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To: Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

From: Sheriff Donnell "Tank" Tanksley, Director 
Matt Klein, Deputy Director 
Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management

Subject: FIFA World Cup Grant Program

Date: May 12, 2026

Enclosed for your review and signature is the SeaFWC26 FIFA World Cup Grant Program (FWCGP), contract #FWCGP-31 funded via the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal Fiscal Year 2026 and the Washington State Military Department.

Background and Purpose

DHS/FEMA, through its FWCGP program, provides funds to enhance security and preparedness for the 2026 FIFA World Cup events hosted in the United States, in and around Whatcom County. The FWCGP award is \$97,556, CFDA# 97.97.160.

The grant will be utilized to purchase traffic control and communications infrastructure equipment and cover anticipated overtime expenses for Sheriff's Office, including the Jail and Patrol, and Public Works during the timeframe during and around the planned FIFA events. This grant includes reimbursement of management and administration costs.

The performance period runs from July 4, 2025 through August 31, 2026.

Please contact Matt Klein (778-7160) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this contract.