






Kitsap Continuum of Care Coalition

Thursday Journal


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CoCC Committee and Workgroup Meeting Schedule:

-  December 4 - **Project Connect** - The Pearl, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12 noon
-  December 9 - **Outside Homeless Committee** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
-  December 15 - **Homes for All Who Served** - Norm Dicks Government Center ~ WSU Conference Room, 350 - 6th Street, 4th Floor, 1:30 to 3:00 pm
-  December 16 - **Continuum of Care Coalition** - Norm Dicks Government Center, WSU Conference Room, 350-6th Street, 4th Floor, Bremerton, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
-  January 6 - **Executive Committee** - Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Avenue, Bremerton, 10:30 am to 12:00 noon

 Information about the "Longest Night" Prayer Vigil to pray, sing and remember the many homeless persons who have died while living on the streets or in their cars on Monday, December 21, 2015 at 5:00 pm at First Christian Church, 811 Veneta Ave, Bremerton. The event is hosted by the Kitsap Interfaith Network. More information can be found at: <http://www.bremertondisciples.org/events.html>

 Kirsten will be putting together a committee to work on an RFP for the Coordinated Entry in Kitsap County. If you are interested in participating on this committee for an RFP for a multi-year proposal for Coordinated Entry, please let Kirsten know ~ kjewell@co.kitsap.wa.us 360-337-7286. They will most likely meet from December, 2015 through March, 2016.



- There are a couple of housing/homelessness job opportunities in Skagit County, HOME Program Manager and Housing Resource Coordinator. See them on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Skagit County Job Opportunities",
- There is some great information about expanded opportunities for veterans interested in apprenticeships and education opportunities. See information on [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Veteran OJT & Apprenticeship"
- Project Connect is coming up in January. We are looking for some specific donations. The flyers for the donations ~ Hygiene, Cold Weather, Pet Food, Kids Pack, Outdoor Gear ~ are on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Donation Drives"
- The Job Training Center at Silverdale Goodwill is seeking applicants for the next Retail and Customer Service Job Training program, which will begin on January 4, 2016. Information about this FREE program can be found on the flyer on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "**Goodwill Retail Training ~ 2016**". Please share!! To apply for the program, people need to come to the Silverdale 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, December 11th at 10:00 a.m., in our Silverdale Goodwill Job Training Center.
- Flyer about openings in Head Start/Early Head Start/ECEA Programs in Bremerton is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "HS Early HS ECEAP"
- The **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 is on the [Kitsap CoCC](#) website, "Super Saturday"
- Kitsap Community Foundation Grants Cycle Opens in January. For more information: [KCF Grants Cycle](#)
- Washington Nonprofits is offering a FREE webinar on social media on Tuesday December 8th. For more information ~ [Nonprofit Social Media Success](#)
- Open Enrollment for Health Care begins November 1 and ends January 31, 2016. See the flyer for information. Please share and post the flyer on the Kitsap CoCC website, "Health Care Insurance"
- The Veteran Housing Options Group meets 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".

- 📦 On November 20th, HUD proposed a rule that would require "recipients and sub-recipients of assistance from HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD), as well as owners, operators, and managers of shelters, buildings, and other facilities and providers of services covered by CPD's programs, to provide transgender persons and other persons who do not identify with the sex they were assigned at birth with access to programs, benefits, services, and accommodations in accordance with their gender identity." This so-called "gender identify rule" would cover HUD's Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership, Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS, Emergency Solutions Grants and Continuum of Care programs. HUD is seeking [public comment](#) on the proposal by January 9th. If you have views, please don't hesitate to share them.
- 📦 Registration for Housing and Homelessness Advocacy Day is now open!! Join WLIHA on Tuesday February 2, 2016 from 8 am to 4 pm, United Churches, 110 Eleventh Avenue SE, Olympia. Every year, the Washington Low Income Housing Alliance organizes one of the largest Advocacy Days during the legislative session. This year, you have the opportunity to gather with hundreds of housing and homelessness advocates from across Washington State on this powerful day of action! Register [here](#).