

Coalition of Service Providers for the Homeless
--A Continuum of Care and Homeless Task Force
Wednesday, November 9, 2022
10:00am-11:15am
Via Zoom

Minutes

10:00am	Welcome	Laura Ellsworth, Council for		
	 Please introduce yourself and your agency in the chat 	the Homeless		
Issues, Hot Topics & Discussion				
10:05am	2023 Legislative Session Update	Michele Thomas, Washington Low Income		
	In December, the Governor will release his budget for 2023 – 2024. WLIHA	Housing Alliance		
	and other housing partners are pushing for the budget to specifically focus			
	on affordable housing and homelessness in the state.			
	Currently the Washington State economy is strong but due to economic uncertainty, the Legislature will most likely be taking a conservative approach to the budget.			
	The 2022 Midterm Election results are not fully known at this time but the current projections are looking positive for advocates of affordable housing and homelessness.			
	2023 Priorities:			
	 Investing \$400 million in projects to build and maintain truly 			
	affordable housing.			
	 Investing in preventing homelessness, cash assistance, and 			
	Housing & Essential Needs assistance.			
	Investing in eviction prevention			
	 Supporting the nonprofit workforce that focus on homelessness and housing. 			
	 Protecting tenants from unsustainable rent increases. 			
	 Enforcing the protections under the State Landlord Tenant Act and holding landlords accountable. 			
	Upcoming Washington Low Income Housing Alliance Events:			
	11/17/2022: Implicit Bias and Impacts in Housing and			
	Homelessness			
	• 12/15/2022: Why Tenants' Rights are Critical for Racial Justice and			
	Ending Homelessness			
	Register for both events here			
	• 12/19/2022: Tenants Town Hall			
	Contact Po Leapai for more details			
	2/6/2022: Housing and Homelessness Advocacy Day 12/2/2023: PURCS Leaders Legislative Course			
	12/3/2022: BIPOC Leaders Legislative Group Contact Ma Corolling Languages for more details.			
	Contact Ma.Caroline Lopez for more details			

10:35am	Safe Stay Community Update	Adam Kravitz, Outsider's Inn
	Governor Inslee toured the 51st Circle Safe Stay Community on October 31.	
	 Outsiders Inn: Original safe stay shelter on 51st Circle is operated by Outsiders Inn, and Fourth Plain location is operated by Living Hope Church. Mail service is provided for people experiencing homelessness. Outsiders Inn is peer ran and every member of the staff have some degree of lived experience 	
	 Safe Stay Communities: The 51st Circle Safe Stay Community opened on 12/23/2021 It provides a safe and secure place for vulnerable people who are experiencing homelessness Upon opening 23 individuals who had previously been camping at that location were invited to stay at the Safe Stay Community. The communities are specifically low barrier to meet clients where they are at and for Coordinated Outreach to provide efficient referrals. More info on the Six-Month Report on the First Safe Stay Community can be accessed here 	
	 Announcements Washington State Homeless Workers Stipend First application is due by 12/9/2022. Workers must apply for the first stipend in order to qualify for the second stipend this spring. Open to homeless workers whose income is at or below 80% of the county area median income. More information, including the guidelines, FAQ, and application can be found here 	
	November Council for the Homeless Webinar The November Webinar will be on the Winter Hospitality Overflow and Satellite Overflow programs on 11/17/2022 Information for volunteer opportunities will be available. Register for the November Webinar here More information for volunteers can be found here	
11:05am	Adjourn	Laura Ellsworth, Council for the Homeless

CFTH Resource Guide & Spanish Resource Guide
CFTH COVID-19 Web Page

Next Coalition Meeting: January 11, 2023, from 10:00am-11:30am

The Coalition meets on the 2nd Wed, bi-monthly for planning to prevent and end homelessness in Clark County. **General Contact or Accessibility Needs:** Council for the Homeless (360) 993-9561 or aconnolly@councilforthehomeless.org
For more information on the Coalition, visit www.councilforthehomeless.org and click on Agency Resources.

