

<b>WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT INFORMATION SHEET</b>		Whatcom County Contract No.	
Originating Department:		85 Health	
Division/Program: (i.e. Dept. Division and Program)		8550 Human Services / 855040 Housing Program	
Contract or Grant Administrator:		Christopher D'Onofrio	
Contractor's / Agency Name:		Opportunity Council	
Is this a New Contract?		If not, is this an Amendment or Renewal to an Existing Contract?	
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #:		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Does contract require Council Approval?		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Already approved? Council Approved Date:		If No, include WCC: (Exclusions see: Whatcom County Codes 3.06.010, 3.08.090 and 3.08.100)	
Is this a grant agreement?			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If yes, grantor agency contract number(s):	
Is this contract grant funded?		CFDA#:	14.231 / 21.027
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s):	
		202008014 / ARPA	
Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process?		Contract Cost	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	122200 / 122800 /	
If yes, RFP and Bid number(s):		Center:	1388502
Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify?		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
If YES, indicate exclusion(s) below:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional services agreement for certified/licensed professional.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than \$100,000.		<input type="checkbox"/> Contract for Commercial off the shelf items (COTS).	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than 120 days.		<input type="checkbox"/> Work related subcontract less than \$25,000.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Interlocal Agreement (between Governments).		<input type="checkbox"/> Public Works - Local Agency/Federally Funded FHWA.	
Contract Amount:(sum of original contract amount and any prior amendments):		Council approval required for; all property leases, contracts or bid awards <b>exceeding \$40,000</b> , and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, <b>except when</b> :	
\$	272,196	1. Exercising an option contained in a contract previously approved by the council.	
This Amendment Amount:		2. Contract is for design, construction, r-o-w acquisition, prof. services, or other capital costs approved by council in a capital budget appropriation ordinance.	
\$		3. Bid or award is for supplies.	
Total Amended Amount:		4. Equipment is included in Exhibit "B" of the Budget Ordinance	
\$		5. Contract is for manufacturer's technical support and hardware maintenance of electronic systems and/or technical support and software maintenance from the developer of proprietary software currently used by Whatcom County.	
Summary of Scope: This contract provides funding for supplemental pay premiums for staff providing direct services.			
Term of Contract:		5 Months	Expiration Date: 9/15/2022
Contract Routing:	1. Prepared by:	JT	Date: 04/07/2022
	2. Health Budget Approval:	JG	Date: 04/11/2022
	3. Attorney signoff:		Date:
	4. AS Finance reviewed:	Bbennett	Date: 4/18/2022
	5. IT reviewed (if IT related):		Date:
	6. Contractor approved:		Date:
	7. Submitted to Exec.:		Date:
	8. Council approved (if necessary):		Date:
	9. Executive signed:		Date:
	10. Original to Council:		Date:

**CONTRACT FOR SERVICES**  
**Between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council**

Opportunity Council, hereinafter called **Contractor** and Whatcom County, hereinafter referred to as **County**, agree and contract as set forth in this Agreement, including:

- General Conditions, pp. 3 to 13,
- Exhibit A (Scope of Work), p. 14,
- Exhibit B (Compensation), p. 15,
- Exhibit C (Certificate of Insurance), p. 16,
- Exhibit D (Special Terms and Conditions – Commerce ESG-CV), pp. 17 to 21,
- Exhibit E (Subaward Information), p. 22
- Exhibit F (American Rescue Plan Act Subrecipient Agreement), pp. 23 to 27,
- Exhibit G (Subaward Information), p. 28,
- Exhibit H (ARPA Eligibility Memo), pp. 29 to 31,
- Exhibit I (2022 Whatcom County Health Department Supplemental Pay Policy Guidelines).

Copies of these items are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth herein.

The term of this Agreement shall commence on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022, and shall, unless terminated or renewed as elsewhere provided in the Agreement, terminate on the 15<sup>h</sup> day of September, 2022.

The general purpose or objective of this Agreement is to provide supplemental premium pay for staff providing direct services as more fully and definitively described in Exhibit A hereto. The language of Exhibit A controls in case of any conflict between it and that provided here.

The maximum consideration for the initial term of this agreement or for any renewal term shall not exceed \$272,196. The Contract Number, set forth above, shall be included on all billings or correspondence in connection therewith.

Contractor acknowledges and by signing this contract agrees that the Indemnification provisions set forth in Paragraphs 11.1, 21.1, 30.1, 31.2, 32.1, 34.2, and 34.3, if included, are totally and fully part of this contract and have been mutually negotiated by the parties.

Each person signing this Contract represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has legal capacity to execute and deliver this Contract.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Agreement on:

**CONTRACTOR:**

Opportunity Council  
1111 Cornwall Avenue  
Bellingham, WA 98225

Each signatory below to this Contract warrants that he/she is the authorized agent of the respective party; and that he/she has the authority to enter into the contract and to bind the party thereto.

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Greg Winter, Executive Director



## GENERAL CONDITIONS

### **Series 00-09: Provisions Related to Scope and Nature of Services**

#### 0.1 Scope of Services:

The Contractor agrees to provide to the County services and any materials as set forth in the project narrative identified as Exhibit "A", during the agreement period. No material, labor, or facilities will be furnished by the County, unless otherwise provided for in the Agreement.

### **Series 10-19: Provisions Related to Term and Termination**

#### 10.1 Term:

Services provided by Contractor prior to or after the term of this contract shall be performed at the expense of Contractor and are not compensable under this contract unless both parties hereto agree to such provision in writing. The term of this Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties; provided, however, that the Agreement is in writing and signed by both parties.

#### 10.2 Extension:

The duration of this Agreement may be extended by mutual written consent of the parties, for a period of up to one year, and for a total of no longer than three years.

#### 11.1 Termination for Default:

If the Contractor defaults by failing to perform any of the obligations of the contract or becomes insolvent or is declared bankrupt or commits any act of bankruptcy or insolvency or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, the County may, by depositing written notice to the Contractor in the U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, terminate the contract, and at the County's option, obtain performance of the work elsewhere. Termination shall be effective upon Contractor's receipt of the written notice, or within three (3) days of the mailing of the notice, whichever occurs first. If the contract is terminated for default, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payments under the contract until all work called for has been fully performed. Any extra cost or damage to the County resulting from such default(s) shall be deducted from any money due or coming due to the Contractor. The Contractor shall bear any extra expenses incurred by the County in completing the work, including all increased costs for completing the work, and all damage sustained, or which may be sustained by the County by reason of such default.

#### 11.2 Termination for Reduction in Funding:

In the event that funding from State, Federal or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Agreement, and prior to its normal completion, the County may summarily terminate this Agreement as to the funds withdrawn, reduced, or limited, notwithstanding any other termination provisions of this Agreement. If the level of funding withdrawn, reduced or limited is so great that the County deems that the continuation of the programs covered by this Agreement is no longer in the best interest of the County, the County may summarily terminate this Agreement in whole, notwithstanding any other termination provisions of this Agreement. Termination under this section shall be effective upon receipt of written notice as specified herein, or within three days of the mailing of the notice, whichever occurs first.

#### 11.3 Termination for Public Convenience:

The County may terminate the Agreement in whole or in part whenever the County determines, in its sole discretion, that such termination is in the interests of the County. Whenever the Agreement is terminated in accordance with this paragraph, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment for actual work performed at unit contract prices for completed items of work. An equitable adjustment in the contract price for partially completed items of work will be made, but such adjustment shall not include provision for loss of anticipated profit on deleted or uncompleted work. Termination of this Agreement by the County at any time during the term, whether for default or convenience, shall not constitute breach of contract by the County.

### **Series 20-29: Provisions Related to Consideration and Payments**

#### 20.1 Accounting and Payment for Contractor Services:

Payment to the Contractor for services rendered under this Agreement shall be as set forth in Exhibit "B." Where Exhibit "B" requires payments by the County, payment shall be based upon written claims supported, unless otherwise provided in Exhibit "B," by documentation of units of work actually performed and amounts earned, including, where appropriate, the actual number of days worked each month, total number of hours for the month, and the total dollar payment requested, so as to comply with municipal auditing requirements.

Unless specifically stated in Exhibit "B" or approved in writing in advance by the official executing this Agreement for the County or his designee (hereinafter referred to as the "Administrative Officer") the County will not reimburse the Contractor for any costs or expenses incurred by the Contractor in the performance of this contract. Where required, the County shall, upon receipt of appropriate documentation, compensate the Contractor, no more often than monthly, in accordance with the County's customary procedures, pursuant to the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit "B."

21.1 Taxes:

The Contractor understands and acknowledges that the County will not withhold Federal or State income taxes. Where required by State or Federal law, the Contractor authorizes the County to withhold for any taxes other than income taxes (i.e., Medicare). All compensation received by the Contractor will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service at the end of the calendar year in accordance with the applicable IRS regulations. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to make the necessary estimated tax payments throughout the year, if any, and the Contractor is solely liable for any tax obligation arising from the Contractor's performance of this Agreement. The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify the County against any demand to pay taxes arising from the Contractor's failure to pay taxes on compensation earned pursuant to this Agreement.

The County will pay sales and use taxes imposed on goods or services acquired hereunder as required by law. The Contractor must pay all other taxes, including, but not limited to, Business and Occupation Tax, taxes based on the Contractor's gross or net income, or personal property to which the County does not hold title. The County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax.

22.1 Withholding Payment:

In the event the County's Administrative Officer determines that the Contractor has failed to perform any obligation under this Agreement within the times set forth in this Agreement, then the County may withhold from amounts otherwise due and payable to Contractor the amount determined by the County as necessary to cure the default, until the Administrative Officer determines that such failure to perform has been cured. Withholding under this clause shall not be deemed a breach entitling Contractor to termination or damages, provided that the County promptly gives notice in writing to the Contractor of the nature of the default or failure to perform, and in no case more than 10 days after it determines to withhold amounts otherwise due. A determination of the Administrative Officer set forth in a notice to the Contractor of the action required and/or the amount required to cure any alleged failure to perform shall be deemed conclusive, except to the extent that the Contractor acts within the times and in strict accord with the provisions of the Disputes clause of this Agreement. The County may act in accordance with any determination of the Administrative Officer which has become conclusive under this clause, without prejudice to any other remedy under the Agreement, to take all or any of the following actions: (1) cure any failure or default, (2) to pay any amount so required to be paid and to charge the same to the account of the Contractor, (3) to set off any amount so paid or incurred from amounts due or to become due the Contractor. In the event the Contractor obtains relief upon a claim under the Disputes clause, no penalty or damages shall accrue to Contractor by reason of good faith withholding by the County under this clause.

23.1 Labor Standards:

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal requirements, including but not limited to those pertaining to payment of wages and working conditions, in accordance with RCW 39.12.040, the Prevailing Wage Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the Davis-Bacon Act; and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act providing for weekly payment of prevailing wages, minimum overtime pay, and providing that no laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to health and safety as determined by regulations promulgated by the Federal Secretary of Labor and the State of Washington.

**Series 30-39: Provisions Related to Administration of Agreement**

30.1 Independent Contractor:

The Contractor's services shall be furnished by the Contractor as an independent contractor, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to create a relationship of employer-employee or master-servant, but all payments made hereunder and all services performed shall be made and performed pursuant to this Agreement by the Contractor as an independent contractor.

The Contractor acknowledges that the entire compensation for this Agreement is specified in Exhibit "B" and the Contractor is not entitled to any benefits including, but not limited to: vacation pay, holiday pay, sick leave pay, medical, dental, or other insurance benefits, or any other rights or privileges afforded to employees of the County. The Contractor represents that he/she/it maintains a separate place of business, serves clients other than the County, will report all income and expense accrued under this contract to the Internal Revenue Service, and has a tax account with the State of Washington Department of Revenue for payment of all sales and use and Business and Occupation taxes collected by the State of Washington.

Contractor will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents or employees from any loss or expense, including, but not limited to, settlements, judgments, setoffs, attorneys' fees or costs incurred by reason of claims or demands because of breach of the provisions of this paragraph

30.2 Assignment and Subcontracting:

The performance of all activities contemplated by this agreement shall be accomplished by the Contractor. No portion of this contract may be assigned or subcontracted to any other individual, firm or entity without the express and prior written approval of the County.

30.3 No Guarantee of Employment:

The performance of all or part of this contract by the Contractor shall not operate to vest any employment rights whatsoever and shall not be deemed to guarantee any employment of the Contractor or any employee of the Contractor or any subcontractor or any employee of any subcontractor by the County at the present time or in the future.

31.1 Ownership of Items Produced and Public Records Act:

All writings, programs, data, public records or other materials prepared by the Contractor and/or its consultants or subcontractors, in connection with performance of this Agreement, shall be the sole and absolute property of the County. If the Contractor creates any copyrightable materials or invents any patentable property, the Contractor may copyright or patent the same, but the County retains a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, recover, or otherwise use the materials or property and to authorize other governments to use the same for state or local governmental purposes. Contractor further agrees to make research, notes, and other work products produced in the performance of this Agreement available to the County upon request.

Ownership. Any and all data, writings, programs, public records, reports, analyses, documents, photographs, pamphlets, plans, specifications, surveys, films or any other materials created, prepared, produced, constructed, assembled, made, performed or otherwise produced by the Contractor or the Contractor's subcontractors or consultants for delivery to the County under this Contract shall be the sole and absolute property of the County. Such property shall constitute "work made for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 101, and the ownership of the copyright and any other intellectual property rights in such property shall vest in the County at the time of its creation. Ownership of the intellectual property includes the right to copyright, patent, and register, and the ability to transfer these rights. Material which the Contractor uses to perform this Contract but is not created, prepared, constructed, assembled, made, performed or otherwise produced for or paid for by the County is owned by the Contractor and is not "work made for hire" within the terms of this Agreement.

Public Records Act. This Contract and all records associated with this Contract shall be available for inspection and copying by the public where required by the Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW (the "Act"). To the extent that public records then in the custody of the Contractor are needed for the County to respond to a request under the Act, as determined by the County, the Contractor agrees to make them promptly available to the County at no cost to the County. If the Contractor considers any portion of any record provided to the County under this Agreement, whether in electronic or hard copy form, to be protected from disclosure under law, the Contractor shall clearly identify any specific information that it claims to be confidential or proprietary. If the County receives a request under the Act to inspect or copy the information so identified by the Contractor and the County determines that release of the information is required by the Act or otherwise appropriate, the County's sole obligations shall be to notify the Contractor (a) of the request and (b) of the date that such information will be released to the requester unless the Contractor obtains a court order to enjoin that disclosure pursuant to RCW 42.56.540. If the Contractor fails to timely obtain a court order enjoining disclosure, the County will release the requested information on the date specified.

The County has, and by this section assumes, no obligation on behalf of the Contractor to claim any exemption from disclosure under the Act. The County shall not be liable to the Contractor for releasing records not clearly identified by the Contractor as confidential or proprietary. The County shall not be liable to the Contractor for any records that the

County releases in compliance with this section or in compliance with an order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

The Contractor shall be liable to the requester for any and all fees, costs, penalties or damages imposed or alleged as a result of the Contractor's failure to provide adequate or timely records.

This provision and the obligations it establishes shall remain in effect after the expiration of this contract.

31.2 Patent/Copyright Infringement:

Contractor will defend and indemnify the County from any claimed action, cause or demand brought against the County, to the extent such action is based on the claim that information supplied by the Contractor infringes any patent or copyright. The Contractor will pay those costs and damages attributable to any such claims that are finally awarded against the County in any action. Such defense and payments are conditioned upon the following:

- A. The Contractor shall be notified promptly in writing by the County of any notice of such claim.
- B. Contractor shall have the right, hereunder, at its option and expense, to obtain for the County the right to continue using the information, in the event such claim of infringement, is made, provided no reduction in performance or loss results to the County.

32.1 Confidentiality:

The Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, and their employees shall maintain the confidentiality of all information provided by the County or acquired by the Contractor in performance of this Agreement, except upon the prior written consent of the County or an order entered by a court after having acquired jurisdiction over the County. Contractor shall immediately give to the County notice of any judicial proceeding seeking disclosure of such information. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officials, agents or employees from all loss or expense, including, but not limited to, settlements, judgments, setoffs, attorneys' fees and costs resulting from Contractor's breach of this provision.

33.1 Right to Review:

This contract is subject to review by any Federal, State or County auditor. The County or its designee shall have the right to review and monitor the financial and service components of this program by whatever means are deemed expedient by the Administrative Officer or by the County Auditor's Office. Such review may occur with or without notice and may include, but is not limited to, on-site inspection by County agents or employees, inspection of all records or other materials which the County deems pertinent to the Agreement and its performance, and any and all communications with or evaluations by service recipients under this Agreement. The Contractor shall preserve and maintain all financial records and records relating to the performance of work under this Agreement for three (3) years after contract termination, and shall make them available for such review, within Whatcom County, State of Washington, upon request. Contractor also agrees to notify the Administrative Officer in advance of any inspections, audits, or program review by any individual, agency, or governmental unit whose purpose is to review the services provided within the terms of this Agreement. If no advance notice is given to the Contractor, then the Contractor agrees to notify the Administrative Officer as soon as it is practical.

34.1 Insurance:

The Contractor shall, at its own expense, obtain and continuously maintain the following insurance coverage for the duration of this contract, which shall include insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, subcontractors or employees. All insurers providing such insurance shall have an A.M. Best Rating of not less than A- (or otherwise be acceptable to the County) and be licensed to do business in the State of Washington and admitted by the Washington State Insurance Commissioner. Coverage limits shall be the minimum limits identified in this Contract or the coverage limits provided or available under the policies maintained by the Contractor without regard to this Contract, whichever are greater.

**1. Commercial General Liability**

Property Damage	\$500,000.00, per occurrence
General Liability & bodily injury	\$1,000,000.00, per occurrence
Annual Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00

At least as broad as ISO form CG 00 01 or the equivalent, which coverage shall include personal injury, bodily injury and property damage for Premises Operations, Products and Completed Operations, Personal/Advertising Injury, Contractual Liability, Independent Contractor Liability, medical payments and Stop Gap/Employer's Liability. Coverage shall not exclude or contain sub-limits less than the minimum limits required, unless approved in writing by the County.

## 2. Business Automobile Liability

\$1,000,000.00 Minimum, per occurrence  
\$2,000,000.00 Minimum, Annual Aggregate

Contractor shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 or the exact equivalent with a limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident. If Contractor owns no vehicles this requirement may be met through a non-owned auto Endorsement to the CGL policy.

## 3. Additional Insurance Requirements and Provisions

- a. All insurance policies shall provide coverage on an occurrence basis.
- b. Additional Insureds. Whatcom County, its departments, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be included as additional insureds on Contractor's and Contractor's subcontractors' insurance policies by way of endorsement for the full available limits of insurance required in this contract or maintained by the Contractor and subcontractor, whichever is greater.
- c. Primary and Non-contributory Insurance. Contractor shall provide primary insurance coverage and the County's insurance shall be non-contributory. Any insurance, self-insured retention, deductible, risk retention or insurance pooling maintained or participated in by the County shall be excess and non-contributory to Contractor's insurance.
- d. Waiver of Subrogation. The insurance policy shall provide a waiver of subrogation with respect to each insurance policy maintained under this Contract. When required by an insurer, or if a policy condition does not permit Contractor to enter into a pre-loss agreement to waive subrogation without an endorsement, then Contractor agrees to notify the insurer and obtain such endorsement. This requirement shall not apply to any policy which includes a condition expressly prohibiting waiver of subrogation by the insured or which voids coverage should the Contractor enter into such a waiver of subrogation on a pre-loss basis.
- e. Review of and Revision of Policy Provisions. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide a full and complete certified copy of all requested insurance policies to the County. The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to revise any insurance requirement, including but not limited to limits, coverages and endorsements, or to reject any insurance policies which fail to meet the requirements of this Contract. Additionally, the County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any proposed insurer providing coverage based upon the insurer's financial condition or licensing status in Washington.
- f. Verification of Coverage/Certificates and Endorsements. The Contractor shall furnish the County with a certificate of insurance and endorsements required by this contract. The certificates and endorsements for each policy shall be signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The certificate and endorsements for each insurance policy are to be on forms approved by the County prior to commencement of activities associated with the contract. The certificate and endorsements, and renewals thereof, shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "C". If Exhibit C is not attached, the Contractor must submit the certificate and endorsements required in this contract to the County prior to the commencement of any work on the contracted project. A certificate alone is insufficient proof of the required insurance; endorsements must be included with the certificate. The certificate of insurance must reflect the insurance required in this contract, including appropriate limits, insurance coverage dates, per occurrence, and in the description of operations, include the County project, Whatcom County, its departments, officials, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insureds, primary, non-contributory, and waiver of subrogation.
- g. The County must be notified immediately in writing of any cancellation of the policy, exhaustion of aggregate limits, notice of intent not to renew insurance coverage, expiration of policy or change in insurer carrier. Contractor shall always provide the County with a current copy of the certificate and endorsements throughout the duration of the contract.
- h. No Limitation on Liability. The insurance maintained under this Contract shall not in any manner limit the liability or qualify the liabilities or obligations of the Contractor to the coverage provided by such insurance, or otherwise limit the County's recourse to any remedy available at law or equity.



- i. Payment Conditioned on Insurance and Failure to Maintain Insurance. Compensation and/or payments due to the Contractor under this Contract are expressly conditioned upon the Contractor's compliance with all insurance requirements. Failure on the part of the Contractor to maintain the insurance as required shall constitute a material breach of contract. Payment to the Contractor may be suspended in the event of non-compliance, upon which the County may, after giving five business days' notice to the Contractor to correct the breach, immediately terminate the contract or, at its discretion, procure or renew such insurance and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith, with any sums so expended to be repaid to the County on demand or offset against funds due the Contractor. Upon receipt of evidence of Contractor's compliance, payments not otherwise subject to withholding or set-off will be released to the Contractor.
- j. Workers' Compensation. The Contractor shall maintain Workers' Compensation coverage as required under the Washington State Industrial Insurance Act, RCW Title 51, for all Contractors' employees, agents and volunteers eligible for such coverage under the Industrial Insurance Act.
- k. Failure of the Contractor to take out and/or maintain required insurance shall not relieve the Contractor or subcontractors from any liability under the contract, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the obligations concerning indemnification. The County does not waive any insurance requirements even in the event the certificate or endorsements provided by the Contractor were insufficient or inadequate proof of coverage but not objected to by the County. The County's failure to confirm adequate proof of insurance requirements does not constitute a waiver of the Contractor's insurance requirements under this Contract.
- l. Availability of Contractor Limits. If the Contractor maintains higher insurance limits than the minimums shown above, the County shall be insured for the full available limits, including Excess or Umbrella liability maintained by the Contractor, irrespective of whether such limits maintained by the Contractor are greater than those required by this contract or whether any certificate furnished to the County evidences limits of liability lower than those maintained by the Contractor.
- m. Insurance for Subcontractors. If the Contractor subcontracts (if permitted in the contract) any portion of this Contract, the Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or shall require separate certificates of insurance and policy endorsements from each subcontractor. Insurance coverages by subcontractors must comply with the insurance requirements of the Contractor in this contract and shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein, including naming the County as additional insured.
- n. The Contractor agrees Contractor's insurance obligation shall survive the completion or termination of this Contract for a minimum period of three years.

34.3 Defense & Indemnity Agreement. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the County and its departments, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers, harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to court costs, attorney's fees, and alternative dispute resolution costs, for any personal injury, for any bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death and for any damage to or destruction of any property (including the loss of use resulting therefrom) which: 1) are caused in whole or in part by any error, act or omission, negligent or otherwise, of the Contractor, its employees, agents or volunteers or Contractor's subcontractors and their employees, agents or volunteers; or 2) directly or indirectly arise out of or occur in connection with performance of this Contract or 3) are based upon the Contractor's or its subcontractors' use of, presence upon, or proximity to the property of the County. This indemnification obligation of the Contractor shall not apply in the limited circumstance where the claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused by the sole negligence of the County.

Should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that this contract is subject to RCW 4.24.115, then in the event of concurrent negligence of the Contractor, its subcontractors, employees or agents, and the County, its employees or agents, this indemnification obligation of the Contractor shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the negligence of the Contractor, its subcontractors, employees, and agents. This indemnification obligation of the

Contractor shall not be limited in any way by the Washington State Industrial Insurance Act, RCW Title 51, or by application of any other workmen's compensation act, disability benefit act or other employee benefit act, and the Contractor hereby expressly waives any immunity afforded by such acts.

It is further provided that no liability shall attach to the County by reason of entering into this contract, except as expressly provided herein. The parties specifically agree that this Contract is for the benefit of the parties only and this Contract shall create no rights in any third party. The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to participate in the defense of any claim, damages, losses, or expenses, and such participation shall not constitute a waiver of Contractor's indemnity obligations under this Agreement.

In the event the Contractor enters into subcontracts to the extent allowed under this Contract, the Contractor's subcontractors shall indemnify the County on a basis equal to or exceeding Contractor's indemnity obligations to the County. The Contractor shall pay all attorney's fees and expenses incurred by the County in establishing and enforcing the County's rights under this indemnification provision, whether or not suit was instituted.

The Contractor agrees all Contractor's indemnity obligations shall survive the completion, expiration or termination of this Agreement. The foregoing indemnification obligations of the Contractor are a material inducement to County to enter into this Agreement and are reflected in the Contractor's compensation.

By signing this contract, the Contractor acknowledges that it has freely negotiated and agreed to the indemnification requirements to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County from all claims and suits including those brought against the County by the Contractor's own employees, arising from this contract.

35.1 Non-Discrimination in Employment:

The County's policy is to provide equal opportunity in all terms, conditions and privileges of employment for all qualified applicants and employees without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation (including gender identity), age, marital status, disability, or veteran status. The Contractor shall comply with all laws prohibiting discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation (including gender identity), age, marital status, disability, political affiliation, or veteran status, except where such constitutes a bona fide occupational qualification.

Furthermore, in those cases in which the Contractor is governed by such laws, the Contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed, and treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation (including gender identity), disability, or veteran status, except where such constitutes a bona fide occupational qualification. Such action shall include, but not be limited to: advertising, hiring, promotions, layoffs or terminations, rate of pay or other forms of compensation benefits, selection for training including apprenticeship, and participation in recreational and educational activities. In all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by them or on their behalf, the Contractor shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

The foregoing provisions shall also be binding upon any subcontractor, provided that the foregoing provision shall not apply to contracts or subcontractors for standard commercial supplies or raw materials, or to sole proprietorships with no employees.

35.2 Non-Discrimination in Client Services:

The Contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation (including gender identity), disability, or veteran status; or deny an individual or business any service or benefits under this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law; or subject an individual or business to segregation or separate treatment in any manner related to his/her/its receipt any service or services or other benefits provided under this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law; or deny an individual or business an opportunity to participate in any program provided by this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law.

36.1 Waiver of Noncompetition:

Contractor irrevocably waives any existing rights which it may have, by contract or otherwise, to require another person or corporation to refrain from submitting a proposal to or performing work or providing supplies to the County, and contractor

further promises that it will not in the future, directly or indirectly, induce or solicit any person or corporation to refrain from submitting a bid or proposal to or from performing work or providing supplies to the County.

36.2 Conflict of Interest:

If at any time prior to commencement of, or during the term of this Agreement, Contractor or any of its employees involved in the performance of this Agreement shall have or develop an interest in the subject matter of this Agreement that is potentially in conflict with the County's interest, then Contractor shall immediately notify the County of the same. The notification of the County shall be made with sufficient specificity to enable the County to make an informed judgment as to whether or not the County's interest may be compromised in any manner by the existence of the conflict, actual or potential. Thereafter, the County may require the Contractor to take reasonable steps to remove the conflict of interest. The County may also terminate this contract according to the provisions herein for termination.

37.1 Administration of Contract:

This Agreement shall be subject to all laws, rules, and regulations of the United States of America, the State of Washington, and political subdivisions of the State of Washington. The Contractor also agrees to comply with applicable federal, state, county or municipal standards for licensing, certification and operation of facilities and programs, and accreditation and licensing of individuals.

The County hereby appoints, and the Contractor hereby accepts, the Whatcom County Executive, and his or her designee, as the County's representative, hereinafter referred to as the Administrative Officer, for the purposes of administering the provisions of this Agreement, including the County's right to receive and act on all reports and documents, and any auditing performed by the County related to this Agreement. The Administrative Officer for purposes of this agreement is:

Christopher D'Onofrio, Program Specialist  
Whatcom County Health Department

37.2 Notice:

Any notices or communications required or permitted to be given by this Contract must be (i) given in writing and (ii) personally delivered or mailed, by prepaid, certified mail or overnight courier, or transmitted by electronic mail transmission (including PDF), to the party to whom such notice or communication is directed, to the mailing address or regularly-monitored electronic mail address of such party as follows:

Whatcom County Health Department  
Christopher D'Onofrio, Program Specialist  
509 Girard Street  
Bellingham, WA 98225  
360-778-6049  
[CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us).

Opportunity Council  
Greg Winter, Executive Director  
1111 Cornwall Avenue  
Bellingham, WA 98225  
360-734-5121  
[greg\\_winter@oppco.org](mailto:greg_winter@oppco.org)

Any such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given on (i) the day such notice or communication is personally delivered, (ii) three (3) days after such notice or communication is mailed by prepaid certified or registered mail, (iii) one (1) working day after such notice or communication is sent by overnight courier, or (iv) the day such notice or communication is sent electronically, provided that the sender has received a confirmation of such electronic transmission. A party may, for purposes of this Agreement, change his, her or its address, email address or the person to whom a notice or other communication is marked to the attention of, by giving notice of such change to the other party pursuant to this Section.

37.3 If agreed by the parties, this Contract may be executed by Email transmission and PDF signature and Email transmission and PDF signature shall constitute an original for all purposes.

38.1 Certification of Public Works Contractor's Status under State Law:

If applicable, Contractor certifies that it has fully met the responsibility criteria required of public works contractors under RCW 39.04.350 (1), which include: (a) having a certificate of registration in compliance with RCW 18.27; (b) having a current state unified business identifier number; (c) if applicable, having industrial insurance coverage for its employees working in Washington as required in Title 51 RCW, an employment security department number as required in Title 50 RCW, and a state excise tax registration number as required in Title 82 RCW; and (d) not being disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 or 39.12.065 (3).

38.2 Certification Regarding Federal Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions:

If applicable, the Contractor further certifies, by executing this contract, that neither it nor its principles is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or Agency.

The Contractor also agrees that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transactions (a transaction between the Contractor and any other person) with a person who is proposed for debarment, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, and the Contractor agrees to include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Federal Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier transactions.

The "Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management (SAM) website is available to research this information at WWW.SAM.GOV. Contractor shall immediately notify Whatcom County if, during the term of this Contract, Contractor becomes debarred.

38.3 E-Verify:

The E-Verify contractor program for Whatcom County applies to contracts of \$100,000 or more and sub contracts for \$25,000 or more if the primary contract is for \$100,000 or more. If applicable, Contractor represents and warrants that it will, for at least the duration of this contract, register and participate in the status verification system for all newly hired employees. The term "employee" as used herein means any person that is hired to perform work for Whatcom County. As used herein, "status verification system" means the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 that is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, also known as the E-Verify Program, or any other successor electronic verification system replacing the E-Verify Program. Contractor/Seller agrees to maintain records of such compliance and, upon request of the County, to provide a copy of each such verification to the County. Contractor/Seller further represents and warrants that any person assigned to perform services hereunder meets the employment eligibility requirements of all immigration laws of the State of Washington. Contractor/Seller understands and agrees that any breach of these warranties may subject Contractor/Seller to the following: (a) termination of this Agreement and ineligibility for any Whatcom County contract for up to three (3) years, with notice of such cancellation/termination being made public. In the event of such termination/cancellation, Contractor/Seller would also be liable for any additional costs incurred by the County due to contract cancellation or loss of license or permit." Contractor will review and enroll in the E-Verify program through this website: [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov)

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40.1 Modifications:

Either party may request changes in the Agreement. Any and all agreed modifications, to be valid and binding upon either party, shall be in writing and signed by both of the parties.

40.2 Contractor Commitments, Warranties and Representations:

Any written commitment received from the Contractor concerning this Agreement shall be binding upon the Contractor, unless otherwise specifically provided herein with reference to this paragraph. Failure of the Contractor to fulfill such a commitment shall render the Contractor liable for damages to the County. A commitment includes, but is not limited to, any representation made prior to execution of this Agreement, whether or not incorporated elsewhere herein by reference, as to performance of services or equipment, prices or options for future acquisition to remain in effect for a fixed period, or warranties.

41.1 Severability:

If any term or condition of this contract or the application thereof to any person(s) or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other terms, conditions or applications which can be given effect without the invalid term, condition or application. To this end, the terms and conditions of this contract are declared severable.

41.2 Waiver:

Waiver of any breach or condition of this contract shall not be deemed a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach. No term or condition of this contract shall be held to be waived, modified or deleted except by an instrument, in writing, signed by the parties hereto. The failure of the County to insist upon strict performance of any of the covenants and agreements of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein conferred in any one or more instances, shall not be construed to be a waiver or relinquishment of any such, or any other covenants or agreements, but the same shall be and remain in full force and effect.

42.1 Disputes:

a. General:

Differences between the Contractor and the County, arising under and by virtue of the Contract Documents, shall be brought to the attention of the County at the earliest possible time in order that such matters may be settled or other appropriate action promptly taken. Except for such objections as are made of record in the manner hereinafter specified and within the time limits stated, the records, orders, rulings, instructions, and decisions of the Administrative Officer shall be final and conclusive.

b. Notice of Potential Claims:

The Contractor shall not be entitled to additional compensation which otherwise may be payable, or to extension of time for (1) any act or failure to act by the Administrative Officer or the County, or (2) the happening of any event or occurrence, unless the Contractor has given the County a written Notice of Potential Claim within ten (10) days of the commencement of the act, failure, or event giving rise to the claim, and before final payment by the County. The written Notice of Potential Claim shall set forth the reasons for which the Contractor believes additional compensation or extension of time is due, the nature of the cost involved, and insofar as possible, the amount of the potential claim. Contractor shall keep full and complete daily records of the work performed, labor and material used, and all costs and additional time claimed to be additional.

c. Detailed Claim:

The Contractor shall not be entitled to claim any such additional compensation, or extension of time, unless within thirty (30) days of the accomplishment of the portion of the work from which the claim arose, and before final payment by the County, the Contractor has given the County a detailed written statement of each element of cost or other compensation requested and of all elements of additional time required, and copies of any supporting documents evidencing the amount or the extension of time claimed to be due.

d. Arbitration:

Other than claims for injunctive relief, temporary restraining order, or other provisional remedy to preserve the status quo or prevent irreparable harm, brought by a party hereto (which may be brought either in court or pursuant to this arbitration provision), and consistent with the provisions hereinabove, any claim, dispute or controversy between the parties under, arising out of, or related to this Contract or otherwise, including issues of specific performance, shall be determined by arbitration in Bellingham, Washington, under the applicable American Arbitration Association (AAA) rules in effect on the date hereof, as modified by this Agreement. There shall be one arbitrator selected by the parties within ten (10) days of the arbitration demand, or if not, by the AAA or any other group having similar credentials. Any issue about whether a claim is covered by this Contract shall be determined by the arbitrator. The arbitrator shall apply substantive law and may award injunctive relief, equitable relief (including specific performance), or any other remedy available from a judge but shall not have the power to award punitive damages. Each Party shall pay all their own costs, attorney fees and expenses of arbitration and the parties shall share equally in the Arbitrator's fees and costs. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding and an order confirming the award or judgment upon the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The parties agree that the decision of the arbitrator shall be the sole and exclusive remedy between them regarding any dispute presented or pled before the arbitrator. At the request of either party made not later than forty-five (45) days after the arbitration demand, the parties agree to submit the dispute to nonbinding mediation, which shall not delay the arbitration hearing date; provided, that either party may decline to mediate and proceed with arbitration.

Any arbitration proceeding commenced to enforce or interpret this Contract shall be brought within six years after the initial occurrence giving rise to the claim, dispute, or issue for which arbitration is commenced, regardless of the date of discovery or whether the claim, dispute, or issue was continuing in nature. Claims, disputes, or issues arising more than six years prior to a written request or demand for arbitration issued under this Contract are not subject to arbitration.

- e. The parties may agree in writing signed by both parties that a claim or dispute may be brought in Whatcom County Superior Court rather than mediation or arbitration.

*Unless otherwise specified herein, this Contract shall be governed by the laws of Whatcom County and the State of Washington.*

43.1 Venue and Choice of Law:

In the event that any litigation should arise concerning the construction or interpretation of any of the terms of this Agreement, the venue of such action of litigation shall be in the courts of the State of Washington in and for the County of Whatcom. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Washington.

44.1 Survival:

The provisions of paragraphs 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 21.1, 22.1, 30.1, 31.1, 31.2, 32.1, 33.1, 34.2, 34.3, 36.1, 40.2, 41.2, 42.1, and 43.1, if utilized, shall survive, notwithstanding the termination or invalidity of this Agreement for any reason.

45.1 Entire Agreement:

This written Agreement, comprised of the writings signed or otherwise identified and attached hereto, represents the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior oral statements, discussions or understandings between the parties.

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
(SCOPE OF WORK)

**I. Background**

The Opportunity Council serves homeless and low-income families and individuals. To offset prolonged challenges and difficult work environments for employees, Whatcom County will reimburse supplemental pay premiums for staff providing direct services. These reimbursements will be made in accordance with supplemental pay requirements of the Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Solutions Grant – COVID-19 and the American Rescue Plan Act.

**II. Statement of Work**

The Contractor will be reimbursed for supplemental pay premiums provided to staff providing direct services, per the Guidelines outlined in Exhibit I – 2022 Whatcom County Supplemental Pay Policy Guidelines. Staff who support street outreach, emergency shelter (including day centers), rapid rehousing and rapid rehousing projects and as outlined in their job descriptions, are required to provide direct service to clients or the general public are eligible for these supplemental pay premiums, as follows:

- A. Each eligible employee will receive \$1,000 gross pay through two rounds of supplemental pay premiums.
  - 1. The first round of supplemental pay premiums is available to all eligible staff employed on April 15, 2022, have a hire date on or before March 1, 2022 and worked 80 hours within the 30 days prior to the end date of the pay premium period.
  - 2. The second round of supplemental pay premiums is available to all eligible staff employed on September 1, 2022, have a hire date that is on or before August 1, 2022, and worked 80 hours within the 30 days prior to the end date of the pay premium period.
- B. The Contractor will develop written policies prior to issuing supplemental pay premiums to staff which include:
  - 1. Supplemental pay premium amount
  - 2. Eligibility timing for supplemental pay premium (date of initial eligibility for first round and date of eligibility for second round)
  - 3. Eligible job titles
    - a. FLSA non-exempt employees earning less than \$103,000 annually
    - b. Exempt employees earning less than \$103,000 annually and with a written justification
  - 4. Recordkeeping requirements which include:
    - a. Maintaining timesheets that demonstrate employment and hours worked for each period of eligibility
    - b. Job descriptions
    - c. Current, written supplemental pay premium policies.

- C. The contractor will comply with relevant Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Solutions COVID-19 Grant guidelines, including periodic updates to the guidelines which can be accessed at:

<https://deptofcommerce.app.box.com/s/s2w7o65zm4buhz2bk7t0n3femanl7tml> and

<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/serving-communities/homelessness/emergency-solutions-grant/>



**EXHIBIT "B"**  
(COMPENSATION)

**I. Budget and Source of Funding:** The source of funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$272,196, is document recording fees, the Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Solutions COVID-19 (ESG-CV) Grant (CFDA 14.231) and County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds (CFDA 21.027). COMMERCE and the State of Washington are not liable for claims or damages arising from Subcontractor's performance of this contract. The budget for this contract is as follows:

Cost Description	Documents Required Each Invoice	Budget
ESG-CV Eligible 2022 Supplemental Pay (April-September)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payroll register for pay period(s) that the supplemental pay premium was paid out.</li> <li>• Timesheets for eligible staff for the 30-day period(s) prior to the end of the premium pay periods.</li> </ul>	\$144,907
ARPA Eligible 2022 Supplemental Pay (April-September)		\$98,126
ESG-CV Indirect @ 7%		\$10,143
Document Recording Fee Funded Indirect @ 5% (to supplement ESG-CV limit)		\$7,245
ARPA Indirect @ 12%		\$11,775
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$272,196</b>

\*In no instance shall the indirect exceed the rates indicated above.

**II. Invoicing**

1. The Contractor shall submit invoices to (include contract/PO #) [HL-BusinessOffice@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:HL-BusinessOffice@co.whatcom.wa.us).
2. The Contractor shall submit itemized invoices on a monthly basis in a format approved by the County. Invoices submitted for payment must include the items identified in the table above. **Final invoices must be submitted no later than September 30, 2022.**
3. Payment by the County will be considered timely if it is made within 30 days of the receipt and acceptance of billing information from Contractor. The County may withhold payment of an invoice if the Contractor submits it more than 30 days after the expiration of this contract.
4. Invoices must include the following statement, with an authorized signature and date:

**I certify that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered, or the labor performed as described on this invoice.**

5. Duplication of Billed Costs or Payments for Service: The Contractor shall not bill the County for services performed or provided under this contract, and the County shall not pay the Contractor, if the Contractor has been or will be paid by any other source, including grants, for those costs used to perform or provide the services in this contract. The Contractor is responsible for any audit exceptions or disallowed amounts paid as a result of this contract.

**EXHIBIT "C"**  
(CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE)

**“Exhibit D”**  
(Special Terms and Conditions for Commerce Emergency Solutions Grant  
– COVID 19 ESG-CV – CFDA #14.231)

The funds allocated for services performed under this grant are Washington State Department of Commerce funds. The terms included in this agreement and any additional agreements herein are a result of the grant funding requirements. Commerce and the State of Washington are liable for claims or damages arising from the Contractor’s performance of this subgrant.

**1. DEFINITIONS**

As used throughout this Contract, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

- A. “Authorized Representative” shall mean the Director and/or the designee authorized in writing to act on the Director’s behalf.
- B. “COMMERCE” shall mean the Department of Commerce.
- C. “Grant” or “Agreement” means the entire written agreement between COMMERCE and the Grantee, including any attachments, documents, or materials incorporated by reference. E-mail or facsimile transmission of a signed copy of this contract shall be the same as delivery of an original.
- D. “Grantee” shall mean the entity identified on the face sheet performing service(s) under this Contract, and shall include all employees and agents of the Grantee.
- E. “Personal Information” shall mean information identifiable to any person, including, but not limited to, information that relates to a person’s name, health, finances, education, business, use or receipt of governmental services or other activities, addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, driver license numbers, other identifying numbers, and any financial identifiers.
- F. “State” shall mean the state of Washington.
- G. “Subgrantee/Subcontractor” shall mean one not in the employment of the Grantee, who is performing all or part of those services under this Grant under a separate Grant with the Grantee. The terms “subgrantee/subcontractor” refers to any tier.
- H. “Subrecipient” shall mean a non-federal entity that expends federal awards received from a pass-through entity to carry out a federal program, but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such a program. It also excludes vendors that receive federal funds in exchange for goods and/or services in the course of normal trade or commerce

**2. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDS**

The Contractor agrees that any publications (written, visual, or sound) but excluding press releases, newsletters, and issue analyses, issued by the Contractor describing programs or projects funded in whole or in part with federal funds under this Contract, shall contain the following statements:

“This project was supported by Grant No. E-20-DW-53-0001 awarded by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a supplemental appropriation through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (CARES Act). Points of view in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the HUD. Grant funds are administered by the Housing Assistance Unit in the Community Services and Housing Division, Washington State Department of Commerce.”

**3. ALL WRITINGS CONTAINED HEREIN**

This Grant contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Grant shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.

**4. AMENDMENTS**

This Grant may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.

**5. ASSIGNMENT**

Neither this Grant, nor any claim arising under this Grant, shall be transferred or assigned by the Grantee without prior written consent of COMMERCE.

## **6. AUDIT**

If the Grantee is a subrecipient and expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards from any and/or all sources in any fiscal year, the Grantee shall procure and pay for a single audit or a program-specific audit for that fiscal year. Upon completion of each audit, the Grantee shall:

- A. Submit to COMMERCE the reporting package specified in OMB Super Circular 2 CFR 200.501, reports required by the program-specific audit guide (if applicable), and a copy of any management letters issued by the auditor.
- B. Submit to COMMERCE follow-up and developed corrective action plans for all audit findings.

If the Grantee is a subrecipient and expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards from any and/or all sources in any fiscal year, the Grantee shall notify COMMERCE they did not meet the single audit requirement.

The Grantee shall send all single audit documentation to [auditreview@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:auditreview@commerce.wa.gov).

## **7. CONFIDENTIALITY AND SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION**

### **A. "Confidential Information" as used in this section includes:**

- i. All material provided to the Grantee by COMMERCE that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE;
- ii. All material produced by the Grantee that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE; and
- iii. All personal information in the possession of the Grantee that may not be disclosed under state or federal law. "Personal information" includes but is not limited to information related to a person's name, health, finances, education, business, use of government services, addresses, telephone numbers, social security number, driver's license number and other identifying numbers, and "Protected Health Information" under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

**B.** The Grantee shall comply with all state and federal laws related to the use, sharing, transfer, sale, or disclosure of Confidential Information. The Grantee shall use Confidential Information solely for the purposes of this Grant and shall not use, share, transfer, sell or disclose any Confidential Information to any third party except with the prior written consent of COMMERCE or as may be required by law. The Grantee shall take all necessary steps to assure that Confidential Information is safeguarded to prevent unauthorized use, sharing, transfer, sale or disclosure of Confidential Information or violation of any state or federal laws related thereto. Upon request, the Grantee shall provide COMMERCE with its policies and procedures on confidentiality. COMMERCE may require changes to such policies and procedures as they apply to this Grant whenever COMMERCE reasonably determines that changes are necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosures. The Grantee shall make the changes within the time period specified by COMMERCE. Upon request, the Grantee shall immediately return to COMMERCE any Confidential Information that COMMERCE reasonably determines has not been adequately protected by the Grantee against unauthorized disclosure.

**C.** Unauthorized Use or Disclosure. The Grantee shall notify COMMERCE within five (5) working days of any unauthorized use or disclosure of any confidential information, and shall take necessary steps to mitigate the harmful effects of such use or disclosure.

## **8. COPYRIGHT**

Unless otherwise provided, all Materials produced under this Grant shall be considered "works for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act and shall be owned by COMMERCE. COMMERCE shall be considered the author of such Materials. In the event the Materials are not considered "works for hire" under the U.S. Copyright laws, the Grantee hereby irrevocably assigns all right, title, and interest in all Materials, including all intellectual property rights, moral rights, and rights of publicity to COMMERCE effective from the moment of creation of such Materials.

"Materials" means all items in any format and includes, but is not limited to, data, reports, documents, pamphlets, advertisements, books, magazines, surveys, studies, computer programs, films, tapes, and/or sound reproductions. "Ownership" includes the right to copyright, patent, register and the ability to transfer these rights.

For Materials that are delivered under the Grant, but that incorporate pre-existing materials not produced under the Grant, the Grantee hereby grants to COMMERCE a nonexclusive, royalty-free, irrevocable license (with rights to sublicense to others) in such Materials to translate, reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works, publicly perform, and publicly display. The Grantee warrants and represents that the Grantee has all rights and permissions, including intellectual property rights, moral rights and rights of publicity, necessary to grant such a license to COMMERCE.

The Grantee shall exert all reasonable effort to advise COMMERCE, at the time of delivery of Materials furnished under this Grant, of all known or potential invasions of privacy contained therein and of any portion of such document which was not produced in the performance of this Grant. The Grantee shall provide COMMERCE with prompt written notice of each notice or claim of infringement received by the Grantee with respect to any Materials delivered under this Grant. COMMERCE shall have the right to modify or remove any restrictive markings placed upon the Materials by the Grantee.

**9. DUPLICATE PAYMENT**

COMMERCE shall not pay the Grantee, if the Grantee has charged or will charge the State of Washington or any other party under any other Grant, subgrant/subcontract, or agreement, for the same services or expenses.

**10. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE**

This Grant shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the state of Washington, and any applicable federal laws, and the venue of any action brought hereunder shall be in the Superior Court for Thurston County.

**11. INDEMNIFICATION**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Grantee shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the state of Washington, COMMERCE, agencies of the state and all officials, agents and employees of the state from and against all claims for injuries or death arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract. "Claim" as used in this contract, means any financial loss, claim, suite, action, damage, or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees, attributable for bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or injury to or the destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom.

The Grantee's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless includes any claim by Grantee's agents, employees, representatives, or any subgrantee/subcontractor or its employees.

Grantee expressly agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State for any claim arising out of or incident to Grantee's or any subgrantee's/subcontractor's performance or failure to perform the Grant. Grantee's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State shall not be eliminated or reduced by any actual or alleged concurrent negligence of State or its agents, agencies, employees, and officials.

The Grantee waives its immunity under Title 51 RCW to the extent it is required to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the state and its agencies, officers, agents, or employees.

**12. LAWS**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, regulations, and policies of local, state, and federal governments, as now or hereafter amended.

**13. LICENSING, ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing, accreditation and registration requirements or standards necessary for the performance of this Contract.

**14. PROCUREMENT STANDARDS FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS**

A Grantee which is a local government or Indian Tribal government must establish procurement policies and procedures in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, for all purchases funded by this Grant.

A Grantee which is a nonprofit organization shall establish procurement policies in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, for all purchases funded by this Contract.

The Grantee's procurement system should include at least the following:

- A. A code or standard of conduct that shall govern the performance of its officers, employees, or agents engaged in the awarding of contracts using federal funds.
- B. Procedures that ensure all procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner to provide, to the maximum extent practical, open and free competition.
- C. Minimum procedural requirements, as follows:
  - i. Follow a procedure to assure the avoidance of purchasing unnecessary or duplicative items.
  - ii. Solicitations shall be based upon a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements of the procured items.

- iii. Positive efforts shall be made to use small and minority-owned businesses.
  - iv. The type of procuring instrument (fixed price, cost reimbursement) shall be determined by the Contractor, but must be appropriate for the particular procurement and for promoting the best interest of the program involved.
  - v. Contracts shall be made with only reasonable subgrantees/subcontractors who possess the potential ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed procurement.
  - vi. Some form of price or cost analysis should be performed in connection with every procurement action.
  - vii. Procurement records and files for purchases shall include all of the following:
    - 1) Contractor selection or rejection
    - 2) The basis for the cost or price
    - 3) Justification for lack of competitive bids if offers are not obtained
  - viii. A system for contract administration to ensure Contractor conformance with terms, conditions and specifications of this Contract, and to ensure adequate and timely follow-up of all purchases.
- D. Contractor and Subgrantee/subcontractor must receive prior approval from COMMERCE for using funds from this Contract to enter into a sole source contract or a contract where only one bid or proposal is received when value of this Contract is expected to exceed \$5,000.

#### **15. PUBLICITY**

The Grantee agrees not to publish or use any advertising or publicity materials in which the state of Washington or COMMERCE's name is mentioned, or language used from which the connection with the state of Washington's or COMMERCE'S name may reasonably be inferred or implied, without the prior written consent of COMMERCE.

#### **16. RECAPTURE**

In the event that the Grantee fails to perform this Grant in accordance with state laws, federal laws, and/or the provisions of this Grant, COMMERCE reserves the right to recapture funds in an amount to compensate COMMERCE for the noncompliance in addition to any other remedies available at law or in equity.

Repayment by the Grantee of funds under this recapture provision shall occur within the time period specified by COMMERCE. In the alternative, COMMERCE may recapture such funds from payments due under this Grant.

#### **17. RECORDS MAINTENANCE**

The Grantee shall maintain books, records, documents, data and other evidence relating to this Grant and performance of the services described herein, including but not limited to accounting procedures and practices that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Grant.

The Grantee shall retain such records for a period of six years following the date of final payment. At no additional cost, these records, including materials generated under the Grant, shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review or audit by COMMERCE, personnel duly authorized by COMMERCE, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal and state officials so authorized by law, regulation or agreement.

If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

#### **18. SAVINGS**

In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Grant and prior to normal completion, COMMERCE may suspend or terminate the Grant under the "Termination for Convenience" clause, without the ten calendar day notice requirement. In lieu of termination, the Grant may be amended to reflect the new funding limitations and conditions.

#### **19. SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this Grant are intended to be severable. If any term or provision is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Grant.

## **20. SUBGRANTING/SUBCONTRACTING**

The Grantee may only subcontract work contemplated under this Grant if it obtains prior written approval of COMMERCE.

If COMMERCE approves subcontracting, the Grantee shall maintain written procedures related to subcontracting, as well as copies of all subcontracts and records related to subcontracts. For cause, COMMERCE in writing may: (a) require the Grantee to amend its subcontracting procedures as they relate to this Grant; (b) prohibit the Grantee from subcontracting with a particular person or entity; or (c) require the Grantee to rescind or amend a subcontract.

Every subcontract shall bind the Subcontractor to follow all applicable terms of this Grant. The Grantee is responsible to COMMERCE if the Subcontractor fails to comply with any applicable term or condition of this Grant. The Grantee shall appropriately monitor the activities of the Subcontractor to assure fiscal conditions of this Grant. In no event shall the existence of a subcontract operate to release or reduce the liability of the Grantee to COMMERCE for any breach in the performance of the Grantee's duties.

Every subcontract shall include a term that COMMERCE and the State of Washington are not liable for claims or damages arising from a Subcontractor's performance of the subcontract.

## **21. SITE SECURITY**

While on COMMERCE premises, Grantee, its agents, employees, or subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire, or other security policies or regulations.

## **22. SURVIVAL**

The terms, conditions, and warranties contained in this Grant that by their sense and context are intended to survive the completion of the performance, cancellation or termination of this Grant shall so survive.

## **23. TREATMENT OF ASSETS**

Title to all property furnished by COMMERCE shall remain in COMMERCE. Title to all property furnished by the Grantee, for the cost of which the Grantee is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item of cost under this Grant, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon delivery of such property by the Grantee. Title to other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Grantee under this Grant, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon (i) issuance for use of such property in the performance of this Grant, or (ii) commencement of use of such property in the performance of this Grant, or (iii) reimbursement of the cost thereof by COMMERCE in whole or in part, whichever first occurs.

- A. Any property of COMMERCE furnished to the Grantee shall, unless otherwise provided herein or approved by COMMERCE, be used only for the performance of this Grant.
- B. The Grantee shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of COMMERCE that results from the negligence of the Grantee or which results from the failure on the part of the Grantee to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.
- C. If any COMMERCE property is lost, destroyed or damaged, the Grantee shall immediately notify COMMERCE and shall take all reasonable steps to protect the property from further damage.
- D. The Grantee shall surrender to COMMERCE all property of COMMERCE prior to settlement upon completion, termination or cancellation of this Grant.

All reference to the Grantee under this clause shall also include Grantee's employees, agents, or Subgrantees/Subcontractors.

## **24. WAIVER**

Waiver of any default or breach shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default or breach. Any waiver shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Grant unless stated to be such in writing and signed by Authorized Representative of COMMERCE.

**“Exhibit E”  
ESG-CV SUBAWARD INFORMATION**

	Item Description	Contract Information
1	<b>Subrecipient Name (Exactly as listed in DUNS): www.SAM.gov</b>	Opportunity Council
2	<b>Subrecipient DUNS Number: www.SAM.gov</b>	J8DRQDDFBA64
3	<b>Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN):</b>	E-20-DW-53-0001
4	<b>Federal Award Date (from Federal contract)</b>	10/01/2020 – 09/30/2022
5	<b>Start and End Date of the contract:</b>	04/15/2022 – 09/30/2022
6	<b>Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this action:</b>	\$3,044,770
7	<b>Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated to the subrecipient by Whatcom County for this subaward (current and past obligations):</b>	\$155,050
8	<b>Total Amount of the Federal Award <u>committed</u> to the subrecipient through Whatcom County:</b>	\$155,050
9	<b>Project description from Federal Award:</b>	To assist people to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness and to address the needs of people in emergency shelters and unsheltered situations.
10	<b>Name of the Federal awarding agency:</b>	U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development
11	<b>Name of the pass-through entity/entities:</b>	WA State Department of Commerce / Whatcom County
12	<b>Contact information for awarding official- (Name of County project coordinator)</b>	Christopher D’Onofrio
13	<b>Contact information for awarding official- General Contact email or phone number:</b>	360-778-6049 <a href="mailto:CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us">CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us</a>
14	<b>CFDA Number</b>	14.231
15	<b>CFDA Name Program Name</b>	Emergency Solutions Grant Program
16	<b>Is the award Research and Development?</b>	No
17	<b>Indirect Cost Rate per the Federal Award</b>	Not specified
18	<b>Federal requirements imposed on the subrecipient by Whatcom County:</b>	See Exhibit D
19	<b>Additional requirements imposed by Whatcom County to meet its own responsibilities to the awarding agency:</b>	See Exhibit A
20	<b>Indirect Rate: Subrecipient approved rate or de minimis</b>	7%
21	<b>Access to subrecipient’s accounting records and financial statements as needed.</b>	Yes
22	<b>Closeout Requirements</b>	Yes



**“Exhibit F”**  
**American Rescue Plan Act Funding**  
**Subrecipient Agreement**

The Contractor is considered a subrecipient for purposes of this contract and will hereafter be referred to as Subrecipient for this portion of the contract. Source of funding is Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, CFDA No. 21.027

**1. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

- A. The Subrecipient and the County shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, regulations, and policies of local, state, and federal governments, as now or hereafter amended, including, but not limited to United States Laws, Regulations and Circulars (Federal).
- B. The Subrecipient shall comply with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, PL 117-2, Section 9901 regarding allowable expenditures. (The Subrecipient shall also comply with all federal guidance regarding the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds, including the Final Rule at 31 CFR Part 35 and U.S. Treasury FAQs.
- C. The Subrecipient shall comply with Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, other than such provisions as Treasury may determine are inapplicable to this Award and subject to such exceptions as may be otherwise provided by Treasury. Subpart F – Audit Requirements of the Uniform Guidance, implementing the Single Audit Act, shall apply to this award.
- D. Other federal regulations applicable to this award include:
- (i) Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25 and pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference.
  - (ii) Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information, 2 C.F.R., Part 170, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 170 is hereby incorporated by reference.
  - (iii) OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 80 (including the requirement to include a term or condition in all lower tier covered transaction (contracts and subcontracts described in 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart B) that the award is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19.
  - (iv) Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters, pursuant to which the award term set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII to Part 200 is hereby incorporated by reference.
  - (v) Governmentwide Requirement for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 CFR Part 20.
  - (vi) New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 CFR Part 21.
  - (vii) Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 USC§§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations
  - (viii) Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations.
- E. The Subrecipient shall comply with Omnibus Crime Control and Safe streets Act of 1968, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and The Department of Justice Non Discrimination Regulations, 28 C.F.R. Part 42, Subparts C.D.E. and G, and 28 C.F.R. Part 35 and 39.
- F. The Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing, accreditation and registration requirements or standards necessary for the performance of Services under this Agreement. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
- (i) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin under program or activities receiving federal financial assistance.
  - (ii) The Fair Housing Act, Title VII-IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability;
  - (iii) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap under any program or activity receiving or benefitting from federal assistance;

- (iv) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis or age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and
  - (v) The American with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.
  - (vi) The Subrecipient shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement. Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, and herein incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement.
- G. Subrecipient must disclose in writing to Department of Treasury, or the County, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112.
  - H. Subrecipient is encouraged to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt policies and programs for its employees when operating company-owned, rented, or personally owned vehicles.
  - I. Subrecipient is encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving.
  - J. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, Subrecipient may not discharge, demote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee in reprisal for disclosing to any of the list of persons or entities provided below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a federal contract or grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule or regulation related to a federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant.

The list of persons and entities referenced in the paragraph above includes the following:

- (i) A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
- (ii) An Inspector General;
- (iii) The Government Accountability Office;
- (iv) A Treasury employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management;
- (v) An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency;
- (vi) A court or grand jury; or
- (vii) A management official or other employee of Subrecipient, contractor or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct.

Subrecipient shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under this section, in the predominant native language of the workforce.

- K. Subrecipient acknowledges that Executive Order 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," seeks to improve access to federal assisted programs and activities for individuals who, because of national denying a person access to its programs, services, and activities because of LEP is a form of national origin discrimination prohibited under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Department of the Treasury's implementing regulations. Accordingly, Subrecipient shall initiate reasonable steps, or comply with the Department of the Treasury's directives, to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to its programs, services, and activities. Subrecipient understands and agrees that that meaningful access may entail providing language assistance services, including oral interpretation and written translation where necessary, to ensure effective communication in the Subrecipient's programs, services, and activities.
- L. Subrecipient agrees to consider the need for language services for LEP persons when Subrecipient develops applicable budgets and conducts program, services, and activities. As a resource, the Department of the Treasury has published its LEP guidance at 70 FR 6067.
- M. Subrecipient acknowledges and agrees that compliance with the assurances constitutes a condition of continued receipt of federal financial assistance and is binding upon Subrecipient, Subrecipient's successors, transferees, and assignees for the period in which such assistance is provided.

- N. Subrecipient acknowledges and agrees that it must require any contractors, subcontractors, successors, transferees, and assignees to comply with assurances contained in sections J, K, L and M herein-above, and agrees to incorporate the following language in every contract or agreement subject to Title VI and its regulations between the Subrecipient and the Subrecipient's sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, successors, transferees, and assignees:

*The contractor, subcontractor, successor, transferee, and assignee shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract (or agreement). Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, and herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract or agreement.*

## **2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDS**

Grant Funds paid out under this Agreement are made available and are subject to Section 603(b) of the Social Security Act, as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. From and after the effective date of this Agreement, the Subrecipient agrees that any publications (written, visual, or sound) but excluding press releases, newsletters, and issue analyses, issued by the Subrecipient describing programs or projects funded in whole or in part with federal funds under this Agreement, shall contain the following statement(s):

*This project was supported, in whole or in part, by American Rescue Plan Act funding awarded to Whatcom County by the U.S. Department of Treasury.*

## **3. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS TO THE COUNTY**

- A. The Subrecipient shall return Grant Funds disbursed to it by the County under this Agreement for return by the County to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, upon the occurrence of any of the following events: (a) if overpayments are made by the County; or (b) if an audit of the Services by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the State, or the County determines that the funds have been expended for purposes not permitted by 42 USC § 803(c)(l), 31 CFR Part 35, U.S. Treasury FAQs, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the County, state law, or this Agreement. In such a case, the County shall make a written demand upon the Subrecipient for repayment, and the Subrecipient shall be obligated to repay to the County the funds demanded within sixty (60) calendar days of the demand.
- B. No exercise by the County of the right to demand repayment of funds from the Subrecipient shall foreclose the County from making an additional demand for repayment if a return of additional funds is required by the U.S. Department of the Treasury; the County's right to demand repayment from the Subrecipient may be exercised as often as necessary to recoup from the Subrecipient all funds required to be returned by the County to the U.S. Department of the Treasury.
- C. The Subrecipient is solely responsible for seeking repayment from any subcontractor in conformance with its debt collection policy.

## **4. NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**

- A. **General Provisions**  
Subrecipient shall make the facilities available to the public in a manner that assures fair, equal, and non-discriminatory treatment to all persons without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, sex, honorable discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation; the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability; or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. No personnel shall be refused service, be given discriminatory treatment, be denied any privilege, use of facilities, or participation in activities on account of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, honorable discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation; the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability; or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, nor shall any person be required to participate in any religious worship, exercise, or instruction. The funds provided under this Agreement shall not be used to fund religious worship, exercise, or instruction.
- B. **Equal Access to Housing Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity**  
Subrecipient shall abide by all provisions of the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity, as set forth in 24 CFR, Parts 5 and 570. These provisions ensure that any qualified individual or family is not denied equal access to housing. In addition, the RECIPIENT shall not inquire about the sexual orientation or gender identity of an applicant for, or occupant of, housing assisted under this Agreement.
- C. **Housing Preferences**  
Projects which have committed to limit eligibility or preference to a particular segment of the population may do so only if permitted by Fair Housing Act restrictions.

Any limitation or preference in housing must not violate nondiscrimination provisions in 24 CFR § 92.350. A limitation or preference does not violate nondiscrimination requirements if the housing also receives funding from a Federal program that limits eligibility to a particular segment of the population (e.g., the Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS program under 24 CFR part 574, the Shelter Plus Care program under 24 CFR part 582, the Supportive Housing program under 24 CFR part 583, supportive housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities under 24 CFR part 891), and the limit or preference is tailored to serve that segment of the population.

If the Project does not receive funding from a Federal program that limits eligibility to a particular segment of the population, the Project may have a limitation or preference for persons with disabilities who need services offered at a project only if:

- The limitation or preference is limited to the population of families (including individuals) with disabilities that significantly interfere with their ability to obtain and maintain housing;
- Such families will not be able to obtain or maintain themselves in housing without appropriate supportive services; and
- Such services cannot be provided in a non-segregated setting. The families must not be required to accept the services offered at the project. In advertising the project, the owner may advertise the project as offering services for a particular type of disability; however, the project must be open to all otherwise eligible persons with disabilities who may benefit from the services provided in the project.

D. **TDD/TTY or Relay Service Required**

Subrecipient agrees to list a TDD/TTY or the Washington Relay telephone number on all of the written policies and documents that they make available to participants, beneficiaries, or employees, including their letterhead, materials used to market programs, and any other public document that lists a telephone number.

**5. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS**

**Domestic Preference for Procurements**

As appropriate, and to the extent consistent with the law, the subrecipient should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products.

For purposes of this clause:

*Produced in the United States* means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

*Manufactured products* means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

**6. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES**

A. *Definitions.* As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause –

B. *Prohibitions.*

- i. Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.
- ii. Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the subrecipient and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:
  - a. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
  - b. Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
  - c. Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
  - d. Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

C. *Exceptions.*

- i. This clause does not prohibit subrecipients from providing –
  - a. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
  - b. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- ii. By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:

- a. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:
  - i. Are *not used* as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
  - ii. Are *not used* critical technology of any system.
- b. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

D. *Reporting Requirement.*

- i. In the event the subrecipient identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the subrecipient is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the subrecipient shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.
- ii. The Subrecipient shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:
  - a. Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
  - b. Within 10 business days or submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the subrecipient shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

E. *Subcontracts.* The Subrecipient shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

7. **RECORDS MAINTENANCE**

The Subrecipient shall maintain books, records, documents, data and other evidence relating to this contract and performance of the services described herein, including but not limited to accounting procedures and practices that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this contract.

The Subrecipient shall maintain records that identify, in its accounts, all federal awards received and expended and the federal programs under which they were received, by Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) title and number, award number and year, name of the federal agency, and name of the pass-through entity.

The Subrecipient shall retain such records for a period of five (5) years following the date of final payment.

If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the five (5) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

**“Exhibit G”  
ARPA SUBAWARD INFORMATION**

	Item Description	Contract Information
1	<b>Subrecipient Name (Exactly as listed in DUNS): www.SAM.gov</b>	Opportunity Council
2	<b>Subrecipient DUNS Number: www.SAM.gov</b>	J8DRQDDFBA64
3	<b>Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN):</b>	SLFRP1195
4	<b>Federal Award Date (from Federal contract)</b>	05/13/2021
5	<b>Start and End Date of the contract:</b>	03/03/2021 – 12/31/2026
6	<b>Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this action:</b>	\$44,528,542
7	<b>Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated to the subrecipient by Whatcom County for this subaward (current and past obligations):</b>	\$109,901
8	<b>Total Amount of the Federal Award <u>committed</u> to the subrecipient through Whatcom County:</b>	\$109,901
9	<b>Project description from Federal Award:</b>	Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery
10	<b>Name of the Federal awarding agency:</b>	U.S. Department of the Treasury
11	<b>Name of the pass-through entity/entities:</b>	Whatcom County
12	<b>Contact information for awarding official- (Name of County project coordinator)</b>	Christopher D’Onofrio
13	<b>Contact information for awarding official- General Contact email or phone number:</b>	360-778-6049 <a href="mailto:CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us">CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us</a>
14	<b>CFDA Number</b>	21.027
15	<b>CFDA Name Program Name</b>	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
16	<b>Is the award Research and Development?</b>	No
17	<b>Indirect Cost Rate per the Federal Award</b>	Not specified
18	<b>Federal requirements imposed on the subrecipient by Whatcom County:</b>	See Exhibit F
19	<b>Additional requirements imposed by Whatcom County to meet its own responsibilities to the awarding agency:</b>	See Exhibit A
20	<b>Indirect Rate: Subrecipient approved rate or de minimis</b>	12%
21	<b>Access to subrecipient’s accounting records and financial statements as needed.</b>	Yes
22	<b>Closeout Requirements</b>	Yes

## Exhibit H

**WHATCOM COUNTY**  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT



**ERIKA LAUTENBACH, MPH, DIRECTOR**  
**AMY HARLEY, MD, MPH, CO-HEALTH OFFICER**  
**GREG THOMPSON, MD, MPH, CO-HEALTH OFFICER**

### MEMORANDUM TO FILE

FROM: ANN BECK, WHATCOM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HUMAN SERVICES MANAGER  
DATE: April 4, 2022  
RE: AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT - DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBLE USE for HOMELESS HOUSING SYSTEM STAFF SUPPLEMENTAL PAY PREMIUMS

#### Section 1: Eligible Use

The Department of the Treasury Final Rule implementing the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) established under the American Rescue Plan, allows funds to be for the purposes of providing premium pay for essential workers. Specifically, in the *Eligible Uses* section, SLFRF's final rule states that "As Americans return to work and governments relax certain rules, essential workers will continue to bear the brunt of the risk of maintain the ongoing operation of vital facilities and services. The added health risk to essential workers is one prominent way in which the pandemic has amplified pre-existing socioeconomic inequities. Premium pay is designed to address the disparity between the critical services provided by and the risks taken by essential workers and the relatively low compensation they tend to receive." The Legal and Finance Departments concur that staff's proposed program elements are eligible uses of County ARPA grant funds. The proposed use of funds is summarized in Section 3 of this memo.

#### Federal Regulations

##### Federal Register Vol 87, No 18, January 27, 2022 Rules & Regulations – See Page 4397-98

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-01-27/pdf/2022-00292.pdf>

On Page 4397 the final rule defines the framework for those eligible for premium pay:

*The interim final rule established a three-part framework for recipients seeking to use SLFRF funds for premium pay. First, to receive premium pay one must be an **eligible worker**. Second, an **eligible worker must also perform essential work**. Finally, **premium pay must respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency**.*

On page 4397, the ARPA defines "eligible workers" as:

*those workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as each . . . [government] may designate as critical to protect the health and wellbeing of [its] residents.*

On page 4398, the documented Rules and Regulations clarifies the Chief Executive's discretion to designate additional sectors as critical:

*"While all such public employees are "eligible workers" and the chief executive (or equivalent) of a recipient government may designate additional non-public sectors as critical, in order to receive premium pay, these workers must still meet the other premium pay requirements (e.g., performing essential work). Treasury recognizes that the list of "essential critical infrastructure sectors" includes both occupations and sectors."*

On page 4398 the Rules and Regulations defines "Essential Work":

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*“The interim final rule defined “essential work” as work that (1) is not performed while teleworking from a residence and (2) involves either (i) regular, in-person interactions with patients, the public, or coworkers of the individual that is performing the work or (ii) regular physical handling of items that were handled by, or are to be handled by, patients, the public, or coworkers of the individual that is performing the work. Treasury adopted this definition of essential work to ensure that premium pay is targeted to workers that faced or face heightened risks due to the character of their work during a pandemic.”*

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Notice CPD-20-08**

(<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/20-08cpdn.pdf>)

This notice, dated September 1, 2020, applies to all Emergency Solutions Grant funding issued through the Office of Community Planning and Development. Page 13 begins with an overview of hazard pay:

*“Hazard Pay. As permitted by the CARES Act, funds may be used to pay hazard pay for recipient or subrecipient-staff working directly to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus among persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Examples of recipient or subrecipient staff working directly in support of coronavirus response include emergency shelter intake staff, street outreach teams, emergency shelter maintenance staff, emergency shelter security staff, staff providing essential services (e.g., outpatient health or mental health, housing navigators), and staff in proximity to persons with coronavirus or working in locations with a high likelihood of contracting coronavirus.”*

**Section 2: Summary of Impacted Industry**

The workforce that provides direct services to people who are experiencing or are at-risk of homelessness was compelled to rapidly expand in 2020 to accommodate an unprecedented surge in demand for housing stability support. These staff members include individuals working in projects that focus on street outreach, emergency shelters, subsidized rental housing projects, those working to ensure stability for formerly homeless individuals in permanent supportive housing projects, and the intake and assessment personnel who serve as an access point for people seeking a variety of housing-related services. Because this work relies on face-to-face engagement with a vulnerable population and cannot shift their work to digital platforms, the heightened risk of contracting COVID and hardships brought about by the pandemic’s impact on this industry is widespread and enduring.

**Section 3: Summary of Proposed Uses**

The proposed use is primarily focused on stabilizing the workforce within the housing services sector that has been under significant strain since March of 2020. In addition, fully staffed service provider agencies will be better situated to deliver high-quality services that positively impact clients who receive those services and by extension the community writ large.

Agencies will be funded to provide two payments of \$1,000 to all direct-service staff (one in April and one in September). Funds would support partner agencies to support their staff who provide face-to-face support services in the housing services industry. This pair of payments will be provided to respond to ongoing challenges and difficult work environments for employees in the professional housing and homeless services field.



## Exhibit I

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### 2022 Supplemental Pay Policies

#### A. Duration

1. The first round of supplemental pay premiums is available for all eligible staff employed by each participating Agency on April 15, 2022, have a hire date on or before March 1, 2022, and worked 80 hours within the 30 days prior to the end of the pay premium period.
2. The second round of supplemental pay premiums is available for eligible staff who are employed on September 1, 2022, have a hire date that is on or before August 1, 2022 and worked 80 hours within the 30 days prior to the end of the pay premium period.
  - o Each agency will have discretion in their choice to include new staff who are hired during the months of April, May, June, and July and meet the above criteria in order to align with internal policies and create equity across departments of their agency.
3. All staff employed for the entirety of the first eligibility period (March 1, 2022 through April 15, 2022) and engaging in the activities described in the section below, will receive supplemental pay premiums in April. All of those staff who maintain eligible employment in job positions that are eligible for supplemental pay premiums will be eligible for the second round of pay premiums in September.

#### B. Eligibility Based on Job Descriptions

Eligible staff are those who are FLSA non-exempt (or exempt employees with a written justification) who earn less than \$103,000 annually and who support street outreach, emergency shelter (including day centers), rapid rehousing and rapid rehousing projects, and delivery of rental assistance, regardless of the funding source paying for those particular hours if their job duties, as described in their job descriptions, require them to provide direct service to clients or the general public.

#### C. Amount

Each round of supplemental pay premiums will provide each eligible staff with \$1,000 gross pay.

#### D. Agency Requirements

In order to implement this program for supplemental pay premiums, an organization must have written policies prior to issuing the funding which include: the supplemental pay premium amount, eligibility timing for the supplemental pay premium (date of initial eligibility for first round and date of eligibility for second round), who is eligible (job titles), and the recordkeeping procedures. This should be reflected in the written pay premium policies, including the accounting basis (cash or accrual) selected for costing each type of pay premium to ensure it is consistently followed by the grantee/subgrantee for specified groupings of employees. Recordkeeping requirements include maintaining timesheets that demonstrate employment at each date of eligibility, job descriptions, and the updated written pay premium policies. These records must be provided in the event of state and/or county audits of these funds.

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