



MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive and
Whatcom County Councilmembers

FROM: Billie Sue Rinn, Grant Coordinator

RE: Agreement Amendment with WA State Department of Commerce
for Public Services Grant

DATE: May 23, 2024

Enclosed is the second amendment to the agreement between Whatcom County and the WA State Department of Commerce for your review and approval.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This is an agreement which will provide for pass through of a state grant. This is the twelfth year that Whatcom County has been awarded this public services (formula) grant, which funds will pass through to the Opportunity Council as grant subrecipient. This funding is intended to support new or increased levels of direct services to low- and moderate-income level residents in Whatcom, Island and San Juan Counties.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

This is a \$130,000 formula grant through federal Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and passed through the State CDBG Program to the County. Funding for this grant is dependent upon the approval of the supplemental budget being introduced on June 4, 2024 and subsequently approved on June 18, 2024.

Please contact me at extension 5211 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Encl.