



Online Meeting Minutes: Feb 15, 2022

Guest Speaker: Resources through KCLS Wendy Pender, KCLS Service Center, wgpender@kcls.org

- King County Library System has 49 locations in 2300 sq miles
- Recent staff hirings enabling expanded hours at most locations in the coming weeks
- ASK KCLS Help Line: 425.462.9600, Monday-Saturday, 10am-6pm, Sunday 12-5pm
- Digital Navigators: Learn computer skills and internet basics. Get help finding low-cost broadband and devices. Meet with one of our staff members online or by phone. Do you need a computer or new or better Internet access at home? Digital Navigators can help you find low-cost options. Digital Navigators can also help you find resources to learn basic computer and internet skills. Make an appointment online. Or, call our help line, Ask KCLS, at (800) 462-9600. <https://kcls.org/computer-help/>
- Computer Classes: everything from assisting seniors with enhancing independent living to learning (<https://gentletechhelp.com/>) to self-paced technology classes <https://kcls.org/computers-and-technology/>
- Finding Financial Assistance: online form in English and Spanish. Provide city of residence for personalized resource list. Each submission is distributed to KCLS librarians who research each request, and send you a customized list of resources and information. <https://kcls.org/find-financial-assistance/>
- At KCLS buildings, individuals can print from their own devices or a library computer
- All K-12 students can access KCLS resources by using their student ID cards. <https://kcls.org/students/>
- Those who live or work in King Count can get a KCLS library card, including those who are residing in shelters. <https://kcls.org/library-cards/>
- Employment and Job Trainings: Your Next Job: Get free one-on-one help with your job and unemployment questions online or by phone. We can help you find your next job or learn new skills. For speakers of Amharic, Arabic, Chinese, English, Korean, Oromo, Russian,... <https://kcls.bibliocommons.com/v2/events?types=5679e0c152c7b9de5c01213a>
- Employment and Job Training: Get Certified at Your Library Take free online classes, practice tests, and Certiport certification exams. Earn certifications to prove your skills in school or at work. Classes include [Adobe Certified Professional](#) , [Business](#) , [Digital Literacy](#) , [Information Technology \(IT\) Specialist](#) , [Microsoft Certified Fundamentals](#) , [Microsoft Office Specialist](#) , [Unity Certified User](#)
- Unfortunately no in-person Tax help this year but there are resources on website <https://kcls.org/tax-help/>

Issaquah Kiwanis and Our Savior Lutheran Church, Connie Fletcher

- Kiwanis has a fundraising event coming March 25, Boots, Barrels & Brew Dance Party, Food & Drinks. Tickets available at www.bootsbarrelsandbrews.com
- Our Savior Lutheran Church is in the very early discussions of providing space on the property for the Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank

TRIO, David Hall

- A new Youth Ambassador Program promoting education and awareness of organ donation for students in high school and college. Flyer coming with orientation next Thursday

Issaquah Community Services, Lori Birrell

- Still very busy with financial requests for rent and energy assistance
- As of Feb 28, King County Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance Program will not be accepting new applications as funding is almost depleted
- City of Issaquah grant being administered by Hopelink is still accepting assistance requests

City of Issaquah Human Services, and other community organizations Trish Bloor

- No updates

City of Issaquah, Hannah Robert Human Services

- The Human Services Strategic Plan is wrapping up, with a second presentation to City Council tonight. This is a 5-year strategic work plan outlining funding priorities
- There has been feedback from the Rental Assistance through Hopelink about communication issues. City has provided this feedback to Hopelink.

Lifelong Navigation Hub, Crystal Koch & Ashley Nguyen

- The Hub is a referral network composed of service providers that deliver services in East King County. Target population: Low-income seniors (400% FPL); adults with disabilities and their caregivers
- Phone number is 425-375-2990 or email SysNavHub@lifelong.org; I can be reached via email at crystalk@lifelong.org with any questions :)

Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank Outreach Caelann Wood

- No updates

Eastside Baby Corner, Carolina Liendo

- In need of diapers

KCLS, Zlatina Encheva

- No updates

NAMI Eastside, Brenda Freeman, brenda@nami-eastside.org

- Tonight's event How Do Adverse Childhood Experiences Affect Us and Our Mental Health, can still register
- Contact Brenda for connection to resources through UniteUs/HealthierHere

Issaquah School District Family Partnership, Lorna Gilmour

- Works with 3 liaisons in the schools to connect families with resources and assistance in understanding the US school systems
- Upcoming Vaccination Clinic for students, partnership with Costco. Register for an appt <https://book-costcopharmacy.appointment-plus.com/d74nyt1c/#/>
- Upcoming family events supporting students as they transition to middle school and high school <https://www.isd411.org/programs-services/equity/parent-events-and-workshops>

Issaquah and Sammamish Interfaith Coalition, Elizabeth Maupin

- Issaquah Sammamish Interfaith Coalition has a newsletter that gives information about community needs, resources, and volunteer opportunities that is primarily intended for faith communities, but can be useful for individual social justice advocates. If you would like to be added to that newsletter list, contact me at eli410maupin@gmail.com. Our focus at the moment is the state legislative session.
- I am working with the vehicle resident sub group of the King County Regional Homelessness Authority. I'd like to connect with our local vehicle residents. my phone number is 425 677 8043 (land line) 206 478 3899 (cell phone).

Kinderling, Connie Weber

- Families in Transition Outreach Coordinator connie.weber@kinderling.org 425-362-6429
- Providing development evaluation and therapies

- Also assists families in transitions, including a family who recently arrived from Afghanistan

King County Regional Homelessness Authority Mallory Van Abbema, Eastside Subarea

- I've recently joined the team as the East King Subregional Planning Specialist. mallory.vanabbema@kcrha.org
- March will be the next Point In Time Count of those experiencing Homelessness. Will be conducted through the month of March. There will be a physical count of those in shelters, safe parking, as well as unsheltered areas. Staff will be conducting the count and obtaining qualitative input from individuals on specific questions including personal barriers to resources, which organizations have been worked with in past, etc. Over 250 people helped develop the qualitative input questions.

Friends of Youth, Laura Kissler Client Services Specialist 425-392-6367 ext 2 clientservices@friendsofyouth.org

- No new updates, but ongoing parent support groups

Catholic Community Services, Griffin Cole

- No updates

The Garage, Outreach Case Manager Christine Knight

- Ongoing case management available for ages 12-19
- Christine Knight, Case Manager at the Garage Contact: Christine@issaquahteencafe.org, 425-477-9251
- Upcoming Community Events, next one March 8, Trusting Teens, a teen panel and conversation
- To sign up for our newsletter visit issaquahteencafe.org

Madeline Fish, Community Member

- No updates

YMCA Seattle Nicole Lowe

- Open position for Supervisor for after-school program at Highland Gardens in Issaquah. See posting
- <https://external-seattleyymca.icims.com/jobs/12424/program-supervisor%2c-kids-university/job>
- Program offers tutoring, food, and more

Issaquah/ Renton SDA Church Duane & Angelique Cadwallader

- Email: dacadwall@gmail.com (206) 595-9591
- Volunteering in the community in support of those experiencing homelessness

ELAP, Danielle Caldwell

- ELAP Wills Clinic Thursday, February 24th, 4-6pm To schedule an appointment contact: Macy Stormont, at macy@elap.org
- For this clinic only, open to those up to 400% of poverty level (other clinics is 200%)
- For all other legal clinics, clients can call our intake line: 425-747-7274

Issaquah Food Bank, Volunteer Services Lisa Haynes

- An interim Executive Director has been hired for IFCB
- Operations are continuing with clients receiving 2 weeks of food, every other week. Special programs and delivery services provided on the in-between weeks. IFCB open M-T 1pm – 7pm.
- Staff are in building 8am – 4pm daily and will provide emergency food, no one turned away.
- Last week was the Lunch For The Break distribution for Winter break, and will have the last one of the school year in April.