BREAKING NEWS AND INFORMATION
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LOCAL NEWS & ACTION

Committee to End Homelessness Releases 2012 Annual Report
The Committee to End Homelessness (CEH) and partners have made great accomplishments since the Ten Year Plan was launched back in 2005. Then, the CEH set an ambitious goal of creating 9,500 new units of stable housing. As of December 2012, 57 percent of that goal has been reached, funding 5,424 new units of housing for low-income families who are homeless or on the brink of homelessness. Since 2005 partners have helped more than 34,000 people exit homelessness and offered a range of homeless prevention services to another 23,000. As well, The CEHs’ work has earned notice from others. Delegations from across the nation have come to learn from our region’s programs. In 2012, CEH attracted new partners and new funding.

Despite these areas of significant progress, we have important work ahead of us to assure a roof over every bed. In the past seven years we have learned what it takes to break the cycle of homelessness for individuals with multiple barriers to housing, improving the lives of thousands and realizing millions in cost offsets along the way. We continue to face, however, unusually hard times and we must find ways to sustain, even increase, our efforts so as to change forever the lives of thousands of homeless individuals, families and children. Looking ahead, our goal is to continue to build and strengthen coalitions, partnerships, and resources.

Featured in the report is Jaclyn Mellon, one of the faces of CEH. As a homeless youth at the age of 12, Jaclyn has pulled herself out of homelessness with the help of great programs. She serves on the Governing Board and the Consumer Advisory Council. Read the full report here.

Open Enrollment Starts Tuesday, October 1, 2013
On October 1, a new Health Insurance Marketplace will open for every state. In King County, we estimate that 7,000 people who are homeless will finally have access to healthcare, and will be able to find out what health benefits they will be eligible for.

Be sure to check out the updated Public Health Website regarding open Enrollment: http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/personal/coverage.aspx

This website provides such important information as...
- Registration for In-Person Assister training on 9/24 at Bellevue Library
- Sign-up page to receive regular updates
- List of agencies that are part of the King County In-Person Assister Network
- List of county-wide enrollment events (except for city of Seattle which have yet to be finalized)

Editorial in Seattle Times - Washington State Joins Effort to Quickly Rehouse the Homeless
In a recent editorial in the Seattle Times by Lance Dickie, Washington State Joins Effort to Quickly Rehouse the Homeless, the Rapid Rehousing model to housing was highlighted. The editorial conveys that Rapid Rehousing has clearly demonstrated an extraordinary success rate for families to reconnect to permanent living space. Local efforts include a program called the Landlord Liaison project, which finds willing landlords and provides them a backstop. The effort is to assist homeless renters who have barriers to permanent housing. Landlords who modify their screening criteria are assured their tenants will receive active support services and financial coverage. Landlords have embraced the program, with 1,411 households having been served as of mid-August. That translates to 171 landlords and 349 properties in King County. Rapid re-housing is a relatively new and promising tool to help deal with homelessness. Talented, caring people on the front lines of the housing crisis are making it work. Read the article here.

A Guide to Fair Housing for Non-Profit Housing and Shelter Providers
A new guidebook is available that addresses the most common questions about fair housing. It applies to organizations that provide shelter, non-profit housing, and related support services. This free booklet and many other fair housing handbooks were developed by the Fair Housing Partners of Washington, a coalition of civil rights agencies, and are available in print or online at www.kingcounty.gov/exec/CivilRights/FH/HPresources.aspx. For free copies, call 206-263-2453 or email Roxanne.Viera@kingcounty.gov.
Regional Plan Offers Action Steps to Prevent and End Homelessness for Youth and Young Adults

Over 5,000 unaccompanied youth and young adults in King County experience homelessness every year. On any given night, as many as 100 youth are sleeping in parks, abandoned buildings or under bridges. A comprehensive regional plan introduced by King County Executive Dow Constantine will seek to prevent and end youth homelessness in King County.

The Comprehensive Plan to Prevent and End Youth and Young Adult Homelessness in King County represents a countywide community effort to create a more coordinated response system to help homeless young people – quickly connecting them back with family when it is safe and appropriate to do so, or providing connections to safe housing. The plan was developed as part of the Homeless Youth and Young Adult Initiative, an investment priority of the Committee to End Homelessness in King County.

The plan is designed to achieve specific, tangible progress against four key benchmarks:

- Fewer young people experiencing homelessness
- Shorter stays in shelters or on the streets for youth who become homeless
- Fewer returns to homelessness by young people who received services and successfully moved to stable housing
- Fewer homeless lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, and queer or questioning (LGBTQ) youth and homeless youth of color, since each group represents a disproportionate share of the population of homeless youth in King County.

For more information on the Comprehensive Plan to Prevent and End Youth and Young Adult Homelessness in King County contact Megan Gibbard megan.gibbard@kingcounty.gov at 206-263-2974 or visit the YYA Webpage.

Mary Flowers to Receive the Roberto Maestas Legacy Award

Mary Flowers is a deeply insightful advocate for communities of color, especially those that are affected by the criminal justice system. Mary, a Senior Grants and Contracts Manager with the City of Seattle, has engaged in projects around Homeless Intervention, Transitional Living and Stable Housing. Mary is also a Core Trainer and Organizer with the People's Institute NW. She has been facilitating "Undoing Racism" Trainings since 1995 and grounds her organizing in the principles of undoing racism. Mary has trained thousands of diverse people of all races and ages locally and nationally. Her insightful and experiential guidance to trainees earned her an invitation to join the NAACP in 2004. With the NAACP, she works with incarcerated people to help identify problems in the education system, and connects prisoners with educational institutions and other institutions that are doing the most harm to communities of color.

She believes in the power of multi-generational dialogue that helps both young and old to overcome the trauma that has been accruing with each generation due to racism and violence, in order to move past the violence of today. She is a long-time member of the Black Prisoner’s Caucus, a support network for inmates who are in the re-entry process. She has helped to plan education summits at Monroe Prison and is currently involved with a Career Bridge program at both Monroe and Clallum Bay Prisons. The individual who nominated Mary wrote, "A voice for the poor, Mary Flowers is a kind and caring person who often visits people sitting in prisons and jails to bring her beautiful smile, warm hugs and good news of hope."

Plug Into the Seventh Annual Energy, Utility and Resource Summit

Thursday, October 24 – 8:30 a.m. – 2p.m., Garfield Community Center

The City of Seattle Utility Discount Program will sponsor the 7th Annual Energy, Utility and Resource Summit. Special guest speakers, state and local government representatives and community based organization staff will share their knowledge, expertise and program resources which will help service providers and others attending assist their clients with available services in the Seattle-King County area. Resources shared will also help improve access to benefits and strengthen the safety net for those most in need.

Program highlights will include information about energy, utility, and conservation programs. Financial assistance information for low-income families and others will also be shared. There will also be a question and answer period and lunch will be provided for attendees. At the summit you can:

- Receive up-to-date information about electric and water rate discounts and emergency utility payment assistance
- Learn more about conservation and weatherization programs that help customers and clients save money
- Share your program information with other advocates
- Network and connect with other community organizations

For more information or to RSVP, contact: Brenda.sevilla@seattle.gov or Cynthia.ellison@seattle.gov
Community Resource Exchange and Day of Caring Results

On September 17, United Way of King County hosted the annual Community Resource Exchange. 600 volunteers were at Seattle Center creating a day of hope and respite for 1,400 people facing homelessness in King County. They offered hot meals, dental care, housing and job info, and everything in between. On September 20th UWKC hosted the largest day of volunteering in the state—Day of Caring, when 12,694 volunteers from 135 companies completed 415 projects all over King County. Their 63,470 total hours of labor are worth over $1.4 million. This was a great commitment to the community of Seattle/King County.

Encampment Residents Receive Services

You may have seen media coverage of the encampment in southwest Seattle and the efforts to both house the homeless residents there, and move remaining residents to other locations. The Seattle Human Services Department (HSD) was part of a City of Seattle team that worked to implement a City Council ordinance to help encampment residents find other shelter or transitional housing and to close the camp by Sept. 1, 2013.

HSD's piece of the response was to connect people at encampment with the services and access to housing. They contracted with the Seattle Union Gospel Mission (UGM) to provide these services. Since July 1, UGM, using $500,000 provided by the City Council, assessed a total of more than 140 people who lived at the encampment to identify what they needed in order to leave the camp and connect them with the right providers. UGM helped at least 45 people from 29 households at the encampment move to other housing. Eight people were provided with "traveler’s aid" to help them move out of the city/state to join family members; 48 people at the encampment received legal aid, treatment or other services. UGM’s work at the encampment was complex and nuanced, complicated by people moving into the encampment even as the Sept. 1st deadline approached. Encampment residents and other local agencies referred new residents to the encampment throughout the summer. In early July, the estimated population of the camp was 75-80 people; by the end of August that number had swelled to 150. Some residents chose, for whatever reason, not to take advantage of offered housing and services - as is their right. On September 1st and soon thereafter, the remaining residents of the encampment moved to three locations, two in Seattle’s Central District and one in Skyway (unincorporated King County).

WarmforWinter in its’ Eighth Year Keeping Homeless Warm

WarmforWinter is in its eighth year, collecting handmade hats and scarves to be delivered to unhoused members in our communities. During the month of October there will be collections at Pacific Fabric Stores. Knitters can also deliver scarves and hats to shelters directly. Also enjoy the WarmforWinter newsletter which lists all the latest happenings occurring in 2013. Click on here to brochure, flyer and or shelter delivery list. Your efforts to keep people WarmforWinter are greatly appreciated!

City of Seattle Mayor’s Proposed Budget Sustains Commitment to Human Services

Mayor Mike McGinn announced his 2014 Proposed Budget. The budget reaffirmed the Mayor’s commitment to human services for the city’s most vulnerable residents. The proposal maintains existing funding and provides just over $6 million in adds to the Human Services Department for a total department budget of nearly $130 million. Of the proposed budget, $1,027,107 will be dedicated to the new General Fund to support day center services, shelter capacity, and services for people living in their vehicles. These investments will continue to support Seattle’s work to end homelessness in our community.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Financial Planning Day, October 12, 10 am – 2 pm – FREE

Financial Planning Day is coming to Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St. Seattle.  This training will feature:

- FREE, one-on-one personalized financial advice from Certified Financial Planners;
- Credit, debt, and housing counselors and benefits specialists will also offer free, one-on-one advice; and
- Workshops on budgeting, credit reports and scores, dealing with debt collectors, and health care reform.

To register, visit this Web site or call 1-877-861-7826.

FUNDING and RFP’s
**NATIONAL NEWS**

**The Census Bureau Releases Poverty and Income Data**

The Census Bureau recently released a report titled, "Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2012." This report presents national data on the current population and examines multi-year trends in income, poverty, and health insurance. Nationally, not much has changed from 2011 to 2012 with regard to income or poverty and neither has recovered to the levels seen in 2007 (before the recession):

- Median household income in 2012 was $51,017, essentially no change from the 2011 median income of $51,100, but still 8.3 percent lower than 2007; and
- The official poverty rate was 15.0 percent and there were 46.5 million people in poverty in 2012 with no significant change since 2011. However, the poverty rate was 2.5 percent higher than in 2007.

In some locations and for some populations, the picture has worsened. The number of people in poverty did increase among people over the age of 65 (from 3.6 million in 2011 to 3.9 million in 2012), people living in the South (from 18.2 million in 2011 to 19.1 million in 2012), and people living outside of metropolitan statistical areas (from 8 million in 2011 to 8.5 million in 2012).

There were also some signs of recovery:

- The West experienced a 3.2 percent increase in real median income and 0.7 percent decrease in poverty rate from 15.8 percent in 2011 to 15.1 percent in 2012;
- The number of men working full time, year round increased by 1 million between 2011 and 2012; and
- Real median income increased 3.2 percent for households residing in principal cities.

[Read the full report](#)

**CEH COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**Governing Board**

Co-Chairs: Dan Brettler and Dow Constantine. Staff: Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov) Typical Meeting Schedule, 4th Wednesday of the Quarter, 8:30–10:30am. Meeting Summaries of previous Governing Board meetings are available at [www.cehkc.org](http://www.cehkc.org).

- **Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 23, 8:30 – 10:30 am
- **Seattle City Hall, Bertha Landes Conference Room**
- **Agenda Topics:** CoC Governance, Moving Towards a Crisis Response System, 2014 Legislative Agenda
- **Recent Meeting:** JULY MEETING CANCELLED

**Interagency Council (IAC)**


- **Upcoming Meeting:** Monday, October 7, 2 – 4 pm
- **Saint Mark’s Episcopal**
- **Agenda Topics:** Follow-up to Sept 9 CoC Discussion, 2014 Legislative Agenda, Moving towards a Crisis Response System
- **Recent Meeting:** Monday, September 9
- **Discussed:** YYA Comprehensive Plan, Continuum of Care (CoC) Conversation

**Consumer Advisory Council (CAC)**

Co-Chair: Rotating members; Staff: Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov). Typical Schedule: 3rd Wed of the month, 6-7:30pm at Plymouth Congregational Church in Seattle. Meeting summaries of previous CAC meetings available at [www.cehkc.org](http://www.cehkc.org).

- **Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 16, 5:30 – 7:00 pm
- **Plymouth Congregational**
- **Agenda Topics:** Car Camping
- **Recent Meeting:** Wednesday, September 18
- **Discussed:** YYA Comprehensive Plan, Rapid Rehousing RFQ

**Public Relations**

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

- **Upcoming Meeting:** Public Relations Committee on hiatus until notice. Committee members will be notified of next meeting.
Legislative Advocacy
Chair: Harry Hoffman. Staff: Gretchen Bruce (gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov) Typical Meeting Schedule: Every Other Tuesday during session, from 8:30–9:30, in person or via conference call.

**Upcoming Meeting:** Tentative: October 29, 8:30 – 9:30 am. Call in number 206-205-1111

**Agenda Topics**
Next steps in building the 2014 legislative agenda

Population Affinity Groups

**Family Homelessness Initiative Information Sessions:**
Debbi Knowles and Triina Tennelo host open sessions to talk with local stakeholders (providers and funders) about the Initiative. Recurring: 3rd Wednesdays each month 9:30 – 11:00am at the 2100 Building (unless otherwise noted)

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2013
Contact Triina Tennelo for more information: 206.263.9110 or triina.tennelo@kingcounty.gov or visit the Initiative website for more information: [http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing/ServicesAndPrograms/Programs/Homeless/HomelessFamilies.aspx](http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing/ServicesAndPrograms/Programs/Homeless/HomelessFamilies.aspx)

**Family Housing Connection:**
FHC staff holds quarterly meetings of feedback sessions to talk with family housing providers on how to make the coordinated entry system for families most effective.

Next meeting: December 16, 2013 10:30am – Noon at CCS – 100 23rd Ave S, Seattle WA 98144
Family Housing Connection website: [www.ccsfhc.org](http://www.ccsfhc.org)

**Youth & Young Adult (Y/YA):**
Contact Megan at megan.gibbard@kingcounty.gov
Megan Gibbard has begun holding monthly Y/YA Stakeholder Forums. This forum provides a monthly opportunity to hear about the changes planned for our homeless youth and young adult system in King County. **The September Y/YA Stakeholder Forum will be held Tuesday October 22, from 2 – 3:30, Location TBD. Please check the [Y/YA Webpage](http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing/ServicesAndPrograms/Programs/Homeless/HomelessFamilies.aspx) for updates.**

**RELATED COMMUNITY MEETING UPDATES**

**South King County Forum on Homelessness**
Contact: Manuela Ginnett, manuelag@multi-servicecenter.com or Jo Cherland, johannac@ccsww.org. The SKC Forum on Homelessness meets the 1st Wed. of every month at 9–10:30am at Kent Commons, 525 – 4th Ave N. SKC Forum on Homelessness web address: [http://kentwa.gov.aspx?id=2728](http://kentwa.gov.aspx?id=2728)

**Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 2, 2013, 9 – 10:30 am Kent Commons, 525 – 4th Avenue N.

**Agenda Topics:**

**North King County Housing Stakeholders Meeting**
Contact: Kelly Rider at kelly@housingconsortium.org. The NKC Stakeholders group coordinates homeless housing & service activities in North King County. Typical Schedule: Every other month, 2nd Wednesday, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, (brown bag) Shoreline City Hall

**Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 9, 2013, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Shoreline City Hall, 17500 Midvale Avenue N, Seattle

**Eastside Homelessness Advisory Committee (EHAC)**
Contact: Arthur Sullivan ASullivan@bellevuewa.gov or Sharon Anderson sanderson@ci.kirkland.wa.us. EHAC coordinates homeless housing & service activities in East King County. Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Thursday of the month, 2:00pm – 4:00pm, First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way NE (just south of 520)

**Upcoming Meeting:** Thursday, October 10, 2013, 2 – 4 pm First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way NE

**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. Contact: Bill Kirlin-Hackett at itfh@comcast.net or (425) 442-5418.

**Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 16, 2013, Noon – 1:30 pm St. Mark’s Cathedral, 1245 – 10th Ave E, Seattle
### University District Conversation on Homelessness
Contact: [Nathalie Gerhke](mailto:nathalie.gerhke@uw.edu) Monthly Gathering share thoughts and strategies on local and regional concerns around homelessness. Typical Meeting Schedule: 2nd Monday of the month, 9 – 11:30 am. Meetings rotate throughout the U District, and frequently at University Congregational Church though location may change.

**Upcoming Meeting:** Monday, October 14, 2013, 9 – 11:30 a.m.  
UW School of Medicine Room N130 Bioengineering Building

### University District Service Provider’s Alliance Service Provider Team
Contact: [udsp.spt@gmail.com](mailto: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, 11am-12:30pm

**Upcoming Meeting:** Wednesday, October 9, 2013, 11am–12:30pm  
Street Youth Ministries, 4540 – 15th Ave NE, Seattle

### Seattle King County Coalition on Homelessness (SKCCH)
The General meeting is the 3rd Thurs of each month, 9-11am at E Cherry YWCA. Learn more and sign up for meeting reminders at [www.homelessinfo.org](http://www.homelessinfo.org)

**General Meeting:** Thursday, October 17, 2013, 9–11am  
E Cherry YWCA 2820 E Cherry Street, Seattle

**SKCCH Population & Advocacy Committee Meetings**
- **SKCCH Youth and Young Adults:** Tuesday, October 8, 10-11:30am, Capitol Hill Library, 425 Harvard Ave E, Seattle
- **SKCCH Single Adults Advocacy:** Thursday, October 10, 12-1:30 pm, Plymouth’s Simons Seniors Apts, 2119 3rd Ave, Seattle
- **SKCCH Families with Children:** Wednesday, October 23, 9:30-11.00 am, E. Cherry YWCA, 2820 E. Cherry St., Seattle
2011 Results for Client Care Coordination

A report prepared by King County Department of Community and Human Services, Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division, René Franzen, Integrated Database Coordinator

The service use for 180 individuals placed during 2011 into client care designated units in permanent supportive housing was examined. The analysis is based on service use one-year prior to housing placement compared to the year after housing placed. Seventy-nine percent of members in the 2011 cohort retained their housing for more than 365 days. An additional 10 percent of the cohort members were in housing at least 180 days. Overall, there was a significant reduction in the use of the King County jail, Dutch Shisler Service Center (sobering center), emergency departments, community psychiatric hospitals, and emergency shelter.

- Shelter days declined by 94.4 percent from 6791 to 383 days. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean shelter days (t= 6.1, p<.001, 179 df)
- Jail days declined by 63.4 percent from 4272 to 1564 days. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean jail days (t= 4.1, p <.001, 179 df)
- Community psychiatric hospital days declined by 69.8 percent from 950 to 287 days. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean community psychiatric hospital days (t=2.5, p = .015, 179df)

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- Sobering admissions declined by 88.8 percent from 2812 to 314 episodes. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean sobering admissions (t= 4.5, p<.001, 179 df)
- Emergency department admissions declined by 66.1 percent from 1383 to 469 episodes. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean emergency department episodes (t= 3.9, p<.001, 179 df)
- Jail admissions declined by 54.1 percent from 220 to 101 episodes. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean bookings (t= 5.2,p <.001, 179 df)
- Community psychiatric hospital admissions declined by 61.5 percent from 52 to 20 episodes. This corresponds to a statistically significant drop in mean community psychiatric hospital admissions (t=2.6; p=.011, 179 df)
Although a formal cost analysis was not conducted, some estimated cost information is available and is shown in the table below. An estimated $2.8 million in cost offsets was achieved through reduced use of jails, emergency departments, community psychiatric hospitals, the sobering center, and shelters by individuals housed through Client Care Coordination during the first twelve months post supportive housing entry. Cost offset estimates were based on the following:

- **King County Correctional Facility:** Estimated costs for jail admissions and daily rates are based on methodology employed starting June, 2010. Of note, the estimates do not include other jail costs, such as medical, work release, 1:1 guarding, psychiatric and acute psychiatric services, and as such, under-represent the true jail costs and cost offsets.

- **Dutch Shisler Service Center:** The estimated cost per episode is based on the 2008 Sobering Center contract divided by the number of contacts during the contract period.

- **Community psychiatric hospitals:** The estimated cost per day is the average of the 2009 daily set rate of six King County community psychiatric facilities.

- **Emergency Department Services:** The estimated cost per episode is the average charge for persons with Medicaid or uninsured from “Emergency Room Use”, October 2010, published by the Washington State Hospital Association.

- **Emergency Shelters:** The estimated cost per day is based on the average cost of shelter in 2009.

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These results are consistent with other DCHS-MHCADSD Housing First analyses and literature on the impacts of moving people from homelessness into housing. These estimated cost offsets are reflective of changes in system use during the first year placed in a permanent supportive housing program. Longer term use patterns have not been explored.

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