

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS WORKGROUP

CONTINUUM OF HOUSING

“Identify key issues, and recommend strategies, actions, and solutions to address homelessness and the continuum of housing and service needs by fall 2017.”

Thursday August 10, 3:00-5:00pm, Mayor’s Board Room

Attendees:

Mayor Kelli Linville (MK)	Alice Clark, Downtown Bellingham Partnership
Council Member April Barker (AB)	Hill Cummings, Advocate & Public Housing Resident
Council Member Dan Hammill (DH)	Hans Erchinger-Davis, Lighthouse Mission Ministries
Tara Sundin, Community & Economic Development Division Manager (TS)	Kate Donnelly, Bellingham Housing Authority
Samya Lutz, Housing & Services Program Manager (SL)	Chris Philips, PeaceHealth
Kate Bartholomew, Development Specialist (KB)	Emily O’Conner, Lydia Place
Sue Sharpe, Chuckanut Health Foundation	Karen Burke, DVSAS
Steve Dillon, CDAB Representative, Ward 4	Joe Nagel, Pioneer Human Services
Greg Winter, Opportunity Council	Anne Deacon, Whatcom County Health Department
Ann Beck, CDAB Representative, Ward 3	Katie Cruickshank, Northwest Youth Services

Agenda:

Welcome (MK, DH, AB)	10 minutes
Summary of what we heard on July 27th (SL)	15 minutes
Staff Presentation – Continuum Inventory and Fund Leveraging (SL)	20 minutes
Presentation by WC Health Department staff on prevention efforts – CHIP and ACEs	25 minutes
Discussion – Areas of Focus & Key Issues for this group (MK)	40 minutes
Next steps (TS)	5 minutes
Closing (MK, DH, AB)	5 minutes

Community Solutions Workgroup – Continuum of Housing Schedule

TASK	July 2017	Aug 2017	Sept 2017	Oct 2017	Nov + 2017
Task 1: Hold first meeting (July 27). Define scope of work and timeline; overview presentation by staff of data and trends.					
Task 2: Hold 4 working meetings. Proposed topics for each meeting include:					
■ Review inventory of subsidized housing (Aug 10, Sept 14)					
■ Review data, key issues, needs and gaps (Aug 10, Sept 14)					
■ Develop set of criteria for establishing priorities (Sept 28)					
■ Recommend strategies and actions (Oct 12)					
Task 3: Hold final meeting and produce recommendations (Nov 2)					
Task 4: Communicate out on recommendations					
Task 5: Staff use recommendations to inform Consolidated Plan (Strategic Plan chapter) and next Housing Levy					