

PIONEER SQUARE COVID-19 INFORMATION AND UPDATES

September 18, 2020 1:30-2:30p



TODAY'S AGENDA

THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WILL BE COVERED DURING TODAY'S SESSION

- Guest Presentation: Compass Housing Alliance (Nathan, Christopher, Shervin, Nikkole, Morgan)
- Public Safety Update
- Ongoing Alliance Project Updates
- Federal CARES Act Small Business Emergency Grant Program
- Technical Assistance Opportunities
- Alley Lighting Matching Fund

Questions?

Type them into the chat box or state that you have a question and we will address them or call on you to speak intermittently throughout the presentation and at the end.





Compass Housing Alliance

Providing stability, growth, and community to people experiencing homelessness in the Puget Sound Region.



Who is Compass Housing Alliance?

Compass Housing Alliance was founded by Pastor Otto Karlstrom in Seattle's Pioneer Square in 1920 as a haven for those in search of work in the region's earliest industries. Over the decades we have offered increasingly comprehensive assistance and gained expertise working with people experiencing homelessness.

OUR MISSION

In the Lutheran tradition of caring through service, Compass Housing Alliance develops and provides essential services and affordable housing for homeless and low-income people in the greater Puget Sound region.

In offering opportunities for stability, growth, and community, we strive to create a more just and equitable society for all. **We envision a world in which every person lives in a safe, caring community.**



Who is Compass Housing Alliance?

Who We Serve

Compass Housing Alliance offers a wide range of comprehensive assistance to unstably-housed Veterans, families, individuals with disabilities, and men and women with complex needs. Many are previously homeless and continue to experience the fall-out of past instability, trauma, and poverty.

Compass works to ensure people of all backgrounds, experiences, identities, cultures, and abilities feel welcome and supported in all programs.

How We Serve

Our work is rooted in building individual relationships with each guest, resident, partner, and neighbor. Compass communities are built from the inside out, focusing on individualized person-centered and trauma-informed care. All of our housing and services programs are informed by guiding principles of stability, growth, and community



Meeting the needs of our community

EMERGENCY PROGRAMS

- Overnight shelter
- Access to laundry, showers, restrooms
- Mail and banking services

PROGRAM FOCUS:

- People-centered care
- Meet immediate needs
- Focus on housing navigation
- Enhanced 24/7 shelter programs

HOUSING PROGRAMS

- Transitional housing
- Affordable Housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing

PROGRAM FOCUS:

- People-centered care
- Address barriers to stability
- Focus on housing retention
- Engaged, supportive communities



What is happening at the Compass Center?

Highlights of our move to Compass Center

- Constructing individual sleeping spaces separated by 6' solid, washable, vertical walls. These sleeping spaces will also include space for storing the occupant's belongings.
- We will upgrade showers and restrooms to allow for ease in the sanitation of these spaces.
- All our shelter guests will get to stay in Compass shelters that are socially distanced with upgraded sanitation and privacy.
- We will be able to save a vast majority of the shelter beds Compass currently operates. There will, however, be a net loss in shelter beds which we estimate to be approximately 13 beds. Through attrition, we will be able to reduce beds without having to exit guests from shelters.

SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT LETTER

- In late August, the Alliance and other Seattle Neighborhood Business Districts asked our communities to support a pledge to redefine the expectations on behalf of our small business community. The pledge lists basic needs and safety measures to ensure clean, safe, welcoming and vibrant business districts.
- Over 500 business owners and community members signed on to support the pledge
- The pledge will help the Small Business Community effectively engage Seattle City Council and the Mayor's Office to agree upon the expectations outlined in the pledge, ushering in a roadmap for a more prosperous future for all small businesses in Seattle.
- [Sign the pledge here.](#)



PUBLIC SAFETY RESOURCES

- [MID operations and hours:](#)
 - Clean Team: Sunday-Saturday, 6a-2:30p and 10:30a-7p
 - Safety Team: Monday-Friday, 7:30a- 7p
 - Parks & Public Spaces Team: Sunday-Saturday, 9:30 a-5p
 - Outreach Team: Monday-Friday, 8a-4:30p
- [Securing Businesses during closures](#)
- [SPD Trespass Program](#)
- [CPTED Assessments and Security Site Assessments](#)
- [SPD West Precinct online resources](#)
- [SDCI Tips for Securing Vacant Properties](#)



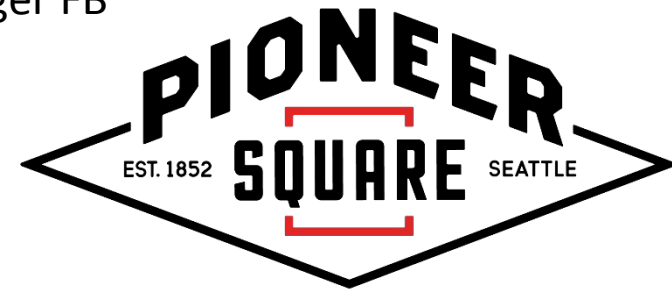
DISTRICT 7 COMMUNITY TOWN HALL

- The Alliance for Pioneer Square in partnership with the Seattle Metro Chamber, SLU Chamber, and Queen Anne Chamber will host District 7 Seattle City Councilmember Andrew Lewis for a discussion of issues the district's business community is facing.
- We will hear from a panel of District 7 businesses on their experiences this year and questions for Councilmember Lewis on COVID-19 concerns and reopening difficulties, public safety efforts, rent and mortgage relief, and more.
- Wed, Sept 23 11:30a-12:30p. RSVP [here](#).



ALLIANCE RESOURCES UPDATE

- [Regular information dissemination](#)
 - Weekly COVID-19 resources, bi-weekly public safety message
 - Pioneer Square Business Owner/Manager FB
- [Support Local – Pioneer Square Marketplace](#)
- #SupportPSQ campaign; [new video series](#)
- Stories from the Square
- [2020-2021 Pioneer Square Neighborhood Map and Guide](#)
- National Promotion Sponsored by Port of Seattle



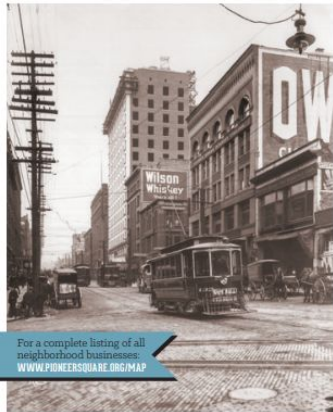


For a complete listing of all neighborhood businesses: WWW.PIONEERSQUARE.ORG/MAP

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MARKET PLACE
PIONEER SQUARE, SEATTLE

Welcome to Pioneer Square, Seattle's original neighborhood! Spend some time exploring this unique destination, and you'll be richly rewarded with exceptional historic architecture, a thriving arts community, vibrant shops and restaurants, exciting night life, and an energetic game day atmosphere - all within one square mile. Nowhere else in Seattle has more to offer, in such a walkable footprint. In the same day you can peruse Seattle's finest boutiques, be inspired by extraordinary art, sample award-winning food and treats, and cheer for your favorite team - all within steps of every major transit connection in the city.



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SEATTLE'S HISTORIC
PIONEER SQUARE
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Pioneer Square has a rich history, stretching from the earliest habitation of the native Duwamish and Suquamish people to the establishment of Seattle as a world-class city. In the 1850s, the settlers who shaped the future of Seattle - entrepreneurs like Arthur Denny, "Doc" Maynard, and Henry Yesler - first landed in Pioneer Square. When early settlers arrived, the Duwamish and Suquamish tribes welcomed and helped settlers build their city, but urbanization and city policies eventually pushed the Duwamish from the Pioneer Square area. After the devastation of the Great Seattle Fire of 1889, Pioneer Square was rebuilt to shine, and showcases that living history in the beautiful Victorian Romanesque buildings and fascinating underground spaces that are found throughout the neighborhood.

Seattle's history is part of the Pioneer Square experience. Pick up a Trail to Treasure Walking Map at the Occidental Square information booth or Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park to get started exploring.

Check the following link to find out more about guided summer tours.

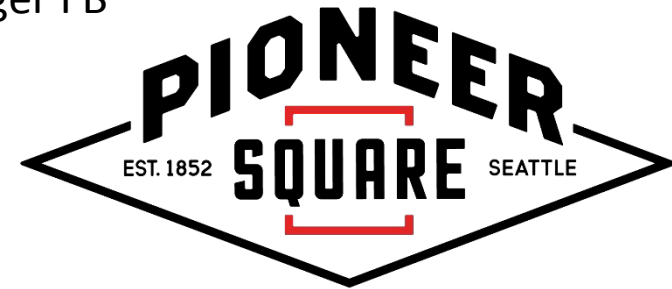
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CARES ACT GRANT PROGRAM

- The Seattle Metro Chamber, which serves as the King County Associate Development organization, is working to ensure that \$580,000 in federal funding from the federal CARES Act reaches King County small businesses.
- Awards of \$5,000, \$7,500 or \$10,000 are available to small businesses and 501 (c)(6) non-profit business service organizations within King County.
- [Apply between Sep. 14-28](#)



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ASSISTANCE

- DESC will conduct a virtual de-escalation training on Wednesday, September 30, 12:30 – 4:00 PM. Additional trainings in the future.
- Grow with Google:
 - “Connect with Customers and Manage Your Business Remotely”
[October 6, 2-3p](#)
 - “Use YouTube to Grow Your Business”
[October 20 2-3p](#)
 - “Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps”
[October 27 2-3p](#)
- Merchant Method
 - Profitable Pricing - October
 - Marketing/Content Creation - October



Grow with Google



ALLEY LIGHTING MATCHING FUND

- With \$50,000 in funding from Historic South Downtown, we aim to support alley lighting improvements in Pioneer Square.
- Property owners and building tenants who obtain written permission from their property owner are welcome to apply.
- Applicants seeking funding may request funds for 50% of project costs (maximum award is \$8,000).
- [Informational Webinar](#) for interested applicants October 1, 2020 at 1:00pm
- [Applications open on September 28, 2020 and will be accepted through November 6, 2020 at 11:59pm.](#)



SAVE THE DATE: BIA ANNUAL MEETING

- The Pioneer Square BIA will host our annual meeting virtually on November 17, 2020 from 4:30-5:30p.
- Keep an eye out for an email with RSVP information!



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- Today's slides and recording shared after this meeting, along with feedback form.
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