

# AGENDA



## Human Services Advisory Committee

### Committee Members:

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**Tuesday, June 16, 2015**

**3:00 p.m.**

*Renton City Hall*

*Council Conference Room  
7<sup>th</sup> floor*

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|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Approval of Previous Minutes     | Shannon       |
| 2. July and August meetings         | Karen/Shannon |
| 3. Survey Results                   | Karen         |
| 4. First Quarter Performance Report | Dianne        |
| 5. South King Council Annual Lunch  | Karen         |
| 6. Vacant Position                  | Karen         |

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### Future Dates

June 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30 a.m. Second Anniversary Celebration of the Center of Hope at Renton Community Center. Invitation attached.

June 22<sup>nd</sup> Start of the Summer Lunch Program in Renton. Flyer is attached.

June 23<sup>rd</sup> *Annual Lunch of the South King Council of Human Services. Invitation is attached. If you want to attend, please let Karen know. The City will purchase your ticket, and we will be putting a City table together. This is a great opportunity to learn more about human services in South King County.*

June 24<sup>th</sup> 9-10:30 a.m. Renton Area Nonprofits United (RANU) meeting at Renton City Hall, Council Chambers. Topic – Grant Writing and Grant Resources.



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# 2015 SKCHS Annual Luncheon

**Buy your tickets now and come join us in**

## **Celebrating Collaborations Within South King County**

Tuesday June 23rd, 2015 from 11:30am-1:30pm  
[Emerald Downs](#), Auburn, WA

**Ticket Prices:**

\$50 per member

\$60 per non-members

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***Keynote Speaker: Vu Le***

*Executive Director of Rainier Valley Corp, a start-up nonprofit with the mission of developing and supporting leaders of color to strengthen the capacity of ethnic-led nonprofits and foster collaboration between diverse communities to effect systemic change.*

## **Please submit nominations for our 2015 Human Services and Collaboration Awards**

Over the past two decades, SKC communities have become some of the most vibrant, diverse, and attractive areas in our country. But while we have grown as a region, the number of low and very low income people living here has grown even faster, reflecting a national demographic shift between metropolitan cores and surrounding cities. Alliances among agencies are crucial in preventing fragmentation. In addition, these collaborations have fostered a more holistic view of South King County. SKCHS is looking for nominees (individual, business, agency, or an up-and-coming leader) who have been a strengthener of community ties in South King County and support our vision and mission.

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## Human Services Advisory Committee Survey June 5, 2015

### EXPLANATION OF TOPICS

1. CDBG 101: Understanding the programs that are funded off the top of our allocation – Housing Stability Program and the King County Housing Repair – and how Renton residents benefit. Since we are part of the King County Consortium – what does that mean? What does it mean to be a joint agreement city? Not a priority, more of an overview. Take an hour or so.
2. Housing Repair Assistance Program (HRAP) Overview – Part of the Human Services Division. Only direct service besides information and referral that the City does. Getting \$20,000 year from First Savings Bank to help fund it. What does it do, and how is it funded? Who does it serve? Proposed changes to policies/procedures. We are doing a day of service blitz August 21st at Vantage Glen Mobile Home Park with King County Housing Authority and Habitat for Humanity – using unskilled labor (volunteers from Boeing) to do repairs that HRAP staff was doing, with supervision from Habitat. We want it to become a model for other mobile home parks and neighborhoods. Also working with Habitat on major repairs/siding at Vantage Glen. Approximately one hour.
3. Renton Farmers Market/food programs/food access – Starting in July, taking EBT and WIC – learn about the upcoming changes and how it will work; new staff position. Go to the market the last part of the meeting/field trip. Part of an effort to coordinate food programs/healthy choices. What else is being done in Renton around food/nutrition (community gardens, delivery of food to senior housing)? Food access is a high need in the Needs Assessment. More fun/but educational. One hour?
4. City of Renton Comprehensive Plan – the Human Services Housing and Human Services Element is done. What changes were made, and what is next? How do we make it so that it is not just a plan sitting on a shelf? Committee gave lots of input on the Plan. The Strategic Plan will be how to get to the goals outlined in the Comprehensive Plan. Community and Economic Development Department (CED) will be starting to work on the Housing Strategic Plan. Council has to adopt the Comprehensive Plan by June 15. Have a presentation after it's adopted?
5. The Sunset Area Redevelopment and the Choice Neighborhood Grant to HUD – what does that mean for Renton and the Human Services Division? Right now, if we get the grant – the Housing Repair Assistance Program will expand to a small number of rental units in the Sunset area, and we will be coordinating with the King County Housing Authority weatherization program. If we don't get the grant, what work is still going forward? People component of the grant that we are involved in. We will know by end of September if we get the grant or not. October?
6. The proposed Low Income Housing Institute housing on South 2nd and Shattuck. Who will it serve? How many units are being proposed? How will it work with local providers? When are they submitting pre-application? We recently toured two buildings that LIHI owns, and got more familiar with the organization. LIHI will be applying for Housing Trust money and lobbying for tax credits. They are partnering with REACH.
7. Renton economic development and job development for Renton residents: hotel and conference center on Lake Washington; two hotels by Coulon Park; senior housing by Fred Meyer. Lots of

development going on and it is important to stay abreast of what is going on besides in Human Services.

8. Renton Resource Directory Update: How do we make it better? What is the purpose; how is it used? We print over 50,000 copies. How should it be on the web? How do we update it in real time? How is the same/different than 211? Translating it in different languages – useful or not?
9. Briefing on the Committee to End Homelessness Five-Year Plan and Renton's response. Briefing to Council on June 8th and Sound Cities will be asked to endorse the plan in June. Would like the Advisory Committee to have same base of knowledge as Council on human services issues. How does this relate to Renton? How might it affect the way we allocate funding? We are also advocating for a south county homelessness position that can work on homeless issues – and are asking cities for the funding for it. What would this person do, and how would it help Renton? Guest speaker: Mark Putnam or Debbie Knowles or Ellie (Sound Cities)
10. Briefing on Kids First Levy – proposed countywide levy for November 15. Briefed Council in May. Would like the Advisory Committee to have same base of knowledge as Council. Lots of unknowns still. Because early learning such a huge need in Renton – in the Needs Assessment – how can we use this to further the work that is needed in Renton? That means that we need to be at the table before decisions are made as to what/how funds are used. Also have HSAC experts on this topic that we can benefit from their input. Also could HSAC have a role in advocating for this levy? Guest speakers: King County staff working on the levy.
11. Presentation on The Suburbanization of Poverty/Social Equity – what this means for Renton and South King County. Brookings Institute is working in South King County. Meeting with Brookings and UW about the work being done, and what we can do specifically in South County. This also correlates to the Social Equity initiative that King County has. We want to get foundations to fund the needs in South County, and are talking about starting with homeless students in the school district. How does this all fit with Renton? Guest speaker: AJ McClure from King County and Lori Guilfoyle, City of Kent.
12. WA State Housing Trust Fund – what is it and how does it work? Seven projects in Renton have requested funding. Think it is nice to learn about the projects just to learn who some of the players are in Renton, and also how housing financing works. Some projects may come to fruition and others may not. Affordable housing is also a big need in Renton, so getting a big picture of need/providers would be good. Related to tax credits and who applies/gets credits as they are highly competitive. Learn about Renton Housing Authority's (RHA) proposed projects, as well as LIHI's. Could be a Housing Finance 101 class.

**City of Renton Human Services  
Agency Performance January to March, 2015**

**Domestic Abuse Women’s Network (DAWN)**

Performance Measure	Annual Goal	First Quarter Goal	YTD Performance through March
1. Unduplicated Clients	6	2	8
2. Number of bednights provided	244	61	28

Agency Comment: DAWN pulled numbers through this month and they are on target to meet contract goals.

Staff Comment: We will wait until second quarter reports to determine if there is a performance issue. Given the average length of stay, the Renton family being served entered near the end of the first quarter is probably continuing into the second quarter.

**Multi-Service Center Emergency Assistance**

Performance Measure	Annual Goal	First Quarter Goal	YTD Performance through March
1. Unduplicated Clients	76	19	13
2. Number of Financial Aid Vouchers Provided	32	8	4

Agency Comment: Due to lack of contracts (or informal written approval to start) and the housing department working on program changes, MSC did not begin fully serving the emergency assistance program at the start of the year. Therefore, number served for first quarter in Renton and SeaTac are low. Where we are behind, we will monitor more closely in the upcoming months.

Staff Comment: We will wait until second quarter reports are submitted to determine if further action is needed, or if agency is on track to meet contract goals.

**Refugee Women’s Alliance Case Management/Emergency Assistance**

Performance Measure	Annual Goal	First Quarter Goal	YTD Performance through March
1. Unduplicated Clients	20	5	4
2. Number of Case Management Hours	118	30	20

Agency Comments: We have not seen enough Renton residents needing our services. Previously we have been receiving referrals for some City of Renton residents from our other in-house programs and

from the Renton CSO, but we haven't seen the same trend in the first quarter. Our plan moving forward is to conduct community outreach at LPA meetings and other community based meetings to recruit clients for City of Renton services. We are confident that once we announce and recruit from the community, that we'll be receiving more clients than we can expect.

**Staff Comments:** Staff will follow up with ReWA to see if we can help with the referrals, and will revisit after second quarter reports.

**Renton Area Youth and Family Services (Counseling)**

Performance Measure	Annual Goal	First Quarter Goal	YTD Performance through March
1. Unduplicated Clients	3	1	2
2. Number of Counseling Hours	66	22	12

**Agency Comments:** We recognize that the counseling hours are below goal for the first quarter of the year. In discussing this matter with staff, we determined that we needed to review and revise our instructions to staff about the criteria for client eligibility for services under this contract. We believe from this discussion that additional clients are eligible for services under the Renton contract for counseling. We will send out additional instructions, and follow this up as a staff meeting item. This should resolve the issue for the second quarter, and we will realize our year to date contract goals. We will be internally monitoring this process.

**Staff Comments:** We will wait until second quarter reports are submitted to determine if further action is needed, or if the changes made above have addressed the performance issue.