

SPONSORED BY: Health Department
PROPOSED BY: Veterans Program
INTRODUCTION DATE: 2/11/2020

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Whatcom County Veterans Assistance Program Eligibility Income Standard

WHEREAS, Washington State law, RCW 73.08.005.B, assigns the county legislative authority, and Whatcom County Code, Chapter 2.150, allows the County Council and the County Executive the authority to set the eligibility income guidelines of the Veterans Assistance Fund;

WHEREAS, An eligibility income level based on 60% of Area Median Income more accurately reflects the income eligibility level required to meet basic needs of local low income Veterans than the previous 150% of the Federal Poverty Level;

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Veterans Advisory Board, formally established in Whatcom County Code, Chapter 2.150, supports the amount of the Veterans Assistance Program eligibility income level as 60% of Area Median Income in order to meet the needs of local lower income Veterans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Council that the Veterans Assistance Program eligibility income guideline shall continue to be based on 60% of the Area Median Income.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2020.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Civil Deputy Prosecutor