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Coalition of Religious Communities

Working together to end child
homelessness in Utah

Dear Marlin Haws:

There are three opportunities this month to help reduce child homelessness in Utah:

1) Comment on Utah's proposed Medicaid wavier: In February the Utah Legislature passed a bill to scale back the Medicaid expansion that voters approved in November. This bill cannot fully take effect until a waiver is approved by the federal government. The draft of the waiver request was published on Friday and so we are now in a 30 day public comment period. This waiver would make it harder to reduce child homelessness because it does not cover as many low income parents and it changes Medicaid financing in ways that will probably make healthcare more expansive for low income families in the future. Our friends at the Utah Health Policy Project have created a web tool to make it easy to comment on some of the bigger problems with this waiver request that can be found [on their website](#).

2) Help present the [Pledge](#) to help reduce child homelessness to the Republican and Democrat caucuses of the Utah Legislature: If we invest in the right types of housing and take steps to increase the earnings of homeless parents we can dramatically reduce the number of nights children spend in Utah's homeless shelters. We need 8-12 people to join us at the Capitol on June 19th between 11 AM and 1 PM so that we can have people in all four caucus meetings at the same time. If you are interested in helping or have questions let me know.

3) Ask the members of Utah's Tax Restructuring and Equalization to not increase the price of groceries in Utah by increasing the sales tax on food: One member of this new Task Force filed a bill last session to increase the sales tax on food. Another task force member sponsored a bill the year before to reduce the sales tax on food. The task force is holding meetings all over the state beginning on June 25th. The proposed schedule for these town hall meetings can be found [here](#).

Thank you for everything you do to make Utah a better place for everyone!

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Sign the pledge to help reduce child homelessness!

Upcoming Events

*Proposed Town Hall Schedule:

1. **June 25th – Brigham City** (Tuesday)
2. **June 27th - Salt Lake County** (Thursday)
3. **June 28th – Richfield** (Friday)
4. **June 29th - St. George** (Saturday)
5. **July 8th – Davis/Weber County** (Monday)
6. **July 9th – Roosevelt** (Tuesday)
7. **July 20th – Moab** (Saturday)
8. **July 30th - Utah County** (Tuesday)

Tentative weeknight start times: 6:00 p.m.

Tentative Saturday start times: Mid-day

*Locations subject to change based on venue availability

Crossroads Urban Center's
Meet the Candidates Barbecue
July 10, 2019
Liberty Park
6:00 - 8:00 PM



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6:00-8:00 PM

Every year Crossroads Urban Center organizes a barbecue for clients, volunteers, supporters and friends and invites candidates and elected officials to come learn more about hunger and poverty in our community. Everyone is welcome to attend this fun, free event.

For more information contact Bill Tibbitts at Crossroads Urban Center, 801-364-7765 ex 107.

Ending Child Homelessness Sabbath • October, 2019

Join faith communities across Utah in praying and/or collecting diapers for homeless children at one or more worship service during the month of October.

For more information about how your congregation can participate, or to learn more about the Coalition of Religious Communities, contact Bill Tibbitts at Crossroads Urban Center, bill@crossroadsurbancenter.org or 801-364-7765 ex 107.

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