



MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: Lydia Place – Transitional Housing Operation & Maintenance Contract

DATE: November 2, 2022

Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and Lydia Place for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

Lydia Place offers transitional housing and comprehensive, in-house programming for low-income mothers and children experiencing homelessness. This contract funds a portion of the costs associated with supporting five families at a time in transitional housing which includes personnel, utilities, repairs, and maintenance costs.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$55,752, is provided by the Washington State Department of Commerce Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) through the Washington State Department of Commerce. These funds will be included in the 2023 budget. Council approval is required as funding exceeds \$40,000.

▪ **Differences between Previous Contracts**

This is a new contract, however funding for these services has been provided through previous contracts for these services since 2019. Differences between the current contract (WC Contract #201811010) and this one, include an increase in funding of \$25,486 to support increased costs for personnel and maintenance and updated reporting requirements.

Please contact Ann Beck, Community Services Manager at 360-778-6055 (ABeck@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Assistant Director at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

