Key Peninsula Senior Resource Guide

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Key Senior Information Center

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Dear Friends:

THANK YOU! For visiting our webpage, picking up this guide, or asking questions of our volunteers and staff. We hope the information provided to you, and in this booklet, answer your questions and provide the resources you are looking for.

THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT is open Monday – Friday 10 am - 4 pm. We are located just above the Food Market in Key Center, WA at 9016 154th Ave Court NW, Lakebay, WA. 253-884-9814, information@themustardseedprojekt.org

Our Key Senior Information Center (KSIC) is open Tuesday – Thursday 1pm to 4 pm. We accept appointments for our KSIC volunteers and welcome drop-in clients too! To schedule an appointment, call 253-884-9814 or email us at: ksic@themustardseedprojekt.org. Our KSIC volunteers will gladly help you search for information in person (by appointment), on the phone, or online.

We have a large variety of printed information available at our office, (mailed by request), including lists of local service providers and in home care providers.

All our thanks for your interest in building an elder-friendly Key Peninsula!

Eric Blegen

Executive Director
The Mustard Seed Project of Key Peninsula

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The Mustard Seed Project’s mission is to ensure choices for healthy aging on the Key Peninsula by connecting elders with innovative programs and resources. Our vision is to create an elder–friendly Key Peninsula, where our neighbors may choose to safely “age in place” with dignity and respect.

We promote independent living and quality of life for our community’s seniors and their families by providing services and programs in focus areas, information and referral, transportation, health and wellness, senior housing options, and community education and enrichment. We engage our community in service and educational opportunities, raising awareness of the multiple facets of aging.

We Value

*Integrity, Respect, Compassion, Collaboration, and Creativity*
Key Senior Information Center
KSIC
A Program of The Mustard Seed Project

Confidential, free, and valuable information for seniors and their families

Staffed by trained volunteers -
Call ahead, if possible, to be sure a KSIC volunteer will be available when you arrive.

253-884-1333
ksic@themustardseedproject.org
KSIC hours: 1 pm – 4 pm        Tuesday through Thursday

9016 154th Ave. Ct. NW, Lakebay WA 98349

FREE COPIES OF THIS RESOURCE GUIDE ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT OFFICE in the CRANDALL CENTER
QUICK LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

FOR EMERGENCIES: CALL 911

SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE: CALL 988

FOR NON-EMERGENCIES CALL: 253-287-4455

ANGEL GUILD THRIFT SHOP  253-884-9333

CHILDREN’S HOME SOCIETY  253-884-5433
Key Peninsula Family Resource Center

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS  253-884-2216
_A program of The Mustard Seed Project of Key Peninsula_

COST LESS PHARMACY  253-857-7797
Lake Kathryn Village

KEY CENTER PIERCE CTY LIBRARY  253-548-3309

KEY MEDICAL CENTER  253-884-9221

KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER  253-884-3456

KEY PENINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES (KPCS)  253-884-4440

KEY PENINSULA DENTAL & MEDICAL CLINIC  360-377-3776

KEY PENINSULA FIRE DEPARTMENT  253-884-2222

KEY PENINSULA SENIOR RIDE PROGRAM  253-884-2216
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KEY PENINSULA VETERANS 253-225-5130

KEY SENIOR INFORMATION CENTER (KSIC) 253-884-1333
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KP SCHOOL BUS CONNECTS 253-884-2877

KP SENIOR SOCIETY 253-884-4981

LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB 253-884-6022

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT #7 253-798-6654
Derek Young, Council Member representing Key Peninsula

PIERCE COUNTY SHERIFF KEY PENINSULA 253-798-4940

ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL 253-530-2000

THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT 253-884-9814
Community-based nonprofit dedicated to building an elder-friendly Key Peninsula where seniors can “age in place” – 9016 154th Ave. Ct. NW, Lakebay WA 98349

THE VILLAGE 253-900-9936
Assisted Living and Memory Care Home of The Mustard Seed Project of Key Peninsula

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL UNINCORPORATED KP 253-798-3278
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ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION—WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER
www.alz.org/alzwa/ 206-363-5500 or 800-272-3900 -635 Andover Park W. Suite 202, Tacoma. The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support.

Alzheimer’s Association Hotline CALL toll-free: 800-272-3900, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for information about Alzheimer's disease. A trained Helpline specialist will provide emotional support and appropriate referrals to local resources in the 23 Washington counties served by the Association. All calls are confidential.

ALZHEIMER’S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS PIERCE COUNTY
Groups provide support, insight, encouragement, and answers to the challenges of being a caregiver. Click on this link or call to find a caregiver support group near you.

FREE ALZHEIMER’S ONLINE COMMUNITY
Visit ALZConnected®, a free online community where people living with Alzheimer’s, caregivers, families, and friends can ask questions, get advice, and find support. https://www.alzconnected.org/

ELDER ABUSE

Abuse can happen to anyone — no matter the person's age, sex, race, religion, or ethnic or cultural background. Each year, hundreds of thousands of adults over the age of 60 are abused, neglected, or financially exploited. This is called elder abuse.

Abuse happens, it may happen in the older person's home, a family member's house, an assisted living facility, or a nursing home. The mistreatment of older adults can be by family members, strangers, health care providers, caregivers, or friends.

Types of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation may include:

- Physical Abuse
- Emotional or Psychological Abuse
- Abandonment
- Financial or Material Exploitation
• Self-neglect
• Sexual Abuse

What to do if you suspect abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult

1. If this is a case of immediate danger, call 911 and report a crime to law enforcement

   Call Adult Protective Services (APS) in Pierce County anytime day or night to report the concern at (877) 734 6277 or 1-866-ENDHARM (363-4276)

2. When you call, you will speak with a real person, who will connect you to the direct, local number to make your report.

3. If the abuse is happening at a long-term care facility, call the Pierce County Long Term Care Ombudsman at 253-798-3789

4. Call the Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) to discuss your concerns and receive additional resource information at (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332.

5. The Pierce County law enforcement non-emergency number: (253) 287-4455

The Pierce County Long-Term Care Ombudsman [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/607/Long-Term-Care-Ombudsman-Program/](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/607/Long-Term-Care-Ombudsman-Program/)

Program advocates for residents of nursing homes, adult family homes and assisted living facilities. Our team consists of program staff and volunteers from the community. We serve residents through complaint investigation, resolution, and advocacy. Ombudsmen educate residents, staff, families and the community about long-term care issues, resources, resident rights, and quality of life in long-term care settings.

**PIERCE COUNTY LONG TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN:**

Toll-free number: 1-800-562-6028

For general complaints, please call 253-798-3789

For complaints regarding adult family homes, please call 253-798-7367

**DISABILITY SERVICES**

**AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCES (ADRC)**

[https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2128/About-Aging-Disability-Resources/](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2128/About-Aging-Disability-Resources/)

253-798-4600 –1305 Tacoma Ave S #104, 98402
The Aging and Disability Resources Program offers a wide range of community-based services that allow older adults and adults with disabilities to remain at home if possible. These services address the needs of frail, older and functionally disabled adults living in Pierce County.

**TACOMA AREA COALITION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (TACID)**
https://tacid.org/ 253-565-9000
6315 S 19TH ST, TACOMA. Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities’ (TACID) mission is to promote the wellness, recovery and resilience of adults experiencing disabilities in Pierce County. TACID empowers people with disabilities to utilize their strengths and abilities to create and enhance the lives they choose through programs, community, and volunteering.

**MENTAL HEALTH**

**GIG HARBOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - Sea Mar Care Center**
https://www.seamar.org/pierce-bh-gigharbor.html 253-280-9888 - 3208 50th St Ct N W Building #C, Suite 202, Gig Harbor. Monday through Friday; 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

**GREATER LAKES MENTAL HEALTH CARE**
www glmhc.org/ 253-581-7020
9330 59th Ave SW, Lakewood. Greater Lakes Mental Healthcare is a full-service community mental health center, providing behavioral healthcare to the citizens of Pierce County for more than 50 years.

**NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL HEALTH - PIERCE COUNTY**
https://namipierce.org/ NAMI National Help Line 800-576-7764
NAMI Pierce County provides support, education, advocacy, and public awareness so that all individuals and families affected by mental illness can build better lives.

**SEA MAR COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE CENTERS SERVICES IN PIERCE COUNTY**
Sea Mar Community Health Center is a community-based organization committed to providing quality, comprehensive health, human and housing services to diverse communities

**OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER**

**HOARDING**
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/3357/Hoarding/
Hoarding is more than just having lots of things. It is a specific type of behavior that can have a severe impact on a person's life. Compulsive hoarding is a specific type of behavior marked by acquiring and failing to throw out items that would appear to have little or no value to others, severe cluttering of the person's home so that it is no longer able to function as a viable living space, and significant distress or impairment of work or social life.
Resources from the International Obsessive Compulsive Disorder Foundation

IOCDF Home Page (IOCDF)
Overview of Hoarding (WebMD)
Types of Hoarding (ClutterHoardingCleanup.com)
Hoarding Fact Sheet (IOCDF)
Resources for Families (Hoarders.org)
How to Help the Hoarder in Your Life (GoodThereapy.org)
Self-Help Resources (Hoarders.org)

SERVICE ANIMALS

SERVICE AND COMPANION ANIMALS
Service animals are dogs or miniature horses trained to do specific work to help disabled people. Pets and comfort or companion animals that provide emotional support are not service animals.

PRISON PET PARTNERSHIP http://www.prisonpetpartnership.org
253-858-4240 -9601 Bujacich Rd NW, Gig Harbor
A non-profit organization located on the grounds of the Washington Corrections Center for Women in Gig Harbor. PPP trains rescue and purpose-bred dogs as service, therapy and companion animals and operates a boarding and grooming facility to provide vocational education for individuals experiencing incarceration in Washington State. Our program benefits all involved — the animals who are given the chance to lead lives of service, the incarcerated and system impacted people who learn valuable skills so they may find gainful employment upon release, and the individuals with disabilities who receive well-trained dogs to help increase their level of independence.

TACOMA PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT -SERVICE ANIMALShttps://www.tpchd.org/healthy-places/food-safety/service-animals
253-649-1500 -3629 S. D St, Tacoma.

FALL PREVENTION & SAFETY

FALL PREVENTION

PIERCE COUNTY FALLS PREVENTION WEB RESOURCES
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/444/Falls-Prevention-Web-Resources/

Helpful Links

• Falls Free: A National Falls Prevention Action Plan
• Center of Excellence for Fall Prevention
• National Resource Center on Supportive Housing and Home Modification
• CDC Compendium of Effective Community-Based Interventions
• CDC Falls Among Older Adults
• Patient Safety and Quality Healthcare
• National Safety Council
• WA State Dept. of Health Report - Falls Among Older Adults: Strategies for Prevention
• Falls brochures for older adults
  o Check for Safety Home Check-up (CDC)
  o What You Can Do to Prevent Falls (CDC)
  o Getting Up from a Fall (American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons)

STAY ACTIVE & INDEPENDENT FOR LIFE (S.A.I.L.)
An evidence-based strength, balance, and fitness program for adults 65 and older. Performing exercises that improve strength, balance and fitness are the single most important activity that adults can do to stay active and reduce their chance of falling.

S.A.I.L. CLASSES
The Mustard Seed Project www.themustardseedproject.org/
253-884-9814 -9016 54th Ave Court NW, Lakebay -Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10 am
Assessment required. $5 fee, punch cards available.

Key Peninsula Community Services
http://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.org/ 253-884-4440
17015 9th St Court NW, Lakebay -Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:15 am (Signing up for the waiting list is required prior to admission to class.)

Tai Ji Quan
The traditional legacy of using Tai Ji Quan for self-defense, mindful nurturing of well-being, and fitness enhancements expanded to more contemporary applications that focus on promoting better balance, physical and mental health, enhancing general well-being, preventing chronic diseases, and being an effective clinical intervention for diverse medical conditions.

TAI JI QUAN CLASSES
Key Peninsula Community Services
http://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.org/ 253-884-4440; 17015 9th St Court
NW, Lakebay - Class is held on a continuing basis **Mondays and Fridays from 9:00 am.** The course lasts 44 weeks (about 10 months).

**SAFETY**

**MEDICAL ALERT SYSTEMS**
A medical alert system provides you with a button you can push for assistance during an emergency. The help button is usually worn as a pendant or wristband, but you can also place buttons on the walls throughout your home. These buttons can be monitored or unmonitored.

3 key questions to answer before choosing your medical alert system.
1. Do you want home-based (landline) or mobile (cellphone)?
2. Should your system be monitored or not?
3. Should you add fall detection?

**BEST MEDICAL SYSTEMS OF 2022** [https://www.medicalalertbuyersguide.org/](https://www.medicalalertbuyersguide.org/)

**BAY ALARM MEDICAL 855-412-1539** [www.bayalarmmedical.com/](http://www.bayalarmmedical.com/)

**MEDICAL GUARDIAN 800-695-7419** [https://www.safehome.org/medical-alert-systems/medical-guardian/](https://www.safehome.org/medical-alert-systems/medical-guardian/)

**MEDICAL ALERT 800-260-4204** [www.medicalalert.com/](http://www.medicalalert.com/)

**GETSAFE 855-890-5242** [www.getsafe.com](http://www.getsafe.com)

**LIFESTATION 855-890-0129** [www.lifestation.com/](http://www.lifestation.com/)

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**REASSURANCE PROGRAMS**

**PIERCE COUNTY AGING AND LONG-TERM CARE TELEPHONE REASSURANCE PROGRAM** [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/697/Telephone-Reassurance-Program#:~:text=Overview,(800)%20562%2D0332](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/697/Telephone-Reassurance-Program#:~:text=Overview,(800)%20562%2D0332)

If you live anywhere in Pierce County, apply for this free service by contacting the Aging & Disability Resource Center at (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332
The Reassurance Program promotes security of “at risk” seniors, reduction of isolation, victimization, and health concerns, and provides daily telephone reassurance calls. Participants receive a phone call (up to five days a week at a prearranged time) from a trained volunteer working with law enforcement agencies in Pierce County. If the participant does not answer the phone, a procedure of safety checks is followed before an emergency response (911) is initiated.

ASSISTANCE

2-1-1 https://wa211.org/about-2-1-1/

2-1-1 is a free confidential community service and your one-stop connection to the local services you need, from utility assistance, food, housing, health, childcare, after school programs, elder care, crisis intervention and much more. 2-1-1 is always ready to assist you in finding the help you need. Dial the three-digit number 2-1-1 on your phone or find Help here. If you are outside of Washington or have a problem dialing the number 2-1-1, please dial 1-877-211-9274.

BENEFITS

BENEFITS CHECK UP https://benefitscheckup.org/

There are over 2,500 benefit programs available nationwide. Find out what benefits may be available in your area. Take this checkup online, fill out a confidential questionnaire. Answer questions to find benefit programs that can help you pay for medications, health care, food, utilities and more.

OR call 253-884-1333 and let us help you. Key Senior Information Center (KSIC) http://themustardseedproject.org/ 253-884-1333 -9016 154th Ave Court NW, Lakebay. The Mustard Seed’s trained volunteers can sit with you and walk through this online resource.

FIREWOOD BANK
FIREWOOD BANK a program of THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT  
[http://themustardseedproject.org/](http://themustardseedproject.org/)  253-884-9814  -9016 154\textsuperscript{th} Ave Court NW, Lakebay, approval required. Those eligible will receive one-half cord annually, October-April.

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**FOOD BANKS**

**BISCHOFF FOOD BANK** [https://www.kpbfoodbank.org/](https://www.kpbfoodbank.org/)  253-884-1997 -12402 134\textsuperscript{TH} AVE NW, Gig Harbor.

The Bischoff Food Bank is here for the community and is staffed and supported by the community. As such, we strive to meet each client right where they are at, with compassion, respect, and love.  
**Hours:** Tuesday and Wednesday 2:00 pm -5:00 pm  
Friday and Saturday 2:00 pm -5:00 pm

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**FOOD BACKPACKS FOR KIDS** [https://www.foodbackpacks4kids.org/](https://www.foodbackpacks4kids.org/)  253-857-7401 -9127 154\textsuperscript{th} Ave Ct NW, Lakebay.

Our mission is to meet the nutritional needs of hungry children and families at times when other resources are not available and to be a stable source of healthy foods for those who need it most. We envision a community where every child is well-fed, can achieve their full potential, and where no family is food insecure.

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**GIG HARBOR PENINSULA FISH FOOD BANK** [www.ghpfishfoodbank.com/](http://www.ghpfishfoodbank.com/)  
253-858-6179 -4425 Burnham Dr., Gig Harbor. Fish Food Bank provides a week’s worth of food per visit, up to four times during an emergency. If further food assistance is needed, an extension may be granted on a case-by-case basis. Documentation will be required. Elderly and disabled clients may be eligible for ongoing monthly food assistance.  
**Hours:** Monday 9:30 am -3:30 pm, Tuesday closed, Wednesday 9:30 am -6:00 pm, Thursday 9:30 am -6:00 pm and Friday 9:30 am -3:30 pm.

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**KEY PENINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES (KPCS)** [www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.com/](http://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.com/)  253-884-4440 -17015 - 9\textsuperscript{th} St Ct NW, Lakebay. KPCS had a modest start as a small Food Bank serving local people at risk of hunger. Since then, we have grown to a robust program offering Food Baskets, Commodities, a Bread Closet, and sit-down meals and a Senior Center.  
If you, or someone you know, is hungry please call 253-884-4440 for information.
If you are over 60, or know someone who is, give us a call for information regarding our home-cooked meals, made fresh daily in-house.

**Food Bank Hours:**
- Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM and 12:45 PM - 3:00 PM
- Wednesday 10:00 - 11:45 AM and 12:45 PM - 5:45 PM
- Photo ID plus a piece of mail showing a Key Peninsula address required. Food banks are accessible once a month.

**NOURISH MOBILE FOOD BANK at COSTLESS PHARMACY**  [https://nourishpc.org/need-food/](https://nourishpc.org/need-food/)  253-383-3164 -14218 92nd Ave NW, Gig Harbor.
Friday’s 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Nourish Mobile Food Bank will be in the parking lot of Costless Pharmacy. Bring ID card, names, and birthdates of everyone in your household, grocery bags are helpful.

**FOOD STAMPS**

**Basic Food**
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES (DSHS)**
[https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-services-offices/basic-food/](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-services-offices/basic-food/)  877-476-6819
5712 Main St SW Suite 100, Lakewood.
The U.S. Department of Agriculture Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, called Basic Food in Washington, helps people with low incomes make ends meet by providing monthly benefits to buy food.

**TAXES**

**FREE TAX PREPARATION PROGRAM -VITA**
The IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs offer free basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals. The VITA program has operated for over 50 years. VITA sites offer free tax help to people who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns.

Free tax assistance is available for persons with annual income under $58,000 during the tax season, middle of January to the last day of filing season.

**Find a VITA or TCE Site Near You**
VITA and TCE sites are located at community and neighborhood centers, libraries, schools, shopping malls and other convenient locations across the country. To locate the nearest VITA or TCE site near you, use the [VITA Locator Tool](https://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-qualifying-taxpayers) or call 800-906-9887.
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AND DEFERRALS:

RENTAL AND MORTGAGE

ASSOCIATED MINISTRIES http://www.associatedministries.org/ 253-383-3056; -901 South 13th Street, Tacoma.
Foreclosure counseling helps preserve your most important asset - your home. Links to foreclosure workshops and Foreclosure Intake Packet are located on the website. Financial information is also available on this website.

PIERCE COUNTY COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/4848/Down-Payment-Assistance
800-767-4663 x459
Down Payment Assistance Program makes funding available to assist lower-income households that qualify for a mortgage but lack resources for their down payment.

Helping our communities succeed by providing quality housing for our neighbors.

PIERCE COUNTY HOUSING & SHELTER SERVICES.
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/3715/Homeless-Programs
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/4802/Housing-Interventions
Pierce County Human Services Homeless Programs supports a coordinated entry system for families and individuals experiencing homelessness. Residents in need of housing services can contact 2-1-1 weekdays from 8AM-4PM for on-demand support or to schedule an appointment. 24-hour voicemail is available nights and weekends.

You may know or have known a friend or family member who has needed a hand or a second chance in life. St. Vincent de Paul provides spiritual, material, and financial assistance to those facing immediate crisis, regardless of race, religion, or orientation. We welcome everyone with compassion and without judgment. You may know us for our thrift store (2525 Bethel Rd SE, Port Orchard, WA 98366), but our mission is much broader!
UTILITIES


Services are available to any community member facing eviction, power or water shutoff, or other serious needs. A person must live on Key Peninsula or Gig Harbor and provide a Social Security number, picture ID and food stamp card if you have one. Appointments are necessary; call between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday to schedule.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  http://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1280/Energy  253-798-4400

Energy Assistance resources are limited. Check for eligibility by calling the automated appointment line at 1-855-798-HEAT (4328).

The EAP pays heating bills directly to utility companies for eligible applicants.

The assistance program operates during the “heating season,” usually November through April.

Payments are based on eligible household’s fuel usage for the past 12 months. All applicants receive education on energy conservation, utility payment plans, and budgeting.

LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)  https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps keep families safe and healthy through initiatives that assist families with energy costs. We provide federally funded assistance in managing costs associated with home energy bills, energy crises, weatherization, and energy-related minor home repairs. LIHEAP can help you stay warm in the winter and cool in the summer through programs that reduce the risk of health and safety problems that arise from unsafe heating and cooling practices.

MANNA MINISTRIES Peninsula Lutheran Church of Gig Harbor:  253-851-3428 - 5114 Pt. Fosdick Dr NW, #107 Gig Harbor. This is a volunteer group that may provide financial assistance with utility bills and rent, gas vouchers.

PENINSULA LIGHT COMPANY  https://www.penlight.org/member-services/discounts/  253-857-5950 -13315 Goodnough Dr NW, Gig Harbor
The light company offers 25% discount to low-income seniors (age 62+) as well as disabled adult individuals who live in Peninsula Light’s service territory year-round and have established service for the previous six months.


Our Project Help program is designed to help income-qualifying families with up to $200 of support each year. The program provides funds through a partnership with Key Peninsula Community Services to offset those who need assistance with their electric bill. Project Help operates annually from November through April, when electric bills are at their peak due to seasonal temperatures.

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**CARE FOR YOUR HEALTH**

**DENTAL CARE**

**CENTER FAMILY DENTISTRY** [http://www.keycenterdental.com/](http://www.keycenterdental.com/)

253-884-9455 -9013 Key Peninsula Hwy NW #H, Lakebay.

If you are a patient located on the Key Peninsula, or in the surrounding Gig Harbor area, we would be happy to hear from you and answer any questions you may have. If you are anxious about dental care, please give us a call and let us know your concerns. We work with each of our patients to keep you comfortable and at ease in the office. We care for all ages, and it is our goal to send our friends and neighbors off with a smile.

**KEY PENINSULA DENTAL CLINIC** [https://www.pchsweb.org/locations/key-peninsula-dental-clinic/](https://www.pchsweb.org/locations/key-peninsula-dental-clinic/) 360-377-3776 -11901 137th Ave NW A, Gig Harbor. The Key Peninsula Clinic is conveniently located in the Key Central Plaza, off the Key Peninsula Highway. The integrated clinic features medical, behavioral health, and dental services in one setting as well as a Class A pharmacy where patients can obtain their prescription medications. The Key Peninsula Clinic also features drive-through pharmacy services for our patients. All patients check in through a central receptionist area. The medical clinic contains nine examination rooms and one minor procedure room. The dental clinic has five open examination rooms and two private rooms.

**TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ORAL HEALTH:** [https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/oral-health/](https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/oral-health/) 3629 South D Street, Tacoma Good oral health is critical to good health. Bad oral health can reduce our quality of life. We work to improve Pierce County residents' health. The Oral Health program provides: Referrals for residents more than 20 years of age who have limited access to care. Comprehensive Community Oral Health Program (CCOHP).
HEARING CARE

PIERCE COUNTY HEARING RESOURCES -LOW INCOME CLINICS

https://www.piercecountywa.gov/482/Hearing-Resources/

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MEDICAL CARE

KEY FREE CLINIC http://keyfreeclinic.org/ 253-358-5436
8903 Key Peninsula Hwy NW, Vaughn.
The free clinic provides free medical care to the Key Peninsula for those in need. Our focus is on non-emergency medical issues. We will also help with referrals for patients needing ongoing, long-term medical care. We can write orders for diagnostic testing, x-rays, as well as prescription medicine.
Hours -Thursdays 5:30 -8:00 pm.

KEY MEDICAL CENTER https://www.commhealth.org/services/medical-clinics/key-medical-center/ 253-884-9221 -15610 89TH St Ct NW, Lakebay.
Staff at Key Medical Center includes a family care physician, a pediatrician, a physician’s assistant, and more who are here to ensure you and your family remain healthy. Patients from the Key Medical Center can access our dental, pharmacy, and urgent care services at our other clinic locations.
Monday — Friday: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Closed for Lunch: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM  
Closed for team meetings: Every Thursday 1:00pm-1:30pm, 2nd Wednesday of Each Month: Closed at 12:00 PM for the remainder of the day.  
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

KEY PENINSULA MEDICAL CLINIC https://www.pchsweb.org/locations/key-peninsula-dental-clinic/ 360-377-3776 -11901 137th Ave NW A, Gig Harbor. The Key Peninsula Clinic is conveniently located in the Key Central Plaza, off the Key Peninsula Highway. The integrated clinic features medical, behavioral health, and dental services in one setting as well as a Class A pharmacy where patients can obtain their prescription medications. The Key Peninsula Clinic also features drive-through pharmacy services for our patients. All patients check in through a central receptionist area. The medical clinic contains nine examination rooms and one minor procedure room. The dental clinic has five open examination rooms and two private rooms.

VISION CARE

BLIND AND PARTIALLY SIGHTED RESOURCES https://www.piercecountywa.gov/401/Blind-Partially-Sighted-Resources  
Low Vision Information and Referral Services. 888-331-7007.

Vision Care Resource Information

- Animal Services
- Assistive Technology
- Books - Tapes - Videos
- Braille
- Catalog Information
- CCTV, Repair, Enlargers
- Diabetic Information
- Grocery Assistance
- Home Care Assistance
- Independent Living Providers
- Information & Assistance
- Organizations
- Recreation & Entertainment
- Support & Support Groups
• Telephone
• Transportation
• Vision Assistance & Information

**EYE CARE -FREE RESOURCES** [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/438/Eye-Care---Free-Resources/](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/438/Eye-Care---Free-Resources/) 253-798-4600 (ADRC)
Lions Club & Sight Life was founded by the Northwest Lion's Club and collaborates with local Lions Clubs to promote hearing and eyesight health. Services provided may include eye exams and eyeglasses (through the local clubs only) and hearing exams and refurbished hearing aids (at no or little cost) through the Sight Life Foundation. Individuals who want help must first contact their local Lion's Club and be referred to Sight Life.

**KEY PENINSULA LIONS CLUB** [https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/keypeninsulawa/](https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/keypeninsulawa/) 253-853-2721, ask for Cindy
The Lions Club operates an eyeglass and hearing aid recycling program (with a drop box at the Mustard Seed Project in Key Center.) Lions Club of Key Peninsula provides hearing screenings and free eyeglasses for eligible people.

**WASHINGTON TALKING BOOK & BRAILLE LIBRARY**
[https://www.wtbbl.org/](https://www.wtbbl.org/) 800-542-0866 -2021 9th Ave, Seattle
The Washington Talking Book & Braille Library (WTBBL) is a program of the Washington State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State. Located in Seattle, WTBBL provides library services state-wide, at the library and by mail, to any Washington resident unable to read standard print material due to blindness, visual impairment, deaf-blindness, physical disability (cannot hold a book or turn pages) or reading disability.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**

**MEDICARE** [https://www.medicare.gov/basics/get-started-with-medicare](https://www.medicare.gov/basics/get-started-with-medicare)
Medicare is health insurance for people 65 or older. You are first eligible to sign up for Medicare 3 months before you turn 65. You may be eligible to get Medicare earlier if you have a disability, End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), or ALS (also called Lou Gehrig’s disease).

**OR call 253-884-1333 and let us help you! Key Senior Information Center (KSIC)**
The Mustard Seed’s volunteers can sit with you and walk through this online resource.
Special Help for Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries

Find out more about these opportunities:
- Medicare Savings Programs
- Extra Help for Prescriptions
- South Sound Outreach Services - (253) 596-0918 or (800) 562-6900
- Pierce County Aging & Disability Resource Center - (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332.

PIERCE COUNTY PROJECT ACCESS (PCPA) https://www.pcprojectaccess.org/
253- 572-7265 -4301 S Pine St, Ste 455, Tacoma.

Our mission is to improve the health of individuals, families, and communities by ensuring pathways to health services for Pierce County residents in need and our vision is for every Pierce County resident to have equitable access to medical care.

Premium Assistance Program: Recognized by the Washington Health Benefit Exchange as a certified sponsorship organization. PCPA pays the monthly premium of a Silver level plan available on the Washington Healthplanfinder website for the enrolled individual or family for the plan year.

Donated Care program: PCPA works with over 700 medical providers across Pierce County who donate a controlled number of appointments per year. Patients are enrolled for six-month time periods. Primary care and specialty care are available through the PCPA network.

SHIBA HelpLine is a program of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner. It provides free, unbiased information about health care coverage and access to help improve the lives of all Washington state residents. We cultivate community commitment through partnership, service, and volunteering. SHIBA in Pierce County is sponsored by South Sound Outreach Services.

WASHINGTON HEALTH PLAN FINDER https://www.wahealthplanfinder.org/ 800-562-3022
1231 Free or low-cost Apple Health (MEDICAID). Free or low-cost Washington Apple Health is available year-round, and you may qualify for a special enrollment if you are uninsured or have certain life changes. Browse 2022 health plans, including Cascade Care plans.
HOME CARE – HOME HEALTH

HOME CARE, Home care is care that allows a person with special needs to stay in their home. It might be for people who are getting older (aging in place). It could also be for people who are chronically ill, recovering from surgery, or have a disability.

HOME HEALTH, Home health is medical care provided in a patient’s home. Home care can include broad care given by skilled medical professionals, including skilled nursing care, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy. Home health care can also include skilled, non-medical care, such as medical social services or assistance with daily living from a highly qualified home health aide. As the Medicare program describes, home health care is unique as a care setting not only because the care is provided in the home, but the care itself is "usually less expensive, more convenient, and just as effective" as care given in a hospital or skilled nursing facility.

AGENCIES THAT HELP

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC)  
Pacific Ave Ste. 200, Tacoma. Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is a program of ADR and serves as the front-door to the local LTSS delivery system, providing unbiased information, community outreach / education, help accessing services and person-centered care planning / care coordination to meet the individual needs of older adults, persons with disabilities and their caregivers.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING (AAA)  
AAA offices are a tremendous resource and one of the best places to start for any adult over 60 who needs or wants additional support or services. Your local AAA staff are experts on what services and support are available where you live. AAA staff can help assess the current situation and plan for what is needed. They are also a valuable resource for family or friends who are providing care to an aging adult and need information, support, and/or respite services. Find the local AAA office. AAA's helps older adults plan and find additional care, services, or programs. Help can range from getting services for a weakened adult so he/she can remain at home to providing access to activities and socialization through programs like senior centers. They also provide support and services to the family or friends helping to care for older adults.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES (CCS)  
Catholic Community Services provides non-medical assistance to aging persons and those with disabilities living in their homes – in every county in western Washington. Homecare workers do everything from housework, such as the grocery
shopping, the laundry, and dishes, to personal care such as dressing, bathing, and helping to transfer from the bed. Care ranges from hours a day, to around the clock. For all income levels, CCS brings affordable, personal care every day, sustaining those who are served with dignity – in the home they cherish.

COPES -COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM ENTRY SYSTEM. HELP FOR IN-HOME SERVICES https://www.piercecountywa.gov/412/COPES---Help-for-In-Home-Services/ COPES is a Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver program that pays for services for people in community settings. These services help people who would otherwise need to be in nursing homes. “COPES” stands for Community Options Program Entry System.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE COPES PROGRAM https://www.washingtonlawhelp.org/

HOW TO APPLY FOR COPES
Apply for COPES one of two ways: by filing an application online or by submitting a paper application to a local DSHS Home and Community Services (HCS) office. The website for filing an online application is Washington Connection https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/
The website for downloading a paper application [form HCA 18-00], Washington Apple Health Application for Long-Term Care/Aged, Blind, Disabled Coverage is https://www.hca.wa.gov/medicaid/forms/Documents/18-005.pdf/
You may also pick up the application form at an HCS office. A paper application may be returned to PO Box 45826 Olympia WA 98504 or to your local HCS office.
To find the right office, call 1-800-422-3263 or use the online tool to find the HCS office in your county https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/resources

HAVEN IN ALLYN www.havenninallyn.com/ 360-277-0636 -180 E. Wheelwright Street, Allyn Our wide range of personal care services include Assisted Living, Home Care, Adult Day Health, Memory Care, and Respite Care. We love, honor and value people. We hold ourselves accountable to our residents, their families, and our staff. We strive to be an active part of the solution to any challenge.

HIRING A PROVIDER CHECKLIST https://www.piercecountywa.gov/485/Hiring-a-Provider-Checklist/

IN-HOME CARE AND HOME HEALTH PROVIDERS-PIERCE COUNTY https://www.piercecountywa.gov/486/Home-Care---Home-Health/
In-Home Care and Home Health Care mean any type of care given to a person in their own home. Both phrases are used interchangeably regardless of whether the person requires skilled care or not.
RIGHT AT HOME  https://www.rightathome.net/gig-harbor/  253-509-0728 -8805
N. Harborview Drive, # 202, Gig Harbor. We believe there is more to caring for people than just providing in-home assistance. You deserve a care partner that understands the course of your journey and will help you navigate the road ahead. Whether it is preparing a meal or providing 24-hour care, we will be there for you.

HOSPICE CARE
Hospice care is a special kind of care that focuses on the quality of life for people and their caregivers who are experiencing an advanced, life-limiting illness. Hospice care provides compassionate care for people in the last phases of incurable disease so that they may live as fully and comfortably as possible.

The hospice philosophy accepts death as the final stage of life: it affirms life but does not try to hasten or postpone death. Hospice care treats the person and symptoms of the disease, rather than treating the disease itself. A team of professionals work together to manage symptoms so that a person’s last days may be spent with dignity and quality, surrounded by their loved ones. Hospice care is also family-centered – it includes the patient and the family in making decisions.

PALLIATIVE CARE
Palliative care is specialized medical care for people living with a serious illness, such as cancer or heart failure. Patients in palliative care may receive medical care for their symptoms, or palliative care, along with treatment intended to cure their serious illness. Palliative care is meant to enhance a person's current care by focusing on quality of life for them and their family.

WASHINGTON STATE HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE ORGANIZATION
https://wshpco.org/  253-661-3739 (message only)
The Washington State Hospice & Palliative Organization (WSHPCO) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization committed to taking a leadership role in improving end-of-life care through education and advocacy efforts.
We are dedicated to promoting and maintaining quality, compassionate care for those facing life-threatening illnesses.
The WSHPCO works to broaden the conversations surrounding quality end-of-life care in general wherever that care is being provided — at home, in nursing homes or inpatient facilities, and we take an important leadership role, working with legislators and governmental agencies to promote hospice as the model of care at the end-of-life in any setting and to improve access to hospice services.

HOME REPAIR & WEATHERIZATION
HOME REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM -PIERCE COUNTY
The Home Rehabilitation Program provides low-interest loans of up to $80,000 for low-income homeowners in Pierce County to improve their housing conditions. Loans for disability modifications up to $10,000 are provided at zero interest and are forgiven over seven years. Loan Terms: 1% interest, for a term of 20 years. Deferred monthly loan payments for owners that cannot afford a monthly payment. Loans for disability modifications may be provided to zero percent interest subject to approval. The focus of this program is on rehabilitation, not remodeling of the home. The house must be in Pierce County, excluding the city limits of Tacoma and Lakewood.

HOME REPAIRS PIERCE COUNTY https://www.piercecountywa.gov/1283/Home-Repairs/ 253-798-4400 Option 2
The Pierce County Human Services Home Repair Program is funded through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program provides home repairs to income eligible populations in the form of a grant.

HOME WEATHERIZATION -PIERCE COUNTY
The Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) enables low-income families to reduce their energy costs by increasing the energy efficiency of their homes while ensuring their health and safety. Eligibility is determined by several factors, including the number of people in your household, income sources and more. Pierce County Human Services provides weatherization services to qualifying low-income residents outside the city limits of Tacoma.

HOME WEATHERIZATION PLUS HEALTH https://www.piercecountywa.gov/1290/Home-Weatherization/ 253-798-4400 Option 3
The Washington State legislature expanded its investment in healthy, safe and energy efficient weatherization to include improvements that help children and adults combat asthma and other respiratory issues. This program initiative, called Weatherization Plus Health, combines weatherization improvements in low-income homes with measures that reduce health risks and health costs for impacted families.

REBUILDING TOGETHER SOUTH SOUND (RTSS) https://rebuildingtogetherss.org/ 253-238-0977
Rebuilding Together South Sound’s mission is repairing homes, revitalizing communities, and rebuilding lives with a vision of safe homes and communities for everyone. Our programs provide home modifications and repairs at no cost in the homes of low-income seniors, people with disabilities and families with children who live in Pierce County and the Cities of Federal Way and Auburn. Our
work preserves the existing affordable housing stock and neighborhoods of our communities. By improving the quality of existing homes, we reduce the growing need for other affordable housing options. Visit the website for information on programs, applications, and Q&A.

REPAIR OPTIONS PIERCE COUNTY [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/498/Home-Repair-Options/](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/498/Home-Repair-Options/)
All Income Levels
State of Washington Department of Labor and Industries 800-647-0982
Provides information on contractors, plumbers and electricians who are licensed and bonded in Washington State

HOUSING FOR SENIORS

ADULT FAMILY HOMES

ADULT FAMILY HOMES KEY PENINSULA

To enhance the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities in South Puget Sound by providing opportunities for education, employment, housing, social support, and increased community awareness.

REST STOP ADULT FAMILY HOME [https://www.reststopafh.com/adult-family-home-services/](https://www.reststopafh.com/adult-family-home-services/) 253-884-2103
Rest Stop Adult Family Home offers a compassionate assisted living environment for your loved ones. We cater to residents with a diversity of needs, from young adult residents with developmental disabilities to older adults. Our home, which is wheelchair accessible, is licensed to house six residents and conveys an intimate atmosphere in which one can relax in privacy or share the company of others. Our home includes a licensed nurse who provides exceptional medical care to our residents. This enables us to treat residents with significant medical conditions, such as diabetes, emphysema, and MS.

ADULT FAMILY HOMES IN PIERCE COUNTY [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/388/Adult-Family-Homes/](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/388/Adult-Family-Homes/)
There are more than 200 Adult Family Homes in Pierce County. The best source of information for Adult Family Homes in Pierce County is through the Washington State Aging and Disability Services Administration of the Department of Social and Human Services
ASSISTED LIVING HOMES

The Village is the first assisted living project on the Key Peninsula, providing a much-needed community for seniors to age in place. It features three homes under one long roof, two for assisted living and one for memory care. The Village is an integral part of The Mustard Seed Project designed to enhance the lives of elders, their families, and the entire Key Peninsula community.

Haven in Allyn Assisted Living/ Memory care and Home Care agency offers multiple Senior Care Service. We are located 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) from Seattle, about 20 miles from Gig Harbor, a gem nestled away, on the Hood Canal. Our wide range of personal care services include Assisted Living, Home Care, Adult Day Health, Memory Care and Respite Care. With our qualified team of RN, LPNs, and Caregivers available, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, this allows us to meet the needs of our clients and their families.

ASSISTED LIVING -PIERCE COUNTY
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/395/Assisted-Living/
An assisted living residence is a special combination of housing, personalized supportive services and health care designed to meet the needs - both scheduled and unscheduled - of those who need help with activities of daily living.

AGENCIES THAT HELP WITH SENIOR HOUSING

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES (CCS) PIERCE COUNTY
Aging in place can be a daunting task for people who do not have a safety net of family or other support. Our Senior Housing projects provides rental subsidies from HUD (Housing and Urban Development), onsite social services, and partnerships with other providers to ensure residents have what they need to live in dignity and age in place in their homes. Click here to view our list of Senior Housing Properties.

FAIR HOUSING RESOURCES -PIERCE COUNTY
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/3408/Fair-Housing-Resources/
Pierce County is committed to affirmatively further fair housing in our community by working to remove impediments to fair housing choice. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Fair Housing Planning Guide defines impediments to fair housing choice as:

Any actions, omissions, or decisions taken because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, sex, disability, marital status, familial status, or any other arbitrary factor which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices; or

Any actions, omissions, or decisions which have the effect of restricting housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, sex, disability, marital status, familial status, or any other arbitrary factor.

**LONG-TERM CARE RESIDENTIAL OPTIONS PIERCE COUNTY**


Pierce county has a set of distinct types of homes or facilities where a person can live and get care services in a residential setting. One important consideration is whether the person will be using state funds (Medicaid) to pay for care. If state funds will be used, the home, or facility is required to be licensed by Washington State and accept Medicaid payment for residents. Options include state licensed and not state licensed, nursing homes, adult family homes, assisted living facilities and retirement living.

**SENIOR HOUSING OPTIONS PIERCE COUNTY**

https://www.piercecountywa.gov/509/Housing-Options/

Looking for housing options for yourself, an aging parent, relative, or friend? It can be complicated, confusing, and exhausting. Wherever you are in the process, do not hesitate to call the Pierce County Aging & Disability Resource Center for localized help at (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332.

**SENIOR AND DISABLED LIVING**

Retirement Homes & Retirement Communities
- Adult Family Homes
- Assisted Living
- Skilled Nursing Homes
- Respite Care
- COPES

**SENIOR HOUSING OPTIONS PIERCE COUNTY, CON’T.**

**INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Home Ownership
- Condominiums & Mobile Home Parks
- Rental Apartments & Houses
- Low-Income Senior Apartments
SENIOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE GROUP (SHAG) https://www.housing4seniors.com/ 844-592-7424

61+ ACTIVE ADULT APARTMENT HOME LIVING
SHAG has served the Puget Sound region for over three decades. We have the expertise and passion for creating apartment homes for active agers 61+ who desire more than just a home. Here, the ultimate amenity is community. Experience freedom, fun, and friendships all under one roof. This is your time, and we have just the place where you can make it your best life. You will find that an active, carefree, and sustainable lifestyle in a community of friends is well within your reach.

TACOMA PIERCE COUNTY COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS
https://www.pchomeless.org/ The Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness is a network of individuals, non-profit organizations, government agencies, faith communities, and community businesses working together to end homelessness. Our end goal is to help folks establish safe housing as quickly as possible and help them to retain that housing, so their homeless episode is short and never repeated. The coalition’s work addresses many of the factors that drive homelessness.

IN NEED OF FURNITURE?

NW FURNITURE BANK. https://www.nwfurniturebank.org/ 253-302-3868 117 Puyallup Ave, Tacoma

Dozens of agencies work with the homeless, domestic violence victims and low-income population providing temporary housing and recovery programs, but when their clients complete the programs, they may have new housing and a new focus for their life, but they often have no furniture. NW Furniture Bank meets these needs by providing furniture to those transitioning into their own homes. Furniture is also available for foster children who age out of the program, and for people who lose all their possessions in natural disasters such as fire or flood. The NW Furniture Bank strives to give their clients a bed to sleep on, a sofa to sit on, and a table to eat from. Hundreds of volunteers are using their time, talents, and donated furniture to restore hope, dignity and stability to families that are working hard to rebuild their lives.

LEGAL SERVICES
ELDER LAW ATTORNEYS

ELDER LAW ATTORNEYS - PIERCE COUNTY [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/427/Elder-Law-Attorneys/]

The Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center provides this list as a convenience to consumers. We do not recommend or endorse any individual or company. Consumers should always ask for references and proof of professional licensing.

Elder law attorneys understand and work with Medicaid law, trusts, estates, wills, tax law and more.

TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION LAWYER REFERRAL

945-Fawcett Ave, Suite C, Tacoma.

The Lawyer Referral Service connects callers with legal resources. If you can pay to hire an attorney, we schedule an initial 30-minute phone consultation with the appropriate type of attorney for most legal problems. The non-refundable fee is $40 payable by VISA or MasterCard. Services beyond the 30-minutes consultation is between you and the attorney at regular attorney rates.

Kerry Brink brings experience, insight, and compassion to her practice in the areas of estate planning, probate, and elder law.

Since 2006, Heather’s practice has focused on elder law issues involving probate and trust disagreements, guardianship, vulnerable adult protection orders, and powers of attorney,

Bryana Cross Bean [https://crossbeanlegal.com/] 253-203-3352 or 253-327-3387 5775 Soundview Drive, Suite B202; Gig Harbor
Practicing in estate planning, elder law, probate, real estate, contracts and deeds, and business formation.

Includes guardianship, wills, probate, power of attorney, trusts, and estate planning.

Includes estate planning, guardianships, mediation, and arbitration.
Business litigation, wrongful termination, regulatory retaliation, whistleblower, false claims act, marijuana and liquor, personal injury, discrimination and harassment, estate planning litigation.

Elder law, estate administration, estate planning, guardianship, Medicaid, power of attorney, probate law, retirement planning, and wills

Eileen Peterson [https://gth-law.com/attorney/eileen-s-peterson/ 253-620-6419  
1201 Pacific Ave, #2200, Tacoma.  
Asset protection, disposition authorizations, estate planning, estate taxes, gifts, guardianships, health care directives, life insurance trusts, power of attorney, prenuptial agreements, probate, revocable living trusts and wills.

We believe we can earn your trust by offering expertise in Medicaid planning, long term care, nursing homes, asset transfers, gifts and estate tax, power of attorney, guardianships, wills, and trusts.

Timothy Williams is an experienced Washington elder law attorney devoted to estate planning and administration, probates, guardianships, special needs trusts for the elderly disabled, mentally and those with development disabilities, Medicaid, long term care planning, estate preservation. While he does not give free consultations, his rates are reasonable.

Practices include elder abuse, Medicaid planning, civil litigation, estate planning, special needs law, probate, guardianship, and elder care mediation.

Nancy Lee [http://www.nancyleelaw.comcastbiz.net/44312.html 253-904-8612  
1101 E Main, Ste 449, Puyallup.  
Practices include elder law, disability planning, guardianship, probate or estate administration, and estate planning.

**Be sure to inquire about fees at the outset.**
**For complaints against attorneys**, contact The Washington State Bar Association at 800-945-9722 or [www.wsba.org/](http://www.wsba.org/)  
**For peer reviews of attorneys**, contact [www.avvo.com](http://www.avvo.com)
OTHER LEGAL SERVICES

CENTER FOR DIALOG AND RESOLUTION https://centerforresolution.org/ 253-572-3657
Open by appointment only.
Mediation is appropriate for any civil dispute that does not involve violence or crime, so long as all relevant parties are willing to sit down and talk things over with the assistance of a mediator. Examples of disputes appropriate for mediation include family conflicts, neighborhood conflicts, and contract disputes.

CLEAR (COORDINATED LEGAL EDUCATION, ADVICE AND REFERRAL) https://nwjustice.org/clear-hotline/ Pierce County Residents CALL 888-201-1014
If you are over sixty, low-income and have a non-criminal legal problem outside King County, call CLEAR weekdays from 9:15 AM. until 12:15 PM Also, seniors aged sixty or over may call CLEAR Senior, 888-387-7111, regardless of income or the county in which they live.

END OF LIFE DOCUMENTS https://www.piercecountywa.gov/433/End-of-Life-Documents
The documents referred to below deal with important end of life issues. Every adult should have these documents in place - regardless of your age or health. Life is fragile. Accidents happen.
Should you be incapacitated and unable to speak for yourself, how will your wishes be known? Who knows what your wishes are for your healthcare? Who will make those decisions for you? And on what basis will those decisions be made?
All these documents should be completed and stored in a safe place. Notify a trusted individual of the exact location of these documents. Talk with family and friends about your choices for healthcare. Plan. Accidents do not come with warning.
For more information, visit Washington Law Help. Select "Aging / Elder Law" for more information about wills, probate, and other advanced directives.
For additional information, contact the Pierce County Aging & Disability Resource Center at (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332.

FREE CIVIL LEGAL AID PIERCE COUNTY https://tacomaprobono.org/ 253-572-5134 -621 Tacoma Ave S, Ste 302, Tacoma
Tacomaprobono changes lives, fights systemic racism, and works against chronic poverty by providing access to timely, effective, professional civil legal aid services for low-income clients. We are focused on providing efficient, dignified solutions to legal issues affecting basic human needs such as housing and family safety.

IDENTITY THEFT PIERCE COUNTY https://www.piercecountywa.gov/511/Identity-Theft/ 253-798-4600
The information contained on this website has been compiled by the Aging & Disability Resource Center, a trusted source.
To report identity theft in Washington state.
Go to https://www.identitytheft.gov/#/

SOUND OUTREACH https://soundoutreach.org/ 253-593-2111 -1106 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Tacoma. Hours Mon -Fri 8:30 am -5:00 pm, Friday by appointment.
Sound Outreach helps Pierce County residents experiencing low and/or fixed incomes build financial security through financial coaching, job training, and other connected services. Our Financial and Employment Coaches provide guidance and tools focused on increasing household income, attaining relief from predatory loans, improving credit scores, achieving high-wage jobs, and realizing long-term financial goals. Our services are always free; it is our mission to stabilize, elevate, and motivate our clients to greater heights.

WASHINGTON LAW HELP https://www.washingtonlawhelp.org/
Washington Law Help is a guide to free civil legal services for low-income persons and seniors in Washington. This site provides legal education materials and tools that give you basic information on a handful of legal problems, and in some cases, detailed instructions, and forms to help you represent yourself in court. You can also locate information on free legal aid programs in Washington, including basic eligibility and contact information.

WASHINGTON STATE PRO BONO COUNCIL  https://www.probonocouncil.org/
Washington Pro Bono Council members provide free legal aid services. Sometimes difficult things happen in life, like losing a job, facing eviction from a home, or experiencing trauma like domestic violence or sexual assault. Many people having these experiences could benefit from legal help, but they do not know where to turn or cannot afford a lawyer.
Civil legal aid is a combination of free services and resources that nonprofit organizations provide to people who cannot afford legal help otherwise A lawyer can help you navigate the confusing legal system to see if there is a legal solution that can help you improve your situation. Civil legal aid is different from criminal representation. This is not intended to be a resource for people who are being accused of a crime.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

ANGEL GUILD THRIFT SHOP 253-884-9333 -9017 Key Peninsula Highway (In the “Corral”) NW, Key Center.
Call ahead, sometimes the Guild has small medical equipment for sale at a nominal price. Angel Guild accepts vouchers from Key Peninsula Community Services. The store is open Thursday -Saturday 10:00 am– 4:00 pm.
APRIA HEALTHCARE  https://www.apria.com/locations/  253-922-3481 -405 Black Hills LN SW, Olympia. Locations in Fife, WA and Bremerton, WA as well. Through our home respiratory therapy, sleep therapy, pharmacy network, negative pressure wound therapy and home medical equipment, we are here to ensure patients receive the care they need.

DONOR CLOSET  http://www.mshh-donorcloset.com/  253-327-1033 -3635 S. Lawrence St. Suite E., Tacoma. When durable medical and mobility equipment is no longer needed most people feel that the right thing to do is pass it along so it can help someone else. That is where MSHH comes in. We are all volunteers who accept donations of this good equipment, refurbish it, and make it available to others at a very affordable “suggested minimum donation” amount. And, because we are a 501 (C)3 non-profit charity, the money that we take above our expenses is made available to assist those in Washington, Northern Idaho, Montana, and Alaska with Multiple Sclerosis. We do not charge tax and your donations may be tax deductible.


THE HUB THRIFT STORE AND CENTER FOR SENIORS  https://hubhappenings.org/  360-275-0535 -111 NE Old Belfair Hwy. Faith in Action helps their senior and disabled neighbors remain independent and in their homes through a variety of free, volunteer-based services. These services include escorted transportation to appointments and shopping, minor home repairs, respite care, yardwork, housework and more. They provide in-kind donations, advocacy, and referrals. They have a Hub Center for Seniors and provide meals, exercise, educational, recreational, and social opportunities for the under-served and disabled residents of north mason county.

OLYMPIC PHARMACY  https://olympicpharmacy.com/Products.html/  253-858-9941 x 2003 -4700 Point Fosdick Dr, Gig Harbor. At Olympic Pharmacy, we believe that our patients need choices. Our product selection caters to patients from all social classes; from the smallest child to the most active adult, we have it all. In addition to our extensive retail store, which stocks a wide range of personal hygiene products, over-the-counter medications, and much more, you are sure to find the most complete inventory.

WHEELCHAIR HAVEN  https://www.wheelchairhaven.com/  253-926-8971 -8411 Pacific Hwy E, Tacoma. Our store is your one stop shop for everything you need for home medical equipment. We offer new and used equipment, a wide variety of accessories AND service or repairs if needed! Wheelchair Haven is a locally owned and operated store that is solely dedicated to helping and supporting the senior
community. Give us a call today for more information or stop on by! We look forward to finding the perfect medical equipment you need to live comfortably without breaking the bank. Tuesday – Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM; Saturday: 10:00AM - 3:00 PM.

FOOD SHOPPING AND MEALS

FOOD SHOPPING

Screened volunteers provide free door-to-door transportation in their own vehicles. To qualify, riders must live on the Key Peninsula, be aged 60 or older or a medically disabled adult over the age of 18 with a combined household income of $3,000 or less after subtracting rent/mortgage and out-of-pocket medical expenses. All rides must be scheduled with 7 business days advanced notice (business days are Monday through Friday). Eligible adults can request round-trip rides for medical appointments, grocery shopping, social outings and more. This program is made possible through our partnership with Catholic Community Services. Though this service is free, donations are always welcome.

Once monthly KPCS takes seniors on a shopping trip to Port Orchard. Please contact KPCS, 253-884-4440 for specific dates and times.

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) PIERCE COUNTY https://www.piercecountywa.gov/489/Home-Delivered-Meals/ 253-798-4600
The Home-Delivered Meals Program (known elsewhere as 'Meals on Wheels') delivers nutritionally balanced meals during the day to homebound persons - people with disabilities, seniors, people recuperating at home or who have limited mobility, people who have limited mobility or who cannot cook. The meals are delivered frozen, ready for microwave or oven. Usually, a whole week's worth of meals are delivered at a time. Special diet meals are available. Unlike frozen meals purchased at the grocery store, these meals assure individuals receive at least one nutritionally healthy, balanced meal each day. Catholic Community Services, Lutheran Community Services Northwest and Mom’s Meals provide home-delivered meals.

The Home-Delivered Meals Program offers frozen home-delivered meals for older people who are unable to leave their home to shop or prepare nutritious meals. The meals are prepared with
the special dietary needs of seniors in mind and are adaptable to a variety of special diets. There are 30 entrees and five breakfast choices. Complete nutritional information and 'sight impaired' menus are available upon request. Contact Catholic Community Services at 253-474-1300

**Application Process** The application process is to contact the Catholic Community Services Home-Delivered Meals Program at (253) 474-1300. The staff will complete the application by phone. The assessor will call the client to verify the information on the application and set up a delivery schedule.

**HOT MEALS - DELIVERY, PICK-UP OR DINE IN**

**THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT OF KEY PENINSULA**
https://themustardseedproject.org/services/ 253-884-9814 - 9015 154TH ST SW, Lakebay
Please call for information.

**KEY PENINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES**
Key Peninsula Community Services offers meal pick-up, delivery and dine in.

1. **All meals** currently provided by KPCS are **Hot Meals**. We provide 4 meals a week, Tuesdays through Fridays unless it is a Holiday.
2. People can Dine in or Pick Up at KPCS. The suggested donation for each meal is $3.00 for adults aged 60 or more.
3. People 60 and under can participate in the meal program, however they are **required** to donate $5.00. They also need to enroll in the program before reserving meals.
4. There are no Income Requirements for any age. The Dine in time is 12pm.

**GIG HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OPEN TABLE MEALS**
Open Table is a Gig Harbor UMC ministry that exists simply to provide FREE, HOT meals to the community and bring people together for fellowship. Dinner served on the 3rd Monday of the month at 5:30 pm

**PIERCE COUNTY MEAL SITES**
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/553/Meal-Sites
Meal sites do more than just provide a nutritious meal. They may offer a variety of educational and recreational activities, services, and events in addition to regularly scheduled meals. Often, these programs surround the meal service. Call in advance to learn about these special programs. Each location is different. Some meal sites serve special ethnic menus on various days.
If you have any questions about this information, please call the Aging & Disability Resource Center at (253) 798-4600 or (800) 562-0332.

**RECREATION, EXERCISE and ACTIVITIES**
Check the monthly *Key Peninsula News* and *Senior Scene* (available at the Key Center Library & The Mustard Seed Project) for special activities & events.

THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT OF KEY PENINSULA
[https://themustardseedproject.org/services/](https://themustardseedproject.org/services/) 253-884-9814 -9015 154th ST SW, Lakebay
The Mustard Seed Project promotes independent living and quality of life for seniors residing on the Key Peninsula in western Washington by providing services and programs in five focus areas: transportation, information & referral, health and wellness, senior housing options, and community education.

Cornerstones Fellowship group for fifty-five and older meets at Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM for a full meal, including dessert and entertainment ($10), It is a mixed group where “all” are welcome. Call ahead for more information.

HEALTHY AGING TIPS PIERCE COUNTY [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/480/Healthy-Aging](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/480/Healthy-Aging)
The International Council on Active Aging (ICAA), the world's largest association for the senior fitness and wellness industry, and members of its renowned advisory board have posted 30 tips to this website. The tips are specifically aimed at helping older adults become and stay physically active.

KEY CENTER LIBRARY [https://summerreading.pcls.us/signup/](https://summerreading.pcls.us/signup/) 253-548-3309 -8905 Key Peninsula Hwy NW, Lakebay
Reading is an important way to stay engaged during the summer. The library provides reading experiences for all ages to find enrichment and enjoyment in reading, minimize the summer slide, and maintain academic skills. Interest-based reading has been proven to improve school success and it is also fun!

KEY PENINSULA SENIOR SOCIETY [https://www.kpciviccenter.org/](https://www.kpciviccenter.org/) 360-509-5959 -17010 S Vaughn Rd NW, Vaughn
Key Peninsula Senior Society meets on Thursdays 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the KP Civic Center in Vaughn for food, fellowship, and games. Potluck starts at noon, followed by activities.

The choir meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Please call ahead to confirm the date and time.

KPCS had a modest start as a small Food Bank serving local people at risk of hunger. Since then, we have grown to a robust program offering Food Baskets, Commodities, a Bread Closet, sit-down meals,
and a Senior Center. Phone ahead to check on services and activities that are available each month or check the website.

**KEY PENINSULA PARKS**  [https://www.keypenparks.com/]  253-884-9240 -10405 State Route 302, Gig Harbor (Gateway Park)

Key Pen Parks is dedicated to serving our community and its residents. We are deeply committed to the enhancement and preservation of our community’s quality of life. In partnership with our residents, we will always strive to provide and promote the highest quality leisure and recreation environment.


Lakebay Fuchsia Society meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at Vaughn Civic Center or otherwise listed (no meetings in September, December, and January). Myvanwy Shirley, President.

**SHARE AND CARE**  [https://www.chapelhillpc.org/]  253-851-7779 -7700 Skansie Ave, Gig Harbor

Single senior women meet at 12:30 PM the first Tuesday of the month for lunch and conversation. Call the head receptionist, Dawn, for more information.

**TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT GIG HARBOR**  [https://www.tacomacc.edu/about/campuses/gig-harbor-campus/gig-harbor-campus/]  253-460-2424 -3993 Hunt St NW, Gig Harbor

To access TCC’s senior programs and services, dial 253-460-2356. The college offers a variety of classes such as art, computer courses, digital and music as well as other credit and non-credit academic courses. Fees apply.

**TOASTMASTERS**  [https://www.toastmasters.org/Find-a-Club/00003409-key-peninsula-toastmasters-club]  253-514-3393 -Way Point Church 12719 134th Ave NW, Gig Harbor.

Toastmasters meets Thursdays at 8:00 am at Way Point Church, Gig Harbor. There is no membership restriction, the club is open to all interested parties.

**TOM TAYLOR FAMILY YMCA**  [https://www.ymcapkc.org/locations/tom-taylor-family-ymca]  253-853-9622 -10550 Harbor Hill Dr. Gig Harbor

The Y is the leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community by connecting all people to their potential, purpose, and each other. Working locally, we focus on empowering young people, improving health and well-being, and inspiring action in and across communities. By bringing together people from diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and generations, we ensure that we all have access to the opportunities, relationships, and resources necessary to learn, grow, and thrive.

Programs of the Gig Harbor Family YMCA include water exercise, yoga, stretching exercises, and other fitness programs. See website for current class schedules. Call for fee/membership information and current schedules. Discount rates for seniors are available.

**RESPITE CARE & ADULT DAY PROGRAMS**
RESPITE CARE - Respite care provides short-term relief for primary caregivers. It can be arranged for just an afternoon or multiple days or weeks. Care can be provided at home, in a healthcare facility, or at an adult day center.

ADULT DAY PROGRAMS - Adult Day Care meets social and therapeutic needs of elderly and disabled persons. A midday meal is also served. Some funding is available to pay for services. Specialists at the centers work to seek out alternate funding sources for those in need. In addition, there may be funding available for veterans through the VA.

HAVEN IN ALLYN https://www.haveninallyn.com/ 253-277-0636 - 180 E Wheelwright St, Allyn. Haven in Allyn has been a family-centric assisted living agency for over 10 years; offering an exceptional level of memory and home care service for our residents and at-home patients. The Haven is located 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours) from Seattle, and about 20 miles from Gig Harbor. We serve Mason, Kitsap, and Pierce Counties, and accept new residents from across the state. Our location is breathtaking, peaceful, and restful. Truly a gem nestled away, on the Hood Canal. There is much to do and so much natural beauty to take in.

PIERCE COUNTY ADULT DAY SERVICES https://www.piercecountywa.gov/387/Adult-Day-Services
Provided at four sites in Pierce County, Adult Day Care meets social and therapeutic needs of elderly and disabled persons. A midday meal is also served. Some funding is available to pay for services. Specialists at the centers work to seek out alternate funding sources for those in need. In addition, there may be funding available for veterans through the VA.

PIERCE COUNTY RESPITE CARE FOR ADULTS AND SENIORS https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2268/Respite-Care-for-Adults-Seniors
Resources available in Pierce County, Facilities that provide adult respite care in Pierce County.

SENIOR INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

Senior Information and Referral programs provide answers to questions about services, assessment of needs, and referral to local services. They provide help with identification of assistance sources, applications for programs and services, and advocacy on important senior issues.

KEY SENIOR INFORMATION CENTER (KSIC) (a program of The Mustard Seed Project) https://themustardseedproject.org/ 253-884-1333 - 9016 154TH Ave CT NW, Key Center. Trained volunteers provide confidential face-to-face information and referral services Tuesday through Thursday 1 pm to 4 pm. Call ahead to make an appointment. Office is open on Monday - Friday, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCES (ADRC)
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/2128/About-Aging-Disability-Resources/ 253-798-4600 -1305
Tacoma Ave S #104, Tacoma
This is the Pierce County Area Agency on Aging. ADRC provides expert guidance and an access point for those seeking information and assistance regarding programs or services available to older adults or adults with disabilities. This service can range from a brief phone conversation to more in-depth discussion in the home setting. Phone lines are open on Monday - Friday; 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

The Aging and Disability Resources Program offers a wide range of community-based services that allow older adults and adults with disabilities to remain at home if possible. These services address the needs of frail, older and functionally disabled adults living in Pierce County.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON AGING (NCOA) https://www.ncoa.org/
We believe every person deserves to age well. That is why we are on a path to improve the lives of 40 million older adults by 2030. Learn about the work we do, the people we serve, and why equitable aging matters now more than ever.

SENIOR CITIZEN RESOURCES -PIERCE COUNTY
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/709/Senior-Citizen-Resources
The Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer's Office has compiled a variety of information to assist you in maximizing your senior citizen benefits and services. Please feel free to contact us or these agencies directly regarding questions about the benefits and services offered.

- Aging and Disability Resources
- Benefits CheckUp
- Chemical Dependency Services
- City of Tacoma
- Developmental Disabilities
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Housing Assistance and Programs
- National Council on the Aging
- Ombudsman Program
- Pierce Transit
- Senior Citizen and People with Disabilities Deferrals
- Senior Citizen and People with Disabilities Exemptions
- Social Security Administration
- Sound Outreach Financial Coaching & Services
- Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities (TACID)

SOUND OUTREACH https://soundoutreach.org/ 253-593-2111 -1106 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Tacoma
Sound Outreach helps Pierce County residents experiencing low and/or fixed incomes build financial security through financial coaching, job training, and other connected services. Our Financial and Employment Coaches provide guidance and tools focused on increasing household income, attaining relief from predatory loans, improving credit scores, achieving high-wage jobs, and realizing long-term financial goals. Our services are always free; it is our mission to stabilize, elevate, and motivate our clients to greater heights.

UNITED WAY OF PIERCE COUNTY  https://www.uwpc.org/ 253-272-4263 -1501 Pacific Ave Ste 400, Tacoma
Dial 2-1-1 is a simple, easy to use dialing code to access health and human services in Pierce County. United Way of Pierce County has served our community since 1921. Our history is rooted in partnerships—bringing people from various levels of society together to improve conditions for children, families, and individuals. While that will never change, our role as a community fundraiser has shifted as the United Way movement has sharpened our focus to solve key community issues that are preventing people from meeting their full potential. Today we are leading change by breaking the cycle of poverty in Pierce County.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA)  https://www.aa.org/ Alcoholics Anonymous has a solution. That is not an empty promise. A.A. has been helping alcoholics recover for more than 80 years A.A.’s program of recovery is built on the simple foundation of one alcoholic sharing with another. If your drinking is out of control, A.A. can help.
FIND AN AA MEETING NEAR YOU  https://www.aa.org/find-aa/

AA MEETINGS
GATEWAY PARK  10405 WA-302, Gig Harbor.
Meetings will be held Monday – Friday 6:00 pm

KEY PENINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES:
253-884-4440; 17015 9th St Ct NW, Lakebay.
Meetings are held on Sundays and Fridays at 7:00 PM

GIG HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:
253-851-2625; 7400 Pioneer Way, Gig Harbor.
Meetings are held on Mondays at 1 pm, Wednesdays and Sundays at 8 pm.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY  https://www.celebraterecovery.com/ 253-853-7878 -12719 134th Ave NW, Gig Harbor
Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain, or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life. Meetings will be held on **Fridays at 6:30 pm**

**NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS):** 253-531-8792; [www.pcana.org](http://www.pcana.org/)
NA is a nonprofit fellowship of people who suffer from the disease of addiction. They meet on a regular basis to help each other stay clean and share their experience, strength, and hope. If you think you might have a drug problem, please call the Helpline, or attend a meeting.

**FIND AN NA MEETING NEAR YOU** [https://www.na.org/find-na/](https://www.na.org/find-na/)

**NA MEETINGS**
**KEY PENINSULA LUTHERAN CHURCH:**
253-884-3312; 4213 Lackey Rd NW, Lakebay

Meetings held on **Wednesdays 7:15 pm**

**METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (MDC)** [https://mdc-hope.org/](https://mdc-hope.org/)
253-593-2740 721 South Fawcett, Suite 201, Tacoma

Metropolitan Development Council (MDC) works with and advocates for people experiencing poverty to ensure access to services resources and tools needed to create a more equitable community.

**MDC WITHDRAWAL MANAGEMENT** [https://mdc-hope.org/withdrawal-management](https://mdc-hope.org/withdrawal-management)
Following a thorough assessment of community needs, MDC’s 24/7 Withdrawal Management program realigned services and resumed taking patients on April 25, 2022. Guests will be served **24/7 on a walk-in basis at 721 Fawcett Avenue**, with no prescreening required. Those seeking treatment can also call (253) 593-2413 for assistance.

**PENINSULA COUNSELING LLC -Key Center**
[https://www.peninsulacounselingllcwa.com/](https://www.peninsulacounselingllcwa.com/)
253-851-4600 -3214 50th St Ct, Gig Harbor

Peninsula Counseling LLC has been offering alcohol and drug counseling to the Gig Harbor, WA area, including South Kitsap County, since 2008. We specialize in giving our clients the personalized, and individual attention they need and deserve to help stop and control their addiction problems. We have a passion for helping them achieve their goals in getting their lives back on track with the strength, courage, and knowledge to deal with their substance abuse.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP -THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT**
[www.themustardseedproject.org/](http://www.themustardseedproject.org/) 253-884-9814 -9016 54th Ave Court NW, Lakebay
A safe place for unpaid caregivers to join a support system who understands and learn about resources in the community. Call 253-884-9814 for the next meeting date.

**ALZHEIMER’S**
Please refer to page 8.

**CANCER**

**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY** [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org/) 800-227-2345

At the American Cancer Society, we are on a mission to free the world from cancer. Until we do, we will be funding and conducting research, sharing expert information, supporting patients, and spreading the word about prevention. All so you can live longer — and better. While most people know us for our research, we do so much more. We attack cancer from every angle. We promote healthy lifestyles to help you prevent cancer. We research cancer and its causes to find more answers and better treatments. We fight for lifesaving policy changes. We provide everything from emotional support to the latest cancer information for those who have been touched by cancer. And we do it all 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**CANCER CARE for WOMEN** [https://www.chapelhillpc.org/events/cancer-care-women-21](https://www.chapelhillpc.org/events/cancer-care-women-21) 253-851-7779 -7700 Skansie Ave, Gig Harbor

Cancer Care is a support group for anyone going through cancer…all types and all stages. It is a place to share…. where you are understood and encouraged every week. We have been meeting for more than 20 years. We find it easier to go through cancer with others who understand. Cancer Care meets throughout the year except for December and August. We will meet in the Fireside Room at Door A near Rosedale. Questions? Please call Sandy Jasper at 253-514-9716.

**BEREAVEMENT/GRIEF**

**What is Bereavement?**
Bereavement sometimes also referred to as grief, is a term used to describe the sense of loss felt when a loved one passes away. This sense of loss may contain a host of emotions, such as sadness, anger, guilt and/or frustration and anxiety, and the period immediately following the death is often referred to as the mourning period. People who are acutely bereaved or grieving may also be described as “in mourning” for the deceased.

**MULTICARE HOSPICE AND GOOD SAMARITAN** [https://www.multicare.org/services-and-departments/multicare-home-health-hospice/support-resources/grief-services/](https://www.multicare.org/services-and-departments/multicare-home-health-hospice/support-resources/grief-services/) 253-301-6400

We offer ongoing opportunities to attend grief support groups. We hold our eight-week educational support groups in various locations in South King, Pierce, and Kitsap counties. Groups fill up quickly, and we do require registration ahead of time to attend.

**PORT ORCHARD GRIEF SHARE**
https://www.griefshare.org/countries/us/states/wa/cities/port_orchard/

It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. If you have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, you have found there are few people who understand the deep hurt you feel. This can be a confusing time when you feel isolated and have questions about things you have never faced before.

“Going to GriefShare feels like having warm arms wrapped around you when you’re shivering.”

TACOMA RECOVERY CENTER GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT
https://www.tacomarecoverycenter.org/grief-loss-support/ 253-533-9361 -813 Martin Luther King Jr Way, Tacoma
The Grief and Loss Support recovery groups touch on substance loss, death, relationships, loss of home, as well as family and/or financial hardships. For individuals who face loss, the Recovery Center discusses the circumstances, emotions, and responses to loss. Grief is the normal and natural response to loss; it is learning how to process and deal with a life that is different that makes us stronger. How does the recoveree respond to having a broken heart, feelings of rejection, solitude, and acceptance? Emotional support is provided through a licensed facilitator and by members with shared experiences.

VIRGINIA MASON FRANCISCAN HEALTH GRIEF SUPPORT SERVICES
Grief Support Services offers individual and group services after natural death (such as cancer, heart disease).
Information and referral. Short-term, free individual support
Eight-week, 2-hour group sessions on Zoom video platform, no cost to join and pre-registration is required.

FAMILY CAREGIVER

FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM (ADRC)
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/1296/Family-Caregiver-Support/ 253-798-4600 The Family Caregiver Support program helps support and sustain the primary, unpaid caregiver providing continuous care for an older adult or a functionally disabled adult 18 years of age. We connect caregivers with the resources that will enable them to continue at-home care and make it possible for care recipients to continue to remain in their familiar environment.

THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT https://themustardseedproject.org/ 253-884-9814 -9016 154th Ave Ct NW Lakebay
The Mustard Seed Project Caregiver Support Group is a safe place for unpaid caregivers, their families, and friends to exchange practical information on caregiving problems and practical solutions, talk through challenges and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns, and learn about resources available in the community. This group meets quarterly at the Crandall Center, 9016 154th Ave Ct NW, Lakebay. Call for information on the next meeting date and time. 253-884-9814

PARKINSON’S DISEASE
The American Parkinson Disease Association works tirelessly every day to support and empower anyone who is impacted by Parkinson’s disease (PD). Our nationwide network provides information and referral, education and support programs, health and wellness activities, and other events to facilitate a better quality of life for the PD community, while also funding vital research. It is this grassroots structure that distinguishes APDA from other organizations serving people with PD. We are here to help you and your loved ones every step of the way.

**NORTHWEST PARKINSON’S FOUNDATION** [https://nwpf.org/about-us/](https://nwpf.org/about-us/) 206-695-2905

At Northwest Parkinson’s Foundation, our goal is to partner with all people impacted by Parkinson’s PW Parkinson’s is your local, independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit serving people impacted by Parkinson’s in the Northwest since 1998. *We are your PW Parkinson’s organization.* All funds raised in the Northwest stay here to meet the needs of our communities – from Alaska to Washington, Idaho, and Montana. Provides education and ninety support groups.

**OTHER**

**PIERCE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH -ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION** [https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/behavioral-health](https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/behavioral-health) 253-649-1641

People with good behavioral health can navigate life, have positive relationships, and adapt to change. Poor mental health can lead to substance use disorder and other problems. Stigma stops people from asking for services or support. That can lead to death.

**PIERCE COUNTY SUPPORT GROUPS** [https://www.piercecountywa.gov/690/Support-Groups](https://www.piercecountywa.gov/690/Support-Groups) 253-798-4600

This website offers a menu of support groups. Always call first before attending. There are numerous support groups held throughout Pierce County on a wide range of topics.

**TRANSPORTATION**

**DRIVING ASSESSMENT, DRIVING CLASSES**

**AARP ASSESSING DRIVING ABILITY** [https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/driving-assessment/](https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/driving-assessment/)

Take an online assessment to determine one’s driving ability.

**AARP DRIVING CLASS** [https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/](https://www.aarp.org/auto/driver-safety/)
AARP offers Smart Driver online and in person classes, taking these classes may reduce the amount of auto insurance a driver pays.

HARBOR SPEECH PATHOLOGY DRIVING ASSESSMENTS
https://www.harborsspeech.com/driving-assessments#
Worried about a loved one’s driving? Call for more information about the DriveABLE assessment. Fee required for service. Medicare pays portion.

NO-COST AND LOW-COST TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Dial 211. South Sound 211 can connect you to available transportation resources for seniors and people with disabilities, and others.

THE MUSTARD SEED PROJECT OF KEY PENINSULA KEY PENINSULA SENIOR RIDE PROGRAM  https://themustardseedproject.org/services/  253-884-2216 -9015 154TH ST SW, Lakebay
The Mustard Seed Project provides two major types of senior transportation:

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS: Screened volunteers provide free door-to-door transportation in their own vehicles, to qualify, riders must live on the Key Peninsula, be aged 60 or older or a medically disabled adult over the age of 18 with a combined household income of $3,000 or less after subtracting rent/mortgage and out-of-pocket medical expenses. All rides must be scheduled with 7 business days advanced notice (business days are Monday through Friday). Eligible adults can request round-trip rides for medical appointments, grocery shopping, social outings and more. This program is made possible through our partnership with Catholic Community Services. Though this service is free, donations are always welcome.

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS MINIBUS: No income eligibility requirements. The Mustard Seed Project partners with Pierce Transit to provide this service to seniors and disabled adults on the Key Peninsula who require the use of a wheelchair lift to access medical appointments. Volunteer drivers are pre-screened, trained by Pierce Transit to operate the wheelchair lift equipped shuttle-style mini-bus, and must pass a defensive driving course. If you have Medicaid, please check with your insurance to see if you qualify for paratransit for medical rides. We may offer more transportation options in the future, call 253-884-2216 for information.
Every rider is required to complete an ADA-application, to determine eligibility for partial or full transportation considerations. For rides and information, call 253- 884-2216.

Rides for medical appointments, grocery shopping, paying bills, and more. Serve low-income clients. Call two weeks in advance to set up a schedule.

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS’ TRANSPORTATION NETWORK**
[https://www.dav.org/veterans/i-need-a-ride/](https://www.dav.org/veterans/i-need-a-ride/)  253-752-2970  1110 N Stevens St, Tacoma

DAV is a nonprofit charity that provides a lifetime of support for veterans of all generations and their families, helping more than 1 million veterans in positive, life-changing ways each year. Last year, the organization provided more than 163,000 rides to veterans attending medical appointments and assisted in filing over 151,000 claims for benefits. In 2021, DAV-represented veterans received more than $25 billion (about $77 per person in the US) in earned benefits. DAV’s services are offered at no cost to all generations of veterans, their families, and survivors.

**KEY PENINSULA COMMUNITY SERVICES (KPCS) SENIOR SHOPPING DAY**
[https://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.org/](https://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.org/)  253-884-4440  17015 9TH St Ct NW, Lakebay.

Once or twice monthly KPCS takes seniors out to do their shopping. Please contact KPCS, 253-884-4440 for specific dates and times.

**KP BUS CONNECTS** [https://www.facebook.com/KPBusConnects/](https://www.facebook.com/KPBusConnects/)  253-884-BUSS (2877).

We are excited to welcome you aboard! Here is the schedule for Bus Connects which runs when school is in session. Please call Bus Connects at 253-884-2877 for any questions/comments you have.
PARATRANSIT SERVICES TRANSPORTATION FOR MEDICAID APPOINTMENTS
https://www.paratransit.net/nemtbrokerage/  360-377-7176, TTY (hearing impaired) 800-934-5438 -4810 Auto Center Way, Bremerton

Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) is a federally mandated program managed in the State of Washington by the State Health Care Authority. It is a program that provides transportation to and from Medicaid-covered appointments for Medicaid clients. It also provides transportation assistance in the form of bus passes and fuel vouchers.

PIERCE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/701/Transportation-Options/

Options available are Pierce Transit, Orca Card, and No-Cost & Low-Cost Options. Click on the link for detailed information.

THE HUB (formerly Faith in Action) THRIFT STORE AND CENTER FOR SENIORS

Faith in Action helps their senior and disabled neighbors remain independent and in their homes through a variety of free, volunteer-based services. These services include escorted transportation to appointments and shopping, minor home repairs, respite care, yardwork, housework and more. They provide in-kind donations, advocacy, and referrals. They have a Hub Center for Seniors and provide meals, exercise,
educational, recreational, and social opportunities for the under-served and disabled residents of north mason county.

OTHER TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

AROUND THE SOUND https://atstrans.org/ 253-858-7088
Private pay, credit, or debit card only.
Wheelchair riders $85.00 round trip plus $3.45 per mile
Walking riders $50.00 round trip plus $3.00 per mile
Cost for driver to wait $65.00 per hour

The airpoter provides transportation to and from SEATAC airport. The pick-up is at Purdy Park & Ride. Adults: $27.00 one way, no discounts available. The Airporter can accommodate wheelchairs if you call ahead. Reservations required.

JOHN KOPP 253-549-5142 (text ok). John will give rides from the Key Peninsula to the destination of the rider’s choice. John’s fee is $3.00 per mile, minimum 10 miles. Call or text to schedule a ride.

KITSAP TRANSIT ACCESS www.kitsaptransit.org/access/ 800-422-2877 or 360-479-7272
Applications are online at. People living on the Key Peninsula can connect with this service at the Purdy Park and Ride. ACCESS provides door-to-door or curb-to-curb transportation for elderly and disabled unable to use the fixed route transit system to medical appointments, shopping, visiting friends, or any other destination within Kitsap County.

To schedule rides on ACCESS, complete an eligibility application. Rides require seven days' advance notice. Transportation is communal; seats are limited at certain times of day. A reduced fare is available by purchasing a bus pass.

KITSAP TRANSIT www.kitsaptransit.com/ 800-501-7433 or 360-373-2877
Persons living on Key Peninsula can access this service at the Mullenix Park and Ride at Highway 16 and Mullenix interchange. Trips cost $2 each way. Special rates are available for elderly and disabled. Call for route information or find routes online.

VETERANS

KEY PENINSULA VETERANS https://kpveteran.com/ 253-884-2626 -PO Box 501, Lakebay
Active local groups help connect veterans and their dependents with available services. If you are a veteran or a family member of a veteran and need help in this challenging time, please let us know.
Key Peninsula Veterans meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 PM at the Key Peninsula Lutheran Church, 4213 Lackey Road, Lakebay.

EBENEFITS ONLINE NATIONAL RESOURCE DIRECTORY
https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/apply/ 800-827-1000
As a service of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense, the website has resources for benefits, compensation, employment, education/training, family/caregiver support, health, homeless assistance, housing, transportation/travel, check on DD-214 benefits, claims, or appeals.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICES IN PIERCE COUNTY
https://www.piercecountywa.gov/3427/Veterans-Service-Offices/

The below Pierce County offices help with VA services and programs for veterans and dependents:

AMVETS
https://amvetswa.org/
Department of Washington
5717 South Tyler Street
Tacoma, WA 98409
(253) 472-2552

TACOMA VET CENTER
https://www.va.gov/tacoma-vet-center/
4916 Center Street, Suite E
Tacoma, WA 98409
(253) 565-7038
The Tacoma Vet Center provides a variety of services, with a focus on combat troops and bereavement counseling.

THE AMERICAN LEGION VA HOSPITAL
https://www.legion.org/
9600 Veterans Drive
Bldg. 16, Room 111
Tacoma, WA 98493
(253) 583-1300

OTHER IMPORTANT CONTACTS FOR VETERANS
VA Puget Sound ...... (800) 329-8387
Veterans Benefit Administration ...... (800) 827-1000
WA Department of Veterans Affairs ...... (800) 562-0132
Department of Veterans Affairs
PIERCE COUNTY RESOURCES FOR VETERANS
Burial expenses, Claims assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance, Food Assistance, Rental assistance, Transportation Assistance, Utility assistance.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS https://www.dva.wa.gov/
800-562-2308, TDD: 360-725-2199 -1102 Quince St SE, Olympia.
Look onto the web pages for information on benefits, services, and programs. We, at WDVA, would like to thank you for your service to our country. We are committed to providing you with the information you need and invite you to e-mail or call if you or someone you know needs assistance. The department provides information on benefits, services, programs, veteran homes, women services, burial, cemeteries, and employment.

VETERANS CRISIS LINE (U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS)
https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5807/ Dial 9-8-8
Veterans have the option to Dial 988 then Press 1 to connect with caring, qualified responders for 24/7 crisis support.