**Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness**

**Statement on Tacoma Safe**

October 20, 2021

The Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness re-affirms our commitment to the safety and dignity of people experiencing homelessness.

We call on all members of the Tacoma community to support a dramatic increase in funding and the policies that make possible permanent housing appropriate and affordable to people living unsheltered, in shelters, or in unstable and unsuitable housing situations.

Until such housing is available in the City of Tacoma for all who want to reside here, we recognize the need for a homelessness response system that prevents as much homelessness as possible, provides a range of immediate safe shelter options including those that are self-managed, and the range of timely services requested by people experiencing homelessness.

We invite all Tacoma residents committed to ending homelessness to join us in our work. You can find us every Friday morning at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom. To join us, go to [www.pchmeless.org](http://www.pchmeless.org).

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