

Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition

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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

- 📅 Date TBD - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:00 am to 11:30 am
- 📅 August 19 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
- 📅 August 19 - **Continuum of Care Coalition** - Agape, 4841 Auto Center Way, Suite 101, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

- 📅 Everyone is invited to provide feedback for the 2015 Update to the Kitsap Homeless Housing Plan at a **Stakeholder Meeting on Tuesday, August 4 6:30 pm to 9:00** at Poulsbo City Council Chambers, 200 NE Moe Street, Poulsbo **or on Wednesday, August 5, 9am - 11:30am** at the Main Meeting Chambers of the Norm Dicks Government Center, 345 6th Street, Bremerton. People only need to attend one of the meetings. At the meetings, draft strategies, activities, and action steps will be presented, followed by an opportunity for discussion and feedback. We will also be celebrating the 10-year anniversary of the Homeless Housing and Assistance Act and the first Kitsap Homeless Housing Plan. After incorporating stakeholder input, the 2015 Update to the Kitsap Homeless Housing Plan will be released for Public Comment in October, and will go to the Kitsap Board of County Commissioners for approval in November. Questions or comments may be directed to Kirsten Jewell, Housing and Homelessness Program Coordinator, Kitsap County Human Services, kjewell@co.kitsap.wa.us.
- 📅 A flyer for a collaborative event for the community in West Bremerton that includes the Bremerton Foodline Back to School, as well as other community organizations and activities. See flyer on [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Kiwanis Kids August 15"
- 📅 Rental households have grown by 770,000 a year since 2004 while the number of homeowners declined for the eighth year in a row, according to the "The State of the

Nation's Housing 2015" released in June by the Joint Center of Housing Studies of Harvard University. Among the factors that researchers cited as driving the significant decline in homeownership, which is disproportionately affecting people between the ages 34 to 44 and 45 to 54, are the erosion of household incomes and limited access to financing. Researchers also found that the number of renters who were housing cost burdened has reached a record high. Over the last 10 years, renters ages 25 to 34 who devoted more than 30 percent of their income to housing increased from 40 to 46 percent; while renters of the same age group who devoted more than 50 percent of their income to housing grew from 19 to 23 percent. The full report: [Home Ownership at 20 year Lows](#)

-  Mountain View Middle School is having a Fun Run with a one-stop shop location for families to obtain information from community organizations. Agencies will be able to set up a table to share information. For more information, go to: [Kitsap CoCC](#) - "Bremerton Back to School Fair Fun Run".
-  KCR's Energy Assistance Program still has funds available for those people who have energy through Puget Sound Energy. For more information, see the flyer at the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Energy Assistance".
-  Starting in August, PCHS is proud to announce, they will once again be holding their weekly Back To School event. What does this mean for you and your children? Well, it means it is time to get your health care needs ready to go back to school. Every Tuesday & Thursday at all 4 locations and two Saturdays at their Wheaton Way location, PCHS is offering exclusive Well Child Exam days. That means these days are dedicated to children. They will be doing Well Child Exams, Immunizations, Sports Physicals and with a separate appointment Dental Exams. Their dental clinic is located at the 6th Street address.
-  Kitsap Mental Health has an Adult Mental Health First Aid Training taking place Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at Kitsap Mental Health Services. To learn more about the 8-hour training and register via our secure online registration form, please visit the Mental Health First Aid Training page on the KMHS website: http://www.kitsapmentalhealth.org/mental_health_first_aid_training.aspx For a flyer, see [Kitsap CoCC](#) - "August 5th Mental Health First Aid"
-  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 flyer on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "Gimme Shelter Ride".

- 🏠 Kitsap Rescue Mission is having their 2nd Annual Day of Hope in mid-September to with benefits going to their Safe Harbor capital campaign. See flyer on [Kitsap CoCC](#) website - "KRM Day of Hope"
- 🏠 KCR Americorps is accepting applications for the 2015-2016 Program year. Applications will be accepted from August 3 to August 14th. For more information, go to [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Americorps 8-15".