



# Memorandum

**TO:** Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

**FROM:** Charlene Ramont, Interim Director

**RE:** Lydia Place – Permanent Housing and Supportive Services Contract Amendment #1

**DATE:** JUNE 11, 2025

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place for your review and signature. This amendment extends the contract for one year and updates the budget and scope of work to reflect a one-year contract period.

## ■ Background and Purpose

This contract provides funding for the operation of Lydia Place's permanent housing and supportive services program. Lydia Place owns and operates 20 units of permanent housing for families with children exiting homelessness. Households living in Lydia Place units receive case management and clinical behavioral services in order to increase housing stability and retention, improve mental and emotional wellbeing, increasing social connection, and disrupt the generational cycle of homelessness. The expected outcomes of this contract are that the program will maintain an occupancy of at least 90% and 95% of households will maintain their housing or move to other permanent housing.

## ■ Funding Amount and Source

Funding for this contract period (07/01/2025 – 06/30/2026), in an amount not to exceed \$258,976, is provided by the Washington State Department of Commerce's Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG - \$163,299), the local affordable supportive housing sales and use tax (HB 1406 - \$65,677), and local document recording fees (\$30,000). These funds are included in the 2025 budget. Council authorization is required per WCC 3.08.100 as funding for this amendment exceeds 10% of the amount authorized by Council.

## ■ Differences from Previous Contracts

Section	Differences
General Terms – Section 10.2, Extension	Extends the contract for one year, through 06/30/2026
Exhibit A – Scope of Work	Reorganizes the scope of work and updates the requirements, outcomes, and outputs for a one-year contract period
Exhibit B – Compensation	Updates the budget to reflect a one-year contract period
Exhibit D – Flex Fund Guidelines	Replaces the guidelines to reflect the current version

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