

Attachment A: Supplemental PHAB Recommendations Pertaining to Potential 2026 PHAB Board Composition

Name	District	Occupation	Vital Conditions						Urgent Services	Tribal/ Other minority	Pop at risk	Other Notes
			Basic needs	Learning	Work/ Wealth	Housing	Natural World	Transportation				
Mike Cohen	2	Dir Bham Food Bank	X						Food bank			WC \$
Christine Espina	1	WWU Nursing		X						X		CHA/CHIP MPH/MSN
Alison Fontaine	2	Peace Health	X						Acute Care			QA specialist
Carl Isom-McDaniel	3	Water/Park districts			X		X				X	Environ clean-up
Rachel McGarrity	2	Peace Health RN	X	X					Acute Care			MSN PHAB chair
Nathaline Nivens	5	Oregon State	X						Crime Response	X		Program analyst
Robyn Phillips-Madson	5	Physician	X						Acute Care			MPH
Deb Shawver	3	Social Worker		X								Mental health
Markis Dee Stidham	1	Homeless advocate	X			X	X		Homeless Services		X	
Ashley Thomasson	2	Dir Lydia Place	X		X	X			Homeless Services			Non-profit
Ben Twigg	5	Finance-Foodbank	X						Food Assistance			WC \$
Ameila Vader	3	Bham School Dis	X	X								Non-profit experience
Shu-Ling Zhao	2	Chuckanut HF	X	X	X					X		Non-profit CHA/CHIP

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Sterling Chick		Retired	X			X						Children & Families
Kendra Cristelli		Dir of Support Officers	X		X				Crime Response			
Joni Hensley	4	Retired	X				X					PHN/EHS
Chris Kobdich		DV Services	X						Crime Response			Opioid Taskforce
Alan Lifson		Retired	X	X								MPH/PHD
Guy Occhiogrosso		Business			X							COVID response

Key: Shading designates current board members (current list includes update based on Dr Shannon Boustead's resignation as of Jan 8, 2026)

Notes:

- Vital Conditions definitions are listed below (reference [Loma Linda Community Health Needs Assessment-2025](#), page 2 Table of Contents)
- 2026 PHAB application materials were used to generate this table and may not be comprehensive of each applicant.
- District of residence for existing board members was not available for everyone

Vital Conditions: 1. **Basic Needs for Health & Safety**, including chronic disease prevention, food security, trauma prevention, maternal and infant health & childcare, and healthy aging. 2. **Lifelong Learning**, such as youth mental health, early childhood education, and school attendance. 3. **Meaningful Work & Wealth**, such as economic stability, wealth-building opportunities, and participation by non-profits and the regulated business community. 4. **Humane Housing** with a focus on affordability and stability. 5. **Reliable Transportation**, including representation from our rural neighborhoods, alternatives to vehicles, and public transit. 6. **Thriving Natural world** that may include individuals who have ecology expertise and promote access to nature or air quality experts.

RCW 70.46.140 and Whatcom County Code 24.01.051 give preference to tribal, racial, ethnic and other minorities and members of communities that experience health inequities (vulnerable populations). For complete code language and other inclusions see references.