


Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition





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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

-  October 21 - **Project Connect** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12 noon
-  October 21 - **Continuum of Care Coalition - Agape**, 4841 Auto Center Way, Suite 101, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
-  November 4 - Executive Committee - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
-  November 10 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

-  Kitsap Public Health Department is offering free Flu Clinics for all ages at various food banks and the West Sound Free Clinic. They also offer a couple additional vaccinations for adults 19 and older. A flyer in English and Spanish is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "2015 Flu Clinics - English" or "2015 Flu Clinics - Spanish"
-  Flyers about Bremerton Housing Authority's KEYS (Knowledge Enables Your Success Program and their scholarship fund for qualified residents living in low-income, public housing, or Section 8. The scholarships will be used to fund the listed, specific certifications during the 2015-2016 school year through Olympic College. See additional information on the Kitsap CoCC website, "BHA Scholarships"
-  Gateway Fellowship is holding its 6th Annual Operation Day of Hope on October 17th. For more information, see the informational letter and flyer for posting on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Operation Day of Hope".
-  The following documents have been released for public comment:

- 2016 Coordinated Grant Application Funding Recommendations
- 2016 - 2020 Kitsap County and City of Bremerton Regional Consolidated Plan, including Year 1 Action Plan
- 2015 Kitsap Homeless Housing Plan

All of these draft documents are available on the Kitsap County website at this link:
http://www.kitsapgov.com/hs/housing/housing_grant.htm

Important dates for these documents:

- September 23 - October 23, 2015: Public Comment Period
- October 26, 2015, 11am - 12pm: Board of Commissioners Work Study, Port Blakely Conference Room
- November 9, 2015, 5:30pm: Public Hearing and Action, Board of Commissioners Meeting, Commissioners Chambers

Written comment or questions may be submitted to:

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- 🏠 There will be training for Severe Weather volunteers on Wednesday October 28th at the Salvation Army. This training is for new and current volunteers that wish to participate in the Severe Weather Shelter Program for 2015-2016. Additional information can be found on the flyer on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Severe Weather Training".
- 🏠 KCR has a Housing Solutions Center Navigator position open. See information on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "HSC Navigator". Applications will be accepted until 4:00 pm on Tuesday October 20, 2015.
- 🏠 The ABC of Kitsap's, 7th Annual Financial Fair is coming up on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at KCR, 845 8th Street from 9:30 am-1:30 pm (Open House). The event flyer is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Annual Financial Fair". The next FREE Financial Education class is October 22 in Bremerton and is open to everyone. The flyer is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Become a Smart Renter". See the list of upcoming classes on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "2015 Financial Classes". **SAVE THE DATE - Our Super Saturday event is confirmed for February 6, 2016 for free tax preparation by AARP and free credit reports/credit counseling. Please don't pay to have your taxes prepared, come and**

join us for free tax preparation! You can usually get your money back in 7-10 days if you have a direct deposit. An event flyer will be distributed soon.

- 🏠 The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recently released guidance to assist intake workers in determining and documenting homeless status for youth using the definition of homelessness found in HUD's Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) and Continuum of Care (CoC) Programs to ensure youth are not being turned away from the housing and services they need in error. Join our webinar for an overview of the guidance and to answer specific questions you may have related to determining homeless status for youth in HUD programs and associated requirements for documentation. We will be joined by staff from HUD as well as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [Register today!](#)
- 🏠 The Suicide Prevention Coalition has kicked off the county-wide **Suicide Prevention Youth Poster Contest** for youth ages 10-20 in Kitsap County. A flyer and information with rules and registration is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Suicide Prevention Youth Poster Contest" and "Suicide Prevention Youth Poster Contest Rules Entry"
- 🏠 Housing Resources Bainbridge is holding their annual gala on Saturday October 24, 2015. For more information: [Housing Resources Bainbridge](#), click on "About Us" and "2015 Fall Gala"
- 🏠 Are you working on an innovative approach to end homelessness in your community? Are you an excellent teacher or communicator? Next year's conference will take place in Spokane, Wa on May 11 and 12, 2016 and will bring together over 600 people from across our region who are working to end homelessness. As the largest gathering of homelessness stakeholders in the state, this event is an excellent opportunity for advocates, service providers, and government employees to exchange ideas, coordinate efforts, and become reenergized for the year ahead. We need you to help us create an informative and inspiring conference program by submitting a workshop proposal by October 30th. The proposal form can be found on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, under "Conference Proposal Form".
- 🏠 StandUp for Kids is holding their 3rd annual Comedy Night on November 6, 2015. See the poster on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website for more information, "SUFK Comedy Night 2015"
- 🏠 Benedict House has a fund raiser at Applebee's on October 24th. More information on the flyer on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "BH Applebee's Breakfast".
- 🏠 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".