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**MEMO**

To: Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

From: Sheriff Bill Elfo, Director *Bill Elfo*  
John Gargett, Deputy Director *John Gargett*  
Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management

Subject: 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant  
COVID-19 Supplemental (20EMPG-S)

Date: July 19, 2020

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Enclosed are two originals of the FFY2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant COVID-19 Supplemental (20EMPG-S) between Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management and the Washington State Military Department for your review.

- Background and Purpose

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management (WCSO-DEM) has been awarded \$25,397 from the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) FFY2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant COVID-19 Supplemental (20EMPG-S). This grant has been awarded to assist public health and emergency management activities supporting the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency.

WCSO-DEM will utilize these funds to:

1. Fund a part-time temporary Volunteer Coordinator who will work with WCSO-DEM staff in managing volunteer resources supporting essential and on-gong COVID-19 operational activities, including the Emergency Operations Center, PPE/medical supply warehouse and distribution system, food banks, and testing site.
2. Purchase 800MHz radios to enhance interoperable communications.

The required match will be covered by activities within WCSO-DEM's existing budget and program activities.

The performance period runs from January 27, 2020 through December 31, 2021.

- Funding Amount and Source

\$25,397 from the DHS/FEMA 20EMPG-S grant, Contract # E20-225, CFDA# 97.042.

Please contact John Gargett (360-778-7160) or Frances Burkhart (360-778-7161) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this contract.