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## Community Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 15, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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## AGENDA

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| <b>1.</b>  | Call to Order - Introductions<br>Charmaine Scott, Chair  | 5:00 – 5:05 |
| <b>2.</b>  | Review & Approval of March 18, 2025 Minutes*<br>Full Committee (Attachment 1)  | 5:05 – 5:10 |
| <b>3.</b>  | Additions/Changes to the Agenda  | 5:10 – 5:15 |
| <b>4.</b>  | Bonnie Tufts, Program Planner<br>Community Development Block Grant<br>[HUD] U.S. Department of Housing and Urban<br>Development  | 5:15 – 5:55 |
| <b>5.</b>  | Kimberly Riley, CAC Member<br>COS, Court Involved Youth  | 5:55 – 6:05 |
| <b>6.</b>  | Community Exploration Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kitsap Homes of Compassion</li> <li>• OESD # 114</li> <li>• KPHD Nurse Family</li> <li>• Kitsap Recovery Center</li> <li>• Poulsbo Resource Center</li> <li>• Flying Bagel</li> <li>• Kitsap Rescue Mission</li> <li>• Bainbridge Youth Services</li> <li>• One Heart Wild</li> </ul> | 6:05 – 6:50 |
| <b>7.</b>  | Ideas for Presentations  | 6:50 – 6:55 |
| <b>8.</b>  | Committee Member Check-in  | 6:55 – 7:00 |
| <b>9.</b>  | Community Input<br>Please limit individual comments to <b>2 minutes</b> . Written comments<br>may also be submitted to the Board, if this timeframe is insufficient.   |             |
| <b>10.</b> | Adjourn / Action Item*   |             |



**MENTAL HEALTH, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND THERAPEUTIC COURT  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)  
MINUTES  
March 18, 2025**

Charmaine Scott, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. Introductions were conducted around the table.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

After review of the February 18, 2025, Minutes, the following action was taken:

**ACTION: Tim Garrity moved to approve the February 18, 2025; meeting minutes as presented. Helen Havens seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:**

None

**COMMUNITY EXPLORATION UPDATES**

Charmaine provided an overview of the agencies board members visited and toured. Charmaine sent out a list to members with a list of the agencies and tour dates currently available. Upcoming tours include; Homes of Compassion, ESD, Nurse Family Partnership, Kitsap Recovery Center, Poulsbo Resource Center, Flying Bagel, Bainbridge Youth Services, and lastly One Heart Wild, Kitsap Community Resources, and the Bremerton Therapeutic Court. Hannah also sent members the Bremerton Therapeutic Courts resource fair being held Friday, March 21, 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Marvin Williams Center in downtown. Bremerton. Charmaine spoke with another treatment court and jail to set up future visits.

- a. Agape works with children and families and caregivers providing support for children born with impacts of substance and alcohol misuse during pregnancy. Program working with pregnant women to prevent birth defects due to substance misuse. The program offers referrals for counseling and support services. The agency has a REAL team, work with law enforcement and provide support for unhoused persons.
- b. Pendelton Place, housing 72 persons and provides support services onsite for residents but residents are not required to participate in any substance abuse treatment or other programs. Bremerton Housing Authority manages the building and Kitsap Mental Health Services manages support services. One-third of the clientele is over 65 years of age, residency is long-term, using a Housing First model which prioritizes permanent housing for persons who have experienced homelessness.
- c. West Sound Treatment, meet with staff and the West Sound Treatment's REAL team. Services include but not limited to MAT program, support and treatment services, provide housing for individuals and families with children. The agency offers a variety of treatment options in addition to providing classes for those with

- court orders. The current housing program has a 6-month waiting list, the agency also works with the veterans and therapeutic drug courts. Administratively, the agency has made improvements in financial management resulting in increased funding opportunities.
- d. Kitsap Fire CARES, members attended a staff meeting that included three CARES teams, a representative with the HEART team, learned more about the street medicine program. Discussed training and staffing needs. There has been an increase in encampments around Lake Flora that has required more attention. First responders provide naloxone for persons actively overdosing and currently considering providing buprenorphine as an alternative and encourage participants seek additional treatment. CARES teams are available 4-days a week.
  - e. Peninsula Community of Health provides medical supports to Kitsap, Mason, and rural Pierce County. Healthcare services are focused on individual needs, including mental health and substance abuse services. They accept a variety of insurances as well as those uninsured and offer housing services. Their mobile health services to provide in field care. Currently, they have a few capital projects in progress to support justice involved individuals.
  - f. Coffee Oasis, members met with staff and toured the drop-in center and shelter, serving young adults ages 16 – 24. Locations in Bremerton and Tacoma, in addition to 4 drop-in centers, they offer educational supports, job readiness, navigator and mental health services, as well as housing. The average length of stay is just over 30-days. The agency provides case management and creates a plan for anyone who has stayed on site for over 14-days. LGBTQ youth represent 30% and in Tacoma the percentage is significantly higher. Coffee shop proceeds attribute to 10% of their operational funding.

## COMMITTEE MEMBER CHECK IN

- Tim shared that he will be out of town for a couple of weeks, and he would be available on some early afternoons to attend community exploration tours. He included, wanting to see more teen focused services in the community, that provide safe options for troubled youth. St. Francis urgent care clinic on Bremerton Way is now open.
- Tyler shared the KMH currently on housing development project projected to span the next 3-years.
- Helen shared there is a housing coalition meeting Wednesday, March 19 and open to the public. Salish Advisory Council is meeting on Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Charmaine shared the Aging & Long-Term Care meeting is Wednesday, March 19 and has been writing the legislation to prevent cuts to the nutrition programs.

## COMMUNITY INPUT

None

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Community Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>GUESTS</b>
Charmaine Scott, Chair	Richard Becker, Kitsap County Veterans Coordinator
Helen Havens, Vice Chair	
Tatiana Leone	
Tim Garrity	
Derick Bailey	
Bruce Sturdevant	
Tyler McKlosky	
Cynthia Griggins	
Charlotte Sheperdson	
Kimberly Riley (excused)	
<b>STAFF</b>	
Hannah Shockley	
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