

# Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition Thursday Journal

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## CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

- 📅 March 18 - **Continuum of Care Coalition** - Agape Unlimited, 4841 Auto Center Way, Suite 1, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- 📅 March 24 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6<sup>th</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm (location is tentative)
- 📅 April 1 - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:00 am To 11:30 am

- 📅 The Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council and its member jurisdictions have transferred management of the Affordable Housing Grant Program, the Homeless Housing Grant Program, and Kitsap HMIS administration to the Kitsap County Department of Human Services. Kirsten Jewell has moved to Kitsap County. See attached for more information and Kirsten's new contact information.
- 📅 The next FREE Financial Education class will be, "How to Manage Student Loan Debt" at Bremerton KCR, Thursday March 12th. The next one after that is "Become a Smart Renter" on March 26 in Bremerton. See flyer for additional information and please post.
- 📅 **The HEN office has moved** to 1003 5th Ave in the basement of the White Church on 5th and Warren (where Kitsap Rescue mission used to have their operations). Our new number is 360-373-0638. We are open Monday through Thursday from 9-3. Flyer is on [KcoCC](#) website for your reference.
- 📅 Energy Assistance is now open for scheduling appointments online through our website at [www.kcr.org](http://www.kcr.org) and by phone at (360) 479-1507. We will be scheduling appointments for April, May, and June. We will be running our LIHEAP program which assists clients with

their main source of heat: electric, gas, oil, wood, or propane. Please encourage clients to schedule their own appointments so that they will know the required documents they need to bring to their appointments. If they do not come prepared with all of their documents, they will be required to reschedule. We anticipate a high volume of calls, so clients may experience long wait times. We will return messages in the order they were received. Clients may also experience website lag due to high traffic.

- 📦 Kitsap Mental Health now offers Veterans Mental Health First Aid Training! This 8-hour training, specifically addressing veterans mental health concerns, is geared for military families, persons working with veterans, community members, and veterans themselves. See the flyer on the [KCoCC](#) website for information on both the Veterans Mental Health First Aid and Youth First Aid Training.
- 📦 Kinship appointments are available from March through June. Assistance is for primary caregivers raising a minor relative (ages 0-18). There are income qualifications as well as child's parents being consistently out of the home, child is not a ward of the state nor have a CPS/CWS open case, the relatives are not licensed foster parents. Flyer on [Kitsap CoCC](#) website.
- 📦 The agenda for Wednesday's CoCC meeting is attached.
- 📦 Housing Solutions Center is hiring a Navigator ~ see attached job announcement.
- 📦 It's registration time again at the Goodwill Job Training and Education Centers! Attached is the combined flyer for the Bremerton and Silverdale sites. In-person registration is required, and as always - our classes are FREE! Please share this information with anyone who may be interested in learning new skills and/or pursuing employment. Classes begin next week.
- 📦 For those who may be interested, there is a High Risk Populations Disaster Planning Summit in Gig Harbor. Here is some information as well as on the attached flyer. You are cordially invited to the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pierce County High Risk Populations Disaster Planning Summit on May 20 at the STAR Center in Tacoma. This is a FREE event, and you can register at <http://2015piercehrpsummit.eventbrite.com>. For questions, please feel free to contact me.
- 📦 At the February meeting, we heard about an event coming to Kitsap in August, "Convoy of Hope" outreach. Here is the link for Convoy of Hope's Vision casting meeting on March 19. All are encouraged to sign up and attend this meeting. This is one of the first steps to having a great event in August. <http://covoyofhopevisionnight.eventbrite.com>

-  Information for the 2015 Kitsap Great Give can be found on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website or [Kitsap Great Give](#) site. Organizations need to register by **March 15, 2015** to participate in the 2015 Kitsap Great give.
-  Kitsap Rescue Mission's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner of Hope is May 2<sup>nd</sup>. See attached flyer for more information.
-  Nominations are now open for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Silver Plate Awards Program. Meals on Wheels Kitsap is currently accepting nominations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Silver Plate Awards program. The program will acknowledge ordinary seniors, age 60 years and older, who are making extraordinary differences in Kitsap County. Nomination form with additional information is attached.