



## Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

### Public Statement

*THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.*

Title	Mr.
First Name	William
Last Name	Szabo
Today's Date	7/3/2020
Street Address	1511 North State St. Apt 303
City	Bellingham
Zip	98225
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Primary Telephone	360-441-8055
Secondary Telephone	360-733-2819
Email Address	<a href="mailto:Szabo614@gmail.com">Szabo614@gmail.com</a>
1. Name of Board or Committee	<b>Housing Authority of Whatcom County</b>
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 2
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes

6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?

No

7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?

No

8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?

No

You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions

[Resume For JVS.pdf](#) - attached

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

I have both my Nursing License and Licensed Mental Health Counselor license. Both are active in the State of Washington. I am a retired Nurse and Counselor. I have been Charge Nurse when I was working in the private health care field and I am a Nursing Lead for the American Red Cross (Volunteer). I am also a Mental Health Counselor volunteer for the Red Cross as well. I have been active in these two positions in the Red Cross for the last four years. Before that, I had a successful private counseling practice here in Bellingham, retiring 4 years ago. I have a Bachelors Degree in Human Services and a Masters Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from Western Washington University.

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I have an interest in serving on this board because of my vested interest as a tenant of Walton Place One, a Housing Authority property. I would consider it an honor to represent the interests of residents of low-income apartments and housing. In general, I am a proponent of affordable housing and would work diligently to maintain existing properties and promote the construction of new properties.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Becky Unger 360-756-6447  
Mike Gantenbein 650-868-4276  
Carmella Bauman 360-929-6193

Signature of applicant:

William Szabo MA, LMHC, CRC, LPN

## Résumé

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## **EXPERIENCE**

### **William Szabo Counseling**

**Bellingham, WA**

**Title: Owner**

Counseling service specializing in PTSD, substance abuse, depression and anxiety.

**9/2009-12/2014**

**Hours per week 30**

### **Cascade Vocational Service**

**Bellingham, WA**

**Title: Volunteer**

Assist staff to help meet the needs of individuals with disabilities. Write résumés

**9/2007-9/2009**

**Hours per week: 16**

### **Veterans Administration**

**Seattle Washington**

**Title: Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor**

Managed a case load of 26 clients. Developed personal and career goals through the counseling process. Presented overview of services to new clients. Maintained case notes and documentation. Approved student purchases of supplies and materials. Insured client benefits would not expire before finishing goals.

**5/2007-8/2007**

**Hours per week: 40**

### **Olympic Treatment Center**

**Bellingham, WA**

**Title: Nurse**

Olympic Treatment Center specialized in Substance abuse recovery. The Nurse's duties consisted of collecting a resident's medical history, determining appropriateness for treatment, passing medications, maintaining client charts, documenting notable occurrences or changes, communicate with substance abuse counselors, medical care, counseling and teaching. The facility is no longer doing business.

**12/1994-12/1998**

**Hours per week 50**

## **EDUCATION**

### **Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington**

**Master's Degree Rehabilitation Counseling- Graduate 12/2006**

**Relevant Coursework, Licensures and Certifications:**

Therapeutic counseling, vocational counseling, rehabilitation counseling, counseling techniques. Explored the different facets of mental and physical disability and strategies to help this population succeed in the workplace

### **Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington**

**Bachelor's Degree Human Services - Graduate 8/2004**

**Relevant Coursework, Licensures and Certifications:**

Explored facets of social/human service and develop ways to best advocate and promote the human spirit. Areas of study: Research, forming a non-profit, managing a non-profit, criminal law, substance abuse, social issues, family development, case management, leadership, systems analysis, grant writing, psychiatric rehabilitation, cognitive disabilities, employment strategies and job placement.

### **Bellingham Technical College, Bellingham, Washington**

**Nursing Licensure - Graduate 6/1993**

**Relevant Coursework, Licensures and Certifications:**

Relevant course work to practice Nursing in the State of Washington.