

**WHATCOM COUNTY
DISTRICT COURT PROBATION**
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Probation Manager

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Jake Wiebusch, District Court and Probation Administrator

RE: Administrative Office of the Court Therapeutic Court Funding Agreement
County Contract 202406038
AOC Contract IAA25101

DATE: July 10, 2024

▪ **Background and Purpose**

In 2023, District Court Presiding Judge Angela Anderson applied for and received ongoing funding through the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to support the District Court Mental Health Court (MHC). This is a continuation of funding that began with the previous contract (IAA24224). The department expenses are offset by the revenue received by this funding.

The funding will support:

1. A Therapeutic Court Focused Probation Officer.
2. Training expenses.
3. Recovery supports
4. Urinalysis testing expenses.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

The funding source is AOC and the annual amount is \$178,600.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contract**

The previous AOC contract (IAA24224) supporting MHC provided additional expenses for urinalysis testing. This renewal also offers expenses for recovery supports.