

**WHATCOM COUNTY  
CONTRACT INFORMATION SHEET**

Whatcom County Contract Number:  
202106045 – 10

Originating Department:	85 Health and Community Services
Division/Program: (i.e. Dept. Division and Program)	8550 Human Services / 855040 Housing
Contract or Grant Administrator:	Barbara Johnson-Vinna
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"/>
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #:	202106045	

Does contract require Council Approval?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	If No, include WCC:	3.08.100
Already approved? Council Approved Date:	(Exclusions see: Whatcom County Codes 3.06.010, 3.08.090 and 3.08.100)		

Is this a grant agreement?	If yes, grantor agency contract number(s):		ALN#:	21.027
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Is this contract grant funded?	If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s):		202107011 / 202309017
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			

Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process?	If yes, RFP and Bid number(s):		21-04	Contract Cost Center:	122200 / 122300 / 114 / 122750
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					

Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
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If YES, indicate exclusion(s) below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Professional services agreement for certified/licensed professional.	<input type="checkbox"/> Goods and services provided due to an emergency.
<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):	\$	1,928,202
This Amendment Amount:	\$	1,231,981
Total Amended Amount:	\$	3,160,183

Council approval required for; all property leases, contracts or bid awards **exceeding \$40,000**, and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, **except when:**

1. Exercising an option contained in a contract previously approved by the council.
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.
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 amendment extends the contract for an additional year and updates the budget and funding sources to reflect the extended contract period.

Term of Contract:	1 Year	Expiration Date:	12/31/2024
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Contract Routing:	1. Prepared by:	JT	Date:	09/06/2023
	2. Health Budget Approval	KR/JS	Date:	11/13/2023
	3. Attorney signoff:	RB	Date:	11/14/2023
	4. AS Finance reviewed:	A Martin	Date:	11/21/2023
	5. Contractor Program Manager Review:	<i>DP</i> <sup>DS</sup>	Date:	12/8/2023
	6. Executive Contract Review:	<i>BSR</i>	Date:	12/8/2023
	7. Council approved (if necessary):	AB2023-819	Date:	12/05/2023
	8. Executive signed:		Date:	12/18/2023
	9. Original to Council:		Date:	



## Memorandum

**TO:** Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

**FROM:** Erika Lautenbach, Director

**RE:** Opportunity Council – Housing Case Management Contract Amendment #10

**DATE:** DECEMBER 7, 2023

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council for your review and signature. This amendment extends the contract for an additional year and updates the budget to reflect the extended contract period.

### Background and Purpose

Housing Case Managers provide assistance to households to access housing, prevent housing loss, improve housing stability and reduce homelessness through joint efforts between the Whatcom Homeless Service Center (WHSC) and the Community Services Division of the Opportunity Council (OC). The WHSC serves as the fiscal hub for Whatcom County's rental assistance programs. When local agencies, including the OC's Community Services Division (the OC's Case Management Department), connect clients with a program that uses rental assistance, they coordinate with the WHSC to print rental assistance checks and mail them directly to landlords. Having a single payer of rental assistance ensures that landlords are not collecting rent checks from more than one agency.

This contract provides funding for expanded case management, eviction prevention services, and supportive services to the OC's Community Services Division clients who are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, or who are newly housed, in order to improve housing stability and reduce homelessness in Whatcom County.

### Funding Amount and Source

Funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,231,981 during this current contract period (01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024), is provided by local document recording fees, the Veterans Assistance Fund, the Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Housing Fund (ALN 21.027) and the Washington State Department of Commerce Consolidated Homeless Grant. These funds are included in the 2024 budget. Council authorization is required as this amendment increases funding by more than 10% of the amount last authorized by Council on 05/09/2023.

### Differences from Previous Contracts

Section	Differences
Scope of Work	Removes references to the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) which does not fund this contract period; makes changes in reporting outcomes; and provides a new link to access the quarterly reporting template.
Exhibit B – Compensation	Updates the budget to reflect the extended contract period.

Please contact Christopher D'Onofrio, Housing and Homeless Services Supervisor at 360-778-6049 ([CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us)) or Kathleen Roy, Financial & Administrative Manager at 360-778-6007 ([KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us)), if you have any questions.

Whatcom County Contract Number:  
202106045 – 10

**WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT AMENDMENT  
HOUSING CASE MANAGEMENT**

**PARTIES:**

**Whatcom County  
Whatcom County Health and Community Services  
509 Girard Street  
Bellingham, WA 98225**

**AND CONTRACTOR:  
Opportunity Council  
1111 Cornwall Avenue  
Bellingham, WA 98225**

**CONTRACT PERIODS:**

<b>Original:</b>	<b>07/01/2021 – 12/31/2021</b>	<b>Amendment #6:</b>	<b>07/01/2022 – 12/31/2023</b>
<b>Amendment #1:</b>	<b>07/01/2021 – 12/31/2021</b>	<b>Amendment #7:</b>	<b>04/26/2023 – 12/31/2023</b>
<b>Amendment #2:</b>	<b>01/01/2022 – 12/31/2022</b>	<b>Amendment #8:</b>	<b>06/01/2023 – 12/31/2023</b>
<b>Amendment #3:</b>	<b>01/01/2022 – 12/31/2022</b>	<b>Amendment #9:</b>	<b>07/01/2023 – 12/31/2023</b>
<b>Amendment #4:</b>	<b>05/01/2022 – 12/31/2022</b>	<b>Amendment #10:</b>	<b>01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024</b>
<b>Amendment #5:</b>	<b>01/01/2023 – 12/31/2023</b>		

**THE CONTRACT IDENTIFIED HEREIN, INCLUDING ANY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS THERETO, IS HEREBY AMENDED AS SET FORTH IN THE DESCRIPTION OF THE AMENDMENT BELOW BY MUTUAL CONSENT OF ALL PARTIES HERETO**

**DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT:**

1. Extend the duration and other terms and conditions of this contract for one year, as per the original contract "General Terms, Section 10.2 Extension".
2. Amend Exhibit A – Scope of Work, to:
  - a. Update reporting outcomes;
  - b. Remove references to funding sources that do not fund the extended contract period;
  - c. Add references to new funding sources that fund the extended contract period; and
  - d. Revise reporting requirements and update the reporting link.
3. Amend Exhibit B – Compensation, to reflect the budget and funding sources for the extended contract period.
4. Update Exhibit D – Flex Fund Guidelines to reflect current requirements.
5. Update Exhibit E – Special Terms and Conditions of Commerce Grants
6. Add Exhibit K – Commerce Emergency Housing Fund Grant Subaward Information
7. Add Exhibit L – Commerce Emergency Housing Fund Grant
8. Funding for this contract period (01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024) is not to exceed \$1,231,981
9. Funding for the extended contract period (07/01/2021 – 12/31/2024) is not to exceed \$3,160,183.
10. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.
11. The effective start date of the amendment is 01/01/2024.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AND ANY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS THERETO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. ALL PARTIES IDENTIFIED AS AFFECTED BY THIS AMENDMENT HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE AND ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AMENDMENT. 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 bind the party thereto.**

APPROVAL AS TO PROGRAM: DocuSigned by:  
*Ann Beck*  
2B365BB0422344A... 12/7/2023

Ann Beck, Community Health & Human Services Manager Date

DEPARTMENT HEAD APPROVAL: DocuSigned by:  
*Erika Lautenbach*  
955C651A30374BD... 12/7/2023

Erika Lautenbach, Health and Community Services Director Date

APPROVAL AS TO FORM: DocuSigned by:  
*Royce Buckingham*  
1EE5DDBD9542404... 12/8/2023

Royce Buckingham, Senior Civil Deputy Prosecutor Date

FOR THE CONTRACTOR:

<span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">DocuSigned by: <i>Greg Winter</i> CD16EF48E80C4CC...</span>	Greg Winter, Executive Director	12/8/2023
Contractor Signature	Printed Name and Title	Date

FOR WHATCOM COUNTY:

DocuSigned by:  
*Satpal Singh Sidhu*  
1192C7C18B664E3... 12/18/2023

Satpal Singh Sidhu, County Executive Date

**CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:**

**Opportunity Council**  
 1111 Cornwall Avenue  
 Bellingham, WA 98225  
[Greg.Winter@oppc.org](mailto:Greg.Winter@oppc.org)

**EXHIBIT "A" – Amendment #10**  
 (SCOPE OF WORK)

**I. Background**

According to the annual Point In Time Count of homeless persons conducted in January 2023, at least 1,059 people in Whatcom County were homeless. Throughout the year, more may face the prospect of losing their homes. Whatcom County’s Plan to End Homelessness provides a blueprint for how our community will work together to prevent and end homelessness. The provision of housing assistance and case management services are key strategies of the Plan.

Housing case management under Whatcom Homeless Service Center (WHSC) partnership includes both rental subsidy and housing case management components. WHSC staff determine client eligibility for services and authorize and distribute rent subsidies to local landlords on behalf of participating clients, make referrals for case management to partner agencies, and coordinate required data collection efforts. Further eligibility and screening is completed by Community Services staff, supported by this contract, and specific to the Targeted Eviction Prevention funds.

Through this contract, Opportunity Council will serve as one of the WHSC partner agencies providing Housing Pool case management and other housing case management services. The purpose of this contract is to provide case management for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness in order to improve housing stability and reduce homelessness in Whatcom County.

**II. Definitions**

HMIS	Washington’s Homeless Management Information System Database
Whatcom Homeless Service Center (WHSC)	WHSC programs provide (1) centralized coordinated system of access, (2) targeted prevention assistance to reduce the number of households that become homeless, (3) re-housing of those who become homeless, (4) supportive services promoting housing stability and self-sufficiency, and (5) data management and tracking information for people receiving homeless housing services in Whatcom county and according to Washington State Department of Commerce HMIS data collection requirements.

**III. Statement of Work**

The Contractor will provide housing case management services. Housing case management activities include arrangement, coordination, monitoring, and delivery of services related to meeting the housing needs of households and helping them obtain housing stability. Services and activities include:

- A. Developing, securing, coordinating, and retaining services and suitable housing. Services include but are not limited to:
  - 1. Tenant counseling;
  - 2. Assisting individuals and households with understanding leases;
  - 3. Securing utilities;
  - 4. Making moving arrangements;
  - 5. Representative payee services concerning rent and utilities;
  - 6. Mediation and outreach to property owners related to locating or retaining housing;
  - 7. Monitoring and evaluating household progress;
  - 8. Assuring that household rights are protected;
  - 9. Developing an individualized housing and service plan, including a path to permanent housing stability subsequent to assistance; and
  - 10. Administrative activities include supervision of case management staff and program evaluation.
- B. Intake and Referral – People who present to Opportunity Council’s Community Resource Center in a housing crisis will receive a low barrier, problem-solving conversation with an Intake and Referral Specialist. Those Housing intake services provided to collect client information and assess eligibility for housing programs. Services will be provided to low-income and/or homeless individuals and households residing in Whatcom County. Individuals and households served shall have incomes that are appropriate for the funding source used to provide support.

- C. Housing Pool (HP) – HP case management services are designed to make persons who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness aware of available programs and provide them with a point of access to housing services. HP case management provides supportive services designed to assist people waiting for housing to be able to move rapidly into permanent housing by helping clients stabilize, identify barriers to housing, and engage in activities required to remove those barriers. HP case management diverts people from entering the homeless shelter system whenever possible.
- D. Diversion – Diversion can be the first response to resolving an episode of homelessness by focusing on re-housing a family without their entering a longer-term housing program. Diversion starts with problem-solving conversations to identify a household's own strengths and resources. Services are tailored to meet each family's most critical needs to quickly move into housing. Diversion services can include short-term/one-time financial support (i.e., deposit assistance, flex funding).
- E. Deposit Assistance - Single adults experiencing homelessness will be assisted with deposit/move-in assistance when they have found housing on their own. This light touch case management will serve people awaiting assistance on the Housing Pool, attending Housing Lab, or applying for assistance through the Community Resource Center. Without the facilitated move-in assistance with case management, the result can be long term homelessness leading to deterioration of health and overall well-being of these individuals.
- F. Interim Housing – Emergency shelter and supportive services to homeless families with minor children in their custody is prioritized for those in the most desperate situations. With the onset of the COVID pandemic there has been increasing demand for shelter services in motels stays and in short-term housing offered by Interfaith Coalition. Case management focuses on ensuring basic needs are met and development of a plan to obtain and maintain permanent housing.
- G. Rapid Re-housing – These services focus on family homelessness and prioritize those living in shelters, motels, vehicles, or are unsheltered. Rapid Rehousing is an intervention proven to end family homelessness. Case management adhering to a progressive engagement approach and short to medium term rental subsidies for families experiencing homelessness are offered to meet the needs of families to enable them to achieve housing stability.
- H. Permanent Supportive Housing – Households served with permanent supportive housing have a history of chronic homelessness or have a combination of high barriers often including mental health, active or history of addiction, and medical, developmental and physical disabilities. Long-term housing retention and personal wellness is supported through a Housing-First model, employing a harm reduction and person-centered approach which may include households living in units owned or master-leased by the Opportunity Council.
- I. Targeted Eviction Prevention – Households served will be eligible under Washington State Department of Commerce Consolidated Homeless Grant Guidelines. No fewer than 10% of the households served will have been referred by a community-based agency that primarily serves a population with disabilities, limited access to services, and/or a history of discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or religion.
  1. The Contractor will conduct outreach by building relationships with agencies serving marginalized populations.
  2. The Contractor will prioritize households using the CHG Targeted Prevention Eligibility Screening Form (see attached – Exhibit M)
  3. For households that choose to engage, the Contractor will provide ongoing case management services and assistance in navigating social and financial services with the goal of reducing the need for future rental assistance and increasing general housing stability. This will not be mandatory.

#### **IV. Program Outcomes**

The housing case management services provided by the Contractor will deliver the following outcomes:

- A. At least 60 households will receive Housing Pool case management.
- B. Total number of households in motels that received short-term housing case management (no specific target)
- C. At least 40 families with children will receive diversion case management.
- D. At least 14 households in PSH will receive case management.
- E. At least 12 households receiving Skagit HOME TBRA rental assistance will receive case management.
- F. Median number of days in case management prior to being housed will be 75 or fewer.

- G. Mean number of days in case management prior to being housed will be 90 or fewer.
- H. At least 85% of families that reached a 12-month period of time since exiting the Ending Family Homelessness Project or Rapid Rehousing case management will have retained stable housing.
- I. Of the households in PSH, at least 90% will be stably housed one year after initial placement (including exits from PSH to permanent housing).
- J. At least 50 WCHCS funded case management households (from ES, Diversion, Housing Pool, TBRA RRH or unstably housed) will achieve housing stability.
- K. At least 30 households will be housed from the Housing Pool with deposit/move-in assistance (this is contingent upon availability of rental assistance and referrals).
- L. At least 20 unduplicated households with children will be stably housed with RRH while receiving case management.
- M. At least 40 Veterans will be served with housing case management, to include but not limited to providing outreach to those potentially eligible for VAF services; building community relationships to enhance support for Veterans eligible for VAF services; tracking contacts with those inquiring about and receiving VAF-funded services; and tracking and fielding calls regarding these services.
- N. At least 15 Veterans will obtain housing.
- O. At least 20 Veterans will maintain housing.
- P. At least 20 Veterans will be linked to healthcare.
- Q. At least 35 Veterans will be linked to non-healthcare Veteran services (VA benefits, employment, education, transportation, etc.).
- R. At least 100 households will be screened and referred for CHG targeted eviction rental assistance prevention funds. All of these households will be offered housing case management services and be provided with regularly updated information about additional community resources.
- S. At least 25 HH's will be served with CHG targeted eviction prevention who were referred by an agency serving primarily households from marginalized communities.
- T. At least 20 households that had a history of housing disruption due to a HH's race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or religion will be referred for Eviction Prevention..

**V. Additional Requirements**

The Contractor will:

- A. Comply with and document income eligibility requirements as required for the applicable funding source.
  - 1. Individuals served by local document recording fees and Commerce grant funds shall have incomes at or below 80% Area Median Income (AMI).
  - 2. Individuals served by the Veterans Fund shall have incomes at or below 60% AMI.
- B. Comply with all State of Washington Department of Commerce Special Terms and Conditions of Commerce Grants, herein incorporated as Exhibit E.
- C. Comply with all State of Washington Department of Commerce Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) requirements, policies and procedures in the CHG Guidelines including periodic updates to the Guidelines which can be accessed at the following link: <https://deptofcommerce.app.box.com/s/4d1ilui45uqjlmhseufez4flxqv1q6b>
- D. Comply with all Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Housing Fund Grant requirements, eligible costs, policies, and procedures.
- E. Commit to ending homelessness in Whatcom County, per the CHG Guidelines, by:
  - 1. Prioritizing unsheltered homeless households for services.
  - 2. Assessing each household's needs and facilitating housing stability with the goal of obtaining or maintaining permanent housing.

3. Employing a progressive engagement service model.
  4. Prioritizing households likely to become homeless when using prevention rental assistance.
- D. Ensure that all costs incurred comply with CHG Guidelines.
- E. Commit to reporting complete quality data that is timely, truthful and accurate (per CHG Guidelines and HMIS User Agreement).
- F. Comply with eligibility requirements for serving indigent veterans as set forth in Whatcom County Code 2.150 and 2.152, and RCW 73.08.005 and incorporated into this contract by reference. Contractor shall determine eligibility based on Items A and B of WCC 2.150.025 and shall not have utilization of Item C for determining veteran eligibility. The point of contact for the Veteran's Assistance Fund is:

Elizabeth Witowski, Veterans Specialist  
Whatcom County Health and Community Services  
360-778-6050  
[EWitowsk@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:EWitowsk@co.whatcom.wa.us)

The Case Manager hired and funded by this contract must sign a timesheet that includes the following statement:

**I certify that my time charged to this contract is for working with indigent Veterans in accordance with Whatcom County Code 2.150 and 2.152 and RCW 73.08.005**

- G. Participate in HMIS data collection efforts as directed by the WHSC; including HMIS training, HMIS data entry, updating client data as necessary, and exiting clients from HMIS. Services which must be inputted into HMIS include (but are not limited to) financial services – including deposits, rental payments, and completed home visits.
- H. Comply with the following housing pool referral procedure. When Contractor staff believes a referral from the HIP is not a good fit for their program, a situation that should be rare, the following procedure must be followed:
1. Contractor will submit a written description of the situation that justifies returning the client to the HIP.
  2. An in-person case conference must be scheduled within five days of request to return a referral. The case conference will include Contractor staff, WHSC housing referral specialist, and HIP case management services coordinator (or designee).
  3. The course of action mutually agree to at the case conference will be recorded in writing, constituting a binding agreement.
  4. As the parties to this contract learn more about referral success factors, procedures may be amended accordingly.
    1. Promote public health in homeless housing and preserve the safety and stability of available housing stock for homeless housing by:
      1. Informing clients/tenants of the importance of upholding safety and health in homeless housing, and of preserving continued access to housing by our homeless housing system.
      2. Informing clients/tenants that they may be expected to participate in cleaning and decontaminating their housing unit when necessary for health reasons.
      3. Informing clients/tenants that damages to their unit may result in eviction and loss of the unit in the future for our homeless housing system.
      4. Informing prospective tenants that they need to maintain a safe and clean apartment in advance of receiving housing and periodically after they are in housing.
      5. In scattered sites, master lease, public housing, and staffed housing programs, case managers will work with the client/tenant to address the issues of health and safety that arise, including that of suspected methamphetamine use. Whatcom County Health and Community Services (WCHCS) will provide case managers with free and confidential technical assistance on effective methods for cleaning apartment units that have been contaminated, whenever requested.
    6. Documenting in each client file that these expectations were communicated to the client/tenant.
- I. Require professional development training for direct service staff and supervisors.



J. Attend Whatcom County Coalition to End Homelessness meetings and sponsored activities.

K. Attend meetings and events coordinated by WHSC.

## **VI. Reporting Requirements**

Current quarterly reporting templates for case management services may be accessed at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q66BQQC>. Additionally, a separate quarterly report, utilizing HMIS data, for households receiving case management services funded by the Veterans Assistance Fund shall be submitted to the WCHCS Housing Program Contract Administrator via email. Contractors will be notified via email of updates to reporting templates. Reports are due on April 15<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, October 15<sup>th</sup>, and January 15<sup>th</sup>. WCHCS may update reporting templates or formats during the contract period, and will provide advance notice of new reporting requirements prior to the start of the reporting quarter.

Quarterly reports will include:

- A. Number of households that received case management services.
- B. Number of households that received case management in the following categories: while staying in shelter/interim housing, in rapid re-housing program, in permanent supportive housing or housed with a voucher, prevention, or services only.
- C. Average length of time until housed for households that exited during the quarter.
- D. Number of households that exited the facility and the living situation they exited to.
- E. Number of eligible households referred for Targeted Eviction Prevention Funds
- F. Number of Targeted Eviction Prevention Funds households that were referred by agency that primarily serves households from marginalized communities
- G. Number of Targeted Eviction Prevention Funds households served that had a history of housing disruption due to a household member's race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or religion

Quarterly reports for households receiving case management services funded by the Veterans Assistance Fund will include:

- A. Number of Veterans served.
- B. Number of Veterans that obtained housing.
- C. Number of Veterans that maintained housing.
- D. Number of Veterans linked to health care.
- E. Number of people linked to non-health care services (VA benefits, employment, education, transportation, etc.).

Additionally, the County is required to report HMIS project expenditures to the Washington State Department of Commerce for their annual report submitted to the Washington State Legislature. When requested, the Contractor shall provide the County with the necessary expenditure information in a timely manner.

## **VII. Flex Funding**

Flex funds must follow the Guidelines established by the County and be reported on the spreadsheet provided by the County (Exhibit D) and signed by an authorized agency signatory. In addition, all flex fund reimbursement requests must be accompanied by receipts and an updated copy of flex funds spreadsheet.

**Exhibit B – Amendment #10**  
(COMPENSATION)

**I. Source of Funding and Budget:** The source of funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,231,981, is local document recording fees, the Veterans Assistance Fund, and the Washington State Department of Commerce Consolidated Homeless and Emergency Housing Fund Grants. 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 with Invoices	**Budget
<b>Document Recording Fees (Jan-Dec)</b>		
<i>Personnel (salary, taxes, benefits):</i>	Expanded GL report for the period including federally approved fringe rate	\$202,650
Housing Case Managers		
Case Management Coordinator		
Homeless Housing Programs Manager		
Information & Referral Specialist		
Communications (does not include system upgrades or capital costs)	GL Detail	\$2,100
Printing & Duplicating		\$1,000
****Office Equipment & Supplies		\$2,000
Postage		\$250
Mileage	Mileage log to include: name of staff member, date of travel, starting point and destination of travel, number of miles traveled, federal reimbursement rate (per www.gsa.gov) and a brief description of the purpose of travel	\$2,000
Travel/Training – Lodging and meal costs for training are not to exceed the U.S. General Services Administration Domestic Per Diem Rates (www.gsa.gov), specific to location.	Ground transportation, coach airfare and ferries will be reimbursed at cost when accompanied by receipts. Reimbursement requests for allowable travel must include name of staff member, dates of travel, starting point and destination, brief description of the purpose. Receipts for registration fees or other documentation of professional training expenses. Receipts for meals are not required.	\$4,500
Flex Funds	Flex Fund Spreadsheet and copies of receipts	\$3,500
<b>Document Recording Fees Direct Costs SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$218,000</b>
***Document Recording Fees Indirect @ 12.8%		\$27,904
<b>Document Recording Fee TOTAL</b>		<b>\$245,904</b>
<b>CHG Base Funds (2024)</b>		
Personnel – (salary, taxes, benefits): Case management and support staff	Expanded GL report for the period including federally approved fringe rate	\$133,202
Personnel – <i>funded by CHG – PSH FWC</i> for case management services for families with children in permanent supportive housing		\$2,429
<b>Consolidated Homeless Grant Base Funds Direct Costs SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$135,631</b>
***Consolidated Homeless Grant Indirect @ 12.8%		\$17,360
<b>CHG Base Funds TOTAL</b>		<b>\$152,991</b>

<b>CHG Targeted Eviction Prevention 2024</b>		
Personnel – (salary, taxes, benefits):	Expanded GL report for the period including federally approved fringe rate	\$419,790
Housing Case Managers (4)		
Screening Specialist		
By and For Liaison		
Supervision		
Communications (does not include system upgrades or capital costs)	GL Detail	\$2,200
Printing & Duplicating		\$1,000
****Office Equipment & Supplies		\$3,000
Postage		\$325
Mileage	Mileage log to include: name of staff member, date of travel, starting point and destination of travel, number of miles traveled, federal reimbursement rate (per www.gsa.gov) and a brief description of the purpose of travel	\$1,050
Flex Funds	Flex Fund Spreadsheet and copies of receipts	\$5,000
Travel/Training – Lodging and meal costs for training are not to exceed the U.S. General Services Administration Domestic Per Diem Rates (www.gsa.gov), specific to location.	Ground transportation, coach airfare and ferries will be reimbursed at cost when accompanied by receipts. Reimbursement requests for allowable travel must include name of staff member, dates of travel, starting point and destination, brief description of the purpose. Receipts for registration fees or other documentation of professional training expenses. Receipts for meals are not required.	\$2,250
Language Interpretation and Translation Services	GL Detail and copies of paid invoices or receipts	\$1,500
<b>CHG EP Direct Costs SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$436,115</b>
***CHG EP Indirect @ 12.8%		\$55,823
<b>Total CHG Targeted Eviction Prevention TOTAL</b>		<b>\$491,938</b>
<b>Emergency Housing Funds Grant (Jan-June 30, 2024)</b>		
Personnel – (salary, taxes, benefits): Housing Case Managers, Support Positions, and Supervision	Expanded GL report for the period including federally approved fringe rate	\$226,997
Mileage	Mileage log to include: name of staff member, date of travel, starting point and destination of travel, number of miles traveled, federal reimbursement rate (per www.gsa.gov) and a brief description of the purpose of travel	\$1,000
Flex Funds	Flex Fund Spreadsheet and copies of receipts	\$2,500
<b>Emergency Housing Funds SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$230,497</b>
***Emergency Housing Funds Indirect (12.8%)		\$29,503
<b>Emergency Housing Funds TOTAL</b>		<b>\$260,000</b>

<b>Veterans Funding (Jan-Dec)</b>		
Personnel – (salary, taxes, benefits): Case Manager (1 FTE– services delivered to eligible Veteran clients only; .15 FTE supervision)	Expanded GL report for the period including federally approved fringe rate	\$70,000.00
Communications	GL Detail	\$690.00
****Office Equipment & Supplies		\$400.00
Training	Ground transportation, coach airfare and ferries will be reimbursed at cost when accompanied by receipts. Reimbursement requests for allowable travel must include name of staff member, dates of travel, starting point and destination, brief description of the purpose. Receipts for registration fees or other documentation of professional training expenses. Receipts for meals are not required.	\$350.00
Mileage	Mileage log to include: name of staff member, date of travel, starting point and destination of travel, number of miles traveled, federal reimbursement rate (per <a href="http://www.gsa.gov">www.gsa.gov</a> ) and a brief description of the purpose of travel	\$500.00
VAF Direct Costs SUBTOTAL		\$71,940.00
***VAF Indirect (12.8%)		\$9,208
Total VAF		\$81,148
<b>TOTAL OVERALL BUDGET</b>		<b>\$1,231,981</b>

\* The County reserves the right to request additional information in order to determine eligible costs.

\*\* Changes to the line item budget that exceed 10% of the total budget must be approved in writing by the County's Contract Administrator.

\*\*\* Indirect costs shall not exceed the Contractor's current federally approved rate.

\*\*\*\* GL Detail for office equipment and supplies must identify the purchase and where the item was purchased.

## II. Invoicing:

1. The Contractor shall submit itemized invoices on a monthly basis in a format approved by the County. Monthly invoices must be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, following the month of service. Invoices submitted for payment must include the items identified in the table above.
2. The Contractor shall submit invoices to [HL-BusinessOffice@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:HL-BusinessOffice@co.whatcom.wa.us).
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 D” – Amendment #10**  
**WHATCOM COUNTY FLEX FUNDS GUIDELINES**

“Flex funds” are funds that may be used at the discretion of the Contractor, following the policies described below, to purchase goods or services directly related to the service needs of the Contractor’s clients, when no other funding source is available. **Such goods or services must be reasonable and necessary to meet a client’s emergent service needs or contribute to the stabilization or self-sufficiency of the client.**

**Allowable Costs:** Allowable uses of client-specific expenditures of flex funds include the following:

- Clothing
- Food
- Housing/rental assistance
- Bus passes or taxi fare
- Car repairs
- Driver’s license or ID card fees
- Educational or training program registration fees
- Household supplies, including furniture
- Medications
- Health care
- Other, as approved by Whatcom County

**Limitations:** Flex fund expenditures must be within the allowable criteria established by the County, as identified above, must be based upon the service needs as documented in the client’s individual service plan, and must have no other funding available from any other source.

Flex funds distributed to any one client cannot exceed \$500 per year, except with written authorization from the County. No flex fund disbursements are to be made directly to the client but rather will be made on behalf of a client. Flex funds may not be used to purchase retailer or merchant gift cards, vouchers, or certificates that can be exchanged for cash or that allow the recipient to purchase alcohol, tobacco, or cannabis products.

**Documentation:** Requests for reimbursement of flex funds must include the attached form including the following:

- A. The person or organization funds were paid to.
- B. Date of transaction.
- C. A list of the goods and/or services purchased.
- D. The cost of the goods and/or services purchased.
- E. The initials of the client and/or unique identifying number of the client for whom the goods and/or services were purchased.
- F. The total amount of flex funds distributed to the client during the year.
- G. The service need addressed by the expenditure.
- H. Accompanying invoices and/or receipts.
- I. Evidence of administrative review of expenditures

**See Attached Form**

<b>Contractor: Opportunity Council</b>			<b>Contract: Case Management – Contract #202106045</b>			<b>Period:</b>		
<b>Whatcom County Health and Community Services Flex Fund Documentation</b>								
<b>Paid To *</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Goods/Services Purchased</b>	<b>Client ID</b>	<b>Total \$ To Client this Year</b>	<b>Service Need</b>	<b>No Other Funding Available</b>	<b>Administrative Review</b>
<b>* ATTACH RECEIPTS FOR EACH PURCHASE</b>								

**EXHIBIT “E” – Amendment #10**  
**Special Terms and Conditions of Commerce Grants**  
**(Consolidated Homeless and Emergency Housing Fund)**

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**

Recipient understands and agrees that the funds disbursed under this award may only be used for the purposes set forth in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund. 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 a grant awarded by US Department of the Treasury. Points of view in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the US Department of the Treasury. Grant funds are administered by the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund thru the 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 Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200, 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 <https://facweb.census.gov/GSARedirect.html>.

**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.
- 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**

Each party shall be solely responsible for the acts of its employees, officers or agents.

**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.
- E. 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 "K"**  
**SUBAWARD INFORMATION**

	Item Description	Contract Information
1	Subrecipient Name (Exactly as listed in DUNS): <a href="http://www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a>	Opportunity Council
2	Subrecipient UEI Number: <a href="http://www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a>	M7ZPCCA7W391
3	Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN):	SLFRF0002
4	Federal Award Date (from Federal contract)	05/14/2021
5	Start and End Date of the contract:	01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024
6	Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this action:	\$55,500,000
7	Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated to the subrecipient by Whatcom County for this subaward (current and past obligations):	\$260,000
8	Total Amount of the Federal Award <u>committed</u> to the subrecipient through Whatcom County:	\$260,000
9	Project description from Federal Award:	Sections 602(b) and 603(b) of the Social Security Act (the Act) as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) authorizes the Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to make payments to certain recipients from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.
10	Name of the Federal awarding agency:	US Department of Treasury
11	Name of the pass-through entity/entities:	Washington State Department of Commerce
12	Contact information for awarding official- (Name of County project coordinator)	Chris D'Onofrio – Housing & Homeless Services Supervisor
13	Contact information for awarding official- General Contact email or phone number:	<a href="mailto:CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us">CDonofri@co.whatcom.wa.us</a>
14	CFDA Number	21.027
15	CFDA Name Program Name	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLRF), Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (CDFRF) and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF)
16	Is the award Research and Development?	No
17	Indirect Cost Rate per the Federal Award	n/a
18	Federal requirements imposed on the subrecipient by Whatcom County:	Yes
19	Additional requirements imposed by Whatcom County to meet its own responsibilities to the awarding agency:	See contract terms above
20	Indirect Rate: Subrecipient approved rate or de minimis	12.8%
21	Access to subrecipient's accounting records and financial statements as needed.	Yes
22	Closeout Requirements	See contract terms above

## Exhibit "L" – Commerce Emergency Housing Fund Grant

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WHATCOM COUNTY  
CONTRACT NO.  
2023 09017

**Federal Interagency Agreement with**

**Whatcom County Health and Community Services**

**through**

**The Homelessness Assistance Unit**

**Contract Number:  
24-4619D-127**

**For**

**Emergency Housing Fund**

**Dated: Saturday, July 1, 2023**



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**Face Sheet**

Contract Number: 24-4619D-127

**Housing Division  
Homelessness Assistance Unit  
Emergency Housing Fund**

Subrecipient  
 Contractor

<b>1. Grantee</b> Whatcom County Health and Community Services 509 Girard St. Bellingham, WA 98225		<b>2. Grantee Doing Business As (as applicable)</b>	
<b>3. Grantee Representative</b> Chris D'Onofrio Housing Program Supervisor (360) 778-6049 cdonofrio@co.whatcom.wa.us		<b>4. COMMERCE Representative</b> Augustine Sughrua Grant Coordinator (206) 256-6127 Augustine.sughrua@commerce.wa.gov	
<b>5. Contract Amount</b> \$2,890,020.00	<b>6. Funding Source</b> Federal: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> N/A: <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>7. Start Date</b> 7/1/2023	<b>8. End Date</b> 6/30/2024
<b>9. Federal Funds (as applicable)</b> \$2,890,020.00	<b>Federal Agency:</b> U.S. Department of Treasury	<b>ALN</b> 21.027	<b>Indirect Rate</b> N/A
<b>10. Tax ID #</b> 91-6001383	<b>11. SWV #</b> SWV0002425	<b>12. UBI #</b> 371-0-010-246	<b>13. UEI #</b> NT6RMN8THTN7
<b>14. Contract Purpose</b> The Emergency Housing Fund grant will be used to maintain current levels of homeless subsidies and emergency housing services.			
COMMERCE, defined as the Department of Commerce, and the Contractor, as defined above, acknowledge and accept the terms of this Contract and Attachments and have executed this Contract on the date below and warrant they are authorized to bind their respective agencies. The rights and obligations of both parties to this Contract are governed by this Contract and the following other documents incorporated by reference: Contractor Terms and Conditions including Attachment "A" – Scope of Work and Attachment "B" – Budget.			
<b>FOR CONTRACTOR</b>   Erika Lautenbach, Director  Signature  09/13/2023  Date		<b>FOR COMMERCE</b>  DocuSigned by:  Corina Grigoras, Assistant Director, Housing Division 9/14/2023   4:56 PM PDT  Date  <b>APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY BY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL APPROVAL ON FILE</b>	



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**WHATCOM COUNTY:  
Recommended for Approval:**

Approved by email AB/JT 07/07/2023  
Ann Beck, Community Health & Human Services Manager Date

**Approved as to form:**

Approved by email RB/JT 07/07/2023  
Royce Buckingham, Senior Civil Deputy Prosecutor Date

**Approved:**  
Accepted for Whatcom County:

By: Satpal Sidhu 9/13/2023  
Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive Date

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**Special Terms and Conditions**

**1. AUTHORITY**

COMMERCE and Contractor enter into this Contract pursuant to the authority granted by the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 39.34 RCW.

**2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FEDERAL FUNDING**

Federal Award Date: 05/14/2021  
Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN): SLFRF0002  
Total amount of the federal award: \$55,500,000  
Awarding official: U.S. Department of Treasury

Recipient understands and agrees that the funds disbursed under this award may only be used for the purposes set forth in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund.

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 a grant awarded by US Department of the Treasury. Points of view in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the US Department of the Treasury. Grant funds are administered by the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund thru the Washington State Department of Commerce."

**3. CONTRACT MANAGEMENT**

The Representative for each of the parties shall be responsible for and shall be the contact person for all communications and billings regarding the performance of this Contract.

The Representative for COMMERCE and their contact information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Contract.

The Representative for the Contractor and their contact information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Contract.

**4. COMPENSATION**

COMMERCE shall pay an amount not to exceed the Grant amount listed on the Face Sheet for the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of work under this Grant as set forth in the Scope of Work (Attachment A).

**5. SUBCONTRACTOR DATA COLLECTION**

Contractor will submit reports, in a form and format to be provided by Commerce and at intervals as agreed by the parties, regarding work under this Contract performed by subcontractors and the portion of Contract funds expended for work performed by subcontractors, including but not necessarily limited to minority-owned, woman-owned, and veteran-owned business subcontractors. "Subcontractors" shall mean subcontractors of any tier.

**6. INDIRECT COSTS**

Contractor shall provide their indirect cost rate that has been negotiated between their entity and the federal government. If no such rate exists a de minimis indirect cost rate of 10% of modified total

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direct costs (MTDC) will be used.

**7. BILLING PROCEDURES AND PAYMENT**

COMMERCE will pay Contractor upon acceptance of services provided and receipt of properly completed invoices, which shall be submitted to the Representative for COMMERCE via the Commerce Contracts Management System.

If required, the attachments to the invoice request in the Commerce Contracts Management System shall describe and document, to COMMERCE's satisfaction, a description of the work performed, the progress of the project, and fees.

Payment shall be considered timely if made by COMMERCE within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of properly completed invoices. Payment shall be sent to the address designated by the Contractor.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract or withhold payments claimed by the Contractor for services rendered if the Contractor fails to satisfactorily comply with any term or condition of this Contract.

No payments in advance or in anticipation of services or supplies to be provided under this Agreement shall be made by COMMERCE.

Invoices and End of Fiscal Year

Invoices are due on the 20th of the month following the provision of services.

Final invoices for a state fiscal year may be due sooner than the 20th and Commerce will provide notification of the end of fiscal year due date.

The Contractor must invoice for all expenses from the beginning of the contract through June 30, regardless of the contract start and end date.

Duplication of Billed Costs

The Contractor shall not bill COMMERCE for services performed under this Agreement, and COMMERCE shall not pay the Contractor, if the Contractor is entitled to payment or has been or will be paid by any other source, including grants, for that service.

Disallowed Costs

The Contractor is responsible for any audit exceptions or disallowed costs incurred by its own organization or that of its subcontractors.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, withhold ten percent (10%) from each payment until acceptance by COMMERCE of the final report (or completion of the project, etc.).

**8. 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 Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200, 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.

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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 the [Federal Audit Clearinghouse](#).

**9. FRAUD AND OTHER LOSS REPORTING**

Contractor shall report in writing all known or suspected fraud or other loss of any funds or other property furnished under this Contract immediately or as soon as practicable to the Commerce Representative identified on the Face Sheet.

**10. DEBARMENT**

- A. Grantee, defined as the primary participant and its principals, certifies by signing these General Terms and Conditions that to the best of its knowledge and belief that they:
  - i. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
  - ii. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Grant, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private agreement or transaction, violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice;
  - iii. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of federal Executive Order 12549; and
  - iv. Have not within a three-year period preceding the signing of this Grant had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause of default.
- B. Where the Grantee is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Grant, the Grantee shall attach an explanation to this Grant.
- C. The Grantee agrees by signing this Grant that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by COMMERCE.
- D. The Grantee further agrees by signing this Grant that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," as follows, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

**LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS**

- i. The lower tier Grantee certifies, by signing this Grant that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- ii. Where the lower tier Grantee is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Grant, such contractor shall attach an explanation to this Grant.
- E. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, person, primary covered transaction, principal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this section, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. Grantee may contact COMMERCE for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

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**11. INSURANCE**

Each party certifies that it is self-insured under the State's or local government self-insurance liability program, and shall be responsible for losses for which it is found liable.

**12. SEAT BELT USE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS (APR 2005)**

In accordance with Executive Order 13043, Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States, dated April 16, 1997, the contractor is encouraged to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees when operating company-owned, rented, or personally-owned vehicles. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is responsible for providing leadership and guidance in support of this Presidential initiative. For information on how to implement such a program or for statistics on the potential benefits and cost-savings to your company or organization, please visit the Buckle Up America section of NHTSA's Web site at [www.nhtsa.dot.gov](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov). Additional resources are available from the Network of Employers for Traffic Safety (NETS), a public-private partnership headquartered in the Washington, DC metropolitan area, and dedicated to improving the traffic safety practices of employers and employees. NETS is prepared to help with technical assistance, a simple, user friendly program kit, and an award for achieving the President's goal of 90 percent seat belt use. NETS can be contacted at 1-888-221-0045 or visit its Web site at [www.trafficsafety.org](http://www.trafficsafety.org).

**13. ENCOURAGING CONTRACTOR POLICIES TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING (JUNE 2020)**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause- "Driving"-

(1) Means operating a motor vehicle on an active roadway with the motor running, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic light, stop sign, or otherwise.

(2) Does not include operating a motor vehicle with or without the motor running when one has pulled over to the side of, or off, an active roadway and has halted in a location where one can safely remain stationary.

*Text messaging* means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electronic device, including for the purpose of short message service texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigational information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication. The term does not include glancing at or listening to a navigational device that is secured in a commercially designed holder affixed to the vehicle, provided that the destination and route are programmed into the device either before driving or while stopped in a location off the roadway where it is safe and legal to park.

(b) This clause implements Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, dated October 1, 2009.

(c) The Contractor is encouraged to-

(1) Adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving-

(i) Company-owned or rented vehicles or Government-owned vehicles; or

(ii) Privately-owned vehicles when on official Government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Government.

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(2) Conduct initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as-

- (i) Establishment of new rules and programs or reevaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and

- (ii) Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.

(d) *Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101 on the date of subcontract award.

**14. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

In the event of an inconsistency in this Contract, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- Applicable federal and state of Washington statutes and regulations
- Special Terms and Conditions
- General Terms and Conditions
- Attachment A – Scope of Work
- Attachment B – Budget



**General Terms and Conditions**

**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 Washington Department of Commerce.
- C. "Contract" or "Agreement" or "Grant" means the entire written agreement between COMMERCE and the Contractor, including any Exhibits, 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. "Contractor" or "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 Contractor.
- E. "Modified Total Direct Costs" (MTDC) shall mean all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel, and up to the first \$25,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award). MTDC excludes equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$25,000.
- F. "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, and "Protected Health Information" under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).
- G. "State" shall mean the state of Washington.
- H. "Subaward" shall mean an award provided by a pass-through entity to a subrecipient for the subrecipient to carry out part of a Federal award received by the pass-through entity. It does not include payments to a contractor or payments to an individual that is a beneficiary of a Federal program. A subaward may be provided through any form of legal agreement, including an agreement that the pass-through entity considers a contract.
- I. "Subcontractor" shall mean one not in the employment of the Contractor, who is performing all or part of those services under this Contract under a separate contract with the Contractor. The terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) in any tier.
- J. "Subrecipient" shall mean a non-Federal entity that receives a subaward from a pass-through entity to carry out part of a Federal program; but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such program. A subrecipient may also be a recipient of other Federal awards directly from a Federal awarding agency.

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**2. ALL WRITINGS CONTAINED HEREIN**

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

**3. AMENDMENTS**

This Contract 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.

**4. ASSIGNMENT**

Neither this Contract, work thereunder, nor any claim arising under this Contract, shall be transferred or assigned by the Contractor without prior written consent of COMMERCE.

**5. CONFIDENTIALITY AND SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION**

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

- i. All material provided to the Contractor by COMMERCE that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE;
- ii. All material produced by the Contractor that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE; and
- iii. All Personal Information in the possession of the Contractor that may not be disclosed under state or federal law.

**B.** The Contractor shall comply with all state and federal laws related to the use, sharing, transfer, sale, or disclosure of Confidential Information. The Contractor shall use Confidential Information solely for the purposes of this Contract 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 Contractor 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 Contractor shall provide COMMERCE with its policies and procedures on confidentiality. COMMERCE may require changes to such policies and procedures as they apply to this Contract whenever COMMERCE reasonably determines that changes are necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosures. The Contractor shall make the changes within the time period specified by COMMERCE. Upon request, the Contractor shall immediately return to COMMERCE any Confidential Information that COMMERCE reasonably determines has not been adequately protected by the Contractor against unauthorized disclosure.

**C. Unauthorized Use or Disclosure.** The Contractor 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.

**6. COPYRIGHT**

Unless otherwise provided, all Materials produced under this Contract 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 Contractor 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 Contract, but that incorporate pre-existing materials not produced under the Contract, the Contractor 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 Contractor warrants and represents that the Contractor has all rights and permissions, including intellectual property rights, moral rights and rights of publicity, necessary to grant such a license to COMMERCE.

The Contractor shall exert all reasonable effort to advise COMMERCE, at the time of delivery of Materials furnished under this Contract, 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 Contract. The Contractor shall provide COMMERCE with prompt written notice of each notice or claim of infringement received by the Contractor with respect to any Materials delivered under this Contract. COMMERCE shall have the right to modify or remove any restrictive markings placed upon the Materials by the Contractor.

**7. DISPUTES**

In the event that a dispute arises under this Agreement, it shall be determined by a Dispute Board in the following manner: Each party to this Agreement shall appoint one member to the Dispute Board. The members so appointed shall jointly appoint an additional member to the Dispute Board. The Dispute Board shall review the facts, Agreement terms and applicable statutes and rules and make a determination of the dispute. The Dispute Board shall thereafter decide the dispute with the majority prevailing. The determination of the Dispute Board shall be final and binding on the parties hereto. As an alternative to this process, either of the parties may request intervention by the Governor, as provided by RCW 43.17.330, in which event the Governor's process will control.

**8. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE**

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

**9. INDEMNIFICATION**

Each party shall be solely responsible for the acts of its employees, officers, and agents.

**10. LICENSING, ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION**

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

**11. RECAPTURE**

In the event that the Contractor fails to perform this Contract in accordance with state laws, federal laws, and/or the provisions of this Contract, 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 Contractor 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 Contract.

**12. RECORDS MAINTENANCE**

The Contractor 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.

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The Contractor 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 contract, 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.

**13. 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 Contract and prior to normal completion, COMMERCE may suspend or terminate the Contract under the "Termination for Convenience" clause, without the ten calendar day notice requirement. In lieu of termination, the Contract may be amended to reflect the new funding limitations and conditions.

**14. SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this contract 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 contract.

**15. SUBCONTRACTING**

The Contractor may only subcontract work contemplated under this Contract if it obtains the prior written approval of COMMERCE.

If COMMERCE approves subcontracting, the Contractor 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 Contractor to amend its subcontracting procedures as they relate to this Contract; (b) prohibit the Contractor from subcontracting with a particular person or entity; or (c) require the Contractor to rescind or amend a subcontract.

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

**16. SURVIVAL**

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

**17. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

In the event COMMERCE determines the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this contract in a timely manner, COMMERCE has the right to suspend or terminate this contract. Before suspending or terminating the contract, COMMERCE shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within 30 calendar days, the contract may be terminated or suspended.

In the event of termination or suspension, the Contractor shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original contract and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time.

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COMMERCE reserves the right to suspend all or part of the contract, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by COMMERCE to terminate the contract. A termination shall be deemed a "Termination for Convenience" if it is determined that the Contractor: (1) was not in default; or (2) failure to perform was outside of his or her control, fault or negligence.

The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this contract are not exclusive and are, in addition to any other rights and remedies, provided by law.

**18. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, COMMERCE may, by ten (10) business days' written notice, beginning on the second day after the mailing, terminate this Contract, in whole or in part. If this Contract is so terminated, COMMERCE shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of this Contract for services rendered or goods delivered prior to the effective date of termination.

**19. TERMINATION PROCEDURES**

Upon termination of this contract, COMMERCE, in addition to any other rights provided in this contract, may require the Contractor to deliver to COMMERCE any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this contract as has been terminated. The provisions of the "Treatment of Assets" clause shall apply in such property transfer.

COMMERCE shall pay to the Contractor the agreed upon price, if separately stated, for completed work and services accepted by COMMERCE, and the amount agreed upon by the Contractor and COMMERCE for (i) completed work and services for which no separate price is stated, (ii) partially completed work and services, (iii) other property or services that are accepted by COMMERCE, and (iv) the protection and preservation of property, unless the termination is for default, in which case the Authorized Representative shall determine the extent of the liability of COMMERCE. Failure to agree with such determination shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this contract. COMMERCE may withhold from any amounts due the Contractor such sum as the Authorized Representative determines to be necessary to protect COMMERCE against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Authorized Representative, the Contractor shall:

- A. Stop work under the contract on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice;
- B. Place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the contract that is not terminated;
- C. Assign to COMMERCE, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative, all of the rights, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case COMMERCE has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts;
- D. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Authorized Representative to the extent the Authorized Representative may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
- E. Transfer title to COMMERCE and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative any property which, if the contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to COMMERCE;

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- F. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Authorized Representative; and
- G. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Authorized Representative may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract, which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which COMMERCE has or may acquire an interest.

**20. TREATMENT OF ASSETS**

Title to all property furnished by COMMERCE shall remain in COMMERCE. Title to all property furnished by the Contractor, for the cost of which the Contractor is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item of cost under this contract, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon delivery of such property by the Contractor. Title to other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Contractor under this contract, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon (i) issuance for use of such property in the performance of this contract, or (ii) commencement of use of such property in the performance of this contract, 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 Contractor shall, unless otherwise provided herein or approved by COMMERCE, be used only for the performance of this contract.
- B. The Contractor shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of COMMERCE that results from the negligence of the Contractor or which results from the failure on the part of the Contractor to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.
- C. If any COMMERCE property is lost, destroyed or damaged, the Contractor shall immediately notify COMMERCE and shall take all reasonable steps to protect the property from further damage.
- D. The Contractor shall surrender to COMMERCE all property of COMMERCE prior to settlement upon completion, termination or cancellation of this contract.
- E. All reference to the Contractor under this clause shall also include Contractor's employees, agents or Subcontractors.

**21. 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 Contract unless stated to be such in writing and signed by Authorized Representative of COMMERCE.



## **Attachment A: Scope of Work**

### **Allowable Activities and Expenses**

Grantee will utilize the Emergency Housing Fund grant to maintain current levels of homeless subsidies and emergency housing services.

Allowable activities and expenses follow the Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG)/System Demonstration Grant (SDG) guidelines. Allowable activities are restricted to "emergency housing" activities, to include: street outreach, diversion, emergency shelter including hotel/motel leasing, sanctioned encampments, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, housing search and placement, and housing stability case management.

Household eligibility requirements also follow the CHG/SDG guidelines.

### **Invoicing**

Grantees must provide adequate back up documentation to support costs on each reimbursement request, to include:

1. General ledger from financial accounting system with transaction and expenditure dates on allowable activities within period of performance, and Dept. of Commerce voucher detail form.
2. If lead grantee has sub recipients, also submit their general ledgers with transaction and expenditure dates on allowable activities within period of performance.
3. For rental assistance and flexible fund payments, backup documentation should include a client name to tie the transaction to the payee or recipient.

In addition, at the time of contracting, grantee must submit a copy of letter of approved indirect rate or cost allocation plan for all federally funded programs, if billing for the recovery of indirect costs.

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**Attachment B: Budget**

**July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024**

<b>Budget Category</b>	
<b>Admin</b>	<b>\$140,047.00</b>
<b>Indirect Paid to Grantees</b>	<b>\$290,724.00</b>
<b>Operations</b>	<b>\$550,000.00</b>
<b>Facility Support</b>	<b>\$1,314,249.00</b>
<b>Rent</b>	<b>\$595,000.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,890,020.00</b>

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Program: EHF  
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Pool: Washington State Department of Commerce

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**Signer Events**

Kathy Kinard  
Kathy.Kinard@commerce.wa.gov  
Security Level: Email, Account Authentication (None)

**Signature**



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Kathryn Dodge  
kathryn.dodge@commerce.wa.gov  
Security Level: Email, Account Authentication (None)

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**Notary Events**

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**Envelope Summary Events**

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**Signer Events**

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 Housing Division AD  
 Washington State Department of Commerce  
 Security Level: Email, Account Authentication (None)

**Signature**

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