

Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition

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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

-  August 3 - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
-  August 10 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ 350 - 6th Street, County Offices Conference Room, 4th Floor, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
-  August 16 - **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
-  August 17 - **Project Connect** - Bremerton Housing Authority, 600 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 12:30 pm
-  August 17 - **Continuum of Care Coalition** - Agape, 4841 Auto Center Way, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
-  August 31 (date tentative) - **Housing First Task Force** - Bremerton Housing Authority Conference Room (Sinclair Room), 600 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 2 pm to 3:30 pm

-  The latest issue of "[Nomadic News](#)" is now available. There is lots of good information: Lunch with the Electeds, Mobile Voting, Back to School Give Aways. Check it out!
-  The next FREE Financial Education classes, open to anyone will be "Bringing Balance to Your Budget" on August 2nd and "Psychology of Spending" on August 3rd from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at KCR, 845 - 8th Street, Bremerton. See the [Class Schedule](#) for more information.
-  Washington Low Income Housing Alliance is looking for stories to share with legislators. They are working on updating their advocacy materials and are seeking success stories from both social service providers and people who have received HEN/ABD assistance or services funded by Document Recording Fess. Please contact Housing Alliance Communication

Director, Reiny Cohen, at reinyc@wliha.org if you know someone who would like to share his or her story.

- 📦 The Housing Alliance is collaborating with the Corporation for Supportive Housing to develop an in-depth technical assistance training opportunity for a cohort of supportive housing and supported employment service providers who are interested in utilizing the new supportive housing and supported employment Medicaid benefits that are under development. There is limited space for the training. Training applications are available [online at this link](#) and are due by 5:00 PM on Thursday, July 28. Information is on the website at [Medicaid Technical Assistance Training](#).
- 📦 Washington Low Income Housing Alliance is conducting a survey of housing and health care stakeholders to assess what information and additional capacity is needed in the communities in order for the new Medicaid benefits to be successfully implemented. Please take a few minutes to complete this [brief online survey](#). The survey results will help inform what additional resources are needed to successfully implement these new Medicaid benefits and will help identify other health-housing system partnerships and networking opportunities.
- 📦 Information on a workshop, "[Poverty and Toxic Stress in Children](#)" that will be in Seattle on August 5th is on the website.
- 📦 The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Homeless and Housing Resource Network (HHRN) presents the Evidence-based Practices (EBP) Spotlight Series. SAMHSA's EBP Spotlight Series will focus on innovative homelessness solutions to use when working with the individuals SAMHSA grantees serve. For more information, [Evidence-Based Practices Spotlight Series](#). [Register for this webinar series](#)
- 📦 The Salvation Army invites you to attend a [Sexual Exploitation Response Training](#) at their facility on August 5, 2016. See the flyer for more information.
- 📦 There is updated information about the [2nd Annual Gimme Shelter Ride](#), an all-day event to raise awareness about the state of homelessness in Kitsap County on August 13, 2016. They also have information on their Facebook page ~ <https://www.facebook.com/GimmeShelter1Day/>
- 📦 West Sound Free Clinic's hours at The Salvation Army have been changed to 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm, still on the third Wednesday of the month. See the flyer for [The Salvation Army's West Sound Free Clinic](#) hours. The information on all of the locations and hours for [West Sound Free Clinic](#) has been updated.
- 📦 The Homes for All Who Served has launched 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 [Sally's Homeless Resources Guide](#) to hand out to everyone who is living without shelter.

- 📦 The Coffee Oasis has finalized the purchase of the building for their [Kingston Coffee Oasis!](#)
- 📦 [Housing First](#) is a proven strategy to address homelessness that offers a permanent supportive housing to people without homes. Housing First recognizes that the most acute need of chronically homeless individuals with disabilities is **housing**. After a person is stably housed, other services are offered to help maintain housing stability and improve health and functioning. See the [Housing First for Kitsap](#) information on the Kitsap CoCC website.
- 📦 The updated [Kitsap CoCC bylaws](#) are on the website.
- 📦 The final [Housing + Employment Works Webinar](#), offered by HUD, will be on August 25th. The audience will hear the importance of emphasizing employment and measuring income outcomes. In the new day of accountability, recipients need to consider the income of participants as key to housing stability and affordability in the long-term.
- 📦 Coffee Oasis is having their third annual [Garden Gala](#) on September 18, 2016.
- 📦 The Job Training Center at Silverdale Goodwill is seeking applicants for the next [Retail and Customer Service Job Training](#) program, which will begin on August 8th. To apply, those interested need to come to our office Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 4 pm, and plan to spend about 90 minutes completing the application, taking the reading and math assessments, and meeting with a staff member. Orientation and interviews for interested candidates will begin Friday, July 22nd at 10:00 a.m., in the Silverdale Goodwill Job Training Center.
- 📦 [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.
- 📦 South Kitsap KCR offers the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) program for adults and dislocated workers. See [WIOA flyer](#) for more information.



