



## BREAKING NEWS AND INFORMATION

If you have an item of interest for the CEHHC community, please contact Gretchen Bruce at [gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov](mailto:gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov)

### LOCAL NEWS & ACTION

#### Respite Care Center to Serve Over 500 Homeless Individuals a Year

Recovering from hospital treatment is hard enough, but where would you turn if you were living on the street or in your car? This is the role of medical respite: a safe place to heal for the homeless.



Seattle Housing Authority converted one floor of Jefferson Terrace, located near Harborview from individual residences to institutional space for the Respite Center, to be operated by Public Health-Seattle-King County and staffed by Harborview Hospital. The first clients will be accepted in September 2011. [Read more.](#)

#### More Openings

*Seola Gardens Phase I: Zephyr Apartments* - White Center-Seattle: affordable family rental housing

*Avalon Place* - West Seattle: housing first for chronically homeless men and women who are also living with mental illness

*Bakhita Gardens* - Belltown-Seattle: emergency shelter; transitional housing; and permanent supportive housing units for homeless women

*Passage Point* - Maple Valley: housing for parents, primarily women, exiting the criminal justice system who are trying to re-unite with their children

*Gossett Place* - University District, Seattle: opening September 2011, permanent apartments with services for chronically homeless young adults



#### Outreach for Homeless People Living in Cars in the City of Seattle

The Seattle Human Services Department (HSD) is involved in the City's new parking scofflaw program in two important ways. The department already has a policy to provide outreach services to families with children or vulnerable individuals who are homeless. As the new parking law is enforced, HSD has started a concentrated 12-month program to reach families and vulnerable individuals who may lose their vehicles to ensure they are aware of the available options and the actions they need to take to remove themselves from the parking scofflaw list. HSD staff have also worked out an agreement with

the Seattle Animal Shelter to provide emergency shelter and other services for animals/pets of homeless people whose vehicles are impounded due to the new scofflaw program.

#### DL is now HEN: Important Changes to Benefits for Incapacitated and Disabled Adults in Washington State

A new state law ends the Disability Lifeline program on October 31, 2011 and creates three new programs beginning November 1, 2011. The three new programs are: 1) Aged, Blind and Disabled cash assistance program; 2) Pregnant Women Assistance program; and 3) Housing and Essential Needs (HEN). [Click here](#) for more information from DSHS on all three programs.

Under HEN, medical services will continue and a new statewide fund will be created for the remainder of this biennium of \$60 million for housing and \$4 million for essential needs (cleaning supplies, toiletries and transportation). In King County this means over \$19 million in housing supports for the period November 1, 2011 (when the current DL-U cash grant ends) through June 30, 2013. Approximately one-third of the housing money will be directed toward preserving the housing situations of eligible persons who are currently housed, and two-thirds is directed toward creating housing opportunities for eligible persons who are homeless. The amount of money is not sufficient to serve all eligible persons, and the program is specifically not an entitlement. One of the difficulties in program design will be to establish priorities. King County has been working with providers, DSHS and the housing authorities to work through the challenges created by this program. On August 29, King County issued an RFQ for the homeless prevention / housing retention portion of the HEN programs. RFQs will issue at a later date for the housing for homeless persons portion of the program and for the essential needs funding.

#### Report: Profile of Housing Assistance Recipients co-enrolled in DSHS Services in Washington State SFY '06-'10

Housing assistance programs across Washington State (shelters, transitional housing, HPRP Rapid Rehousing, etc.) served 54,036 unique individuals during State Fiscal Year 2010 (SFY 2010), as recorded in the state's Department of Commerce (Commerce) Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Most of these individuals (estimated 85 percent) also received a service administered through DSHS at least once between SFY 1999 and SFY 2010. A recent report explores the needs and challenges faced by co-enrollees through trends in social service use, medical coverage, employment, and arrests in the five years leading up to and including the year in which the client received housing assistance. [Click here](#) to read the report.



## FUNDING and RFP's

### Request for Proposals for operating support, rental assistance, and supportive services

King County DCHS, City of Seattle, Seattle Housing Authority, United Way of King County, and Washington Families Fund are pleased to announce a Request for Proposals process as part of the 2011 King County Combined Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Approximately \$14.2 million for operating support, rental assistance, and supportive services, and up to 70 Housing Choice Vouchers are available to be linked to non-time limited housing for people experiencing homelessness in King County.

All interested applicants are strongly encouraged to attend an Applicant Workshop prior to submitting a proposal. Please bring a copy of the RFP documents to the Applicant Workshop. Paper copies will not be provided at the workshop.

Tuesday, August 30, 2011, 1-3 p.m.

NewHolly Gathering Hall, 7054 32nd Avenue South, Seattle 98118

Applications are due to King County HCD no later than Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time. Applications will not be accepted after this deadline.

Application Materials: Application materials available on the King County website: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/socialservices/Housing.aspx>

For questions, please contact Kelli Larsen at (206) 263-9260 or [kelli.larsen@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kelli.larsen@kingcounty.gov).

## EVENTS

### Ending Family Homelessness Initiative in King County Summer Speaker Series Presents:

#### The Road Home from Salt Lake City, UT

September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>



Originally established in 1923 to assist stranded travelers, the Road Home has grown to address a spectrum of needs that people experiencing homelessness encounter as they work to restore their lives. In addition to operating the largest shelter in Utah, the Road Home has developed a comprehensive housing program that helps people move into housing as quickly as possible.

For more information on this session, visit the [Family Homelessness Initiative website](#). Capacity is limited and RSVPs are required. RSVP to [triina.tennelo@kingcounty.gov](mailto:triina.tennelo@kingcounty.gov)



DAY OF CARING SEPTEMBER 16, 2011

### Day of Caring starts with you!

Start spreading the word—Day of Caring is Friday, September 16. You—along with your colleagues and 10,000 or so others in our community—can help make the biggest single-day of volunteering in our state even bigger! Do more and join us for an amazing day of community transformation. Afterwards, celebrate your great work with us at the After Party at Qwest Field—and enjoy free food, drinks and a chance to win fantastic prizes.

- Learn more about this exciting single-day of volunteering [here](#).
- Follow [@VolunteerKC](#) on Twitter for all the latest Day of Caring information

### SKCCH's 2011 Youth & Young Adults Summit – September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

The Summit is a two-day event for homeless and street-involved youth and young adults to

- ✓ learn and practice advocacy skills, leadership, and teamwork;
- ✓ talk about what issues are most important to them;
- ✓ meet with policy makers, elected, and government officials
- ✓ strengthen youth voices and have them heard

For more information contact [CJones@seattleyymca.org](mailto:CJones@seattleyymca.org)



### FAITH Invites you to Volunteer to End Homelessness

Faithful Action In Transforming Homelessness (FAITH), a program of Catholic Community Services, will be hosting three King County volunteer direct service fairs. It will be an opportunity to meet local social services agencies and learn how you, your church, your family and your neighbors can make a difference in ending homelessness. For directions and more information go to: [www.faihtadvocacy.org](http://www.faihtadvocacy.org). **FAITH Volunteer Fairs**

- ❖ September 24<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 1 pm @ Shoreline Covenant Church, Shoreline
- ❖ October 8<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – Noon @ Holy Family Catholic Church, Kirkland
- ❖ November 5<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – Noon @ Calvary Lutheran Church, Federal Way



### 18<sup>th</sup> Annual WSHFC Affordable Housing Conference – September 26-28, Spokane WA

*Housing Washington* is an annual conference sponsored by the Washington State Housing Finance Commission (WSHFC) on affordable housing featuring comprehensive forums for education & discussion, exhibitor showcase, "Friend of Housing" award ceremony, and special events. [Click here](#) for registration



### Housing First Partners' Conference 2012: Save the Date! March 21 – 23, 2012

Astor Crown Plaza, New Orleans, LA, Presented by Pathways to Housing and DESC  
Complete information on the conference here: [www.HFpartnersconference.com](http://www.HFpartnersconference.com)

## CEH COMMITTEE UPDATES

### Governing Board

Co-Chairs: Dan Brettler and Dow Constantine. Staff: Bill Block ([bill.block@kingcounty.gov](mailto:bill.block@kingcounty.gov)) and Gretchen Bruce ([gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov](mailto: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](http://www.cehkc.org)

**Upcoming Meeting:** October 26, 2011, 8:30-10:30am YWCA Opportunity Place – 2024 Third Ave, Seattle  
**Agenda Topics**

- Resetting Ten Year Expectations: Resetting Goals and Expected Achievements through 2015
- 2012 Legislative Priorities: Identify initial slate of legislative priorities for 2012 session

### Interagency Council (IAC)

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

**Recent Meeting:** August 1 meeting cancelled  
**Agenda Topics**

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 12, 2011, 2-4pm, Renton City Hall – 1055 S Grady Way, Renton  
**Agenda Topics:**

- Resetting Ten Year Expectations: Resetting Goals and Expected Achievements through 2015
- 2012 Legislative Priorities: Identify initial slate of legislative priorities for 2012 session

### Consumer Advisory Council (CAC)

Co-Chair: Rotating members; Staff: Bill Block ([bill.block@kingcounty.gov](mailto:bill.block@kingcounty.gov)) and Gretchen Bruce ([gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov](mailto:gretchen.bruce@kingcounty.gov)). Typical Meeting Schedule: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 6-7:30pm at Plymouth Congregational Church. Meeting summaries of previous Consumer Advisory Council meetings available at [www.cehkc.org](http://www.cehkc.org)

**Recent Meeting:** August 17, 2011  
**Agenda Topics** CAC Summer Picnic

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 21, 6–7:30pm Plymouth Congregational Church – 1217 Sixth Ave, Seattle  
**Agenda Topics**

- Resetting Ten Year Expectations: Resetting Goals and Expected Achievements through 2015
- 2012 Legislative Priorities: Identify initial slate of legislative priorities for 2012 session

### Public Relations

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

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 28, 2011, 3:30-4:30pm Chinook Building – 401 Fifth Avenue, Room 526, Seattle  
**Agenda Topics**

### Legislative Advocacy

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

**Upcoming Meeting:** Committee on hiatus until 2012 legislative session



## Population Affinity Groups

With the completion of the CEH Mid Plan Review in spring of 2011, the population committees of CEH have sunset in consideration of the task forces and workgroups that are going forward. The following are updates on population-based groups or initiatives that are going forward aligned with CEH.

**Single Adults:** Single Adults committee has been sunset. Meeting(s) may be convened as needed to seek feedback on the Homeless and Essential Needs or Single Adult Task Force as those bodies of work move forward.

**Families:** Follow the Families Initiative! See [Family Homelessness Initiative website](#) for regular trainings and opportunities.

**YYA:** At the final CEH Youth and Young Adult subcommittee meeting in June, the group requested another meeting in order to receive a progress report from the newly formed CEH Homeless Youth and Young Adult Task Force and decide if the stakeholders concerned about homeless youth and young adult issues would like to move forward and continue meeting outside of CEH. This new group will meet **Wednesday, October 12, 2-4pm at the 2100 building.**

## RELATED COMMUNITY MEETING UPDATES

### South King County Forum on Homelessness

Contact: Jason Johnson, City of Kent [JaJohnson@ci.kent.wa.us](mailto:JaJohnson@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>

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 7, 2011, 9-10:30am

Kent Senior Activity Center – 600 E Smith Street, Kent

**Agenda Topics:**

### North King County Housing Stakeholders Meeting

Contact: Kelly Rider at [kelly@housingconsortium.org](mailto:kelly@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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 11:30am-1pm, (brown bag) Shoreline City Hall, 17500 Midvale Ave N.

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 14, 2011, 11:30am-1pm

Shoreline City Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, 17500 Midvale Ave N

**Agenda Topics:**

### 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, 2:00pm - 4:00pm, First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way NE (just south of 520)

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 8, 2011, 2-4pm

First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way NE

**Agenda Topics:**

### 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: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, noon-1:30pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral. Contact: Bill Kirlin-Hackett at [itfh@comcast.net](mailto:itfh@comcast.net) or call at (425) 442-5418.

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 21, 2011, noon-1:30pm

Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245 – 10<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Seattle

**Agenda Topics:**

### 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 11am-12:30pm

**Upcoming Meeting:** September 14, 2011, 11am-12:30pm

Street Youth Ministries Drop-In – 4540 – 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Seattle

**Agenda Topics:**



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

The General meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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)

**General Meeting:** September 15, 2011, 9-11am                      Alvirita Little Bldg @ E Cherry YWCA – 2820 E Cherry St, Seattle  
**Agenda Topics:**

- Voter registration for people who are homeless
- Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) update.

#### Other SKCCH Meetings and Events

**Youth and Young Adults Committee:** Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am – 12:00pm. Email co-chairs Tim Candela and Kathleen Murphy at [yac@homelessinfo.org](mailto:yac@homelessinfo.org) to confirm meeting location.

**Families with Children Committee:** Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30-11:00am. E Cherry YWCA, 2820 E Cherry Street.

**Single Adults Advocacy Committee:** Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 – 1:30pm. Plymouth's Simons Seniors Apartments, 2119 3rd Ave., Seattle, WA 98121. *PLEASE NOTE the adjusted meeting day, time, and location. Meetings from October onwards will take place on second Thursdays at noon, at the same location.*

#### Case Manager Training: Two paths to economic stability:

Helping disabled clients apply for SSI and Workforce Development Training  
Friday Sept 16 9-11 a.m.  
Plymouth Simons Building  
2113 Third Ave. Seattle

Register by emailing Katie Baum at [katieb@ccsww.org](mailto:katieb@ccsww.org). Please include your name, agency, and phone number.

#### Sept. 21-22: SKCCH's 2011 Youth & Young Adults Summit

SKCCH is recruiting 30 youth (ages 12-27) to be part of the 2011 Summit. The Youth Summit is an opportunity for homeless and street-involved youth and young adults to:

- learn and practice advocacy skills, leadership, and teamwork;
- talk about what issues are most important to them;
- meet with policy makers, electeds, and government officials, including members of the Seattle City Council and King County Council;
- strengthen youth voices and have them heard!

Youth selected will work in a team with experienced Peer Leaders. Must be willing to work with a group, and commit to both days of the Summit. **To register, email:** [CJones@seattlemca.org](mailto:CJones@seattlemca.org)

For more information, email the Youth and Young Adults Committee at [yac@homelessinfo.org](mailto:yac@homelessinfo.org)