



Chapter Summary – Health and Human Services

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WORKSHOP EXPECTATIONS

For each chapter, the City Council shall come prepared to provide direction to staff for any desired modifications to the narrative, goals, and policies, offer comments, and ask questions.

STAFF NOTES:

- New chapter for 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update.
- Not a required chapter per RCW 36.70A (Growth Management Act).
- Drafted with input from Director of Housing, Health, and Human Services Department.
- Included in this packet is a “clean copy” of the chapter allowing for ease of reading. Since this a new chapter, there is no ~~strikethrough~~/underline version.

Overall Chapter:

This chapter covers the topics of Human Services, Healthy Living, and Emergency Preparedness and Resiliency.

Question for Council: Is there anything missing?

Plan Context (page 2):

Poulsbo has made a commitment to providing services and assistance to those considered more vulnerable and/or at risk of poor health outcomes, displacement, or involvement in emergency systems including low-income youth and adults, isolated older adults, people struggling with mental health disorders and chronic health conditions, and people struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. In 2020, the Housing, Health, and Human Services (HHH) Department was added as a way to strengthen the City’s social safety net and improve services to residents. This new chapter serves as a landing place for the work already underway, as well as a framework for making future decisions regarding health and human services.

Question for Council: Does this “vision statement” for the chapter encompass the work of the city in regard to Health and Human Services?