

**MINUTES FROM  
EISCC General Meeting Tues, June 13, 2023, Noon-1:30 PM**

- ✦ **Welcome and Opening Prayer** by Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Kirkland
- ✦ **29 Attendees were asked** to introduce themselves and enter their names, organizations, and email addresses in the chat. *The chat is available to copy during the meeting.*
- ✦ **Join or Renew:** <http://eiscc.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/2023-EISCC-dues-letter-Jan-2023.pdf>
- ✦ **Spotlight: CFH New Men's Shelter Move and Transition Plans** with Shelter Coordinator **Tom Miles** [www.cfhomeless.org](http://www.cfhomeless.org). This week Congregations for the Homeless moves into their new building @ 13620 SE Eastgate Way, Bellevue.
  - Today was move-in day; speaking from the new location, Tom was busy directing placement of furniture, etc.; they hope to be fully in business by next week.
  - Tom acknowledged the work that everyone on the ZOOM meeting is doing.
  - CFH is hopeful to have their Grand Opening sometime this summer.
  - Troy Christensen, new Executive Director and mental health professional, has a broad background that will support CFH as they move ahead.
  - Tom expressed appreciation for the faith community's support of CFH from its beginning as an EISCC sub-agency. Rotating shelters continue also.
  - Tom can be reached at [tomm@cfhomeless.org](mailto:tomm@cfhomeless.org)
- ✦ **Brief Reports:**
  - **EISCC Treasurer Report:** See [http://eiscc.net/?page\\_id=69](http://eiscc.net/?page_id=69) for details.
  - **Congregations4Kids, Sub-Agency:** <http://congregations4kids.org/> Last year 15 congregations supported "Good Start Back to School." This year 10 have indicated participation, hopeful that others will return.
  - 650 students qualify as homeless in Bellevue School District (BSD); CFK normally serves approx. 2,000 students with school supplies, waiting for current numbers. This year CFK is providing home-use supplies per a list provided by BSD. Backpacks have been ordered. Sorting/packing will take place in mid-August at a new location.
  - **Eastside Human Services Forum:** <http://eastsideforum.org> "Expanding the support and impact of health and human services in East King County" EHSF Chair Barbara de Michele gave an update on current plans and strategic planning in progress.
- ✦ **Main Presentation: LGBTQIA+: Basic Terminology and a Deeper Dive into Current Trends and Needs of Local Youth and Adolescents** with **Justin Daigneault**, BGLAD Group Coordinator, [www.youtheastideservices.org](http://www.youtheastideservices.org) Challenges, supports, and strengths were addressed, sharing community resources and ways we can support our youth. Contact Justin at [JustinD@YouthEastsideServices.org](mailto:JustinD@YouthEastsideServices.org) for a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.
- ✦ **General Announcements:**
  - **Nourishing Networks: Solstice Fundraiser "Be the Light!" Party**, Wed., June 21, 6:30-9pm. Casual affair with great food, dancing, connecting, presentations and surprises! At Dairyland Barn, 12125 Treosti Rd., Snohomish. Directions in Eventbrite invitation. [Nourishingnetworks.net](http://Nourishingnetworks.net) Reserve tickets, space limited;
  - Spirit of Peace UCC is doing a **pop-up PRIDE event** in front of the Issaquah Library on June 25, 1 to 3 PM to celebrate PRIDE on the Eastside;

- Megan Duncan [Megan.d@sophiaway.org](mailto:Megan.d@sophiaway.org). Community Engagement Coordinator with **The Sophia Way**, 2 day centers/shelters for women experiencing homelessness on the Eastside, (shelters overnight Bellevue 21 women, Kirkland 40 women); Meal Sign ups needed: <https://thesophiaway.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=67898>
  - **New Bethlehem Meals**: Genevieve—food; Lorri—education support; <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/756984491408312015/false#/invitation>
  - **Tent City 4** now at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Issaquah; looking for future host.
  - **KCHRA** <https://kcrha.org/resources/continuum-of-care/continuum-of-care-board-meetings/> <https://kcrha.org/resources/severe-weather-shelter/>; Continuum of Care (CoC) resources: [Sign up to be a CoC Member](#) Anyone who is passionate about ending homelessness in King County is eligible to be a member! [CoC Member Convening](#) 6/23 9:00AM-10:30AM (scroll down to the sections that says "Upcoming Meetings") [CoC Member Convening Agenda](#)
  - **Eastside for All** <https://eastsideforall.org/events/eastside-honoring-juneteenth/>;
- ✚ **Closing Prayer** by Linda Hillesheim, Unity of Bellevue

### **Upcoming 2nd Tuesday EISCC Meeting Presenters**

**July 11: KCHRA and Lived Experience Coalition with Marvin Futrell III**

**August 8: Nourishing Networks and Eastside Food Security**

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**Meeting Link:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6536494131?pwd=OXBHR0s5S2VSb2cvQjAvejVqTWRCdz09>

Meeting ID: 818 2524 1859 Passcode: 892593

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