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## WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

# Homeless Strategies Workgroup

## Friday, August 23, 2019 Meeting #10 Agenda

Time: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Location: Whatcom County Civic Center Annex,  
322 N. Commercial, Garden Room

1. **Welcome and Introductions**, HSW Chair, Whatcom County Councilmember Barry Buchanan
  - The purpose of the Homeless Strategies Workgroup, is to identify
    - Additional temporary winter shelters,
    - Added capacity for year round shelters.
    - Additional opportunities to address the needs of the county's homeless population, and
      - An additional purpose of the Homeless Strategies Workgroup (as per 8/9/19 meeting) is to create a communication network for organizations to work together better.
    - Strategies to prevent people from having no other option than to sleep outside.
  - Approve Meeting Summary, Meeting #9, August 9, 2019
2. **BasicsPNW**, update on Safe Storage Lockers, Carmen Gilmore and Brittany Jones
3. **Action Items from previous meetings**
  - Identify potential year round shelter locations on government-owned or tribal property
  - Attend the small cities meeting to discuss models and activities with potential in other communities (Buchanan, Linville)
  - Identify organizations and services to offer at St. Peters Church in Deming (Lighthouse Mission, others?) in coordination with their weekly food services
4. **Strategies Chart review and updates**
5. **Discussion of Next Steps**
  - *Next Meeting:* September 6, 2019, 8:30-10:00 am.  
Whatcom County Civic Center Annex, 322 N. Commercial, Garden Room

- Future Meetings:
  - September 20, 2019
  - October 4, 2019

## **6. Public Comment**

Time will be divided equally among speakers with 3 minutes maximum per person.  
Written input can also be submitted.

*Whatcom County Councilmembers have been invited to attend the meeting. It is likely a quorum of the Council will attend.*

*Thank you for helping to end homelessness in Whatcom County*