

# SNOHOMISH COUNTY SCHOOLS

## MCKINNEY-VENTO MEETING 2/9/2018

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**IN ATTENDANCE: 26 staff from 12 districts, 1 Cocoon House Rep & 1 DCFS Children's Administration, Region 2 Rep.**

District/ Agency	First name	Last Name	Title
<b>Arlington</b>	Amie	Verellen-Grubbs	Director of Career Readiness and Innovative Programs
<b>Cocoon House</b>	Travis	Birse	Education and Employment
<b>DCFS/ Childrens Admin.</b>	Donna	LaFrance	Children's Administration
<b>Edmonds</b>	Leanne	Brisbois	McKinney-Vento Liaison
<b>Edmonds</b>	Arlet	Gess	Transportation Dispatcher/MKV Router
<b>Everett</b>	Nancy	Brown	Transportation
<b>Everett</b>	Sarah	Koehler	Routing Specialist
<b>Everett</b>	Angelica	Glaser	Foster Care Coordinator
<b>Everett</b>	Gina	Key	Secretary, Categorical Programs
<b>Everett</b>	Cynthia	Jones	Director of Categorical Programs
<b>Everett</b>	Amy	Perusse	McKinney-Vento Facilitator
<b>Granite Falls</b>	Kayla	Dupler	McKinney-Vento Liaison
<b>Granite Falls</b>	Sarah	Woolverton	
<b>Lakewood</b>	Dale	Leach	Director Student Services and CTE

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<b>Lakewood</b>	Lynda	Mcintosh	Adminstrative Assistant
<b>Marysville</b>	Deanna	Bashour	Categorical Programs Secretary
<b>Monroe</b>	Ginnie	Ayres	Director For Instructional Programs
<b>Monroe</b>	Kathy	Bernhardt	Family Engagement Liaison
<b>Monroe</b>	Joe	Banach	Transportation Director
<b>Mukilteo</b>	Cynthia	Davis	
<b>Mukilteo</b>	Cindy	Steigerwald	Transportation Manager
<b>Mukilteo</b>	Beth	VanderVeen	Director of Student Services
<b>NWESD</b>	Anna	Esquibel	NWESD Regional Transportation Coordinator
<b>OSPI</b>	Glenn	Gorton	State Director of Student Transportation
<b>Shoreline</b>	Josh	Little	Homeless Education Liaison
<b>Shoreline</b>	Andrew	Small	Transportation
<b>Snohomish</b>	Veronica	Schmidt	Transportation Supervisor
<b>Stanwood-Camano</b>	Lisa	Orton	Transportation Director
<b>Stanwood-Camano</b>	Cayli	Odegard	Family Support Specialist/Liaison

## **INTRODUCTION**

Meeting was held at Everett Public Schools, Community Resource Center in Everett, WA. Called to order by Amy Perusse, Everett Public Schools.

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**Guest Speaker:** Mark Smith, Executive Director for Housing Consortium of Everett & Snohomish County (HCESC) and Andrew Orlebeke, Project Coordinator at HCESC. HCESC is a collaborative partnership between nonprofit housing developers and service providers with local business, government, and for-profit organizations focusing on issues and needs surrounding affordable housing in Snohomish County and throughout the State of Washington. Mark & Andrew gave an in-depth overview regarding the realities surrounding affordable housing in Snohomish County.

Snohomish County is the second fastest growing county in the state, after King County. Rental rates in our county have increased 28 percent between 2013-2016 while the median wages have *decreased* 2.9 percent. The Housing Snohomish County Project has three goals:

- Create a 10-year Affordable Housing Production Plan: Phase I and II.
- Drive community ownership of the plan.
- Enhance understanding of housing need and community support for pursuing additional, county-wide funding sources.

The next step is to promote the need for affordable housing in Snohomish County and gain support from the community and additional stakeholder groups: Business associations, faith communities, educational institutions, elected officials and many others. Those present at the meeting brainstormed to identify other possible sources of financial support. It was suggested that HCESC reach out to local foundations funded by hometown philanthropists, celebrities and professional athletes that might want to give back to their community by supporting affordable housing developments and/or ventures.

**[To view and save the full Housing Consortium presentation follow this link.](#)**

For more detailed information on the Housing Snohomish County Project go to:

<http://housingsnohomish.org/resources/housing-snohomish-county-project/>

The completed [Affordable Housing Inventory](#) and [Phase I report](#) are available on the Consortium Website: [www.housingsnohomish.org](http://www.housingsnohomish.org)

**Review and Approval of August 4, 2017 Minutes – Minutes were approved as distributed. [View/Print August 4, 2017 Minutes.](#)**

### **Action Item Reports:**

**Cocoon House Safe Place Logo on School Buses:** Amy Perusse, reported that Julio is no longer at Cocoon House so she was unable to talk to him about the idea of identifying School Buses as a “Safe Place,” by posting the “Safe Place” logo on school buses. However, it was determined that school buses are prohibited from posting anything on their buses, such as a “Safe Place” logo.

In lieu of posting “Safe Place” logos on buses it was suggested that bus drivers receive additional training and/or information about community resources available in their area. Anna Esquibel, NWESD Regional Transportation Coordinator and Glenn Gorton State

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Director of Student Transportation suggested the idea of offering additional training and/or information for bus drivers at the monthly “Driver Trainer Meetings.” Providing them with information about Cocoon House, Safe Place and other local resources to help a student in need. It was agreed we would keep “Safe Place” as an Action Item for the next MKV meeting.

Travis Birse from Cocoon House (CH) would be happy to answer any additional questions about CH and the services available through CH. You can email him at: [travis.birse@cocoonhouse.org](mailto:travis.birse@cocoonhouse.org)

**Action Item:** Safe Place on school buses, Anna & Glenn to get a training on the agenda for upcoming driver training.

### **Shared Drive:**

*See shared Google Drive Folder*

A reminder to check out the Google Shared Drive. Deanna Bashour of Marysville can help with access if you need it; log in and check it out if you haven’t already. Find and Share Templates and Forms here for easy access and idea sharing. (Please DO NOT store any confidential or student-related information on this site only templates and information). A Link was sent in a direct email to Snohomish County McKinney-Vento/Foster contacts. If your email is not on the list or you need access, email Deanna at [Deanna\\_bashour@msvl.k12.wa.us](mailto:Deanna_bashour@msvl.k12.wa.us)

**Action Item:** We will continue to review this at future meetings to familiarize the group and encourage use of the shared drive. Schedule time after next meeting to practice and familiarize.

### **Google Doc Training Session:**

Thank you to Arlet Gess, of Edmonds, who hosted a training session in July. It was suggested that we offer additional Google Doc Training Sessions after future MKV quarterly meetings. If you are interested in learning more or would like to set up a group training session, please email Arlet [gessa@edmonds.wednet.edu](mailto:gessa@edmonds.wednet.edu).

### **Snohomish County districts coordination of Homeless Transportation:**

Anna Esquibel, NWESD Regional Transportation Coordinator and Glenn Gorton, OSPI, State Director of Student Transportation were invited to lead the discussion regarding the possibility of obtaining State funding or grants to research the feasibility of Transportation Hubs and/or a cooperative fleet of buses & drivers to serve the transportation needs of MKV students. Marysville School District currently has a transportation Hub at one of their school sites, where they have hired a para-educator to provide supervision and academic support for the students using the Hub. Monroe School District has discussed a proposal to coordinate with local agencies like Cocoon House to utilize their CH sites and U-turn as possible transportation Hubs. The general consensus

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in the room was that transportation Hubs would be more feasible than a cooperative transportation system. It was suggested that a Pilot Program be developed in Snohomish County to generate legislative funds to offset the costs associated with establishing transportation hubs. Funds could be used to provide additional staff to support hubs at existing sites such as Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCA, School Sites and CH.

### **MKV Transportation Requirements:**

Glenn Gorton, reminded everyone that OSPI requires School Districts who are sharing MKV Transportation, to have a contract/agreement in place in the beginning of the school year. Email is not sufficient; the contract must be signed and on file.

**Action Item:** Amy will contact Anna Esquibel for advice. Review this idea at the next meeting to decide whether/how to proceed

### **Foster Care**

Donna LaFrance, Children's Administration talked about the importance of accommodating the transportation needs of children in Foster Care. She answered the following questions from the last MKV Quarterly meeting:

- 1) Are we supposed to separate Foster and MKV on our counts for STARS?  
*Not yet a requirement but many districts are doing this with their own tracking systems.*
- 2) Is the other district (where the youth is residing) and the district where the youth attends "required" to share the costs or the rides for foster? Are the guidelines the same as McKinney-Vento for this? *The guidelines are defined in Bulletin No. 099-17. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) 2015 requires the state child welfare agency and school districts to collaborate on transportation to keep children in their same school when placed into foster care. ESSA also requires the same collaboration with any placement changes when it is in the child's best interest to continue to attend their school of origin. Children's Administration (CA) and the school(s) can and should enter into a cost sharing agreement.*
- 3) What do we do if the other district refuses to provide for their portion?  
*The school district where the student is enrolled should provide transportation both ways. CA & OSPI have developed a process to facilitate payment to individual school districts as needed. This information can be found on the OSPI Website. <http://www.k12.wa.us/FosterCare/FAQ.aspx>*

Donna LaFrance, reminded the Foster Care Liaisons at each School District to make sure their District Superintendent has signed and returned the ***"Regional Education Agreement,"*** that is provided in the Foster Care Bulletin No. 099-17 SE&S. This Bulletin was issued on December 5, 2017. The bulletin can be found at:  
<http://www.k12.wa.us/BulletinsMemos/Bulletins2017/B099-17.pdf>

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If you have any other questions regarding Foster Care please contact Donna LaFrance at [LaFraDR@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:LaFraDR@dshs.wa.gov) or Peggy Carlson, OSPI, Program Supervisor, Foster Care Education at 360-725-6505 [Fostercare@k12.wa.us](mailto:Fostercare@k12.wa.us)

**Action Item:** Schedule Training with Jess Lewis. Suggestion was to reschedule next regional meeting to provide a date Jess can attend. Potential dates: 11/14, 11/15, or 12/6. Amy to follow up.

**Central Pick up coordinated with Boys & Girls Club (Deanna & others):**

Everett is still in process of making this happen, no other updates at this time.

**Action Item:** Other districts to explore replicating partnerships with Boys and Girls Clubs or YMCA's. Report back at future meetings.

**Point In Time (PIT) Count:** We reviewed the guidelines for the annual PIT Count and Amy shared the statistics she has received from surrounding school districts so far. There was some confusion on how to count Unaccompanied Homeless Youth (UHY). UHY should also be identified and counted accurately in one of the following categories: Doubled-up, Hotel/Motel, Shelter or Un-Sheltered.

**FUTURE MEETINGS:**

*Upcoming meeting dates: All are scheduled at Everett Public Schools Community Resource Center 10:00 – 12:00 in the Board Room*

- **May 11, 2018**
- **August 10, 2018**