








Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition

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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

-  October 16 - **Continuum of Care Coalition - KCR, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm**
-  October (date tbd) - **Project Connect** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, (time tbd)
-  October 14 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm (location is tentative)
-  October 14 - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
-  Gateway Church in Poulsbo is looking for vendors for their **2015 Operation Day of Hope** in October. If you are interested in having a table at this event check out their information on the flyer located on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "ODOH Informational Letter 2015"
-  There is **still funding available** in KCR's **Energy Assistance Program**, which needs to be used by **September 30, 2015!!** Anyone who has electrical bills through Puget Sound Energy and meets the income requirements can apply. Those who received PSE assistance since October 2014 cannot receive it again. For more information, see the flyer at the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Energy Assistance".
-  On **September 12, 2015**, there will be a Bike (motorcycle) Ride for Homelessness Awareness in Kitsap County. Proceeds will go to the 2016 Project Connect in January. For more information, see the **letter explaining the event with the poster** attached, on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Gimme Shelter Ride".

- 📦 News for Nonprofits newsletter is on the website. It features information about several trainings/workshops that are available in the near future. For more details, see the newsletter at [Kitsap CoCC](#) - "News for Nonprofits".
- 📦 Kitsap Mental Health Services is offering Youth Mental Health First Aid on September 24, 2015. The flyer can be found on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Sept 24 2015 Youth MHFA".
- 📦 The Nomination Committee has a slate of Officers for the 2015-2016 Year (October 1 through September 30). To see the slate, go to: [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Nomination Committee Report". **Voting will be done at the September 16 Kitsap CoCC meeting.**
- 📦 A Veterans Stand Down will be held on September 26th in Bremerton. For more information and a flyer to post and/or distribute, go to the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Fall Veteran StandDown"
- 📦 The **Veteran Housing Options Group** is meeting weekly at KCR as a point of service that all Kitsap County Veterans needing help with housing or homelessness should be referred. Providers to assist them will be available at one time. For the flyer to post/distribute, go to [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "VHOG Flyer".
- 📦 A Toolkit about trauma-informed care is on the website. This is a very useful tool kit for organizations that are wanting to incorporate trauma-informed care into their housing and supportive services programs. It can be found on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Trauma Informed Organizational Toolkit".
- 📦 Kitsap Rescue Mission is having their 2nd Annual **Day of Hope** on **September 17th** with benefits going to their Safe Harbor capital campaign. See flyer on [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "KRM Day of Hope"
- 📦 The Salvation Army is moving. From Thursday September 3rd to Wednesday September 9th their food bank and social services office will be closed! Their Soup Kitchen will be running without interruption, with breakfast at 8 am and lunch at noon.
- 📦 Substance Abuse Prevention Services is holding a special event in recognition of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month. The event is to support those in recovery as well as share hope and a sense of community in support of prevention for others. A flyer for the event is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Chalkart Event Flyer".
- 📦 The next FREE Financial Education class, open to ANYONE, will be held at KCR, 845 - 8th Street, Bremerton. The flyer is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Collections and Debt Repayment Options".

 Here is a link for an article put out by US Interagency Council on Homelessness "[Ending Homelessness for People Living in Encampments](#)". It talks about the fact that criminalizing homelessness is not the answer. The article is also on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Ending Homelessness for People in Encampments".