

Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition

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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

-  July 6 - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
-  July 13 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ 350 - 6th Street, County Offices Conference Room, 4th Floor, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
-  July 14 - **Project Connect** - Bremerton Housing Authority, 600 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am
-  July 19 - **Homes for All Who Served** - Norm Dicks Government Center, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor - Mayor Lent's Conference Room, 1:30 to 3:00 pm
-  July 20 - **Continuum of Care Coalition** - Agape, 4841 Auto Center Way, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
-  July 27 - **Housing First Task Force** - Bremerton Housing Authority Conference Room (Sinclair Room), 600 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 2 pm to 3:30 pm

-  Kitsap County has put out a [Request for Proposal](#) for a Coordinated Entry Program. Information is on the Kitsap CoCC website.
-  The Homes for All Who Served is launching the 2016 Master List Outreach project - collecting surveys about people who are living unsheltered - during the month of July! Attached is the [Community Services Survey](#) to collect information from anyone you come across during July who is living without shelter. There is also a [Veteran Services Brochure](#) and a flier about the upcoming [Stand Down](#) to hand out to unsheltered veterans and [Sally's Homeless Resources Guide](#) to hand out to everyone who is living without shelter.
-  Washington Low Income Housing Alliance (WLIHA) is offering their Emerging Advocates Program (EAP) in the Fall and the application period is now open. The Emerging Advocates

Program provides people who have experienced homelessness or housing instability with training and support to effectively make their voices heard in an advocacy context, while developing skills helpful in any environment. Workshop topics generally include: Policy Advocacy Basics, Effective Storytelling for Advocacy, Using Social and Traditional Media for Advocacy, History of Homelessness/Current Affordable Housing Policy and Other Homelessness Issues, Voter Engagement in Your Community and much more. Here is a link for more information: [EAP](#)

-  The application cycle calendar is now available for the [2017 Coordinated Grant Application](#) Applications are due by **Noon on Monday June 27, 2016**. Reserve September 6 through 16 for interviews. [Coordinated Grant Application Process](#)
-  The Office of Homeless Youth is excited to announce a new funding opportunity for eligible applicants to provide new services to runaway and homeless youth in Washington State. These services include: crisis residential centers, secure crisis residential centers, HOPE centers, street youth services, young adult shelter, and the Young Adult Housing Program. Contracts are anticipated to begin Sept. 1, 2016 and continue through June 30, 2017. You can access the RFP announcement, application, and draft program guidelines at: <http://www.commerce.wa.gov/Programs/opengrantsandloans/Pages/default.aspx>
-  Ruth Westergaard shared information about bats at the Kitsap CoCC meeting last week. Bat bites are dangerous and can be fatal. Here is a link to information about [bats and rabies](#).
-  [KCR's Energy Assistance](#) is now open for scheduling appointments online through our website for July, August, and September at www.kcr.org and by phone at (360) 479-1507. They will be running their Puget Sound Energy and Cascade Natural Gas programs. 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. A high volume of calls is anticipated, so clients may experience long wait times. Messages will be returned in the order they were received. Clients may also experience website lag due to high traffic.
-  On June 30th, Lloyd Pendleton, from Utah, will talk about his home state's success in lowering the number of people living on the streets over the past decade. Here is a link to the information from the Kitsap Sun: [DAVID NELSON | Homeless talk set for June 30](#)
-  YWCA's annual Walk a Mile in Her Shoes is July 9th. Here is some information about the event and a link to the Facebook page and the YWCA website page about the event. "This event is getting a lot of buzz! Grown men (and women) show their support for victims of domestic violence by putting on a pair of high heels and parading around Evergreen Park! Family fun fair with face painting, carnival games and a dunk tank! Register yourself for

\$25 (\$10 student) or come as a team of up to 5 for only \$100. Sponsorships are available! Be there or be square! Facebook link:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1001035106651866/> or Website Link:

<http://ywcakitsap.org/walk-a-mile-in-her-shoes/>

- 📦 The 2nd Annual Gimme Shelter Family Picnic and Information Fair is the second part of an all-day event to raise awareness about the state of homelessness in Kitsap County. A picnic of free tacos and drinks will be provided by The Salvation Army and there will be speakers, music, a human library, collection bins for donating items for people experiencing homelessness and information about services and resources in Kitsap County. Information on how your agency can be a part of this event can be found at the link above and on their Facebook page ~ <https://www.facebook.com/GimmeShelter1Day/>
- 📦 The Summer Veteran's Stand Down is on July 16, 2016 at Sheridan Park Community Center. See the flyer for more information; please print and post the flyer.
- 📦 The remaining FREE Financial Education class for June is June 23rd 5:30 pm to 7 pm "Understanding Credit and Credit Reports" SK KCR, 3200 Rainshadow Court, Port Orchard.
- 📦 KOMO 4 aired a program, "There But for the Grace of God..." about homelessness. The Reporter, Eric Johnson and a photographer went out each Wednesday for a year and talked with persons experiencing homeless. He tells their stories in their words.
- 📦 The Salvation Army is signing youth for their Summer Camp Season. Children ages 8 to 16 who would benefit from camp may be eligible to attend. See the Summer Camp flyer for more information.
- 📦 The National Low Income Housing Coalition has released Out Of Reach, their annual report on the gap between wages and the price of housing across the United States.
- 📦 The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness and its 19 federal member agencies have released criteria and a benchmark that define what ending chronic homelessness should look like. National Alliance to End Homelessness: Defining what it means to end chronic homelessness - we now have a clear goal
- 📦 HUD has released the FY 2016 HOME Rent Limits and Income Limits, effective on June 6, 2016.