcommittee**