



Memorandum

TO: WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: Ann Beck, Community Health and Human Services Manager

DATE: 9/13/2024

RE: BRIEF UPDATE ON WINTER AND SEVERE WEATHER SHELTER PLANNING

Whatcom County Health and Community Services staff have been pursuing shelter options for the 2024-25 winter season for several months. Staff have also been working with the Whatcom Housing Advisory Committee in support of Resolution 2024-036 supporting the expansion of year-round shelter capacity passed by County Council in July. Staff will update Council on current winter shelter efforts, challenges and progress made to date.

Please reach out to Ann Beck at (360) 778-6055 or ABeck@co.whatcom.wa.us with any questions or concerns or if there is certain information you are interested in knowing more about.