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Homeless Strategies Workgroup

Friday, December 18, 2020

Meeting #34 AGENDA

Time: 1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Location: Remote online meeting, for more information visit

<http://whatcomcounty.us/2748/Homeless-Strategies-Workgroup-Meeting-In>

1. Welcome, HSW Chair, Whatcom County Councilmember Barry Buchanan (5 min)

a) 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.

b) Roll Call

c) Approval of Meeting Summary: Meeting 33 – December 4, 2020

d) Next Meeting: Friday, January 8, 2021; 1:30pm

2. Discussion and Planning for Pallet Shelters (Tiny Homes) (15 min)

3. New Strategies Matrix (25 min)

- Updates from subcommittees
 - Unsheltered (year round)
 - Winter/Severe Weather
 - Youth (year-round)
 - Families (year round)
 - Funding Strategies
 - Communications
- Action items
- Ideas to engage community members in developing priorities

4. Year Round Sheltering for Families with children (10 min)

- Updated data

5. Winter Shelters (5 min)

6. Public Comment (*begins at approximately 2:30 pm*)

Speakers will have a maximum of 3 minutes to speak. To request to speak, please virtually raise your hand by (online) clicking the hand icon or by (phone) dialing * 9.