

**WHATCOM COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**
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MEMORANDUM

To: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

From: Donnell Tanksley, Sheriff *SAD For*

Date: February 28, 2025

Subject: Agreement with the Attorney General of Washington
Cy Pres Funding

Enclosed for your review and signature is one (1) original agreement between Whatcom County and the Attorney General of Washington

Background and Purpose

This agreement is a result of a one-time funding opportunity that was applied for. According to the application, "the Attorney General's Office brought a lawsuit against Federal Way Discount Guns and its owner after they illegally sold high-capacity magazines to the public. The case ultimately settled and the Court entered a Consent Decree that allowed the Attorney General to distribute a portion of the settlement funds *cy press* to local law enforcement agencies to assist in promoting firearms safety, combating gun violence, and supporting victims of gun violence."

Funding Amount and Source

\$125,000 funding from the Attorney General of Washington. Approved plan for funds:

Voluntary firearm turn-in program (exchange for gift cards): \$25,000
Secure firearm storage room for WCSO property/evidence room: \$60,000
Secure home & vehicle storage for WCSO owned firearms: \$30,000
Firearm handing & storage classes for the public (to include free gun locks and/or safes): \$10,000

Differences from Previous Contract

This is the first agreement of this kind for the Sheriff's Office.

Please contact Undersheriff Steve Harris at extension 6718 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.