



Memorandum

TO: JACK LOUWS
FROM: Regina Delahunt, Director
DATE: 01/14/19
RE: Criminal Justice Treatment Account Plan

Attached for your review and approval by the County Council is the 2019 Whatcom County Criminal Justice Treatment Account Plan. In order to receive Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA) funding, state law requires that the county legislative authority approve the county's CJTA Plan. As required by legislation, a local panel met to provide input into the plan including recommendations for the prioritized use of CJTA funding.

Whatcom County will receive \$174,881 in 2019 which must be used for treatment, support, and recovery services for people with a substance disorder facing criminal charges. Recommendations included in the plan prioritize the use of funds for Therapeutic Courts participants. Funds will be used to provide services including substance use disorder assessments in the jail, residential treatment as medically necessary and rental assistance for those needing housing.

