

City of Tacoma 5 Year Strategy

Pierce County Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee October 15, 2021



Homeless Strategy



Vision: Sustain an equitable, dignified, and culturally responsive homeless and housing response system that quickly and effectively addresses everyone's homeless crisis while supporting the needs of local residents and businesses.

Mission: Collaborate with citywide initiatives and strategies, and regional partners and stakeholders to support long term permanent housing and provide supportive services to people experiencing homelessness in Tacoma. We provide real solutions to creating a thriving community by immediately responding to the needs of encampments for residents, the surrounding neighborhoods and local businesses and by providing immediate access to emergency shelter, health and wellness services and permanent, safe and stable housing to everyone experiencing homelessness in this city.



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Values:

- Lead with anti-racism
- Center lived expertise so that those closest to the problem are also closest to the solutions
- Focus on trauma-informed care
- Data-driven decision making
- Build capacity and collaborate with partners



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Goals:

- 1) Ensure affordable housing is available and accessible to Tacoma residents.
- 2) Everyone experiencing homelessness in Tacoma, or impacted by homelessness, can access services and support.
- 3) The shelter system in Tacoma offers all people a safe and dignified experience that is easy to access.
- 4) Tacoma's homeless service system provides individuals and families with access to a continuum of tailored supports to prevent and end homelessness.
- 5) Tacoma's homeless service system provides Individuals and families with access to permanent, stable housing in order to end the cycle of homelessness.



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