

ERIKA LAUTENBACH, DIRECTOR GREG STERN, M.D., HEALTH OFFICER

MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: Lydia Place – Housing Case Management Contract

DATE: June 11, 2021

Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and Lydia Place for your review and signature.

Background and Purpose

This contract funds the provision of housing case management services in association with the Whatcom Homeless Service Center. The purpose of this contract is to provide funding for case management and supportive services to families with children and individuals 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 \$203,602, is provided by local document recording fees and the Washington State Department of Commerce Emergency Solutions COVID-19 Grant (CFDA 14.231). These funds are included in the 2021 budget. Council approval is required as funding exceeds \$40,000.

Differences Between Previous Contracts

This is a new contract, awarded as a result of RFP 21-04; however, funding for these services has been provided through previous contracts between Whatcom County and Lydia Place since 2011. This contract includes funding for additional staff but no significant changes in scope of work from the previous contract (WC Contract #201611028).

Please contact Anne Deacon, Human Services Manager at 360-778-6054 (<u>ADeacon@co.whatcom.wa.us</u>) or Kathleen Roy, Assistant Director at 360-778-6007 (<u>KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us</u>), if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

