Community members make their neighborhood a great place to live, work and play.

Their priorities are:
- Food justice.
- Racial justice.
- Healthy community planning.

Join our monthly collaboration meeting!

Every second Wednesday
10:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

We explore:
- What makes Eastside Tacoma a good place to live?
- How can the Eastside improve?

For more info email communitiesoffocus@tpchd.org.

Help share the Eastside’s story! You are the experts on your community. What matters to you may make a difference in your community’s health.

It is the current and ancestral home of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

Growth over the years came at the cost of these first people losing this land.

Salishan, built in 1942, was a temporary wartime project and one of the area’s first intentionally racially integrated residential neighborhoods.

It now has 2,000 units on several hundred acres on the east side of Portland Avenue between S. 38th and S. 54th St.

About 35,000 people live on the Eastside.

Many Hispanic, Vietnamese, Black and Indigenous people live here. It’s one of Pierce County’s most diverse communities.

Community leaders and agencies make up the Eastside Collaborative.

Its mission is to help community leaders better understand and improve health.

Its vision—a safe, healthy, thriving, and equitable Eastside—is an invitation for everyone to participate.

Strength & assets

- Home to a variety of people, cultures, and languages— and a strong network of leaders.
- Eastside Family Resource Center and the Community Center provide gathering spaces, resources, and services for all ages.
- Residents value local community gardens, trails, parks, houses of worship and ethnic markets.

What does the data say?

Eastside has many opportunities to improve health.

- 40% of families live less than $53,000 per year, or 200% of the federal poverty level.
- More than 18% of adult residents report food insecurity.
- 11% of residents live with asthma. The built environment, close to a refinery and a paper mill, contributes to poor air quality.

Learn more at tpchd.org/communitiesoffocus.

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