All Things CEH
January 2011
an Update on CEH & Community Initiatives

BREAKING NEWS AND INFORMATION
If you have an item of interest for the CEHKC community, please contact Kristine Gullin at kristine.gullin@kingcounty.gov

LOCAL NEWS & ACTION

Washington State Budget for the 2011-2013 Biennium
On December 15, 2010, Governor Gregoire released her proposed 2011-2013 biennial budget, which in her words, is a budget she finds immoral in places, does not reflect her values, and in no other time would sign. The state faces a $4.6 billion deficit for FY 2011-13. Because 60 percent of our state’s budget is constitutionally protected from cuts, that $4.6 billion shortfall must come from the remaining $14 billion that is deemed discretionary. To meet the funding gap, the Governor has proposed elimination of entire programs and agencies, include Basic Health, Disability Lifeline (except reduced cash grants of $258/month for those with pending federal Social Security Income applications), Home Visiting Services Account and home visiting funds through the Council for Children and Families, food stamps for legal immigrants ineligible for federal food stamps and ECEAP for 3-years-olds (except in certain rural areas where their enrollment is needed to make services viable). These range of cuts will significantly impact people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Plan to attend the Homeless & Housing Advocacy Day on February 14, 2011. See http://www.wliha.org/hhad.html for information.

Make King County 2-1-1 Your Disaster Clearinghouse
Need to know the closest severe weather shelter or warming center to your location, or the latest flood advisory information? King County 2-1-1 collects these details and more during each disaster to help callers in crisis.

To make our region’s disaster response even better 2-1-1 needs your help. If a disaster has disrupted an agency’s schedule, please check in with 2-1-1 and let them know. If offices are closed because staff can't get in, 2-1-1 needs to let callers know that. Some agencies may add office hours because they have a disaster program. 2-1-1 asks that you let them know that, too. Call 2-1-1 anytime and leave a voicemail at (206) 436-2992 during a disaster to report changes in programs.

FUNDING

Seattle Housing Authority Request for Proposals Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)
Project Based Funding Application
Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) is requesting proposals from non-profit housing providers to partner with SHA in an application to HUD for project based VASH Vouchers. Each interested applicant should review Notice PIH 2010-23 for program intent and requirements, and cross reference this notice in their proposal to SHA. SHA will select an application partner based upon the proposal SHA believes will score the most points under the Scored Factors in Notice 2010-40(HA). Proposal Content:
1. Scoring criteria (a) – The proposal must state when the project units will be ready for occupancy.
2. Scoring criteria (b) - The proposal must describe the supportive services available from sources other than the VA that will supplement the VA case management services.
3. Scoring criteria (c) – The proposal must provide a property address for the project units.
4. Scoring criteria (e) – The proposal must include the experience of the developer and/or owner of the project units in the management and development of supportive housing unit for veterans, homeless, elderly and/or disabled families.

All proposals must be received in the PorchLight office of Seattle Housing Authority located at 907 Ballard Way, Suite 200, Seattle WA 98107 by 4 p.m. on Friday, January 7, 2011. Proposals may be delivered to the PorchLight office, sent as pdf files to Lisa Wolters email lwolters@seattlehousing.org or by fax to 206-239-1770.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program Grant-Writing Workshop
January 13, 2011
The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) announces a series of FREE regional grant-writing workshops on the new VA Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program application. Under the SSVF Program, VA will award supportive services grants to private non-profit organizations and consumer cooperatives who will coordinate and provide supportive services to very low-income veteran families who are residing in or transitioning to permanent housing. Pre-registration is required via the CSH’s website. Read more here on the workshop and funding available.
EVENTS

2011 One Night Count of Unsheltered Homeless Persons
January 28, 2011 - 1:30-5:30am
The Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness (SKCCH) organizes the annual One Night Count of people without shelter. The One Night Count is an integral part of SKCCH’s 2011 Everyone Counts campaign. People interested in volunteering may sign up on SKCCH’s Volunteer Waitlist at www.homelessinfo.org. Please note that signing up on the waitlist does not necessarily mean that you will be assigned to a team.

Participate in Free Flu Shot Program
The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is partnering with Walgreens Pharmacies to disseminate vouchers for free flu shots to 350,000 eligible uninsured and underserved people in 15 markets across the country. Seattle is one of these markets and Public Health has received 15,000 vouchers to distribute across King County.

Public Health is hoping community partners will help distribute these free flu vaccine vouchers to people who need them.

Here is more information about the program:
- The free flu vaccine vouchers are good for one flu shot (age 9 and older) at any Walgreens pharmacy in the U.S. through April 15, 2011.
- Public Health is using a multi-prong strategy to distribute the free flu vaccine vouchers including Public Health programs and clinics, community based organizations and faith based organizations.
- Public Health will be required to report back on the number of vouchers distributed so programs will need to keep track of this in King County. Therefore, organizations will be required to track the number of vouchers they distribute and report the information back to Public Health. Public Health will use SurveyMonkey to collect this information from participating entities toward the end of the project period in late April.
- An information sheet that accompanies the vouchers is being translated into Vietnamese, Russian, Somali, Chinese (traditional) and Ukrainian. HHS has already translated it into Spanish.

To indicate your agency's interest and to sign up for this project, please complete this very brief survey as soon as possible. If you are unable to commit to this effort but want your clients to benefit from this opportunity, all Public Health Centers will have the vouchers available for pick up at the reception desk by the first week of January 2011.

Maximize the Impact of Your Volunteers – a special program for organizations that serve people who are homeless
Sponsored by United Way of King County, The Boeing Company and Executive Service Corps
The Volunteer Impact Program (VIP) is a special initiative to help eight King County organizations focused on serving people who are homeless to effectively recruit, use, and retain high value volunteers.

Interest in volunteering continues to increase in our community. Learning to effectively engage and manage volunteers maximizes the impact of this valuable resource. Now in its second year, VIP is a free program that will provide over $15,000 in assessment, training and consulting services to strengthen an organization’s ability to deliver its services. Organizations that successfully complete the program can access up to $5,000 of additional consulting services.

VIP is funded by United Way of King County’s Volunteer Center and The Boeing Company and partners with Executive Service Corps of Washington (ESC) to deliver the program. Working with ESC consultants and Volunteer Center experts, participants will improve their organization’s ability to engage volunteers in projects and activities that help programs run smoothly, maximize resources, and build community support. By incorporating strong volunteer management practices organizations will make better use of the professional skills of volunteers, engage a more diverse group of volunteers, and increase the number of volunteers who support the work of staff. Click here for additional information about this program

Application process:
1. Read the further information via the weblink above
2. Call United Way to schedule a brief screening call – per info on attached link.

Please contact United Way any time with questions about this invitation. This program has great pay-offs, but requires significant time commitment and needs to be the right fit for your organization at this time.
EVENTS continued…

Street Youth Legal Advocates of Washington (SYLAW) Juvenile Record Sealing Clinic Dates
It is helpful for those hoping to seal records to bring any documents relating to their juvenile cases, but is not necessary, as our volunteers can look up their record.

In Snohomish County at Northwest Justice Project (2731 Wetmore Avenue N., Suite 410, Everett, WA 98201)

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In King County at SCRAP (1401 East Jefferson, Suite 200, Seattle, WA 98122)

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Please call (206) 659-5029 or email info@sylaw.org or visit their website for more information.

CEH COMMITTEE UPDATES

Governing Board
Co-Chairs: Dan Brettler and Dow Constantine. Staff: Bill Block (bill.block@kingcounty.gov) and Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov)
Meeting dates vary: Time: 8:30–10:30am. Location: YWCA Opportunity Place. Meeting Summaries of previous Governing Board meetings are available at www.cehkc.org

Recent Meeting: October 27, 2010
See November and December All Things CEH for recap of the meeting

Upcoming Meeting: February 23, 2011, 8:30-10:30am
YWCA Opportunity Place – 2024 Third Ave, Seattle

Draft Agenda Topics: Mid Plan Review – What Will it Take to End Homelessness
Report on the 2011 One Night Count

Interagency Council (IAC)
Co-Chairs: Stephen Norman and Sue Sherbrooke. Staff: Bill Block (bill.block@kingcounty.gov) and Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov).
Typical Meeting Schedule: 1st Monday of the month, 2–4pm, rotating locations (Seattle, Bellevue, Renton). Meeting summaries of previous IAC meetings available at www.cehkc.org

Recent Meeting: December 6, 2010
• Update on the Mid Plan Review and convening a Steering Committee to oversee Mid Plan Review Process.
• Maximizing the role of the Interagency Council and Funders Group, and recommendation to form Task Forces and draft Charters to reflect the emerging roles of the Interagency Council and Funders Group.

Upcoming Meeting: January meeting will be ‘held’ via email. IAC members providing comments to draft/revised IAC and Funders Group Charters.
Next Meeting: February 7, 2011, 2–4pm
Tentatively scheduled for Shoreline City Hall, 17500 Midvale Ave N., Shoreline, WA

Agenda Topics: Policy questions for consideration under the Mid Plan Review

Consumer Advisory Council (CAC)
Co-Chair: Rotating members; Staff: Bill Block (bill.block@kingcounty.gov) and Kristine Gullin (kristine.gullin@kingcounty.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6-7:30pm at Plymouth Congregational Church. Meeting summaries of previous Consumer Advisory Council meetings available at www.cehkc.org

Recent Meeting: December 15, 2010
Summary of the Landlord Liaison Client Focus Group; Better Communication About HMIS Data Needs and New Member Recruitment

Upcoming Meeting: January 19, 2011, 6–7:30pm
Plymouth Congregational Church – 1217 Sixth Ave, Seattle

Agenda Topics: Mid-Plan Review and Focus Group Planning
**Single Adults Committee**

Chair: Steve Roberts (steveRoberts@comcast.net) and Bill Block (bill.block@kingcounty.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: Single Adults will meet quarterly in 2010, 2:30–4pm at YWCA Opportunity Place, 2024 Third Ave, Seattle.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

February 28, 2011, 2:30–4pm
YWCA opportunity Place – 2024 Third Ave, Seattle

**Agenda Topics:**

- Update on the Mid Plan Review and policy questions for consideration under the Mid Plan Review as pertains to Single Adults.
- Update on Project THRIVE, by Community Psychiatric Clinic

**Families Committee**

Co-Chairs: Doreen Cato & Dan McDougall-Treacy. Staff: Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: quarterly or ad hoc from 10am-noon.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

TBD

**Youth and Young Adult Committee (YYA)**

Co-Chairs: Mike Heinisch, Charlotte Tucker Staff: Marci Curtin (marci.curtin@seattle.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Wed every other month, 2pm–4pm, usually at the 2100 Building but may rotate.

**Recent Meeting:**

November 10, 2010
Feedback on the funders group work plan on child welfare. Discussion with SKCCH Executive Director Alison Eisinger on the one night count as it relates to homeless youth/young adults.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

January 12, 2011, 2-4pm
The 2100 Building – 2100 – 24th Ave S, Seattle

**Agenda Topics:**

Review 2010 CEH Y&YA goals/successes and vote on 2011 CEH Y&YA subcommittee goals. Discussion with SKCCH and ASK-Y co-chairs on how each group’s 2011 goals connect and how to support each group’s annual events. Presentation/discussion with YouthCare staff Hedda McLendon on Federal Plan to End Homelessness and recent D.C. visit.

**Public Relations**

Chair: Sherry Hamilton (sherry.hamilton@kingcounty.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: 4th Wed of month, 3:30–4:30pm at Chinook Building 401 – 5th Ave, Room 526.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

January 26, 2011, 3:30–4:30pm
Chinook Building – 401 Fifth Avenue, Room 526, Seattle

**Legislative Advocacy**

Co-Chairs: Marilyn Mason-Plunkett and Barbara Langdon. Staff: Bill Block (bill.block@kingcounty.gov). Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Tuesday of the month from 8:30–10, via conference call.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

January 11, 8:30–9:30am
via conference call (206) 205-1111

**Agenda Topics:**

Legislative breakfast recap, planning for Homeless & Housing Advocacy Day February 14th
**RELATED COMMUNITY MEETING UPDATES**

### South King County Forum on Homelessness

Contact: Jason Johnson, City of Kent, [JJohnson@ci.kent.wa.us](mailto:JJohnson@ci.kent.wa.us). The SKC Forum on Homelessness meets the 1st Wed. of every month at 9–10:30am at the Kent Senior Activity Center to 1) keep South county service providers in touch with one-another; 2) share resources with / for SKC service providers; 3) receive updates and announcements of new or future projects; 4) to help bridge the disconnect between the homeless and services. Most attendees are planners or providers, though anyone is welcome to attend. SKC Forum on Homelessness web address: [http://www.ci.kent.wa.us/content.aspx?id=2728](http://www.ci.kent.wa.us/content.aspx?id=2728)

**Upcoming Meeting:** January 5, 2011, 9–10:30am  
Kent Senior Activity Center – 600 E Smith Street, Kent

### North King County Housing Stakeholders Meeting

Contact: Karen Williams at [karen@housingconsortium.org](mailto:karen@housingconsortium.org). The NKC Stakeholders group coordinates homeless housing & service activities in North King County. Most attendees are planners or providers; though anyone is welcome. Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 11:30am–1pm, (brown bag) Lake Forest Park City Hall, 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park.

**Upcoming Meeting:** January 12, 2011, 11:30am–1pm  
Lake Forest Park City Hall – 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park

### Eastside Homelessness Advisory Committee (EHAC)

Contact: Arthur Sullivan [ASullivan@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:ASullivan@bellevuewa.gov) or Sharon Anderson [sanderson@ci.kirkland.wa.us](mailto:sanderson@ci.kirkland.wa.us). EHAC coordinates homeless housing & service activities in East King County. Most attendees are planners or providers; though anyone is welcome. Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Thursday of the month, 2:00pm – 4:00pm, (NOTE: new time) First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way NE (just south of 520)

**Upcoming Meeting:** January 13, 2011, 2–4pm  
First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue – 1717 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue

### Seattle King County Coalition on Homelessness (SKCCH)

The General meeting is the 3rd Thurs of each month, 9-11am at E Cherry YWCA. Most attendees are providers or homeless community members and other concerned folks are welcome. Several standing committees also meet regularly (families with children; youth & young adults, single adults; advocacy). Learn more and sign up for meeting reminders at [www.homelessinfo.org](http://www.homelessinfo.org)

**Upcoming General Meeting:** January 20, 2011, 9–11am  
East Cherry YWCA – 2820 E Cherry Street, Seattle

**Agenda Topics:** We will review past successes and preview the renewal for the King County Veterans and Human Services levy; Hear an update on Severe Weather shelter on Eastside; get the latest policy and advocacy updates on Disability Lifeline and TANF 60 month lifetime limits; and get ready for Valentine’s Day (aka Homelessness and Affordable Housing Advocacy Day) in Olympia!

### Other SKCCH Meetings and Events

**Youth & Young Adults Committee** – January 11, 2011, 10:30am-noon  
Capitol Hill Library, 425 Harvard Ave E, Seattle

**Single Adults Advocacy Committee** – January 13, 2011, 1:30-3pm  
YWCA Opportunity Place, 2024 Third Ave, Seattle

**Families with Children Committee** – January 26, 2011, 9:30-11:30am  
E Cherry YWCA, 2820 E Cherry Street, Alvarita Little Building

**Attention All Agencies Participating in SKCCH’s Family Turn Away Survey** during the One Night Count! Please be sure to send a staff person to the Survey Training at the Families with Children Committee meeting:

**WHEN:** January 26, 2011, 9:30-10:30am  
**WHAT:** We will review Family Turn Away Survey procedures in detail, role play some calls, and address any lingering questions.  
**WHERE:** The Alvarita Little Building at the E Cherry Street YWCA, 2820 E Cherry Street (AL is the small building just west and a little down the alley from main YWCA building)
Interfaith Task Force on Homelessness (ITFH)
The ITFH works among, between, and within the faith community and seeks to create the political will to end homelessness using targeted education, outreach and advocacy. Typical Meeting Schedule: 3rd Wednesday of the month, noon-1:30pm at St. Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral. Contact: Bill Kirlin-Hackett at itfh@comcast.net or call at (425) 442-5418.

Upcoming Meeting: January 19, 2011, noon–1:30pm
Saint Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral, 2nd Flr Conference Rm, 1245 – 10th Ave E, Seattle

University District Service Provider’s Alliance Service Provider Team
Contact: Lindsey Nutting udsp.spt@gmail.com  U-District Service Provider’s Alliance share information relevant to working with homeless youth and young adults, program updates, and neighborhood updates. A service provider debrief follows each meeting. Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 11:00am-12:30pm

Upcoming Meeting: January 12, 2011, 11am–12:30pm
Street Youth Ministries Drop-In – 4540 – 15th Ave NE, Seattle