



MEMORANDUM

TO: Jack Louws, County Executive

FROM: Michael Wallace, Director 

RE: Memorandum of Agreement with Washington State University

DATE: January 17, 2019

Enclosed is the necessary paperwork for a contract extension with Washington State University to continue the jointly sharing of costs for faculty positions and program support in Extension Whatcom County and Washington State University for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

- Continue to share costs for faculty positions in WSU Whatcom County Extension serving Whatcom County.
- Continue cost sharing for Forestry Program to serve Whatcom County in 2019.
- Include the majority of funds from Whatcom County Solid Waste in the WSU Contract. Hiring will be done through WSU to support the goals of the agreement with Solid Waste. The work will be done through our community horticulture program.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

2019 Whatcom County General Fund Budget for Whatcom County WSU Extension, \$32,160 from the Health Department for Strengthening Families Program and \$50,000 from the Health Department Solid Waste Division.

• **Differences from Previous Contract**

With the approval of the Executive and Council we are using our new funding in the 4H Youth Development program that will extend staffing time to reach residents in the North County region and to include more diverse audiences.

Thanks for your ongoing support of our programs!

Please contact me at extension 5813 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Encl. 