



## Monroe Homeless Policy Advisory Committee

### Prevention

- Focus/Concentrate Providing Services in Monroe
- Affordable shelters for all
- Make the embedded social worker full-time
- A social worker for attorneys that work with indigent people
- Community court
- Advocate for better mental health
- Education – Citywide/Regional
- Information – Data/Facts about Homelessness in Monroe
- Educate the public about panhandling, property crime, and personal safety
- Educate the community that homelessness is usually not a choice or the result of poor decision making
- Homeless Empowerment Campaign – Choose a Path Out of Homelessness
- Campaign – Keep the change – fundraiser – tailored for the business community

- Provide families with better information about how they may be able to help family members**
- An alternative to Homeless Campaign Focused on Children/Youth**
- Social workers to work with youth before becoming homelessness**
- Mentors/volunteers to work with youth**
- Work with local schools and at-risk youth - support them**
- Parenting Classes x 3**
- Create jobs at entry-level skills**
- Emphases on family-wage jobs**
- Internships with Local Business (jobs)**
- Programs or train low-income students in jobs that will give them jobs /JTPA is the program in Snohomish City**
- Best Practice – utilization of partnerships with providers, service agencies and community leaders**
- Double-sided card for coordinated - 211 cards with “take the next step”**
- Strategic placement of public toilets – available 24/7**
- Mainstream entities that interact with those that are “at-risk” of becoming homeless**

- How can the City better support the Boys & Girls Club, YMCA, & Senior Centers?**
  
- Strong communities suffer less**