

## ➔ Federal Advocacy for long-term jobless benefits

The Senate voted on Monday to restore unemployment benefits for the long-term jobless.

[Send emails](#) of thanks (or disappointment) to your Senators - and tell the House to take up the Senate bill right away.

The vote was [59-38](#). The vote in favor included all Democrats\* & Independents, plus 6 Republicans (Ayotte-NH, Collins-ME, Heller-NV, Kirk-IL, Murkowski-AK, and Portman-OH). All of the 38 voting no were Republicans. \*2 Democrats did not vote: Landrieu-LA and McCaskill (MO). 1 Republican did not vote: Coburn (OK).

We are so grateful to all of you who repeatedly contacted your Senators. Your efforts combined with many thousands of concerned constituents made this vote happen. We hope you will continue to hold your Senators accountable.

Next – The House: Before any benefits can be restored, the House must act. Right now, House Speaker Boehner is standing in the way, preventing the bill from reaching the House floor. But if enough Reps. tell him to bring the bill to the floor, that can change.

Please [click to send emails](#) to bring the bill to a vote in the House.

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## ➔ Capitol Express Newsletter – Enterprise Community Partners

CONGRESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATION NEWS

[Read the Capitol Express newsletter in its entirety.](#)

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## ➔ Olympia Cohousing group hopes to expand

Olympia's first cohousing community is navigating more red tape in order to build a new "common house" and more dwelling units. [http://www.thenewstribune.com/2014/04/05/3133999/olympia-cohousing-group-hopes.html#emlnl=Local\\_News\\_Newsletter](http://www.thenewstribune.com/2014/04/05/3133999/olympia-cohousing-group-hopes.html#emlnl=Local_News_Newsletter)

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## ➔ Continuum of Care – Corporation for Supportive Housing – Systems Analysis

From 03-20-2014 meeting:



PC Families System  
Analysis COC Present



PC System Analysis  
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Homeless System  
Projection Tool-Pierce

**Contact: Tess Colby, PC Community Connections  
253.798.6139**

## ➔ AHC Upcoming Events:

### AHC Member Meeting – Architectural & Construction AHC member presentations

05-05 [Monday – Cinco de Mayo] 8 – 9:30 am [coffee & breakfast goodies at 7:30]

Tacoma Mall Office Building – 4301 South Pine Street, Tacoma 98409

### Youth Homelessness & Housing in Pierce County

06-12 [Thursday] 4:30 – 6

Goodwill Milgard Work Opportunity Center - 714 South 27th St Tacoma [main entrance]

### Candidate Forum on Affordable Housing – Pierce County Candidates for WA Legislature

09-11 [Thursday] 4:30 – 6

[location to be determined]

### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Excellence in Affordable Housing Awards Celebration

10-22 [Wednesday] 5 – 7

Annie Wright School 827 North Tacoma Av

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## ➔ Project Homeless Connect – Puyallup

05-07 [Wednesday]



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## ➔ Volunteer with Rebuilding Together South Sound

Spring is coming and we are looking forward to the longer days and much needed sunshine. Our 13th annual Rebuilding Day is **Saturday, April 26th** and we will **rehabilitate 25 homes** thanks to our project leaders, amazing volunteers, and donors. Here is sneak peak of just a few repairs we will do on Rebuilding Day!

- Install/repair wheelchair ramps
- Repair roofs
- Repair ceilings
- Repair/replace gutters
- Install comfort height toilets
- Install grab bars
- Install walk in showers
- Repair soft spots in floors
- Install handrails
- Remove yard and debris
- Paint

If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer, please contact [Rachel](#), our CapacityCorps Year-Round Coordinator.

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## ➔ 2014 MBA Pierce Housing Forum

April 17 at 8 am - Allenmore Events Center: 2013 S Cedar St, Tacoma, WA 98405

Come hear about real estate trends, market conditions, demographics, what consumers want in their homes, and more!

## ➔ Master Builders Association of Pierce County (MBA Pierce) dinner & auction

to benefit veterans services provided by Rebuilding Together South Sound & MBA

05-16 [Friday] 5:30 pm in Tacoma. Valet parking, live music, drinks and appetizers and a plated dinner will be provided along with a silent and a live auction.

Cost to attend: \$75 per person or \$600 for a table of 10 (bring your friends and save!) Celebrate and give back to our service men and women by attending this evening of fun and end up with some pretty incredible items for yourself. (So far, just a few of the items include trips to Harrison Hot Springs, an award winning resort in Lareto Mexico, and Cabo San Lucas, a bass fishing trip, private boat and wine tours, a progressive dinner, autographed Seahawk collateral, Seahawk tickets, and more!)

RSVP: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/2014-building-foundations-auction-tickets-11028976967>

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## ➔ 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Washington Fair Housing Conference

Taking the Lead: Creating Partnerships for Inclusive Communities

05-22-2014 Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center



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## ➔ WLIHA 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Advocacy Awards

05-27 [Tuesday] 5 pm The Arctic Club Seattle Dome Room – 700 3<sup>rd</sup> Av – Seattle 98104

U S Senator Patty Murray is special guest!

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## ➔ 2014 Conference on Ending Homelessness

May 21-22 Yakima

Join homelessness and housing providers and advocates from around the state as the Washington Low Income Housing Alliance hosts the 2014 Conference on Ending Homelessness. This year's conference will offer a dynamic mix of sessions, speakers, and exhibits—all focused on ensuring everyone in Washington has access to a safe, healthy, and affordable home.

Workshops topics include:

- Homelessness and housing policy and advocacy
- Innovative homeless and housing programs from across the state
- Health care reform opportunities for homeless and housing providers
- Housing First
- Rapid Re-housing
- Data management and coordinated entry
- Self-care and skill-building

[You can visit our program page here for a full description of all workshops.](#)

Register: <http://wliha.org/conference/registration>

Link to the scholarship form:

<http://wliha.org/sites/default/files/COEH%202014%20Scholarship%20Fillable%20Application%20FINAL.pdf>

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## ➔ Housing Washington 2014

October 6-8, Tacoma Convention & Trade Center

Largest annual affordable housing industry event in the region!

Info: <http://www.wshfc.org/conf/>

Sponsorship Options & Benefits: <http://www.wshfc.org/conf/sponsorOpps.htm>

Scholarships Available: [www.wshfc.org/conf/scholarship.htm](http://www.wshfc.org/conf/scholarship.htm)

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## ➔ Quarterly Call for Tacoma Committee, Board and Commission Member Applications

While member applications for the City of Tacoma's Committees, Boards and Commissions will continue to be accepted at *any* point throughout the year, the City Clerk's Office has shifted to a quarterly call for member applications. Applications will be kept on file for future openings and can be submitted as hard copy documents or online at [cityoftacoma.org/cbc](http://cityoftacoma.org/cbc). Hard copy application forms can be requested by contacting Linnea Meredith at [imeredith@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:imeredith@cityoftacoma.org), (253) 591-5178 or through Washington Relay Services at (800) 833-6388 (TTY or ASCII), (800) 833-6386 (VCO), or (877) 833-6341 (STS). Hard copy applications can be mailed, along with resumes and any letters of reference, to the City Clerk's Office at 733 Market Street, Room 11, Tacoma WA 98402-3766.

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## ➔ Justice Center Funding Opportunities

Develop and Expand Behavioral Health Treatment Court Collaboratives Grant Program—Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration *Deadline: April 18, 2014*

Enhance Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships FY2014 Program—National Institute of Justice *Deadline: May 28, 2014*

Alcoholism Prevention Education Grants—Christopher D. Smithers Foundation *Deadline: Rolling*

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## ➔ DOJ Grant – Second Chance Program

The [U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance \(BJA\)](#) recently released the FY2014 solicitation for the Second Chance Act Two-phase Adult Reentry Demonstration Program. These grants will provide up to \$750,000 to help state and local governments and federally recognized Indian tribes plan and implement programs and strategies to reduce recidivism and ensure the safe and successful reentry of adults released from prisons and jails.

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## ➔ Request for Proposals: Youth Outpatient Services - Community Connections

Pierce County Community Connections (PCCC) is soliciting proposals from eligible, qualified, and interested agencies to provide Youth Assessment and Outpatient Substance Use Disorder Treatment services for the July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015. Responses are due by April 14 at noon.

[Youth Outpatient Services RFP \(WRD\)](#)

[Pierce County Basic Agreement \(WRD\)](#)

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## ➔ WorkForce Central Request for Proposal - Due May 9, 2014

WorkForce Central RFP for provision of Youth Services under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) specifications reinforced with county priorities. [Section III Required Forms for Youth Services RFP](#)

These forms must be completed and turned in with your Youth Services Proposal.

Contact: RFP Coordinator at [youthwdc@workforce-central.org](mailto:youthwdc@workforce-central.org) Use "Youth Services RFP" in subject line.

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## → Housing and Employment Navigator Program

Workforce Central with THA & PCHA



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## → HUD's Fiscal Year 2014 Housing Counseling Training Grant Application Deadline May 05:

The deadline date for the application for HUD's Fiscal Year 2014 Housing Counseling Training Grant is May 05, 2014. Applications must be received by [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov) no later than May 05, 2014, 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the application deadline date. Applicants are advised to submit their applications well in advance of the deadline. For more information please visit [HUD's Office of Housing Counseling](http://HUD's Office of Housing Counseling). Please direct all questions via email to: [housing.counseling@hud.gov](mailto:housing.counseling@hud.gov)

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## → Big Changes in Social Security 2014



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## → League of Women Voters

Celebrating Women's History Month: [http://www.lww.org/blog/celebrating-womens-history-month?utm\\_source=BlogRoundup&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Election2014&utm\\_content=Feature](http://www.lww.org/blog/celebrating-womens-history-month?utm_source=BlogRoundup&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Election2014&utm_content=Feature)

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## → United Way of Pierce County Survey: Financial literacy/money management programs

UWPC would like to learn more about your program(s) that have a 'financial literacy / money management' component that is integrated into your client services. Your responses will help us to identify what types of services are being offered in our community and where there may be gaps or overlaps in service. Your feedback is important to us as we set long-term strategies for our Strengthening Families work.

This survey has six questions and should only take five to ten minutes of your time to complete.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/UWPC Financial Literacy](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/UWPC_Financial_Literacy)

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## → "[What Do Donors Want?](#)" ← Click for article

by Cynthia Gibson and Bill Dietel. This article sets forth the research on this topic, which is as nuanced as the collection of human beings that comprise the donor pool in this country.