



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

**FROM:** Erika Lautenbach, Director

**RE:** Chuckanut Health Foundation – Mobile Syringe Services Program Grant

**DATE:** December 3, 2020

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Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and Chuckanut Health Foundation for your review and signature.

- **Background and Purpose**

The Whatcom County Health Department's Syringe Services Program has exceeded the capacity to appropriately and safely serve clients at the State Street Clinic location. Additionally, it is difficult for rural county residents to seek services in Bellingham. The Chuckanut Health Foundation's Grant will provide funding for the customization of a Mobile Syringe Services Program van to adequately provide an array of medical and prevention services in the field.

- **Funding Amount and Source**

This grant provides \$20,000 in funding from the Chuckanut Health Foundation and matching funds provided by the North Sound Accountable Community of Health (NSACH). These funds are included in the 2020 budget and will be included in the 2021 budget. Council approval is required as county direct cost sharing is required to receive this grant.

Please contact Kathleen Roy at extension #6007 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.

Encl.

