



TACOMA / PIERCE COUNTY
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NEWS UPDATE – 02-09-2009

Legislative Priorities – Free training online: Are you interested in learning more about some of the important issues being considered right now by the Washington State Legislature? Or, do you have Board members, volunteers, or colleagues who might appreciate the opportunity to learn more so they can be more effective advocates? We're making it as easy as possible by providing **free online training on some of our top legislative priorities**. **See below for a schedule and please forward to your networks. Everyone is welcome!** For more information or to register, contact Michael Kelly: **206-442-9455 x 203** Michael@wliha.org

* **Tuesday, February 10th, 3p - Ensuring fairness and protection for tenants in Eviction and Tenant Screening - Jonathan Grant, Solid Ground** Low-income renters and people leaving homelessness already face numerous barriers to finding an affordable home. Learn about a proposal to reduce those barriers by creating a portable screening report that a renter pays for just once and a process to allow a renter to have an eviction that was not upheld in court removed from their record.

* **Thursday, February 12th, 3p - Tax exemption for low-income homebuyers & foreclosure protection - Kristin Pula, Homesight and Michele Thomas, Tenants Union** Learn about problems and solutions to the foreclosure crisis--for both renters and homeowners.

* **Tuesday, February 17th, 3p - Housing Finance 101 - Paul Purcell, Beacon Development** The Housing Trust Fund is a major priority for low-income housing advocates, in part because it leverages so many other sources of funding. Learn about how the pieces fit together and why the Trust Fund is so critical to addressing the affordable housing and homelessness crisis in the state.

Hope to see you online! - Rachael Myers, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance
Download our full state legislative agenda at www.wliha.org.

HUD Highlights – Feb-2009 – Northwest Region: National & Regional updates and events ... click below

http://www.affordablehousingconsortium.org/Files/Uploads/hud_highlights_february_2009.htm

Building Changes – A Catalyst for Ending Homelessness – Feb-2009 Newsletter ... click below

<http://buildingchanges.createsend2.com/T/ViewEmail/r/3ABB90926C0C0FAC/F070F0FE28986D402540EF23F30FEDED>

There are **two** quarterly meetings coming up → February 11 → March 11
Information below:

QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 11

8 – 9:30 AM

1323 SOUTH YAKIMA

**ALL AHC MEMBER MEETING
OUR 1ST 2009 QUARTERLY BREAKFAST MEETING!!**

AGENDA

MEMBER NETWORKING

BREAKFAST

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

2009 WA LEGISLATIVE AGENDA BRIEFING

AHC ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHC QUARTERLY BREAKFAST FORUM - PUBLIC WELCOME!

Financial & Political Outlook for Affordable Housing

March 11, 2009 8:00 – 9:30 AM

**NEW LOCATION: McGavick Student Center
Clover Park Technical College - Building 23**

Campus Map: <http://www.cptc.edu/wrl.asp?t=wrl&iDRN=1001&iCRN=1026>

AHC Membership Renewal

Members should have received an invoice for 2009 membership dues for the Consortium. The amount of the invoice is based on your 2008 dues; please adjust your dues amount if necessary based on the schedule on the invoice. Note that we are offering you the option to spread dues over 4 quarterly payments (January, April, July, and October).

For more affordable housing information and resources please go to:
www.affordablehousingconsortium.org

AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEWS TO SHARE? → Send your stories, events, insights
for our AHC Newsletter. Please email connie@affordablehousingconsortium.org

AHC 2009 MEEETING SCHEDULE

GROUP	TIME	LENGTH	DAY	WEEK	MONTH	LOC	2009	DATES	NOTES
	<i>AM</i>	<i>Hours</i>							
BOARD	9:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	JAN	10	CANCEL JULY?
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	FEB	11	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	MAR	11	
	9:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	APR	8	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	MAY	13	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	JUN	10	
	9:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	JUL	8	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	AUG	12	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	SEP	9	
	9:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	OCT	14	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	NOV	11	
	9:45	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	EVERY	AHC	DEC	9	
MEMBERSHIP	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	FEB	AHC	FEB	11	Breakfast & Networking Breakfast & Networking Breakfast & Networking Breakfast & Networking
	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	MAY	AHC	MAY	13	
	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	AUG	AHC	AUG	12	
	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	NOV	AHC	NOV	11	
PUBLIC FORUM & BREAKFAST	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	MAR	CLOVER PARK	MAR	11	McGAVICK STUDENT CENTER Clover Park Tech College
	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	JUNE		JUNE	10	
	4-6 PM	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	SEP		SEP	9	
	8:00	≤ 1.5	WED	2ND	DEC		DEC	9	
AH DEV TRAINING	TBD	2-3 days	TBD	TBD	APRIL	AHC	APRIL	TBD	2/3 Day Tech Training 2/3 Day Tech Training 2/3 Day Tech Training 2/3 Day Tech Training
	TBD	2-3 days	TBD	TBD	MAY	AHC	MAY	TBD	
	TBD	2-3 days	TBD	TBD	OCT	AHC	OCT	TBD	
	TBD	2-3 days	TBD	TBD	NOV	AHC	NOV	TBD	