



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Satpal Sidhu, County Executive  
**FROM:** Erika Lautenbach, Director  
**RE:** Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) – Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) Interlocal Agreement Amendment #2  
**DATE:** February 10, 2023

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Attached is an Interlocal Agreement amendment between Whatcom County and DSHS DDA for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This Agreement provides funding for employment and community access services for adults with developmental disabilities, child development services for children ages birth to three years, and community information and training. An estimated 279 children and 391 adults are authorized to receive services.

House Bill 1980 was passed in the 2022 legislative session that allows employment and community inclusion services to be authorized concurrently. Additional funds were allocated for capacity building to ensure providers are available. This amendment adds 'start-up' funding to be used in the following four ways: onboarding new hires, referrals, new agency start up, and quality assurance, training and mentoring.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

This Agreement provides \$4,616,019 in funding during the current contract period (07/01/2022 - 06/30/2023) and \$8,744,554 for the entire agreement period (07/01/2021 – 06/30/2023) for the services mentioned above. These funds will be included in the 2023 budget. Council approval is required per WCC 3.06.010 for grants exceeding \$40,000.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contracts**

Revision Purpose
Increases funding by \$519,222 and revises and replaces Special Terms and Conditions to address the expansion of Community Inclusion Services.

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