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Helping Hands for Youth Grant to Fund Learning Recovery

Application Deadline December 15

By Jennifer Dolge

The Community Foundation of NCW is now accepting applications for the Helping Hands for Youth Grant, a new, one-time grant opportunity for K-12 public schools, nonprofits, and community-based organizations addressing unfinished learning and learning recovery due to the pandemic.

NPR, Harvard University, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation recently released a poll on the well-being of Americans in during the Delta variant surge.

When it comes to their children's education, 69% of households with children in K-12 last school year say their children fell behind in their learning because of the COVID-19 outbreak.

This includes 36% of all households with children in K-12 reporting their children fell behind a lot. 70% of households whose children fell behind last school year believe it will be difficult for children in their household to catch up on education losses from last school year.

"We retooled our Helping Hands Grant in 2020 to support nonprofits who were serving critical community needs that were intensified by the pandemic" said Claire Oatey, director of community grants.

"Between April of 2020 and August of 2021, the Community Foundation granted out \$562,000 to local organizations. We had so much support from the community through donations to that grant program that we now have \$100,000 available that will be devoted to address unfinished learning across the region by directing resources to help our youth recover and thrive."

Grant awards will range from \$5,000 to \$20,000 depending on the need and impact on youth, with \$100,000 available to fund.

Awards will be made in late January and are to be used by the end of the 2022-2023 academic school year. Special consideration will be given to applicants that address learning needs for under-served or under-resourced groups.

To learn more and apply, visit www.cfncw.org/helping-hands.

The Community Foundation of North Central Washington's mission is to grow, protect, and connect charitable gifts in support of strong communities throughout Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties. Established in 1986, the Community Foundation manages \$112 million in assets through 600+ individual funds and has awarded over \$44 million in grants and scholarships. For more information call 509-663-7716 or visit www.cfncw.org.



Steve Hobbs sworn in as Washington secretary of state

Submitted by Kyle Zabel, Washington State Communications Director

OLYMPIA - State Sen. Steve Hobbs (D-Lake Stevens) was sworn in Monday, Nov. 22 as Washington's 16th secretary of state. He replaces Kim Wyman, who resigned mid-term to join the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.

During brief remarks, Hobbs pledged to continue enhancing the integrity of Washington's elections, including efforts to quickly respond to election-related mis- and disinformation.

"As secretary of state, it is my duty to instill confidence in Washington's electorate that our elections system maintains a strong security posture heading into the 2022 midterms," he said. "Part of that effort is acting quickly on false information about our elections system and providing the public with verified information from trusted sources."

A video of Hobbs's swearing-in ceremony is available on TVW's website.

Hobbs served in the U.S. Army for more than 32 years and is currently a lieutenant colonel in the Washington State National Guard. Prior to his appointment

as secretary of state, Hobbs was the state senator for Washington's 44th legislative district, having first been elected in 2006.

During his tenure he served as chair of the Transportation Com-

mission on state elections, registering corporations and charities, and governing the use of the state flag and state seal.

The office also manages the State Archives and the State



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State Sen. Steve Hobbs was sworn in earlier this month as Washington's 16th secretary of state.

mittee, and was a member of the Financial Institutions, Economic Development & Trade, and Environment, Energy and Technology committees.

Washington's Office of the Secretary of State oversees a number of areas within state government, including manag-

Library, documents extraordinary stories in Washington's history through Legacy Washington, oversees the Combined Fund Drive for charitable giving by state employees, and administers the state's Address Confidentiality Program to help protect survivors of crime.

As thousands fired under Inslee decree, Senate Freedom Caucus calls on governor to resign

Submitted by Erik Smith For the Senate Freedom Caucus

Mass-termination event is last straw - senators cite failure of leadership

- Thousands of state employees get ax under Inslee vaccination mandate
- Follows nearly 600 days of autocratic decisions in 'emergency' that never ends
- Ferries on reduced schedule due to severe staffing shortage, other impacts expected
- Governor has ignored Legislature, shut the people out of decision-making

OLYMPIA - As thousands of state employ-

ees get pink slips under Washington Gov. Jay Inslee's "get vaccinated or get fired" mandate, members of the Senate's Freedom Caucus are calling on the governor to resign.

The mass firings last Monday of state employees and others who balked at the governor's COVID-19 vaccination order already are creating a crisis in state government, as state agencies struggle to provide services under an Inslee-created staff shortage. The number of terminations was not available Tuesday morning, but press accounts indicate thousands got the ax at the end of their shifts.

"This mass-termination event is the straw that broke the camel's back," said Sen. ... SENATE'S FREEDOM CAUCUS CALL TO RESIGN, PAGE 10

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William "Bill" Forhan

March 20, 1947 – November 21, 2021
 Leavenworth, Washington

William "Bill" Edward Forhan, age 74, passed away suddenly at his home in Leavenworth, WA. on Sunday, November 21, 2021.

Born on March 20, 1947, in Butte, Mont. to Rudi and Alice (Mehrens) Forhan. He attended and graduated in 1965 from Butte High School where he met his wife, Carol, as a freshman. Graduated from the University of Montana, Missoula, in 1969 with a degree in Business Administration. Bill served in the Army ROTC in college, then was stationed at the Field Artillery Training Command at Fort Sill, Okla. where he earned the rank of First Lieutenant. He was then deployed to West Germany as a battery commander with the 4th Missile Battalion, 41st Artillery Regiment during the Vietnam era.

After serving overseas, Bill became an Army Reserve Commissioned Officer at Fort Carson, Colo., while working as a CPA in Denver, Colo. From Colorado the family moved to Davenport, Iowa where he worked as Controller for ITT Company and Carlon Plastics. He then accepted a job as the controller for The Billings Gazette in Billings, Mont. In 1992, Bill became the controller for the Antelope Valley Press in Palmdale, Calif. In 2000, he and Carol became the owners of Prairie Media - NCW Media, Inc. which currently publishes The Leavenworth Echo, Cashmere Valley Record, Lake Chelan Mirror, Wenatchee Business Journal, Quad City Herald, The Sonnenschein auf Leavenworth, and The Lake Chelan Visitor Guides. Also, previously owned and published the Okanogan Valley Gazette Tribune. Bill authored his first book, *The Contract: Unveiling the Healing Power of Forgiveness*, in 2021, a Christian fiction story about three families and their intertwined journeys. He had begun writing a second book before his sudden passing.

Bill was an active member of his community and volunteered with numerous local organizations including Leavenworth Rotary, former president; Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce, former president; Leavenworth Christmas Lighting Festival as the character St. Nicholas; Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival Assoc., former president and former First Gentleman with Carol as the Royal Lady of The Autumn Leaves in 2016; The Washington Newspaper Publishers Assoc., former president; St. James Episcopal Church, member and lead musician; and the Cashmere Chamber of Commerce as a current board member.

Bill was a vocal and passionate conservative, he loved God and was a man of deep faith. He taught friends and family countless card games, including his favorite game, Bridge. He shared his love for camping, fishing, hunting, and golfing with his children and grandchildren. Bill will be remembered for many things, but our favorite memories include his appreciation of good coffee, red wine, the Denver Broncos, and his famous afternoon power naps.

Bill is survived by his wife of 54 years, Carol (Johnson) Forhan; their sons David (Britney Nielson) Forhan of Olympia, Wash., and Michael (Amber) Forhan of Bremerton, Wash; his sister Gayle (Dale) Schendzielos of Casa Grande, Ariz., his sister Diane Forhan DuBose of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and brother Ed (Cami) Forhan of Clayton, Calif.; grandchildren Myla, Ronan, Lorelai, Aydin, and Zynnica, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his father Rudi and his mother Alice.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church, 222 Cottage Ave. Cashmere, Wash. A private family interment is being planned for next summer. You are invited to view Bill's online tribute at www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com to share memories or leave condolences. Memorial contributions or donations in Bill's honor are welcome at St. James Episcopal Church in Cashmere, Wash., or to The Rotary International Foundation.

Special thanks to the entire NCW Media staff and the many volunteers who have done a remarkable job taking care of the newspapers in Bill's absence. Thank you to everyone at St. James Episcopal Church, Cascade Medical, EMTs, the Chelan County Sheriff's Office, and the Leavenworth Rotary. Thank you to Rev. Robert Gohl, Joel Walinski, Matt Melton, Chaplain Gary Beck, and all the friends and neighbors who have come to support Bill's beloved wife Carol. Your kindness and sympathy have helped to make an incredibly difficult time a bit more bearable, words will never be able to express our gratitude to you all. Bill loved Irish music and this one he sang to his wife Carol at their 50th Wedding Anniversary and shared with others.

The Voyage, a song by Christy Moore

*I am a sailor, you're my first mate
 We signed on together, we coupled our fate
 Hauled up our anchor, determined not to fail
 For the heart's treasure, together we set sail*

*With no maps to guide us we steered our own course
 Rode out the storms when the winds were gale force
 Sat out the doldrums in patience and hope
 Working together we learned how to cope*

*Life is an ocean and love is a boat
 In troubled waters that keeps us afloat
 When we started the voyage, there was just me and you
 Now gathered 'round us, we have our own crew*

*Together we're in this relationship
 We've built it with care to last the whole trip
 Our true destination's not marked on any charts
 We're navigating to the shores of the heart*

*Life is an ocean and love is a boat
 In troubled waters that keeps us afloat
 When we started the voyage, there was just me and you
 Now gathered 'round us, we have our own crew.*





REP. MIKE STEELE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The 2022 legislative session is scheduled to begin on Monday, Jan. 10. In the state's constitutionally defined two-year work cycle, even-numbered years are designated as "short" sessions because they only run 60-days.

With only a little more than eight weeks to review, analyze and decide on literally thousands of legislative proposals – the session will indeed be short, but the work won't be.

House and Senate operations for 2022 session

For the upcoming session, the Senate recently announced it will do its work both in-person and remotely. Under the Senate's guidelines, state senators and support staff will be allowed in the Senate chambers, regardless of vaccination status, but will be required to submit to daily COVID-19 testing. The House will allow only a limited number of legislators in the House chambers if they are vaccinated.

To access their on-campus offices, unvaccinated House members will need to submit to a minimum of three COVID -19 tests per week. Members of the public

who would like to watch the legislative proceedings from the Senate or House galleries will be allowed to do so, but in limited numbers. In the House gallery, proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test taken within the previous 72 hours will be required.

Prefiling bills for 2022 session

Prefiling of legislative proposals for the upcoming session starts on Monday, Dec. 6. Submitting bills early allows House and Senate committees to establish their agendas prior to the official first week of legislative work. The bills

will then be "officially" introduced on the first day of session.

Redistricting

Every ten years, shortly after the release of the federal census data, the state redraws its congressional and district maps to better reflect population changes.

Regrettably, for the first time since the bipartisan Washington State Redistricting Commission was created in 1990, the commission has failed to complete its work on time.

According to state law, the decision on the maps now defaults to the state Supreme Court, which

must complete the work by April 30, 2022.

For more information on redistricting, and its potential impact on our region, here are some articles and links to information:

- In a first, court will decide new WA redistricting plan as commission falters (Crosscut)
- Washington's redistricting commission emerges Tuesday night, post-deadline, with agreement on boundaries. What's next? (Seattle Times)
- Washington state redistricting commission admits failure to meet deadline for new political maps (Seattle Times)
- Failed redistricting would have split Chelan and Douglas from 12th District, among other changes (NCW Life)

How to engage in the legislative process | Remote testimony

Getting involved and staying informed about legislative topics is easier than most people might think. One of the biggest success stories to come out of the 2021 session was remote testimony. For residents that live far from the Capitol Campus in

Olympia, like those in the 12th District, sharing your thoughts on bills before the Legislature is as easy as turning on your computer. Take a look at the information below on how to get started:

Want to testify on a bill? Here's a few links that can help:

- Accessing the Legislature remotely
- Committee Sign In – Remote Testimony (House/Senate/Joint)
- How to comment on a bill
- Americans with Disabilities Act Information

Additional legislative resources:

- A Citizen's Guide to Effective Legislative Participation
- Legislative process (video)
- Cutoff calendar
- Glossary of legislative terms
- Find your legislative district

Please stay in touch! If you have questions or concerns about state government-related matters, please contact my office. I'm always happy to help. Thank you for the honor of allowing me to serve and represent you.



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State Supreme Court Will Decide New District Maps After Missed Deadline

By Megan Sokol

The Washington State Redistricting Commission failed to submit revised Legislative and Congressional District maps by their Nov. 15 deadline.

Ultimately, the final decision now will be up to the State Supreme Court to redraw the districts by April 30, 2022.

The Bipartisan Redistricting Commission was established in 1990 and meets once every 10 years after the Federal census to redraw the legislative district boundaries.

They are to map out and approve boundary lines for 10 congressional districts and 49 legislative districts.

The commission consists of two democratic members and two republican members to ensure a bipartisan map.

This is the first time that the nonpartisan board has missed the Nov. 15 deadline.

According to the Spokesman Review, the Commission seemed to have initially made a vote on the maps before the midnight deadline.

However, a statement was released on Nov. 16 that they had missed the deadline, legally requiring them to hand over the decision to the State Supreme Court.

The Monday meeting which was also held in private, may have also violated the Open Public Meetings Act.

Aside from these issues, the Commission garnered hefty criticisms from both Democratic and Republican stakeholders, who find that the proposed map un-

necessarily divides Chelan, Okanogan, and Douglas counties.

12th District Senator



Sen. Brad Hawkins

Brad Hawkins (R) feels uncertain about the process going forward.

"No one really knows because this is kind of the first time that our bipartisan redistricting commis-

sion process went kind of sideways."

Hawkins claimed that the 2020 census found that



Adrienne Moore

western Washington had increased in population and eastern Washington had "underperformed," resulting in the need to balance the districts.

"Some of the legislative

districts east of the 12th districts needed to grow geographically and expand, to pick up population," Sen. Hawkins explained.

"That had the effect of nudging over a district like the 12th that is on the border of the Cascade mountains."

Sen. Hawkins was left disappointed by the proposed Legislative District Map, which will now split the 12th district away from Okanogan and Douglas regions.

The district will be combined with western regions spanning all the way to Monroe and upper valley regions just below the Methow river.

"Traditionally, the 12th district has always been a north central Washington-based district. Chelan County, Douglas County, and part of Okanogan and some of Grant," Sen. Hawkins explained.

"Well now this shifts it over, but the map that's proposed includes all of Chelan County and a good portion of East Wenatchee, but the remaining amounts of Douglas County are proposed to be in another district."

Many organizations such as the Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council, the Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Methow Valley Citizens Council Action Fund, and Chelan County Board of Commissioners have voiced their own concerns to the Redistricting Commission regarding possible separation from Chelan and Douglas regions.

"The map doesn't in any way reflect what the commission received in public comments and that's disappointing," Sen. Hawkins said. "North Central Washington has a long, proud history of cooperative work across the two counties."

2020 Democratic candidate for 12th District State Representative Adrienne Moore shares Sen. Hawkins' disappointment over the proposed maps.

"I know it makes the district slightly more competitive, but I think it is at the loss of keeping the communities together," Moore said.

Moore notes her own disappointment for how divided the map looks politically, especially in a supposedly nonpartisan redistricting process.

"I think one of the most disappointing things I heard in the press confer-

ence following the release of the maps was that there's basically been a trade where Republicans got to draw Eastern Washington and the democratic commissioners got to draw Western Washington," Moore said.

"I think that really violates the spirit of a bipartisan commission in which politics should stay out of electoral politics, that we should stay out of districting/redistricting process."

One of the goals of the Commission was to keep the Yakama Nation intact and to retain what they call a minority/majority district in Yakima.

The Commission hoped to elevate the voting representation of People of Color (POC) in each district by drawing regions that are balanced in POC populace.

According to Crosscut, many have criticized this decision as inconsistent with the Voting Rights Act, failing to figure in the population of the voting-age Latino population rather than the total Latino population in Yakima.

Republicans also raised questions as to whether racially-motivated districting decisions violate the Equal Protection Act.

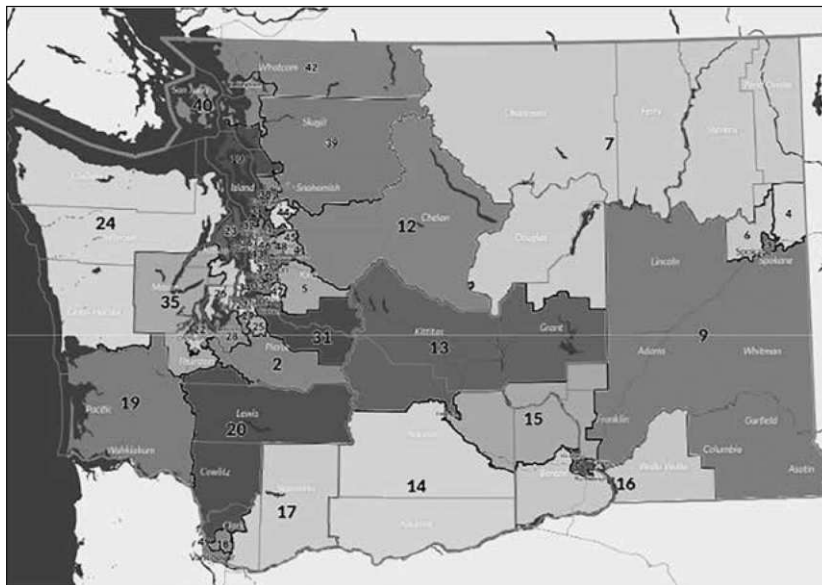
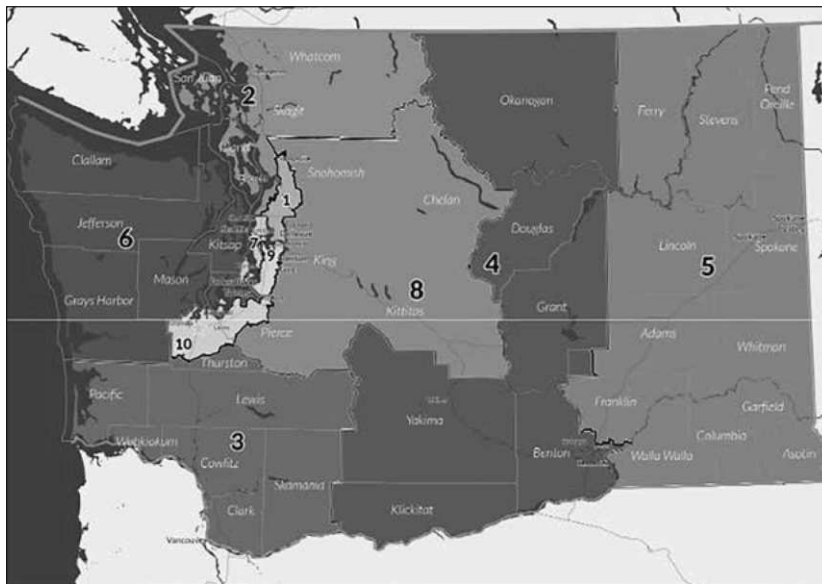
Moore feels that the new map does not agree with the Commission's own goals.

"It didn't seem like it met those criteria and some of the information that has come out afterwards around the Yakima valley region seems to point to not meeting both the recommendations or the hope of having, districts of minority/majority districts and building better cohesion for tribal communities."

Moore added that the Colville Confederated tribe had advocated for their districts not to change and that they were okay with the split.

The State Supreme Court has three options. They can either approve the final map that redistricting commissioners tried to finalize; make adjustment to the proposed map; or open the process up for public comments and start all over again.

"I think not being able to develop communities that were in the best interest of the people rather than in the best interests of the parties is a loss for all of us," Moore concluded. "I think we could and should do better."



Balanced Calendar Grant Program Sparks Discussion Between School Districts

By Megan Sokol

Traditional 9-month school calendars may be revamped due to pandemic-induced student learning losses.

In a new Balanced School Calendar Grant Program, school districts are offered \$75k to apply and learn more about balanced calendar options.

If enacted, the Balanced Calendar would shorten the summer break from 3 months to approximately six weeks, while extending the winter and spring breaks to almost one-month long breaks.

This grant will be included in SB 5147, a bill that explores alternative school calendars for the 2022-2023 school year. It's sponsored by Sen. Brad Hawkins (R), who explains that a key facet of the proposed calendar is to help mitigate additional learning loss that occurs after a long summer break. The grant will award \$75k to a maximum of 25 school districts.

"It creates a lot of stress, I think on staff. There's a lot of starting, stopping, and restarting in the education system that we have. I think it creates a lot of inefficiencies, then also

that the long break creates the learning loss," Sen. Hawkins explained.

"I think a lot of that in a sense could be avoided if we were a little more thoughtful about how we spread out the number of days."

Sen. Hawkins remarked on the KING-5 article (hyperlink: <https://www.king5.com/article/news/education/washington-districts-balanced-school-year-calendar-shorter-summer-break/281-356879a8-c97b-47da-ac75-4edb2e80886b>) that he linked to his e-newsletter, which reported that 18 school districts were projected to receive grant funding to explore the balanced calendar schedule. The following school districts include:

"Columbia School District (Walla Walla), Crescent School District, Elma School District, Kittitas School District, Lopez School District, Mount Adams School District, Mount Vernon School District, North Thurston Public Schools, Oakville School District, Olympia School District, Selah School District, Soap Lake School District, Thorp School District, Union Gap School District, Vancouver School

District, Wahluke School District, Winlock School District, Yakima School District."

Sen. Hawkins speculated that Leavenworth and Lake Chelan school districts may

not be included," Sen. Hawkins explained.

Cascade Superintendent Dr. Tracey Beckendorf-Edou is hesitant to make a decision on whether the

Wenatchee and their children are not in a balanced calendar and we are on a balanced calendar, then it means that the parents and the children have breaks that are significantly different from each other."

Some factors that have concerned Dr. Beckendorf-Edou are possible state assessment schedule conflicts and how the hospitality sector would be affected.

"There are so many teens who are very much involved in the hospitality industry. There are many things you have to figure out if you go towards a balanced calendar."

The original calendar that is used today was originally meant to supplement time for teens and kids in order for them to help families on the farm. Nowadays, even agricultural communities like Cashmere are considering a change.

"For our district, we are interested in applying to be part of a cohort to look at that," Cashmere superintendent Glenn Johnson states.

"I want to emphasize that the board and I and the district, we're not making any commitments to it. We just want to learn more because

there's a lot of questions."

Johnson explained that the district is looking at all options that may help combat against learning loss and that that is their top priority, with the balanced calendar being more of a long-term option down the road.

"It's just really at the preliminary stages of whether or not we proceed with the grant."

Their top priority as of right now is to measure where their students are at with their learning and if they can measure what learning loss they may have accrued in the past 19 months.

"We're just doing our due diligence in what that might look like," Johnson said.

The grant requires districts to decide whether or not they accept or deny participating in the program 90 days after being notified of their grant acceptance. Districts will also need to convene with the public at least two times before making a final decision.

School districts will be notified of their decision no later than March 1, 2022. The next legislative session will be held on Jan. 10th.



Cascade Superintendent Dr. Tracey Beckendorf-Edou



Cashmere Superintendent Glenn Johnson

have more reservations due to the cities' perceived hospitality sector's reliance on student labor.

However, he argues that the new calendar would not affect the tourist economy as drastically as people may think.

"Some people have pushed back and said, 'but they need summer work so they can save for college.' But the reality is with the cost of college being as much as it is, the amount of earnings is not [propor-

Cascade school district will consider the grant.

She notes that due to her experience working in a balanced school calendar in previous districts, she knows what complications may arise if the entire region is not put on the same schedule.

"I'm kind of waiting to see how the conversation evolves and waiting to see if some of the larger school districts jump on board," Dr. Beckendorf-Edou explained.

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Schools come to agreement on school resource officers

SRO Program is reintroduced to Chelan County School Districts

Submitted by Chelan County Sheriff and Reporter Megan Sokol

WENATCHEE – The Chelan County Sheriff’s Office has finalized contracts with the four schools that utilize school resource officers via its office.

The contracts begin Nov. 1 with the Cashmere and Cascade school districts and Dec. 1 with the Chelan and Manson school districts. Chelan County commissioners signed the contracts on Tuesday, Nov. 2, for Cashmere, Cascade and Chelan. Manson has given a verbal agreement as the County is just waiting to approve their signed copy.

“We’re glad to get the contracts settled so we can move forward,” Chelan County Sheriff Brian Burnett said. “I’m a huge supporter of the Security Resource Officer program because I truly believe that it enhances school safety and a safe learning environment for our students and our staff.”

Sheriff Burnett said that after discussion with the Sheriff’s Association and the school districts, the officers will meet the requirements of the school districts, which include a COVID-19 vaccination or an approved exemption from the individual school district.

“We needed some time to work through this issue on our end, which included finding a solution that the Sheriff’s Association, the officers and the schools could accept,” Burnett said. “We

feel comfortable moving forward.”

The Sheriff’s Office in early September put the annual contracts on hold following the governor’s announcement a month earlier that all school employees and on-site contractors and volunteers



Chelan County Sheriff Brian Burnett

would be required to receive a COVID vaccination or apply for an exemption.

At the time, Sheriff Burnett expressed concern about the mandate violating people’s rights as well as a need to discuss the state mandate with union representatives.

“Personally, I have not asked any of my deputies or staff if they are or aren’t vaccinated,” Burnett said. “I have maintained the decision is a personal one, and I will not ask such a private question.”

SRO officers will still comply with

masking mandates and will be masked inside the facilities.

Under the new contracts, one school resource officer will serve both the Cashmere and Cascade school districts and another will serve the Chelan and Manson school districts. The contracts call for the splitting of the cost of resource officers between the school districts and Sheriff’s Office, with the schools paying about 75 percent of the officers’ salaries, or about \$87,400.

“It’s just a balance of communicating and time management between the two. It makes it a little difficult because you got some travel time back and forth and sometimes you might be trying to actively work something or plan another class and then all of a sudden one school calls and says ‘hey, we need you up here.’” A former school resource officer himself, Sheriff Burnett said he understands the importance of having a law enforcement presence in the school districts. When he took office in 2011, he brought back the program to the county and has maintained it ever since.

“I’m happy to see we could come to an agreement and continue building upon our relationship with the school districts,” Burnett said. “School resource officers are positive, dependable role models for our children. They are an open line of communication between the Sheriff’s Office and our schools.”



2021 Washington Apple Harvest Estimate

Submitted by Washington Tree Fruit Association

YAKIMA – The Washington State Tree Fruit Association (WSTFA) released its updated estimate of the 2021 Washington state fresh apple crop.

The August forecast estimated the Washington state apple harvest to be 124.85 million standard forty pound boxes of fresh apples.

After receiving updated data from WSTFA members who have picked a majority of the crop, that estimate has decreased by 5.3%.

Apple harvest is still wrapping-up for some Washington varieties, but based on volumes harvested so far our members are expecting a decrease to 118.255 million boxes,” said Jon DeVaney, WSTFA President.

“Our members are reporting smaller crops of some varieties including Honeycrisp, Galas, and Red Delicious. High heat earlier in the season affected what was ultimately picked in some cases.

“The organic crop is still projected to be over 15 million boxes. In spite of the smaller harvest, we are seeing high-quality fruit and consumers can expect delicious Washington apples throughout 2022.”

This report is based on a survey of WSTFA members, and represents fruit picked so far through October 31st and a best estimate of what is still to be harvested. It represents the harvested total volume of apples that will eventually be packed and sold on the fresh market (excluding product sent to processor).



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The torch changes hands at the Main Street Gallery Boutique and Fine Art Arcade in Chelan

Submitted by Terry J. LaBrue
APR LaBrue Communications

CHELAN – Following a whirlwind re-freshening and a truckload of new merchandise, the Main Street Gallery reopened Veterans Day week in its long-term location at 208 Woodin Avenue.

It all came together quickly and with much excitement according to April Marcel and Lacy Boosinger, the mother-daughter team that took the helm of the stylish 2,000 sq. ft. women's fashion boutique and gallery.

"I knew early on that I wanted to own a boutique one day and share my passion for fashion," said 23-year-old Lacy. "I started working part time at Main Street Gallery when I was only fifteen and fell in love with the process of helping customers, discovering new styles, and pull-together outfits that make our customers feel attractive and confident."

"I am constantly in awe of the power of fashion. It brings excitement and inspiration to a wide range of people" Boosinger added. "It is my goal to offer accessible clothes that are inclusive for women of all ages, shapes, and sizes, as well as to provide them

with a fun shopping environment."

Lacy's mother, April Marcel, is also an enthusiastic fashion maven and experienced businesswoman. "When we learned the Main Street Gallery was available after 15 years, we jumped at the chance to bring different styles to local customers and tourists alike. In the past few years, the fashion scene in the Chelan Valley has changed for the better despite the Covid-19 pandemic."

"We traveled to the fashion market in Las Vegas and discovered a beautiful line of South Sea pearl jewelry that can spice up many outfits. Plus, we selected some chic dresses, coats and flattering sportswear that truly fit the Chelan lifestyle. Once we have everything unpacked and displayed, customers will find labels such as Blu Pepper, POL, and Papillon," Marcel predicted.

On the fine-art gallery side, which will expand to the boutique's mezzanine, Main Street Gallery features new artists, new arrangements, and a new attitude. Specific pieces include paintings, photography, lithographs, sculptures, and carvings. "We are honored to feature some notable

artists in the gallery including John Ebner, Diane Paton-Peel, and Phil Skochilich," Marcel added.

Main Street Gallery is the largest fine-art gallery in Chelan and features pieces retailing from a just a few dollars for a lithograph print to original paintings worth hundreds.

"As the saying goes, a thing of beauty is a joy forever," Marcel remarked. "Our gallery artists range from local painters and photographers to some well-known creative people from Western Washington. Many local collectors look to the Main Street Gallery to add the finishing touch to their homes and offices. The artworks also make a memorable and lasting gift for the upcoming holidays. We are additionally bringing in art experts to help curate future presentations and special art shows. Through this process we have discovered a wealth of creative talent in Chelan."

"It's obvious this is a family endeavor, with my son Luke assisting with the new POS system, store website, and social media sites. Lacy will be heavily involved in merchandising where she excels," Marcel said. "Espe-



PHOTO CREDIT MAIN STREET GALLERY BOUTIQUE

April Marcel (left) and Lacy Boosinger (right), a mother-daughter team took over the helm of Main Street Gallery Boutique and Fine-Art Arcade.

cially during the past 18 months, a new emphasis on email, phone and internet communications has been realized."


"We can truly succeed with our new attitude: A boutique to inspire, offering wearable and fine art of all kinds," Marcel observed.


The Main Street Gallery is located at 208 Woodin Avenue, Chelan. Phone 509-682-9262; Email mainstreetgallerychelan@gmail.com. Open Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., closed Sundays.
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Upskill-A-Thon is back, \$3,000 in cash prizes for Learning Challenge

Submitted by NCW Tech Alliance

NCW Tech Alliance is launching their second annual Upskill-A-Thon learning challenge for the month of December.

Build a team of two to four or participate as an individual. Complete courses through the UpSkill website to be entered to win prizes and take new skills into the new year!

Anyone aged 16+ living in the following counties can participate: Adams, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Ferry, and Okanogan.

Choose from courses that offer digital skills, soft skills, or essential role-based skills for the top ten in-demand careers. All UpSkill courses are free to complete during the UpSkill-A-Thon.

Each completed course receives a certificate of completion that you can then upload. Courses can be taken online easily via smartphone, tablet, desktop, or laptop.

All UpSkill courses are available in English and Spanish. These courses have been designed to introduce learners to new skills and are available on-demand format.

Complete a course, earn a certificate. Upload certificate, earn a point. Complete an entire learning path, and earn ten extra points.

Highest point totals for the team and individual win a cash prize of \$1,000 in each of the following categories: the 16-24 age bracket, the 25 and older bracket, and the teams (consisting of 2-4) bracket. In total, \$3,000 in cash prizes will be awarded!

The more courses you complete and upload the awarded certificates, the more points you or your team earn.

Cash prizes will be awarded on January 20, 2022 at NCW Tech's Kickoff Party, hosted at the Mercantile in Downtown Wenatchee.

It's free to participate and register for this learning challenge.

Community members can register their team at bit.ly/upskill-register and let the learning begin.

In 2020, over 600 courses were completed by 100 participants during the first UpSkill-A-Thon.

Last year Gabriela and Juan Servin, a father and daughter team from Moses Lake took home the \$1,000 cash prize in the teams' category.

What is UpSkill? The COVID-19 pandemic created an economic crisis, which forced tens of millions of people out of work or to work remotely. As economies reopen, some jobs may not come back, at least not fast enough to meet demand. Jobs that do come back will require more digital skills.

In a post-COVID-19 world, all people – especially those from the hardest-hit industries and most vulnerable communities – will need to learn new skills to rejoin the workforce prepared for in-demand roles in a more digital economy.

To support our local rural and tribal communities, Microsoft, LinkedIn, and GitHub brought together the best resources to provide access to free training and job placement services for the most in-demand skills.

NCW Tech Alliance then took these free online courses and put them in one easy to use platform called UpSkill.

If you're ready for more, there are 10 Learning Paths that align with currently in-demand roles.

Through UpSkill, community members have open access to learning, certificates, and credentials for these in-demand roles.

Job seekers also have access to support and tools to connect with employers and get hired into software development, sales, project management, digital marketing, IT, data analysis, and graphic design.



About NCW Tech Alliance

Since 1999, NCW Tech Alliance (formerly GWATA) has served as the region's tech alliance, championing growth and development in North

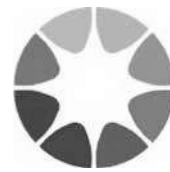
Central Washington. As a 501(c)3, NCW Tech's mission is to bring together people and resources in technology, entrepreneurship, and STEM education. For more information, visit www.ncwtech.org.

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Washington State Department of Commerce

Federal infrastructure investments will strengthen Washington communities

Submitted by Washington
State Department of Commerce
Director Lisa Brown

There is a lot to unpack in the historic bi-partisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act recently passed by Congress.

This infrastructure package provides us a once-in-a-generation opportunity to repair and rebuild our roads and ports, expand broadband, combat climate change and more.

Multiple federal agencies administering the \$550 billion in new funding will determine the allocations for each state through a variety of programs over the coming months.

While the final impact here in Washington is not yet known, initial state-by-state estimates based on formulas and past funding actions summarized in a CNBC article suggest a potential \$8.6 billion to our state.

In addition, once competitive funding program guidelines are determined, we believe the impact will be much higher for Washington communities.

In particular, Commerce is well-positioned to see significant benefit as we leverage new funding opportunities to build on our priorities and state funding in clean energy and broadband.

Some highlights of potential funding we'll be receiving or competing for a share of include:

POWER AND GRID

Grid infrastructure and resiliency

- Electric Grid Reliability and Resiliency program: \$6 billion over 5 years, \$1 billion set-aside for rural/remote areas
- Smart Grid investment matching grants: \$3 billion
- Columbia Basin Power Management: \$1.11 billion
- State Energy Program: \$500 million over 5 years
- Rural/Municipal Utility Advanced Cybersecurity grants and technical assistance: \$250 million

Supply chains for clean energy technologies

- Battery processing and manufacturing: \$3.1 billion
- Electric drive vehicle battery and second-life applications: \$1 billion

Fuels and technology infrastructure investments

- Establishing regional hubs for

Clean hydrogen (\$9.5 billion) and Carbon removal for direct air capture projects (\$3.5 billion)

- Hydropower production, efficiency improvements and maintenance incentives: \$753.6 million (total for FY22, three programs)
- Offshore energy storage: permits offshore energy storage, including battery storage for offshore wind

Energy efficiency and building infrastructure

- Weatherization assistance: \$3.5 billion in FY22
- Energy efficiency and conservation block grants: \$550 million
- Energy storage demonstration projects: \$505 million
- Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund Capitalization grants: \$250 million for FY22

BROADBAND

- State deployment grants: \$40 billion
- Digital Equity Act: \$2.75 billion to establish national formula and competitive programs around inclusion
- Rural area support: \$2 billion
- Tribal broadband connectivity program grants: \$2 billion

RESILIENCY

- State, local, Tribal and territorial grants: \$1 billion over 4 years for cyber resiliency
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program: \$1 billion

PORTS AND WATERWAYS

- \$3.85 billion for land ports of entry
- \$912 million for ferry boat and terminal construction

ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE

- \$7.5 billion for charging networks and alternative fuel corridors
- See a full summary here (<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/IJA-Summary-for-Commerce-Nov-2021.pdf>).

Equitable investment is one of my top priorities as director of Commerce. We will be partnering with community leaders, local governments and others to ensure these investments and funding opportunities help strengthen all our communities.

We look forward to learning more and sharing what we know as more details become available.

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

Application period opens for new vacation rentals

**Submitted by
Jill M. FitzSimmons**
Chelan County public
information officer

Existing businesses that miss the Dec. 31 deadline will be considered new beginning Wednesday, Chelan County Community Development will be accepting applications for new short-term rental operations for 2022.

That's on top of applications from existing businesses that have been slowly coming in since late September.

"I don't know what December will look like, but I'm hoping we start seeing more applications coming in from both sides," said Jim Brown, Community Development director. "The Dec. 31 deadline for the existing applications is closing fast."

The new application process, which is open through July 29, is for vacation rental operations that are not eligible to be grandfathered into the county's short-term rental code as an existing operation. The following vacation rentals would be considered new in Chelan County:

The county passed a moratorium on the creation of new short-term rentals from Aug. 25, 2020, through Sept. 26, 2021. Vacation rentals operating during that time or after Sept. 26 are considered a new short-term rental.

Vacation rentals operating prior to Aug. 25, 2020, but whose operators do not turn in an existing, non-conforming application by Dec. 31, also will be considered

a new short-term rental on Jan. 1.

"At this point, when we only have about 215 applications processed for existing short-term rentals, I know we will have several existing operators who will be considered new short-term rentals because they will not have met that deadline to be grandfathered in," said Kirsten Ryles, manager of Community Development's Short-Term Rental Division.

New short-term rental applicants are subject to any short-term rental caps and lot size and spacing restrictions established in several areas of Chelan County known to have high numbers of existing rentals. (Refer to Chelan County Code (11.88.290) for specific information on those restrictions.)

"For those operators seeking to be grandfathered in, if you miss the upcoming deadline at the end of month, you will be subject to a variety of restrictions, from density caps to lot sizes, that apply to new vacation rentals in this county," Brown said. "I just can't stress this enough: Get your existing application in or you will be considered a new business."

In July, Chelan County commissioners passed a new code, Chapter 11.88.290, that establishes the operating standards of the county's short-term rental industry. Chelan County also created an application process for existing short-term rentals to give current operators the opportunity to be grandfathered into the

new code and not have to comply with requirements that all new rentals must follow. The county has received only of a fraction of the more than 1,000 existing rentals that are known to exist.

"We are seeing many incomplete applications from existing operators, and this holds up the provisional permitting process," Ryles said. "I want to warn people that an application coming in the week of Dec. 27 that is incomplete, unpaid for, or has another major issue will be returned. Get those applications in by mid-December so we have time to check it for you - and you have time to correct the problem."

In addition, the ongoing

short-term rental application process has exposed another chronic issue in Chelan County's vacation rental industry.

"I would estimate that one-in-four applications we are receiving from existing vacation rentals is not being accepted because of a critical issue, including that the dwelling was never permitted in the first place or there are too many dwellings on the lot," Brown said.

"This is the most time-consuming issue in my office right now, and it tells me we have a lot of illegally operating vacation rentals out there."

Come Jan. 1, Chelan County Code Enforcement will begin visiting those



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vacation rentals that have not applied as an existing short-term rental.

"We are trying to work with the vacation rental owners, but they have to work with us as well," Brown said. "That starts with getting those applications in so we can work together on creating a legally permitted vacation rental

that is safe for everyone."

The Short-Term Rental Division website, which includes all applications and checklists, can be found at <https://www.co.chelan.wa.us/community-development/pages/short-term-rentals>.

Chelan County offices will not be open Dec. 31 because of the New Year's holiday.

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As thousands fired under Inslee decree, Senate Freedom Caucus calls on governor to resign

that breaks the camel's back," said Sen. Doug Erickson, R-Ferndale. "Never have we witnessed a failure of leadership in this state as we have seen under Gov. Jay Inslee.

For nearly 600 days, he has used COVID emergency powers to establish autocratic rule, refusing to call the Legislature into special session, and shutting the people out.

"Inslee has done significant damage to the credibility of state government and has eroded the public's trust. Now he is firing thousands of public employees, without regard to the harm it will cause. This effort to punish can only be seen as the willful act of a failed governor. Inslee has failed miserably. We don't take this lightly. But the only thing that can allow our state to heal and move forward is for Jay Inslee to resign."

Inslee has been operating under COVID emergency authority since Feb. 29, 2020, allowing him to suspend state laws and issue sweeping executive orders.

His authority was extended indefinitely by the Legislature in January under a controversial measure supported by most Democrats and opposed by all Republicans. Thursday will mark the 600th day of the longest-running emergency in state history.

The result, Freedom Caucus members say, is a nightmare for the state and a challenge to the democratic principles outlined by the state constitution. They observe:

- Ferries are operating on a

reduced schedule due to staffing shortages, bus routes are being canceled, and other immediate impacts to state services are expected.

- Public safety is threatened by the termination of law enforcement officials and workers at the state Department of Corrections.

- The firings follow months of arbitrary decrees based on questionable or non-existent science that have forced thousands of businesses across the state to shutter for good.

- Inslee has repeatedly refused to call the Legislature into a special session – and give the people a voice. When the Legislature met earlier this year, Inslee ordered construction of a cyclone fence around the Capitol, and stationed 600 National Guard troops to keep the public out.



File photo

- Inslee is using his COVID powers to advance his controversial political agenda, and is purging law enforcement officials most likely to object to defunding police agencies and establishing central state government control.

- No other state has gone to this extreme, as anyone who has ventured beyond the state's borders can see.

- Inslee has yet to identify the criteria under which he will declare an "all-clear" and relinquish his emergency authority – meaning no end is in sight.

"We objected on principle in January when our colleagues voted to give Inslee emergency powers for as long as he wants them," said Sen. Jeff Wilson, R-Longview. "But I don't think any of us realized it would come to this, and I think many in the state Legislature are having second thoughts today. Other states are requiring vaccinations, but none of them have taken it to the level of mass terminations. When one person makes all the decisions, there can be no question who is at fault."

Other comments:

"The governor and Democratic legislators have increased health risks and jeopardized public safety, while Inslee pats himself on the back as being the only person who can save us from COVID," said Sen. Phil Fortunato, R-Auburn. "He has been a boon to other states seeking to reduce their staffing shortages. Nebraska is actively recruiting our nurses, reducing our available staffed hospital beds. Orange County in Florida is targeting King County and



Seattle police who are 'looking to relocate due to the vaccine mandate'. While other states have issued guidance and are dealing with the problems COVID has created, it seems COVID is a crisis only in Washington, much of it created by Inslee's heavy-handed actions."

"Inslee isn't responding to a crisis," said Sen. Jim McCune, R-Graham. "He's creating one. He sees this as a golden opportunity to sweep out public employees and others who object to his high-handed rule. And he doesn't care what a mess he makes in the process. There are many who have serious and well-founded objections to vaccination, and they could have been accommodated as they have been in other states. This is a disgrace. State employees don't deserve pink slips. The governor does."

"It's heartbreaking," said Sen. Mike Padden, R-Spokane Valley.

"These callous decisions by the governor are having a devastating impact on working families. There are dedicated public servants who have worked for state government who will lose their ability to pay their mortgage or provide food for their family. Others are just a few years or months away from vesting in their retirement plans. Some have received medical advice from their personal doctors that they must now ignore in order to keep a job they love. This is wrong."

\$20 million Entiat Low-Income Housing Development Project Begins Construction

By Megan Sokol

Partnership between the Office of Rural and Farmworker Housing, Enterprise Community Partners, and the Housing Authority of Chelan County bears fruit for the Entiat community.

They began construction for the new low-income Mountain View Family Housing project and project is expected to finish by fall 2022.

"This has been an effort for quite some time so we're really excited to see it moving forward and looking forward to getting it done and having people move-in. Then I think we'll kind of consider future opportunities down the road." Office of Rural and Farmworker Housing Executive Director Marty Miller states.

Construction started shortly after the trio announced the \$14 million Low-Income Housing Tax Credit deal with Enterprise Community partners and their investors.

Other financial sources include Banner Bank (\$1.15 million), State Housing Trust Fund (\$4.5 million),

and \$200k from the Housing Authority of Chelan County and the City of Wenatchee.

"Entiat is a place of growth right now," Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Chelan County and City of Wenatchee (CCWHA) Alicia McRae remarked.

"The need is everywhere, and we serve both counties. We just kind of go where it works in the moment where there's land availability and funding availability and interest by the community."

The 12-building housing development will include 65 affordable homes with 52 of those specifically for local farmworkers. It will include annual leasing and is available for those whose income falls under 30%, 40% or 50% of the area median income (AMI).

"It's not entirely for farmworkers. The majority of units will prioritize farmworkers, but there's also the general population that is eligible to apply," Miller explained. "We have built housing for seasonal occupancy, but Entiat will

not be seasonal occupancy. It will be for people who are living in the area on a year-round ongoing basis."

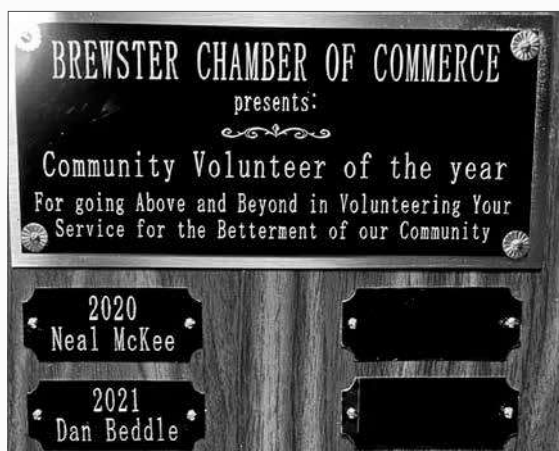
Rent will be ranging between \$376 - \$991, depending on the number of rooms. According to their press release, spaces range from two-story townhomes, single-story flats, and a single-story common building.

The development was made possible through a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit deal, which incentivized investors to put up capital in exchange for a sizable deduction for their tax return.

The investors will receive \$16 million in tax credits.

"Our part in all this is we help to identify the investors and then bring their investment into a development like this," President of Enterprise's Housing Credit Investments Business Scott Hoekman explained.

You can visit the Entiat development site at 14425 Olin Street in Entiat to learn more about the construction.



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Brewster Chamber awards Best of the Best honors

The Brewster Chamber of Commerce highlighted Small Business Saturday with its annual Best of the Best awards presented Saturday, Nov. 27, in Legion Park. A new addition to the award category, Community Service Award, Volunteer of the Year, is for the person, people, or business that provided the best community service. The new award is in honor of former Brewster Chamber director, Brewster Food Bank manager, and Brewster-Bridgeport-Pateros Senior Center President Neal McKee, lost earlier this year to cancer. McKee was the 2020 recipient of the award. This year's other award winners include:

Small Business - Rusty Relic, Large Business, Quik-E-Mart, Community/Volunteer of the Year, Dan Beddle; and Citizen of the Year, Mike Mauk. The awards will be hung in Brewster City Hall.

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Renewing Members This Month

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- Exterior Solutions – 19 years
- Gann Construction, LLC – 1 year
- Guild Mortgage Company – 7 years
- Highlander Golf Club – 17 years
- Lexar Homes – 12 years
- Nelson Geotechnical Associates – 6 years
- North Valley Mechanical, Inc. – 24 years



- Tidd Tax Accounting LLC – 4 years
- Tonka Landshaping & Excavating – 23 years
- Travis Knoop Photography – 10 years

Welcome Lawrence "Lee" Shepherd – BNCW'S New CEO!

Lee Shepherd is a Servant Leader that believes in active mentorship. He is a first generation American with his family originating from Madrid Spain. Lee spent his formative years in Othello Washington and after graduating High School he attended college at Central Washington University (CWU). He graduated from CWU with a BA degree in Political Science and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. He went on to serve for 24 years in the Army culminating as a Lieutenant Colonel, Professor and running a Department at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Since retiring from the Army, he has served as a Chief Operating Officer (COO) for Rise Against Hunger, a COO for Read-a-Rama, and managed an education grant for Washington State University GO COUGS. Lee is most proud of his 24 years of military service to our Republic, his continued volunteer work, and his three adult sons Nathan, Kevin and Nolan.

Lawrence "Lee" Shepherd

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BNCW's Board of Directors and Staff would like to wish our member companies, their employees and families, along with all those in the communities we serve, a very...

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lee Kim Danielle Amy
2021 BNCW Board of Directors



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NOTICE – CLASS DATE CHANGED TO DECEMBER 9TH!

BNCW OFFERING EPA CERTIFIED LEAD-SAFETY CLASS (Certification and Re-Certification)

Firms who knowingly or willingly violate EPA's RRP Program requirements could result in penalties of up to \$37,500 per day per violation.

The US Environmental Protection Agency requires that Renovation, repair and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in pre-1978 homes, childcare facilities and schools must be performed by an EPA Certified Renovator working for an EPA Certified Firm and specific work practices must be implemented to prevent lead contamination.

When:

December 9, 2021
8:00am to 5:00pm
(Limit 8 Students)

Where:

BNCW Conference Room
2201 N. Wenatchee Avenue

Cost:

Certification \$250 for BNCW Members
Recertification \$210 for BNCW Members
Certification \$300 for Non-Members
Recertification \$240 for Non-Members

Pre-Registration is required at (509) 293-5840 or online at www.BuildingNCW.org
Check-in is at 7:45am.

BNCW's 2022 Leadership at a Glance

Meet the Board of Directors:

It's important to us that our valued member companies know who comprises Building North Central Washington's Board of Directors – the leadership team charged with the responsibility of advancing our Association's mission, as well as helping to ensure that your membership investment is protected. Each one of these individuals is always available to speak to our members. You will find their contact information noted on BNCW's website at www.BuildingNCW.org.

We're very proud to introduce BNCW's officers for 2022!

These member leaders serve on BNCW's executive committee and the organization's Board of Directors, working closely with their fellow directors and the CEO in guiding the Association forward to serve our valued member companies and advancing its mission, objectives and goals for the year. They are:

♦ **Chairman of the Board: Ed Gardner**, E.D.Y. Construction Corp.
♦ **First Vice Chairman: Shane Covey**, Custom Construction & Cabinetry
♦ **Second Vice Chairman: Robert Guerin**, Wenatchee Valley Glass

♦ **Treasurer: Jim Blair IV**, North Meridian Title & Escrow

♦ **Secretary: Allen Tangeman**, First Choice Collision Center, Inc.

♦ **Immediate Past Chairman: Jeff Story**, Story Construction, LLC.

Joining the officers on the Board of Directors will be the following BNCW directors:

- ♦ **Brandon Littrell**, One-Way Construction
 - ♦ **Shon Smith**, Wok About Grill
 - ♦ **Randy Wessman**, Wessman Construction LLC
 - ♦ **Sean Lynn**, Love Leavenworth Vacation Rentals
 - ♦ **Michael Berggren**, Berggren's Pool & Spa Services LLC
 - ♦ **Travis Turner**, Community Glass
- BNCW's Board of Directors meets the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings begin at 7:00am and BNCW members are always welcome to attend! For more information, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Fenner at (509) 293-5840. *We look forward to serving our valued members in 2022!*

NOTICE TO BNCW MEMBERS

Pursuant to Article 11, Amendments, of the BNCW Bylaws, the BNCW's Board of Directors has recommended the following changes to their Bylaws. The specific changes are highlighted in yellow.

Changes to Article 2: Membership and Voting Rights

2.4 Applications. Applications for membership shall be in writing, signed by the applicant, on standard forms approved by the Board, and shall be submitted to the Association office, accompanied by the payment of

one year's membership dues in advance or sign-up for the optional 12-pay payment plan. All payments so made shall be returned in full, if membership is not approved. Applications shall be processed in the following manner:

1. Each applicant shall submit an application in writing on a form supplied by this Association containing an agreement to abide by the Member Code of Ethics, Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association.

2. Staff will insure that applicants are properly registered/licensed, bonded and insured, and make their recommendations to the

Board in whom shall be vested the inclusive right to approve membership applications.

More changes to Article 2

2.5 Dues. Membership dues shall be payable each year by the member and such rates shall be fixed by the Board from time to time. Payment of the annual membership dues investment may be made either in advance, with the membership application, and then on the member's anniversary date thereafter; or, the member may utilize one of the available payment plans approved by the Board of Directors.

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EPA Certified Lead-Safety for Renovation, Repair, and Painting Training Combined Class

Are You Current With Your Certification? Firm & Individual



December 9, 2021
8:00 am—5:00 pm

BNCW Office
2201 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801

AVOID EPA fines of up to \$37,500 for each violation!
Firms who knowingly or willingly violate EPA's RRP Program requirements could result in penalties of up to \$37,500 per day per violation and/or face imprisonment.



Instructor: N.I.C.A Training

Does your business involve the renovation, repair or painting of structures built before 1978?

If so, there are new federal regulations that went into effect in April 2010 which may prevent you from performing your work. Under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agencies Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Program, construction firms must apply for and receive EPA Certification to disturb paint as part of their work in pre-1978 housing and child-occupied facilities. In addition, all of these jobs must be supervised by Certified Renovators, specifically, individuals who have completed an EPA-accredited, full-day training course. The training course is required for any contractor that is involved in any activity that will—or has the potential to—disturb six square feet of lead-based paint in a room or 20 square feet on the exterior. The rule does not apply to minor maintenance or repair activities; however window replacement is not considered minor maintenance or repair.

Who Should Take This Class?

- Home Improvement/Renovation Contractors
- Remodelers/Carpenters
- Painters
- Plumbers
- Electricians
- Maintenance Personnel
- Residential Property Managers/Owners
- Workers Removing or Modifying Painted Surfaces
- Anyone disturbing more than 6 sq. ft. (interior) & 20 sq. ft. (exterior) of lead-based paint

What Activities are Subject to the RRP Program?

- Remodeling and Repair/Maintenance
- Electrical Work
- Plumbing
- Painting
- Carpentry
- Siding/Window Replacement

Additional Information

Lead Renovation, Repair & Painting Certification and Re-Certification

December 9, 2021

Class size limited to 8 attendees

Check-in 7:45 am
Session: 8:00 am—5:00 pm

Re-Cert Session:
Check-in 7:45 am
Session: 8:00 am—3:00 pm

Location:
BNCW Boardroom
2201 N. Wenatchee Ave.
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Pre-Registration Required
Call the office with questions at 509-293-5840.

To Register

By Phone
509-293-5840

By Mail
PO Box 3556
Wenatchee, WA 98807

Online At:
www.BuildingNCW.org

Registration Information

(one form per attendee)

NAME _____
COMPANY _____
MAILING ADDRESS _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP _____
PHONE _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
Please note: it is the policy of BNCW not to share or sell its email addresses.

Registration Fees

Includes course materials.

Initial
 Member \$250 Non-Member \$300

Re-Certification
 Member \$210 Non-Member \$240

Payment Information

Check (Make payable to BNCW) AmEx

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CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____

EXP DATE _____ V CODE _____

NAME ON CARD _____

SIGNATURE _____

Payment and Cancellation Information
PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION
CANCELLATION POLICY: 48 hours or more prior to the course—full refund
Less than 48 hours or failure to attend—liable for the entire fee



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2.5.1 Upon non-payment of dues after sixty (60) days from the yearly due's renewal date, unless otherwise extended by the Board for good cause, the said membership will become known as "Lapsed" and be dropped from our membership listing. If the member is lapsed for more than 6-months, they must submit a new member application along with the approval of the Board.

2.6 Use of Membership Dues. All membership dues and contributions shall be used to finance and support the goals and objectives of the Association and to generally provide support, service, and funds with which to pay the expenses of the Association.

2.7 Voting. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to one (1) vote at any regular or special meeting of the membership (with the exception of the Affiliated Business Member and the Individual/Non-Business Member Supporter). This provision shall not be construed to limit the participation in activities of the Association to one person from any member that is a partnership, corporation or other entity. Firms, corporations, or partnerships holding membership shall be entitled to only one (1) vote to be cast by duly designated representative. Votes may be cast by a proxy signed within thirty (30) calendar days in advance of any meeting by

the member entitled to vote, designating another active member to vote in said member's place on issues brought forth for a vote at a meeting of the membership.

2.8 Suspension, Termination and Reinstatement of Membership. Suspension, termination and reinstatement of membership in this Association shall be accomplished in the following manner:

2.8.1 Any member may be censured, suspended or expelled from the Association if, in the opinion of the Board, as evidenced by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire Board, the Board considers it desirable or in the best interests of the Association that said member be censured, suspended or expelled.

2.8.2 Any member so expelled shall not be eligible for reinstatement for a period of not less than one year from the date of expulsion.

2.8.3 A vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire Board shall be required to reinstate any member who has been expelled or suspended, or to approve transfer of any membership certificate.

2.8.4 Upon written notice from a member to the Board of the member's voluntary resignation.

2.8.5 Upon expulsion for non-payment of dues after ninety (90) days from the due date, unless otherwise extended by the Board for good cause. Moved to 2.5.1 and updated

BNCW EVENTS

BNCW's December Board of Directors Meeting

■ **Wednesday, December 15, 2021**
7:00am to 9:00am

at Building North Central Washington
2201 N. Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee
Chairman: Jeff Story

The Board of Directors is the policy-making body of the Association and is responsible for the business affairs of the Corporation according to BNCW's bylaws.

Our Directors meet the third Wednesday of each Month in the boardroom of the BNCW offices.

These meetings begin at 7:00am and are open to any BNCW member to attend. If you wish to contact any of the officers or directors, please visit the BNCW website for their contact information.

NOTICE – CLASS RESCHEDULED!
BNCW's EPA Certified Lead-Safety Training

■ **December 9, 2021** from 8:00am to 5:00pm

Held at Building North Central Washington,
2201 N. Wenatchee Avenue, Wenatchee

Initial Training - \$250/Member Student

Initial Training - \$300/Non-Member Student

Recertification - \$210/Member Student

Recertification - \$240/Non-Member Student

Class Size is limited to 8 Students.

Pre-Registration is Required.

Check-in is at 7:45am.

Call BNCW at (509) 293-5840 to Register!

This certification training course is required for any contractor that is involved in any activity that will - or has the potential to - disturb six square feet of lead-based paint in a room, or 20 square feet on the exterior.

Our instructor — Dale Yerabek — puts on an excellent class and implements a an important perspective as a former contractor.

Seats are limited to eight students and fill-up quickly!

Reserve your seat early!

You may also register online at BuildingNCW.org.



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Confluence Health CEO Dr. Peter Rutherford Receives Award

Submitted by Jennifer Korfiatis

The Washington State Hospital Association (WSHA) presented Confluence Health CEO, Dr. Peter Rutherford, with the 2021 Joe Hopkins Memorial Award during the Association's Annual Meeting eSeries event on October 28.

The honor is bestowed annually as a lifetime achievement award for a health care leader who has made outstanding contributions to health care in the state, especially to rural health care.

Dr. Rutherford joined Wenatchee Valley Medical Center as a physician in 1990. He became CEO of Confluence Health, which formed in 2013 as an affiliation between the Wenatchee Valley Medical Center and Central Washington Hospital.

Through this, Confluence Health has become an integrated rural health care delivery system with two hospitals, multi-specialty care in 30+ service lines and primary care in 12 communities across North Central Washington.

Dr. Rutherford served as Chair of the WSHA Board of Directors

from 2019-2020 and was recognized in 2018 as an Outstanding Leader in Health Care by the Seattle Business Magazine.

"Dr. Rutherford is an exemplary executive who has touched the lives of so many of his neighbors in Central Washington and across the state," WSHA President and CEO, Cassie Sauer, said.

"This award is the association's highest honor, and we are presenting it to him to commemorate his years of service. He takes the phrase 'patient-centered care' to heart and has a steadfast determination to helping patients live their healthiest lives."

"I can think of no one more dedicated to rural healthcare, no one more passionate about patients and no one more deserving of this award," Confluence Health Chief Nursing Officer, Tracey Kasnie said.

"The last 19 months have illustrated Dr. Rutherford's exceptional ability to lead an organization. Confluence Health's journey with COVID-19 happened quickly and Dr. Rutherford responded swiftly



Dr. Peter Rutherford

and proactively to prepare his team for what was ahead.

Since that time, he has been at the table attending meetings and working to mitigate the impact to the organization and its patients.

He has spent countless hours rounding with staff and providers, calling health districts and WSHA to determine guidance to set the course going forward. This has been invaluable.

Most importantly, staff knows he cares, and this helps to keep them going. I know that I am a

better leader because I've worked with Dr. Rutherford."

Under Dr. Rutherford's leadership, Confluence Health has grown its workforce by 60 percent, opened three new clinic locations - including an on-site partnership with a local employer - and new services and technologies.

In addition to internal medicine, his clinical interest is predominantly geriatric medicine. He is dedicated to developing a health system that is financially sustainable, improves the value of patient care and ensures local access to a range of safe, high-quality services, while maintaining local leadership in health care.

Outside of work, Dr. Rutherford and his wife Karen enjoy the abundant four seasons of natural resources in the Pacific Northwest such as skiing, mountain biking, and hiking.

The Joe Hopkins Memorial Award was created in 1987 to acknowledge an individual who displays the spirit of Joe Hopkins' vision and dedication to Wash-

ington's hospitals, with a special focus on his interest in rural health.

Each year, the award is presented at the Washington State Hospital Association Annual Member Meeting.

Read more about the Joe Hopkins Memorial Award at wsha.org/awards.



About Confluence Health

Confluence Health is an integrated healthcare delivery system that includes two hospitals, more than 40 medical specialties and primary care, and provides comprehensive medical care throughout North Central Washington. Confluence Health serves as the major medical provider between Seattle and Spokane. The organization is focused on delivering high-quality, safe, compassionate, and cost-effective care close to home.

Swenson honored for 50 years as licensed pharmacist

Submitted by Claudia Swenson

CHELAN - Claudia Swenson was honored by the Washington State Pharmaceutical Association for being licensed as a pharmacist in the State of Washington for 50 years at their fall convention.

Claudia graduated from the highly rated University of California Medical Center School of Pharmacy in June 1971.

She had many opportunities to practice clinical pharmacy starting with positions at the University of Washington in teaching and Drug Information, participating in an NIH study demonstrating that cholesterol reduction reduced the risk of first myocardial infarction in otherwise healthy young men.

She practiced at Group Health Cooperative for 20 years, setting up programs

promoting antibiotic stewardship, home infusion programs, medication teaching for cardiac and



Claudia Swenson

pulmonary pathway patients and outpatient anticoagulation clinics.

Claudia taught at Madigan Army Medical Center's Family Medical Residency and served as a midlevel provider for patients with diabetes, heart disease and morbid obesity.

Claudia served as the President of the Seattle Area Society of Health System Pharmacists and was recognized as a Fellow in the American Society of Health System Pharmacists.

At Central Washington Hospital (CWH) she served as Pharmacy Clinical Coordinator for three years, developing a glucose control program for surgeons and mentoring pharmacy residents.

After retirement from CWH in 2013, Claudia has worked primarily with nonprofits in Chelan/Manson doing client intake at Chelan Valley Hope for over 10 years, Coordinator and Manager for Tender Loving Care for Seniors, which has served 120 local seniors since 2017, as well as a Hospice volunteer. There is much joy in serving in our community.

HDCA Erin McCardle resigns

Submitted by Historic Downtown Chelan Association

The Historic Downtown Chelan Association announces that Erin McCardle has officially resigned as Executive Director, effective December 31.

In addition to holding the Executive Director role for the past four years, McCardle has owned and operated her own small business since 2016, The Barn Fitness Center. Kicking off 2022, McCardle will be solely focused on continuing to build a healthier, more active community in Lake Chelan.

McCardle said she is tremendously proud of the positive impact the organization has had over the past year, including diversifying its financial stability, guiding the downtown through the COVID shutdown without losing a single business, and developing critical partnerships that had not previously existed.

"We've accomplished a lot over four years. I'm most proud of how this organization along with our strategic partners have truly delivered on the mission of shaping the future while preserving the past of historic downtown. It's been such a fun ride to help elevate the strategic efforts of this organization. I am excited to watch the organization continue to flourish under new leadership."

Anyone interested in joining the efforts in shaping the future and preserving the past of historic downtown Chelan, please contact Board President Allison Flaten countylinechelan@gmail.com.



Erin McCardle



The HDCA is a non-profit nationally accredited Washington State Main Street organization. Utilizing the Main Street Four-Point Approach®, the HDCA is dedicated to shaping the future while preserving the past of historic downtown Chelan. For more information about the HDCA, please visit HistoricChelan.org.



CliftonLarsonAllen Announces Career Advancements

CLA family members recognized for their accomplishments

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, one of the leading professional services firms in the United States, announced the career advancements for professionals across the firm.

CLA believes the best way to serve its clients and communities is to support its people in building careers that match their personal and professional aspirations. The firm offers its people the opportunity to make choices about their career path, including the industry they serve, the service capabilities they develop, their geography, and more.

Congratulations to the following individuals in who have reached new stages in their chosen career paths:



Denee Anderson
CPA, Director



Adrienne Haley
BizOps Staff



Laura Thompson
BizOps Senior



Shelly Hoff
BizOps Staff



Holly Nevin
BizOps Staff



Eric Leonhardt
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Give NCW: Your One-Stop-Shop for Year End Giving

By Denise Sorom

Director of Philanthropy, Community Foundation of North Central Washington

Just give us a call at 509-663-7716 and we will guide you through it!

Fun and Games:

It's that time of year! Time for giving thanks for what you have and helping those less fortunate.

The Community Foundation of North Central Washington makes this fun and easy through Give NCW – our online crowdfunding campaign where you can support dozens of non-profits throughout North Central Washington.

This year we have over 60 participating organizations on the site – so you will be able to find all the causes you care about in one place, making your end of year charitable giving as easy as one-stop-shopping.



Denise Sorom

Charitable giving doesn't have to be serious, just serious fun! Mondays are fun-days during Give NCW: With every gift you make on a Monday, your name will be entered to win \$1,000 to donate to any of the participating charities on Give NCW. And on Wednesdays, we will match the first \$5,000 in gifts up to \$100.

Give to All

If you love this community and want to do something to support the entire region, we recommend donating to the "Give to All" portion of the campaign.

Your donation will be divided equally among all the participating nonprofits and the Community Foundation's Board of Trustees will match your gift up to \$50,000!! Double your impact and Give to All!

Where to Go

Visit www.GiveNCW.org through December 31 to donate to local nonprofits.

How to Give:

Give NCW accepts all major credit cards and issues you an automatic tax-receipt so you can keep track of your charitable donations. CFNCW takes care of all the credit card fees so 100% of your gift goes to the nonprofits you choose. Don't like to donate with credit cards? That's ok. We accept checks - just tell us how you want the donation distributed and make sure they arrive before December 31. You can also give through your IRA or with a gift of stock.

Be part of the community of givers that has made Give NCW a success!

Since the first campaign in 2015, Give NCW has raised over \$1.6 Million for our regions' nonprofits thanks to hundreds of generous, caring people like you. If you haven't yet been part of this fun, we invite you to join the party and give back to the place you love!

For more information about Workplace Giving, visit cfncw.org/workplacegiving or give us a call at 509-663-7716.



Wilfong Award



Kyle Wilfong

Kyle Wilfong, Journeyman Electrician was awarded with his 25 year service award. Commissioner Viebrock thanked Kyle on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County PUD for his years of service. Kyle thanked the commission and said "It is fun working here with lots of good people. We are serious, but it's a good place to work."

Events open to all youth in Chelan, Douglas Counties

Careers After School returns on Dec. 16

Submitted by Rosa Pulido, Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce

NCW – Careers After School™ (CAS), a program that educates students about a variety of career paths through career connected learning, returns next month.

During CAS, businesses and industry partners provide students with valuable information, hands-on activities, and connections to better equip our youth as they make plans for the future. The Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce developed this program in 2016.

This year, in partnership with the North Central Educational Services District and the Apple STEM Network, the events will be open to any youth in Chelan or Douglas Coun-

ties. Thanks to the program sponsors, the Wenatchee Valley College Foundation and the Alcoa Foundation, there are also funds to support the students from across the region with transportation needs.

"Connecting students to our local business community initiates a mutually beneficial relationship that gives businesses the opportunity to actively engage with the workforce of to-

morrow, laying the groundwork for future success.

"It is a very exciting thing to witness when you see students and business professionals working together and having fun! I truly love this program and am thankful we are able to offer it to our community," said Chelsea Ewer, Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce Director of Operations

"These events are really engaging, and we are excited to be able to expand the offering to students across the region this year. These events provide a great opportunity for students to get hands-on experience and 'try-on' a possible career. It allows them to see what kind of skills and training are needed and identify local career paths." said Tami McBride, Career

Connected Learning Specialist at the North Central Educational Services District.

Careers After School events are free of charge and open to 6-12 grade students, including home-schooled students, parents, and educators. The on-site events begin at 5:30 p.m. and last for about two hours. Transportation is available for students and families who need assistance getting to and from the event.

The first event is scheduled for Thursday, December 16 and will be on site at the Wenatchee Police Department. Space is limited. Youth may register online at www.wenatchee.org.

For a full lineup of our 21-'22 events visit www.wenatchee.org/careers-after-school



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| ARROYO MEJIA MARIA G | GUZMAN DONATO & MARIA A | \$130,000 | WESCOTT DR | CASHMERE | 0.4100 | 1166 | 1908 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| ASAN GEORGE T & PAMELA K | KRIEWALD ILA R | \$440,000 | MARBLE ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1100 | 1469 | 2006 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| AVILA CASTRO ADRIANA & GUZMAN GUZMAN ABRAHAM | 1121 N WESTERN AVE LLC | \$430,000 | WESTERN AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.3900 | 1907 | 1965 | 4 | 1 | N | Y |
| AXELSON MATTHEW | HAUBRICK JAMES M | \$300,000 | WILCOX LN | PLAIN | 2.5000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| B & S HOLDINGS LLC | CAL NEVA LLC | \$92,000 | W WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 450 | 2017 | | | N | N |
| BACHMANN BRIAN R | MILLER RYAN T | \$140,000 | FIRENZA LN | MANSON | 0.5200 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| BAKER ANDREW D & MOLLY M | KENT CATHERINE H | \$365,000 | HARRIS ROW | MANSON | 0.3000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| BALCOM BRENNEN & KIM JESSICA | JAGLA PROPERTIES LLC | \$280,000 | UNASSIGNED | WENATCHEE | 21.2900 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| BARNES SCOTT A & REBECCA | KWON ALEX | \$330,000 | EDGEMONT DR | WENATCHEE | 5.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| BENDER BRIAN J & JESSICA A | A HOME DOCTOR INC | \$472,500 | MARGALX LOOP | MALAGA | 0.2900 | 2104 | 2021 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| BENT SHAW LUIS & SUMMERS ROBERT | NEWELL NATHAN W & KENDALL K ETAL | \$780,000 | VIEWMONT DR | WENATCHEE | 1.0000 | 2028 | 1985 | 4 | 2 | N | Y |
| BERRYMAN JANINE M | LONG BRANDON K & REBECCA R | \$675,000 | WESTHAVEN | WENATCHEE | 0.3900 | 2576 | 2016 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| BHATIA BRIJESH & TAYLOR TOBIN | SHOULIZ TIMOTHY & BRENNA | \$3,495,000 | CAMPIONE LN | MANSON | 0.3900 | 2725 | 2020 | 3 | 2.5 | Y | Y |
| BOOTH NEVIN & JENNIFER | WRIGHT JIM A | \$950,000 | GREEN AVE | MANSON | 2.6100 | 2734 | 2001 | 1 | 1 | N | Y |
| BOWTHORPE CYRUS & SARA | PERRY ELIZABETH E | \$200,000 | SHADOW HILL LN | CHELAN | 1.4400 | 2266 | 1991 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| BOYLE BRIAN L & LISA | ALLOWAY IRVIN & JENNIFER | \$499,000 | PIONEER AVE | CASHMERE | 0.4600 | 2700 | 1908 | 4 | 2 | N | Y |
| BOYLINGS DAVID & HELEN | PACHEEO ANDREA | \$410,000 | CREST LOOP | ENTIAI | 0.2300 | 1524 | 2021 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| BROCKETT JAMES C & SARAH A ETAL | O BRIEN SIERRA E | \$360,000 | COLT RD | PLAIN | 0.3500 | 924 | 1968 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| BROSI GLADE & BIXBY ANDREA | DUKE SIDNEY E & MARY J | \$136,250 | UNASSIGNED | CASHMERE | 20.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| BRUSSER VADIM M & JANOSY LAUREN M | ODIO SAMUEL R | \$1,645,000 | IDLEWILD RD | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.3400 | 2780 | 1977 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| CAMPBELL RYAN & PAEZ CAMPBELL SYDNEY | PETERSON KATHERINE L & ENGLISH PATRICK J | \$430,000 | 5TH ST | WENATCHEE | 0.2300 | 1120 | 0 | 2 | 1.75 | N | N |
| CANNON MARIE C | DEEP WATER PROPERTIES LLC | \$1,069,000 | RIVERA DR | CHELAN | 0.1900 | 1856 | 2021 | 3 | 1.75 | N | N |
| CARDARELLI JOSEPH & JENNIFER L | SMITH CATLIN C & CORY R | \$785,000 | DIANNA WAY | WENATCHEE | 0.3500 | 2073 | 2017 | | | Y | Y |
| CHADWICK CARISSA L | BILLINGSLEY JERRY E & WANDA D | \$300,000 | PEARL ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1800 | 984 | 1950 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| CHAVEZ SANDRA Y | MEJIA ROBERTO ETAL | \$168,000 | SPOKANE ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1700 | 1139 | 1918 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| CHELAN DOUGLAS LAND TRUST | JAWA HITESH & MALHOTRA ALPA | \$147,600 | UNASSIGNED | LAKE WENATCHEE | 7.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| CHESLEDON W BRYAN & MARYLOU | FASS WILLIAM J & LYNN L | \$75,000 | WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 380 | 0 | | | N | N |
| CIBICKI MICHAEL S & KELSEY M | WEST STEVEN & JENNIFER | \$415,000 | LAUREL ST | CASHMERE | 0.1800 | 1200 | 1972 | 3 | 1.5 | N | N |
| CLARK FAMILY TRUST | CLARK LEWIS A | \$983,263 | LONG DR | CHELAN | 0.6000 | 2431 | 2003 | | | Y | Y |
| COOPER PROPERTIES LLC | SSM FORTY INVESTMENT INC | \$280,000 | W WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 600 | 2017 | | | N | N |
| COX TYLER W & NICOSIA SARAH M | GOTO ANDREW Y | \$419,000 | HIGHLAND DR | WENATCHEE | 0.1500 | 989 | 1939 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| CRAIG THOMAS C & SUSAN L | DONAGHY JOHN & VANESSA | \$875,000 | LINVILLE DR | WENATCHEE | 0.3700 | 2304 | 2004 | 6 | 3 | N | Y |
| CRM RENTALS LLC | APPLE COUNTRY PROPERTIES LLC | \$520,000 | 4TH ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1695 | 1981 | 4 | 3 | N | N |
| CURTIS CHAD M & VICTORIA M | RUMBLE GAVIN B ETAL | \$37,500 | UNASSIGNED | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.4600 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| CUSTODIO DESIREE M | CHURCH ROYCE F | \$1,062,378 | LAKEVIEW PL | CHELAN | 0.6200 | 1841 | 1989 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| D&P DARLINGTON LLC | KENWARD ROBERT M & LYNN M | \$650,000 | JOSEPH ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.0000 | 1300 | 0 | | | N | N |
| DALGAS JENNIFER L & GEOFFREY C | SSM FORTY INVESTMENT INC | \$135,950 | W WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 600 | 2017 | | | N | N |
| DANIEL LESLIE | MC TAGGART JULIE | \$352,500 | TOPAZ PL | ENTIAI | 0.1400 | 1668 | 2009 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| DAVIS CHRISTOPHER M & ANNE M | MC LEOD STUART | \$4,425,000 | LAKESHORE RD | CHELAN | 0.2500 | 3436 | 2019 | 3 | 3 | N | Y |
| DOMINGUEZ ROSARIO & ANA | PRATT EDWARD & LINDA | \$90,000 | LAKESHORE RD | CHELAN | 2.4000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| DONAGHY JOHN M & VANESSA K | TOWNSEND GREG D & CATHY L | \$490,000 | WASHINGTON ST | WENATCHEE | 0.2100 | 2128 | 2008 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| DROLLMAN ANAHI & JOSEPH L | HUTCHINS CHET & TRACY ANN | \$675,995 | STONEBROOK LN | WENATCHEE | 0.4100 | 2050 | 1993 | 3 | 3 | N | Y |
| DUFFY ALEX ETAL | SUNSET MARINA LLC | \$135,950 | W WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 600 | 2017 | | | N | N |
| ELDRIDGE MICHAEL A JR & HILLS HANNAH LM | LEE ANDY&CHRISTINA | \$320,000 | PALOMINO RD | PLAIN | 0.3200 | 1620 | 1996 | | | N | N |
| EMMICK NANCY J LIVING TRUST | KANE JAMES L | \$420,000 | MISSION CREEK RD | CASHMERE | 0.2600 | 974 | 1926 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| EYRE AUTUMN R | HOLBEN BRENDA | \$826,000 | WEBSTER WAY | CASHMERE | 1.0400 | 2763 | 2009 | 4 | 3 | N | Y |
| FACEY RANDY & KATHLEEN | SSM FORTY INVESTMENT INC | \$165,000 | W WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 652 | 2017 | | | N | N |
| FEWELL SCOTT G & DIANA | CROSS RIVER PROPERTIES LLC | \$700,000 | UNASSIGNED | CHELAN | 9.2000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| FIELD JEFFREY A & CHERYL P | TOMKINS JOHN R | \$1,394,000 | RIVER RD | PLAIN | 1.0000 | 2740 | 1983 | 3 | 3 | N | Y |
| FILER ANDREW W | CORBALEY TIMOTHY V & ARLENE | \$410,000 | WEATHEREND DR | CASHMERE | 1.0000 | 1836 | 1991 | | | 2.5 | N |
| FISHER CYNTHIA & STEPHEN | NIX LESLIE S | \$385,000 | UNASSIGNED | CHELAN | 0.1000 | 352 | 1936 | | | 1 | N |
| FLORES PACHECO CUAHUTEMOC | SLOAN RUSSEL S | \$280,000 | WALKER AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1700 | 808 | 1912 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| FORD LOREN M & MARGARETE R | SAUVAGE AGNES | \$895,000 | JOYFUL PL | LEAVENWORTH | 1.0000 | 1560 | 1979 | 5 | 1.5 | N | N |
| FOWLER JAMES R & TINA J | FROMAN MATTHEW C | \$1,250,000 | MONTE CARLO DR | CHELAN | 0.2500 | 1964 | 2010 | 3 | 3.5 | N | Y |
| FRISCH DARCI M & ROBERTS RANDALL P | ELLIOTT LEOTA | \$136,750 | TWIN PEAKS DR | WENATCHEE | 0 | 1782 | 1990 | | | N | N |
| FROHMADER LARAE & MARK | KEATHLEY DAVID C | \$540,000 | NAVARRE COULEE RD | CHELAN | 8.7200 | 1680 | 1980 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| FURMAN TERRY M & RIPLEY REBECCA K | LOWRIE JOHN R & DENISE M | \$649,000 | ORCHARD VIEW DR | CHELAN | 0.2400 | 1134 | 1993 | 2 | 1.5 | N | N |
| GAMBONI JOSEPH A | EWERT RANDY G | \$260,000 | SIERRA BLVD | MALAGA | 0.2100 | 1082 | 1995 | 2 | .75 | N | N |
| GARBAY ARTURO & FABIOLA | LEVI COLIN & CAROL | \$500,000 | ROYAL ANNE DR | WENATCHEE | 0.2500 | 1864 | 1995 | | | N | Y |
| GEER ZACHARY | STOCKMAN MARKUS ETAL | \$645,000 | ASHLEY BROOKE | WENATCHEE | 0.2300 | 2525 | 1999 | 4 | 2.5 | Y | Y |
| GOTO ANDREW & BERYL | HOYT DIANA & KENDAL A | \$540,000 | HIDEAWAY PL | WENATCHEE | 0.2000 | 1752 | 1995 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| GRABER PHILLIPS MICHAEL S & PHILLIPS ISAAC J | EDER CONSTRUCTION LLC ETAL | \$389,000 | BURCHVALE RD | WENATCHEE | 1.2400 | 1344 | 1977 | | | N | N |
| GRAYBEAL DAVID A | MEDLEY RUSSELL C | \$605,000 | CENTRAL AVE | LEAVENWORTH | 0.0900 | 1148 | 1908 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| GREFF MATTHEW & ANGELA | CHELAN LOOKOUT LLLP | \$434,000 | BLUEBELL CT | CHELAN | 0.1100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| GRIFFITH KAREN | DEASON SARA M & JAY E | \$784,500 | OUTLAW LN | CASHMERE | 15.8600 | 2034 | 2013 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| GRONKA JEFFERY D & AIMEE J | MARTINELL TIMOTHY J | \$299,000 | DORN ST | DRYDEN | 0.1700 | 1122 | 1919 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| HANSEN JAY & ANDREA | GULLICKSON DALE & CANDY | \$100,250 | COLOCKUM RD | MALAGA | 1.0000 | 840 | 2006 | | | N | N |
| HARTWIG FLINT & JAMIE | WOOTEN MARY PENELOPE | \$900,000 | ORCHARD AVE | WENATCHEE | 2.0000 | 1481 | 1949 | 3 | 1.75 | N | Y |

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| Buyer | Seller | Sale Price | Street | City | Legal acreage | Living area | Year Built | Bed-rooms | Bath-rooms | Pool | Fire-place |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|------|------------|
| HASSON MAXWELL S & MASON ROCHELLE K | ARMSTRONG RODNEY D | \$400,000 | MONTANA ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1732 | 1949 | 3 | 1.5 | N | Y |
| HEFLIN ROBERT D | RAYMOND JOHN W | \$63,900 | MCKITTRICK ST | WENATCHEE | 0 | 868 | 1977 | | | N | N |
| HELLIGSO SETH & GENIEVIE | HELLIGSO JAN & JULIE M | \$475,000 | ANGLERS CREEK LN | PESHASTIN | 10.0100 | 2392 | 1996 | | | N | N |
| HERDENER ANDREW R & MEGAN E | BECKER MARGOT L | \$240,000 | UNASSIGNED | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.4400 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| HERLIHY ADAM | PINE SHADOW LAND CO LLC | \$32,500 | SPRING MOUNTAIN DR | WENATCHEE | 0.4700 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| HERLIHY ADAM | SPRINGWATER DEVELOPERS LLC | \$55,000 | SPRING MOUNTAIN DR | WENATCHEE | 0.4700 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| HEWITT JOEL L & ASHLEY A | THOMSON BOBBYE | \$1,200,000 | AUTUMN CREST DR | WENATCHEE | 0.3900 | 2726 | 2019 | 3 | 4 | N | Y |
| HILL DENNIS M & PHYLLIS M | LEFFLER EDNA R | \$2,000,000 | GREEN AVE | MANSON | 10.4100 | 2095 | 1983 | 4 | 3 | Y | Y |
| HIRA RAVI SUBHASH & SHARIFA LLEMIT | MARTINKA REID & MARY | \$1,300,000 | JACKRABBIT LN | CHELAN | 0.1000 | 1680 | 2019 | 3 | 3.5 | N | Y |
| HOLMES MICHAEL W & WOOD HAILEY N | LLOYD TERRY L & CATHERINE | \$405,000 | JEFFERSON ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1900 | 1396 | 1949 | 3 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| HORTON MARK & LOUIE TAMMY | INFIELD FLY INVESTMENTS LLC | \$1,216,000 | BOBCAT LN | CHELAN | 0.1300 | 1440 | 2018 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| HUGHES WILLIAM V TRUSTEE | EIDER PROPERTIES LLC | \$2,250,000 | 5TH ST | WENATCHEE | 0.3800 | 8664 | 2021 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| HURST KYLE | WENPAL LLC | \$482,000 | 9TH ST | WENATCHEE | 0.6000 | 1278 | 1955 | 5 | 2 | N | Y |
| J A HOMES LLC | BYERSDORF HEATHER & NELS | \$195,000 | STETSON RD | PLAIN | 0.2600 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| JAIMES YADIRA | FARIAS EFRAIN & KARINA | \$345,000 | DEPOT ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1508 | 1993 | | | N | N |
| JEFFREY D PETERSON LLC | KNIFFEN BRIAN & HEATHER | \$546,000 | GEHR ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 2218 | 1999 | 4 | 3.5 | N | N |
| JENSEN STEPHEN J | MOLOHON KATHE A | \$800,000 | LEAVENWORTH RD | LEAVENWORTH | 1.3800 | 1928 | 1970 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| JONES CAMDEN | DAVENPORT RICHARD A | \$34,000 | BRAE BURN RD | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.2100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| JONES CAMDEN B | VAN HORN PAUL T & SARA A | \$385,000 | OKANOAGAN AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1500 | 1138 | 1924 | 4 | 2 | N | Y |
| JONES MARK E | MEADE ANTHONY E | \$493,000 | SENECA ST | WENATCHEE | 0.2100 | 1780 | 1972 | 3 | 1.5 | N | Y |
| JUHL FAMILY TRUST | DUNCAN JOHN D | \$500,000 | MOUNTAIN HOME RD | LEAVENWORTH | 0.6900 | 896 | 1997 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| K & L HOMES LLC | LYNCH BARI R & MICHAEL J | \$142,000 | SUNNY BROOKE LN | CHELAN | 0.1800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| KNAUTZ GEOFF L & AMY L | LEONARD RICHARD E | \$400,000 | SENECA ST | WENATCHEE | 0.2200 | 1344 | 1974 | 2 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| KNIPSCHILD KIMBERLEE | BRENNAN MICHAEL W | \$500 | PARK & WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| KOLI LISA S & SINATAUSILINUUF | RODRIGUEZ PATRICIA BRAVO | \$160,000 | METHOW ST | WENATCHEE | 0 | 1296 | 2010 | | | N | N |
| KURLCHENKO YEVGENY S & NATALIYA V | WILSON JAMES M & GORSUCH MICHAEL S | \$135,000 | UNASSIGNED | MANSON | 20.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| LANE DAVID W & WENDY R | LANE ANDREW | \$130,000 | COVE AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 620 | 1967 | | | N | N |
| LAPINSKI TAYLOR & SYDNEY | KLOSSNER KARL & LISA TRUSTE | \$700,000 | SCHOLZE ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.2600 | 1519 | 1965 | 4 | 2.75 | N | Y |
| LARSON TIMOTHY D & VICKI L | LARSON VICKI ETAL | \$620,000 | MAIN ST | MONITOR | 1.8200 | 2654 | 1984 | 2 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| LAUDERDALE ATHENA | ORTEGA JOSE & VELASQUEZ MARTIMIANA | \$200,000 | TERMINAL AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 916 | 0 | | | N | N |
| LEOPOLD JAMES L | SMITH DAVID A | \$350,000 | DIAMOND AVE | ENTIAT | 0.1500 | 1560 | 2005 | | | N | N |
| LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES | ROGERS ROBERT & KAREN | \$366,840 | COLUMBIA ST | WENATCHEE | 0.7500 | 21400 | 1918 | | | N | N |
| LIPPERT CHERYL A | FISHER CYNTHIA A | \$285,999 | ELLIOTT AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 1140 | 0 | | | N | N |
| LOMEDICO LESLIE F & NANCY M | BENTZ PHILIP G & JESSICA A | \$575,000 | CHRISAND LN | WENATCHEE | 0.2800 | 1739 | 2004 | 4 | 2.5 | Y | N |
| LOPEZ REYES ANDRES & LOPEZ ROSARIO XIMENA | LEONHARD MEGAN J | \$400,000 | CASHMERE RD | CASHMERE | 0.4600 | 834 | 1940 | 2 | 1.75 | N | N |
| LOPEZ RUBI | FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION | \$250,000 | SKYLINE DR | WENATCHEE | 0.2700 | 1761 | 1990 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| LORD ACRES FARM LLC | KIRK E AYERS RVC TRUST ETAL | \$1,900,000 | PARADISE WAY | CHELAN | 1.4500 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| LUND NELS D & LOVELEACE SAMANTHA L | NOGA KRISTI M | \$445,000 | JOHNSON AVE | CHELAN | 0.1300 | 920 | 2007 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| MAC LELLAN WILLIAM R & LINDSEY CAMERON | HOFMANN GEORGE F & MARGARET F | \$725,000 | APRICOT LN | MANSON | 12.2400 | 3010 | 1943 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| MACKS ALAN | MORRISON CAROLE J | \$290,000 | RAYMOND ST | CHELAN | 0.1500 | 756 | 1952 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| MADRIGAL GUTIERREZ BLANCA E & MENDOZA GUILLEN SERGIO | FIGUEROA JESSIE I | \$302,000 | CROSS ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1800 | 1100 | 2000 | 3 | 1.5 | N | N |
| MAGIC EARTH LLC | LEWIS HANSON AND COMPANY INC TRUSTEE | \$198,000 | GRIFFITH RANCH RD | MANSON | 7.6300 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MALONE ERIC & JULIE | CHELAN LOOKOUT LLLP | \$379,000 | BLUEBELL LN | CHELAN | 0.1100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MANDIN AMY & HOFMAN GORDON | GILMORE SHARON J | \$555,000 | PINE LOOP | PLAIN | 0.3000 | 2608 | 1968 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| MARQUEZ TREJO DIEGO A & GARCIA TERESA | VILLANUEVA JUAN & TERESA | \$354,200 | DEPOT ST | WENATCHEE | 0.6000 | 1080 | 1994 | | | N | N |
| MARSHALL JACQUELINE | WILSON SUE R | \$390,000 | COLUMBINE ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 1073 | 1951 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| MARTIN DON | IRLE COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES LLC | \$140,000 | MAIN ST | MONITOR | 0.6000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MARTIN JUAN M & RAMIREZ LISBET M CUEVAS | BUCHANAN BRAD & PAMELA | \$650,000 | MARIAH CT | MALAGA | 2.8300 | 2720 | 2006 | | | N | N |
| MARTIN MATTHEW S & KIMBERLY M | BRENCK GARY S & KAREN S | \$150,000 | SNOHOMISH ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 768 | 1948 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| MARTINEZ ORTIZ ALFREDO & SANDRA D | FISCHER RUSSELL L & COLLEEN M | \$269,500 | LOOKOUT WAY | CHELAN | 0.2300 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MASON AND MASON LLC | FLORES JAIME & KRISTY | \$270,000 | WENATCHEE AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0700 | 2400 | 1908 | | | N | N |
| MASSINGILL RANDALL & STEVENS JOLYN | HERD DAWN | \$400,000 | BRITINI DR | WENATCHEE | 0.6400 | 1904 | 2000 | | | N | N |
| MATHEWS JASON A & JULIE M | JORDAN WADE A & BRITTANY NOEL | \$725,000 | SUMMER BREEZE RD | MANSON | 0.4900 | 2287 | 2018 | 4 | 2.25 | N | N |
| MC CLELLAN MASON R | GILLHAM BILLY D | \$271,000 | 2ND ST | CHELAN FALLS | 0.4100 | 1288 | 1930 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| MC CLENAGHAN BRIAN & PATRICIA | HERALD DAVID C & LINDA | \$674,900 | HIDEAWAY PL | WENATCHEE | 0.4100 | 2520 | 1996 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| MC HANEY BLAIR C | ROBERTS CONSTRUCTION LLC | \$555,000 | RACINE SPRINGS DR | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1660 | 2021 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| MC NALL CHARLES A II & ELIZABETH M | DAINES MARGARET A | \$435,000 | YAKMA ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1028 | 1924 | 2 | 2 | N | Y |
| MC RAE TOMMY D FAMILY TRUST | ROBERTSON LISA A | \$189,900 | CLARK DR | WENATCHEE | 0 | 1848 | 1991 | | | N | N |
| MCKPLACE LLC ETAL | CUSICK EARL H & MAXINE M TRT | \$1,870,000 | MAPLE ST | WENATCHEE | 2.3800 | 1000 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MEZLISH ALEXANDER ETAL | SHERIN DAVID P | \$472,500 | MEADOW LN | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.2700 | 1704 | 2001 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| MENDOZA ELIZABETH | STEELE DARIECE ETAL | \$199,000 | KING ST | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 607 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MENOYD LLC ETAL | CUSICK EARL H & MAXINE M TRT | \$130,000 | UNASSIGNED | WENATCHEE | 0.2300 | 12000 | 1985 | | | N | N |
| MERRILL MICHAEL J & ENDICOTT PATRICIA L | PARRISH CHARLES K | \$505,000 | CONCORD PL | WENATCHEE | 0.1900 | 1756 | 1976 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| MERRITT CHRISTOPHER & DEBORA | ZACHER KAREN L | \$175,000 | UNASSIGNED | WENATCHEE | 1.6800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MERRY THOMAS F & LYNDIA | COLLINS JEAN | \$421,000 | SECOND CREEK RD | LEAVENWORTH | 9.2700 | 1917 | 2013 | | | N | N |
| MESHEW ROBERT & MAC GILLIS JULIE | CHEMIST SANDRA J | \$275,000 | SKY MEADOWS RD | CASHMERE | 20.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MICHAEL PETER | BUCKLEY TYLER H & STEPHANIE M | \$595,000 | TRIGGER LN | WENATCHEE | 0.2000 | 1600 | 2009 | 5 | 3 | N | N |
| MILITELLO INVESTMENTS LLC | R&M BUILDERS LLC | \$300,000 | MIRACLE MILE | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.3100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MILLER AMANDA & KIRBY | JOHNSTON PATRICIA E | \$350,000 | ENTIAT RIVER RD | ENTIAT | 1.2800 | 1178 | 1932 | 2 | 1.5 | N | Y |
| MILLER ZACHARY | LATHAM LUENNA | \$637,500 | POPLAR AVE | WENATCHEE | 1.0000 | 2771 | 1961 | 3 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| MOBLEY TROY & AMIE | MC CAULEY DAVID R & WENDY L | \$570,000 | FIR LOOP | PLAIN | 0.3400 | 1252 | 1981 | 2 | 1.5 | N | Y |
| MOCK TANYA & JAMES JR | CHELAN LOOKOUT LLLP | \$359,000 | BLUEBELL LN | CHELAN | 0.0900 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| MONCRIEF DOUGLAS J & COOK DANA R | HARUM JAMES | \$925,000 | WASHINGTON ST | WENATCHEE | 0.5700 | 1826 | 1920 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| MOORE JOSEPH W & KARLA A | MERRILL BRIAN W | \$825,000 | FIRENZA LN | MANSON | 0.5700 | 1290 | 1991 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| MUHLFELD CLINT C & AMY R | MC CRAY JASON & SUSAN | \$381,000 | FULLER ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1800 | 816 | 1950 | 2 | 1.75 | N | N |
| MUNLY JAMES J | MUNLY STEVEN J | \$90,497 | BENTON ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.1400 | 1181 | 1912 | 4 | 1.5 | N | N |
| MYOBY HOLDINGS I LLC | 217 8TH LLC | \$668,948 | 8TH ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.0000 | 1689 | 2014 | | | N | N |
| NAISMITH CHARLES & LINDSAY M | GRAND COLUMBIA COUNCIL | \$135,000 | MISSION RIDGE RD | WENATCHEE | 20.8800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |

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| Buyer | Seller | Sale Price | Street | City | Legal acreage | Living area | Year Built | Bed-rooms | Bath-rooms | Pool | Fire-place |
|--|---|-------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|------|------------|
| NGUYEN JESSICA T & MASADA STEVEN T JR | CALL STYLE LLC | \$1,100,000 | MACKINAW LN | CHELAN | 0.1000 | 1534 | 2018 | 3 | 3.5 | N | N |
| O NEAL CHRISTINE & TRINH CALVIN | GBS LAKE HILLS LLC | \$295,000 | LONG DR | CHELAN | 0.2300 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| O NEILL GARY S | WALTER KYLE ETAL | \$158,000 | PERMIT SPUR 6304-119 RD | LAKE WENATCHEE | 20.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| OAKS MATTHEW & NICOLE | MARSH TERRY L | \$582,000 | PINE TREE RD | LAKE WENATCHEE | 1.5100 | 1710 | 1990 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| OLIVER ALISA & MICHEAL | CRAIG THOMAS C & SUSAN L | \$850,000 | NUMBER 1 CANYON RD | WENATCHEE | 1.0800 | 2587 | 1984 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| ORACH JO L | BOOTHMAN KENT P & VERNA M | \$625,000 | CENTRAL AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 2011 | 2016 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| ORDWAY FAMILY TRUST | CHENEY TROY L | \$500,000 | US HWY 97A | WENATCHEE | 2.7000 | 2161 | 1958 | 3 | 1 | N | Y |
| PARRISH MITCHELL & JESSICA | WELCH JESSE & KATHIE | \$519,000 | SPRINGWATER AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 1272 | 1956 | 6 | 2 | N | Y |
| PAUGH BRANDON | SCOTT JOHN E | \$180,000 | GARFIELD AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1120 | 1916 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| PEABODY JOHN & CAROLYN | MARTIN SHELLEY | \$519,500 | CHRISAND LN | WENATCHEE | 0.2800 | 1382 | 2003 | 3 | 3 | N | N |
| PEDERSEN CARL J & LAURA A | AMAREL KEVIN & TERESA | \$185,000 | KNOWLES RD | WENATCHEE | 0.4400 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| PELTZ REBECCA & GARTNER JAMES A | PHIPPS DEBRA | \$429,000 | MONROE ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1500 | 1004 | 1928 | 3 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| PEREZ EZQUIVEL SHARON D | MARTIN JUAN MANUEL & RAMIREZ LISBET H/W | \$500,000 | HIDEAWAY PL | WENATCHEE | 0.1900 | 1804 | 1996 | 3 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| PEREZ GONZALEZ SILAILA | GONZALEZ ALFONSO PEREZ ETAL | \$236,000 | FERRY ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1200 | 784 | 1924 | | 1 | N | N |
| PEREZ RICARDO I | SWEARINGEN THOMAS A | \$480,000 | BRANDI LN | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 1516 | 1997 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| PETERSON ERIK & JONES SARA E | WEST CLAYTON M | \$239,000 | CHUMSTICK HWY | LEAVENWORTH | 5.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| PIONEER VENTURE LLC | CRUZ RENTALS LLC | \$645,000 | PIONEER AVE | CASHMERE | 0.4300 | 4208 | 1929 | | | N | N |
| PITTMAN RACHEL & SAMUEL | BOEHME JOSEPH | \$799,000 | CARRERA LN | MANSON | 0.3800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| PLAIN TRUTH LLC | CURTIS SUSAN MARIE | \$1,095,000 | RIVER RD | PLAIN | 7.3500 | 1922 | 2010 | 2 | 2 | N | Y |
| PONCE DE LEON AIDA ETAL | ELEMENT HOMES LLC | \$379,500 | BURCHVALE RD | WENATCHEE | 1.2300 | 1416 | 1906 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| POTIER TYSON W & MELISSA E | LAU DON & RENAE | \$319,900 | MEMORY LN | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.2500 | 892 | 1968 | 1 | 1 | N | N |
| POULTER KRISTIN A & STEPHEN G | HANSON BRANDON ETAL | \$535,000 | HONEYSETT RD | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 1857 | 2020 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| POWELL JADE & TAYLOR | KAEGBEIN TERRY & KARA | \$178,500 | UNASSIGNED | CHELAN | 0.2800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| PRINCE MARVIN D & MELISSA M ETAL | WARFIELD THOMAS & KAREN | \$230,000 | MAYER DR | CHELAN | 0.5600 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| PROPERTY SOLUTIONS NNW LLC | BALL GLEN T | \$120,000 | WALKER AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1700 | 1148 | 1916 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| RAMOS FRANCISCO J & KENDI | HORNER VICTOR J | \$554,900 | CHINOOK DR | WENATCHEE | 0.2500 | 2153 | 1995 | 3 | 2.5 | N | N |
| RAY AIMEE | GORDON BRENDA D | \$384,500 | ELLIOTT AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.2000 | 1388 | 1954 | 2 | 1.5 | N | N |
| REAL TRUST IRA ALTERNATIVES LLC | LIM ALANSON | \$309,000 | WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 1133 | 0 | | | N | N |
| RICH SANDRA F | SHERER WESLEY M & MARY E | \$335,000 | HARRIS AVE | MANSON | 0.1600 | 906 | 1947 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| RIOS EDNA H & LOPEZ ARTURO JR | ARROYO DANIEL & IRMA | \$350,000 | SIERRA BLVD | MALAGA | 0.2300 | 1344 | 2021 | | 2 | N | N |
| ROBLES BARRERA NESTOR A | JONES CAMILLE A & CODY R | \$202,000 | CASHMERE ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1300 | 837 | 1914 | 1 | 1 | N | N |
| ROMERO JESSICA | CLARK IV THOMAS W & KIM L | \$295,000 | LAKESHORE RD | CHELAN | 0.0400 | 728 | 2004 | | | N | N |
| ROSARIO DEMETRIO G | BOUSHAY JACKIE H | \$400,000 | MISSION CREEK RD | CASHMERE | 1.5900 | 1568 | 1985 | | | N | N |
| RUSSELL DANIEL D | KYLE MATHISON ORCHARDS INC | \$32,782 | UNASSIGNED | MALAGA | 176.6400 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| RUSSELL DANIEL D | KMO HOLDINGS LLC | \$4,122 | UNASSIGNED | MALAGA | 42.6700 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| RYAN LAURA ETAL | SHEEHY BRIANA C | \$286,000 | BURNS ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 1152 | 1927 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| SAMBUCEO JERED & ERIKA | RSTA INVESTMENTS LLC | \$182,000 | NAHAHUM CANYON RD | CASHMERE | 5.8200 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| SANDOVAL JUAN & RODRIGUEZ JOSE L | WAUNCH FRED A TRT | \$300,000 | SELFS MOTEL RD | CASHMERE | 6.4100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| SASIDHARAN VINETH H | CHELAN HOSPITALITY HOLDINGS LLC | \$710,000 | COMMERCIAL ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.0000 | 0 | 2013 | | | N | N |
| SCOTT ADINA ETAL | LOVE DIANA | \$494,000 | JOSEPHINE AVE | DRYDEN | 0.4300 | 1008 | 1940 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| SHETH BHAVIK | CHELAN HOSPITALITY HOLDINGS LLC | \$710,000 | COMMERCIAL ST | LEAVENWORTH | 0.1400 | 1296 | 2013 | | | N | N |
| SHUTE ANDREW & SUMMER | CHELAN LOOKOUT LLLP | \$399,000 | DRAGONFLY CT | CHELAN | 0.1000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| SOGN BRIAN H & HEIDI A | SOGN HEIDI & BRIAN ETAL | \$423,375 | MANSON BLVD | MANSON | 0.1800 | 1440 | 1985 | 2 | 2 | N | N |
| SOREANO ROBERT C & KIERSTEN N | COTTRELL JOHN B | \$342,875 | SADDLEROCK DR | WENATCHEE | 0.3200 | 1288 | 1932 | 3 | 1.25 | N | Y |
| STEEL J TODD & TAMARA R | L H PIRO-AZWELL9 LLC | \$687,522 | UNASSIGNED | CHELAN | 28.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| STEWART RANDALL R & KRISTINE M | HASKE AMY L & EVAN | \$100,000 | UNASSIGNED | ENTIAT | 5.0100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| STROUD STEVENSON G & WRIGHT CARRIE M | REPPAS CHARLES B | \$1,445,000 | RANGER RD | LEAVENWORTH | 1.0600 | 3595 | 2006 | 3 | 3 | N | N |
| STYLES ERIC C & MC KINLEY PEGGY C | STYLES CHARLES T | \$250,000 | GAULT RD | MALAGA | 10.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| SYNERGY CONSULTING GROUP INC | MC CAULEY WENDY | \$281,000 | FIR LOOP | PLAIN | 0.3400 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| THAYER TERRY G & CAROLYN M | SUNDINE MICHAEL W & PEGGY J | \$597,500 | SAGE GROUSE RD | WENATCHEE | 0.2000 | 2066 | 2011 | 4 | 2 | N | Y |
| THE ENTIAT BB LLC | MANLEY PETER T & KATHLEEN M TRTEES | \$850,000 | ENTIAT RIVER RD | ENTIAT | 5.0100 | 2370 | 1992 | 3 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| THOMPSON JOHN R & MARY L | BATES BILL & MARILYN A | \$315,000 | MAYER DR | CHELAN | 0.2800 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| THOMSON BOBBYE | DUNN CAMILLE D | \$725,000 | DIANVA WAY | WENATCHEE | 0.4600 | 1879 | 2003 | 3 | 2 | Y | Y |
| THUNE EVAN D & SADIE R | CARR COLTON S | \$370,000 | CHERRY ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1600 | 1032 | 1926 | 4 | 2 | N | N |
| TOMLINSON MARK & PATRICIA | DRY LAKES ESTATES LLC | \$390,000 | UNASSIGNED | MANSON | 7.3100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| USAC WA LLC | PIPKIN ARNIE & MICHELLE | \$1,125,000 | SHAMEL ST | ENTIAT | 2.2100 | 18000 | 1960 | | | N | N |
| VALENCIA DANIEL & RAMIREZ JESSICA | KWON ALEX | \$479,000 | EDGEMONT DR | WENATCHEE | 4.3800 | 1584 | 1978 | 3 | 2 | N | N |
| VALLEY LAKE PROPERTIES LLC | BREWER EDWARD S | \$265,000 | TERMINAL AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.2800 | 2330 | 1952 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| VANZELIA LLC | PADRON ROSA-MARIA | \$85,000 | CHELAN AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1300 | 536 | 1926 | 2 | 1 | N | N |
| VAUGHN AARON & MELISSA | RISLEY CONNIE ETAL | \$430,000 | IDAHO ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1500 | 1160 | 1952 | 4 | 1.75 | N | Y |
| VEYRA OROZCO JAVIER | MC COY DAVID R | \$335,000 | FLAMINGO ST | MALAGA | 0.3400 | 1323 | 1979 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| VILLALOBOS VEGA ELDA L | PAGE CHRISTOPHER | \$325,000 | SAND CREEK RD | CASHMERE | 10.0000 | 1536 | 1986 | 1 | | N | N |
| VOLPE RICHARD & KARIN | CROSS MEGAN M | \$315,000 | BUCHANAN AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.1100 | 1348 | 1906 | 3 | 1 | N | N |
| WEATHERHEAD BLAKE | MEYER WESLEY & KATHERINE E | \$105,000 | BLEWETT RIDGE DR | PESHASTIN | 5.0200 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| WEEKS MICHAEL L & MARLA L | CORCORAN ROBERT T & COURTNEY M | \$535,000 | SAN REMO LN | CHELAN | 0.1800 | 960 | 1977 | 2 | 1 | N | Y |
| WEISBROD KYLE & GRAVELIN SARA ETAL | SEAVER RICHARD L SURVIVOR'S TRUST | \$1,250,000 | RIVER RD | PLAIN | 1.0000 | 1792 | 2001 | 3 | | N | Y |
| WEST STEVEN & JENNIFER | TAYLOR JOANNA M & AARON R | \$750,000 | SANDSTONE LN | CASHMERE | 3.1000 | 1979 | 2016 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |
| WICKEL LISA M | ROBERTS CONSTRUCTION LLC | \$479,085 | RACINE SPRINGS DR | WENATCHEE | 0.1500 | 1660 | 2021 | | | N | Y |
| WILSON COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES LLC ETAL | DONAGHY PROPERTIES LLC | \$1,800,000 | US HWY 97A | WENATCHEE | 2.7600 | 20211 | 1979 | | | N | N |
| WOLCOTT MACCAUSLAND PHOEBE & PEMAN ALEXANDER W | RABIDEAU ALEXANDER & ELLEN | \$455,000 | KITTITAS ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1800 | 1018 | 1926 | 4 | 2 | N | Y |
| WOODS JOSHUA & ANDREA | SCHUESSLER JENNIFER | \$1,500,000 | CEDAR BRAE RD | LAKE WENATCHEE | 0.8500 | 1328 | 1980 | 4 | 2.5 | N | Y |
| WVBC FUNHOUSE LLC | HARTWIG FLINT & JAMIE | \$375,000 | ISLAND VIEW ST | WENATCHEE | 0.1400 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| WYLES CHANNING B & MICHELE S | GBS LAKE HILLS LLC | \$328,000 | LONG DR | CHELAN | 0.4100 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| YECKEL ANDREW & SCHOPS YECKEL CAROL | SCHENKMAN KENNETH A & MORELAND NANCY D | \$380,000 | BEAR RIDGE LN | CHELAN | 5.0000 | 0 | 0 | | | N | N |
| YODER JEREMY T & KIRSTEN M | THE ZULUAGA FAMILY LLLP | \$290,000 | WOODIN AVE | CHELAN | 0.0000 | 622 | 0 | | | N | N |
| ZAREMBA CONSTANCE L & TERRY J | DANIEL LESLIE | \$350,000 | CASTLE ROCK AVE | WENATCHEE | 0.0000 | 1240 | 0 | | | N | N |
| ZILLEN DON A & ALICE | JONES VINCENT P | \$650,000 | MICHAEL BROOKE | WENATCHEE | 0.2600 | 2147 | 2002 | 3 | 2 | N | Y |

Small Business Flex Fund raises an additional \$40 million to support Washington small businesses

Heritage Bank, JPMorgan Chase and WaFd Bank commitments bring the Fund's total to \$70 million

Submitted by
Annie Blake-Burke



The Small Business Flex Fund hit a milestone this week, having now raised a total of \$70 million in committed capital that will benefit small businesses and nonprofits, particularly those in underrepresented communities, across the state of Washington.

Launched earlier this summer, the Small Business Flex Fund is a public-private partnership aimed at helping small businesses and nonprofits recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and grow their business again.

It began with a \$30 million contribution from the Washington State Department of Commerce and has since raised an additional \$40 million from Heritage Bank, JPMorgan Chase and WaFd Bank.

Speaking about the impact the banks' contributions will have, Lisa Brown, Director of the Washington State Department of Commerce said, "Our Small Business Flex Fund is an important tool for providing much-needed growth capital to smaller businesses and nonprofits that are looking at their mid- and long-term recovery from

the pandemic. We appreciate the partnerships with Heritage, JPMorgan Chase and WaFd Bank to grow the Fund and ensure this opportunity is available to businesses all around the state, particularly in communities that have historically been underserved."

Bryan McDonald, President & COO of Heritage Bank said, "Programs like the Small Business Flex Fund are crucial to the small businesses in Washington state.

As a long-time supporter of these businesses, we recognize the many barriers some of them can face, especially when it comes to accessing the financial resources they need to develop and grow. It's time to start rebuilding our local economies and these loans will help us get there."

"The Small Business Flex Fund will provide essential low-cost loans to help small business

owners facing challenging circumstances across the State of Washington, particularly those in underrepresented communities. JPMorgan Chase is proud to support their growth in a post-pandemic economy," said Erin Robert, Head of Impact Finance at JPMorgan Chase.

The Small Business Flex Fund is administered by the National Development Council with funding arranged by Calvert Impact Capital. It was founded with the goal of helping Washington's smallest businesses and nonprofits get back on their feet post-pandemic and plan for the future.

Businesses and nonprofits with fewer than 50 employees and annual revenues of less than \$3 million can pre-apply online and, if qualified, will be matched with a lender. Once matched, the participating lender will assist the

business owner throughout the application process and provide additional advisory support.

Since its launch in June, the Small Business Flex Fund has provided low-interest loans of up to \$150,000 to over 110 small businesses and nonprofits in need of economic assistance. The total amount that has been funded since the program's launch is over \$9.5 million.

The Fund works with and through local Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs), which serve under-resourced communities and underbanked businesses the Small Business Flex Fund aims to help.

Brent Beardall, President & CEO of WaFd Bank noted, "As long-term supporters of Washington small businesses and the positive influence they have in their communities, WaFd Bank recognizes the importance of supporting these vital businesses and is proud to promote unique public-private partnerships that assist in the continuing economic recovery from the impact of the pandemic."

The Flex Fund aims to raise \$100 million to continue to support the

recovery of small businesses and nonprofits throughout the state.

The additional funding announced today, brings the current amount raised to \$70 million.

For more information and to apply, visit SmallBusinessFlexFund.org. For interview requests or questions, contact Annie Blake-Burke | annieb@weareadh.com.

About the Small Business Flex Fund

The Small Business Flex Fund provides access to flexible, low-interest loans and business support services to small businesses and nonprofits across Washington. Supported by the Washington State Department of Commerce, the Fund is a collaborative partnership of local and national community finance organizations created to support Washington's smallest businesses and address the needs of historically under-resourced and underbanked communities. The Fund includes leaders from across sectors, including local community leaders, national and state-based nonprofit organizations, corporations, philanthropic donors, and investors – all of whom are passionate about an equitable recovery across the state.

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Overdue Reconciliation for Cashmere Valley Bank

Cashmere Valley Bank Named One of the Top PPP Lenders for Chelan County

By Megan Sokol

Back in April of 2020, late NCW media editor and publisher Bill Forhan wrote an article titled "Small Business relief drowning in the swamp," detailing Cashmere Valley Bank's (CVB) perceived neglect for small businesses and refusing to process PPP loans.

After three rounds of (PPP) loan disbursement and over \$42 mil. in relief funds, Mr. Forhan wanted to give CVB the credit they were due.

As of September 30, 2021, over 2,881 PPP loans were submitted to Chelan County, totaling to \$249,719,603; Douglas County with 807 loans totaling \$67,072,478; Okanogan County with 1,110 loans totaling \$69,274,369; and Grant County with 2,108 loans totaling \$174,150,726.

"By the time that the third round of funding had all been used up, we have done over a thousand PPP loans and over \$109 million worth of PPP lending between the four counties that we operate in Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas and Yakima," Cashmere Valley Bank's Chief Lending Officer Steve

Vradenburg stated.

"We went from five SBA loans to over a thousand in less than six months; less than nine months by the end of the third round of funding."

Out of all of these loans, Cashmere Valley Bank had delivered 835 loans totaling \$69,921,593 in round 1 and 2 alone. They were listed as one of the top 50 lenders in Washington State. CVB collaborated with local banks like North Cascades Bank (NCB) on local loan disbursement.

"This is not a thing where we were competing to see who could do the most. We were working together very closely sharing, information as it [came] up" Vradenburg explained. "The PPP was a challenge for the banking industry. It was money that was desperately needed by those businesses, and this was a situation where whatever rivalries we may have had were set aside. We genuinely tried to help each other out."

Vradenburg explained that some of the bank's initial hesitancy in processing PPP loan applications

stemmed from CVB's inexperience with SBA loans.

Their former car insurance agents were retrained to process SBA loans and were tasked with keeping up with the ever-changing PPP loan rules.

"To be an SBA lender each and every one of our loan officers has to be registered with the SBA. And that's a process that takes a little bit of time to get them enrolled and approved to actually work with the SBA."

One factor that was frequently miscommunicated with media was the bank's "refusal" to accept applications. This perception stemmed from ill-communicated timing on when PPP loan applications would officially be made available and the general lack of infrastructure CVB had at the time.

Vradenburg went on "The small business administration had not even developed a form for me to give them to apply on their behalf. All of this took a lot of time and that's where some of this misinformation early in this process happened."

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Yakima MSA (Yakima County) Labor Area Summary – October 2021

Overview

This report provides an update on the Yakima County economy incorporating not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm employment and civilian labor force data. Analysis focuses on year over year (October 2020 and October 2021) and average annual data changes (between 2019 and 2020) in the labor market.

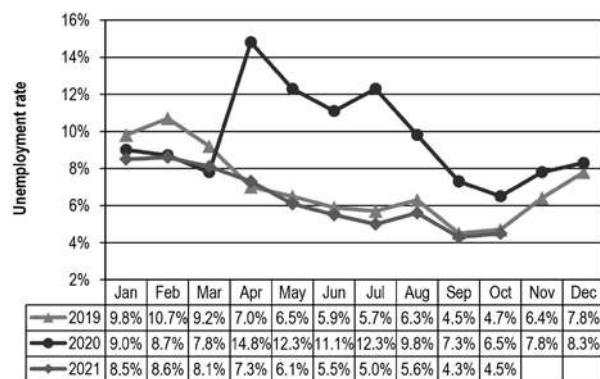
Unemployment rates

Civilian Labor Force (CLF) data show that Washington's not seasonally adjusted average annual unemployment rate soared from 4.1 percent in 2019 to 8.4 percent in 2020. Between October 2020 and October

2021, the rate fell from 6.3 to 4.4 percent, a one and nine-tenths percentage points downturn.

In Yakima County, the not seasonally adjusted average annual unemployment rate jumped from 7.0 to 9.7 percent between 2019 and 2020. But, year over year, monthly rates have fallen for the seven months from April through October 2021. In October 2020, COVID-19-related layoffs pushed unemployment upwards to 6.5 percent, but in October 2021 the rate fell two percentage points to 4.5 percent. The present 4.5 percent reading is the lowest rate for October since data began to be recorded electronically in 1990.

Yakima County unemployment rates, not seasonally adjusted Washington state, January 2019 through October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Current Employment Statistics (CES)



Yakima County's unemployment rate dropped by two percentage points between October 2020 and October 2021.

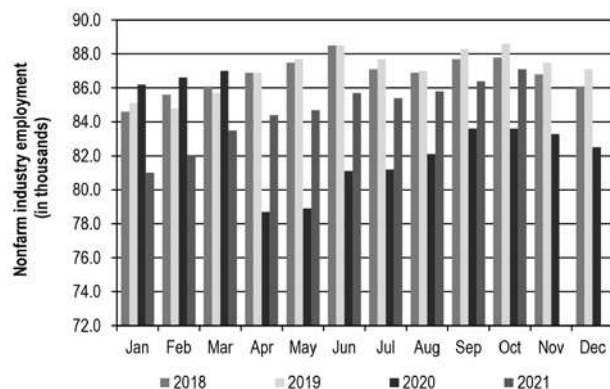
Total nonfarm employment

Between 2019 and 2020, estimates indicate that Washington's labor market provided 183,500 fewer nonfarm jobs, an average annual decrease of -5.3 percent. Year over year, Washington's nonfarm market contracted from April 2020 through March 2021 prior to expanding from April through October 2021. This October, business and government organizations statewide tallied 3,437,000 jobs (not seasonally adjusted) compared with 3,280,400 in October 2020, a gain

of 156,600 jobs and a 4.8 percent upturn.

Yakima County's nonfarm economy lost 4,200 jobs in 2020 (primarily because of COVID-19-related layoffs) an average annual decrease of -4.8 percent. Year over year, total nonfarm employment contracted from April 2020 through March 2021 before expanding in each of the past seven months (April through October 2021). Recently, nonfarm employment advanced by 3,500 jobs (up 4.2 percent), rising from 83,600 jobs in October 2020 to 87,100 this October.

Yakima County nonfarm industry employment, not seasonally adjusted, in thousands Washington state, January 2018 through October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Current Employment Statistics (CES)



In October 2021, nonfarm employment increased to 87,100; a 3,500 job advance from the 83,600 jobs tallied in October 2020.



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Employment and unemployment

Washington's Civilian Labor Force (CLF) edged upwards by 5,550 residents (a marginal 0.1 percent upturn) from 2019 to 2020. But virtually all this expansion occurred from January through May 2020.

COVID-19 pressures then caused Washington's labor force to shrink, year over year, from June 2020 through May 2021 (apart from a slight, 0.9 percent upturn between the Octobers of 2019 and 2020).

The CLF then posted year over year growth from June through September 2021 before contracting by -0.8 percent this October. Specifically, Washington's labor force decreased by 33,499 residents (- 0.8 percent), from 3,978,552 residents in October 2020 to 3,945,053 in October 2021.

Yakima County's CLF declined by -0.7 percent between 2019 (131,779 residents) and 2020 (130,867 residents).

However, following 12 consecutive months (June 2020 through May 2021) of year over

year declines in the local labor force, a turnaround occurred and the CLF expanded from June through October 2021.

This October there were 135,356 residents in the labor force versus 128,131 in October 2020, a 7,225 resident and 5.6 percent increase. Also, the number of unemployed fell by -27.1 percent as 2,265 fewer residents were out of work this October versus in October 2020.

This labor force expansion coupled with a contraction in the number of unemployed caused Yakima County's unemployment rate to drop from 6.5 percent in October 2020 to 4.5 percent in October 2021.

But this good economic news must be tempered by the fact that the Yakima County labor force was smaller in October 2021 than in October 2019 (two years ago). Specifically, the CLF this October (135,356 residents) was 1,765 residents (-1.3 percent) down from the 137,121 residents in the CLF back in October 2019.

Yakima County labor force and industry employment, not seasonally adjusted Washington state, October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), Current Employment Statistics (CES)

| Yakima County | Preliminary Oct-21 | Revised Sep-21 | Revised Oct-20 | Change | | Percent change |
|---|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | | | | Sep-21 Oct-21 | Oct-20 Oct-21 | Oct-21 |
| Labor force and unemployment | | | | | | |
| Civilian labor force | 135,356 | 138,202 | 128,131 | -2,846 | 7,225 | 5.6% |
| Resident employment | 129,251 | 132,273 | 119,761 | -3,022 | 9,490 | 7.9% |
| Unemployment | 6,105 | 5,929 | 8,370 | 176 | -2,265 | -27.1% |
| Unemployment rate | 4.5 | 4.3 | 6.5 | 0.2 | -2.0 | |
| Industry employment (numbers are in thousands) | | | | | | |
| Total nonfarm ¹ | 87.1 | 86.4 | 83.6 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 4.2% |
| Total private | 69.4 | 69.4 | 66.9 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 3.7% |
| Goods producing | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.6 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0% |
| Mining, logging and construction | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.2 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 2.4% |
| Manufacturing | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -1.2% |
| Nondurable goods | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 5.3% |
| Service providing | 74.5 | 73.7 | 71.0 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 4.9% |
| Private service providing | 56.8 | 56.7 | 54.3 | 0.1 | 2.5 | 4.6% |
| Trade, transportation and utilities | 19.9 | 19.5 | 19.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.5% |
| Wholesale trade | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -2.2% |
| Retail trade | 11.4 | 11.1 | 11.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.8% |
| Transportation and utilities | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 5.3% |
| Professional and business services | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 2.3% |
| Education and health services | 18.5 | 18.4 | 17.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 3.4% |
| Health care and social assistance | 16.8 | 16.9 | 16.6 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 1.2% |
| Leisure and hospitality | 7.8 | 8.1 | 6.6 | -0.3 | 1.2 | 18.2% |
| Food services | 6.4 | 6.5 | 5.4 | -0.1 | 1.0 | 18.5% |
| Government | 17.7 | 17.0 | 16.7 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 6.0% |
| Federal government | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0% |
| State government | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0% |
| Local government | 13.9 | 13.2 | 12.9 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 7.8% |
| Workers in labor/management disputes | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |

¹ Excludes proprietors, self-employed, members of the armed services, workers in private households and agriculture. Includes all full- and part-time wage and salary workers receiving pay during the pay period including the 12th of the month. Columns may not add due to rounding.

Between October 2020 and October 2021, the Yakima County nonfarm labor market gained 3,500 jobs, a 4.2 percent upturn.

Nonfarm industry employment

Not seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment in Yakima County increased by 4.2 percent in October 2021, as employment rose to 87,100 from the 83,600 jobs tallied in October 2020.

However, the local economic recovery is by no means complete. Total nonfarm employment countywide this October (87,100 jobs) was still down 1,500 jobs and -1.7 percent below the 88,600 jobs provided in October 2019 (two years ago).

The following paragraphs highlight employment trends and changes in four local industries (construction, nondurable goods manufacturing, leisure and hospitality, and local government between October 2020 and October 2021):

- Year over year, construction employment in Yakima County decreased for 12 consecutive months (April 2020 through March 2021) but employment has increased in each of the past seven months (April through October 2021).

Preliminary estimates indicate there

were 4,200 jobs in the local construction industry in October 2020 versus 4,300 in October 2021.

Across Yakima County, the number of commercial and residential sales (combined) increased to 3,703 from 3,136 (up 18.1 percent) when comparing the first ten months of 2021 versus the first ten months of 2020, per the October 2021 edition of Headwaters – the Source newsletter published by KMW Enterprises LLC in Selah, Washington.

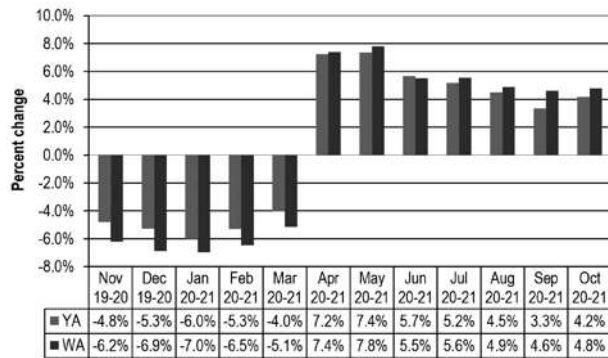
The value of commercial and residential sales countywide soared from \$918.3 million from January through October 2020 to nearly \$1.31 billion from January through October 2021, a dynamic 42.5 percent upturn.

The residential market also showed considerable activity during the first ten calendar months of 2021. The number of residences sold increased from 2,420 to 2,790 when comparing sales from January

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Yakima County and Washington total nonfarm employment changes
Washington state, November 2019 through October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Current Employment Statistics (CES)



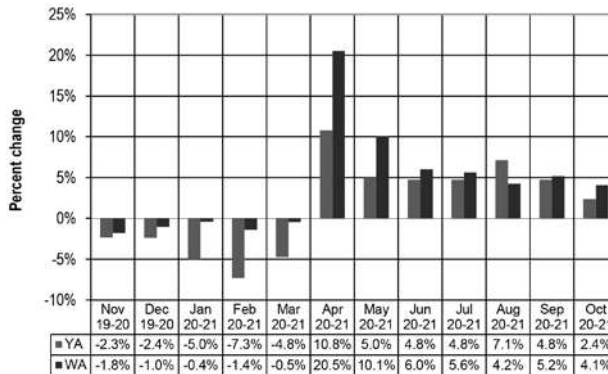
Year over year, nonfarm employment in Yakima County has risen in each of the past seven months (April through October 2021). Washington's nonfarm market contracted from April 2020 through March 2021 prior to expanding from April through October 2021.

through October 2020 to sales in the corresponding ten months of 2021 (up 15.3 percent) while the value of these residential sales jumped from \$669.3 million to \$903.6 million, a robust 35.0 percent increase.

Average home prices escalated in Yakima County during the first ten months

of 2020 versus the corresponding timeframe this year, from \$276,587 to \$323,868, a pronounced 17.1 percent increase. Like Yakima County, employment in Washington's construction industry retrenched for 12 months (April 2020 through March 2021) before posting year over year increases from April through October 2021.

Yakima County and Washington construction employment changes
Washington state, November 2019 through October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Current Employment Statistics (CES)



Year over year, construction employment in Yakima County decreased for 12 consecutive months (April 2020 through March 2021) but employment has increased in the past seven months (April through October 2021). Statewide, construction employment also retrenched from April 2020 through March 2021 before increasing monthly from April through October 2021.

◆ Year over year, employment in Yakima County's nondurable goods manufacturing industry (primarily food processing) increased in each of the past four months (July through October 2021).

This October nondurable goods manufacturers registered 6,000 jobs, up by 300 jobs and 5.3 percent from the 5,700 tallied in October 2020.

Washington's nondurable goods manufacturers have added jobs monthly in each of the past seven months (April through October 2021).

◆ Between October 2020 and October 2021, leisure and hospitality businesses (primarily hotels, eating and drinking places, and amusement and recreation services) added 1,200 jobs across Yakima County, a strong 18.2 percent upturn as employment rose from 6,600 jobs to 7,800.

This 1,200-job upturn was the largest job gain of any single Yakima County industry during this timeframe, accounting for over one third (34.3 percent) of total nonfarm job growth between October 2020 and October 2021.

However, leisure and hospitality em-

ployment this October (7,800 jobs) was still 700 jobs and -8.2 percent below the 8,500 leisure and hospitality jobs tallied in October 2019 (two years ago).

Employment in Washington state's leisure and hospitality industry retrenched for 13 months (March 2020 through March 2021) before also posting year-over-year job gains from April through October 2021.

Statewide, leisure and hospitality employment elevated by a very comparable 18.4 percent between the Octobers of 2020 and 2021; with arts, entertainment and recreation businesses (i.e., fitness centers, golf courses, casinos, museums, etc.) within this leisure and hospitality sector, rising by 26.5 percent, from 32,500 jobs in October of last year to 41,100 in October 2021.

Conversely, food services and drinking places across Washington (within this leisure and hospitality sector) increased at a relatively less robust 16.5 percent pace, from 198,600 jobs in October 2020 to 231,400 in October 2021.

◆ Employment in Yakima County's local government sector either sta-

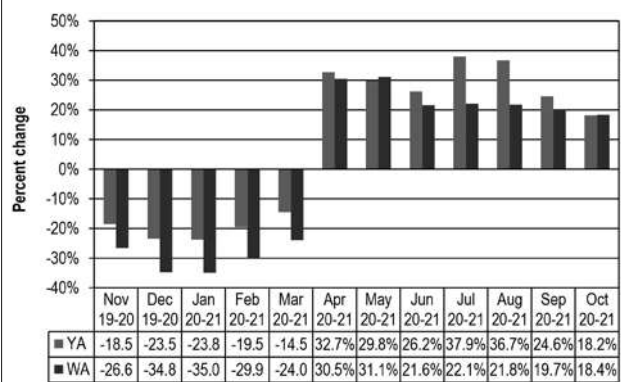
>> bilized or increased, year over year, from April through October 2021.

This October local government (public primary and secondary schools, police and fire departments, local health departments/clinics, courts, and Native American organizations/businesses, etc.) regis-

tered 13,900 jobs, up by 1,000 jobs and 7.8 percent from the 12,900 tallied in October 2020.

Statewide, local government has rebounded, year over year, in each of the past six months (May through October 2021).

Yakima County and Washington leisure and hospitality employment changes
Washington state, November 2019 through October 2021. Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; Current Employment Statistics (CES)



Leisure and hospitality businesses in Yakima County cut jobs from April 2020 through March 2021 but added jobs from April through October 2021. Employment in Washington's leisure and hospitality industry retrenched for 13 months (March 2020 through March 2021) before also expanding from April through October 2021.

Agricultural employment

The Bureau of Labor Statistics' Quarterly Census of Employment and Wage (QCEW) program, conducted by the Washington State Employment Security Department provides agricultural and nonagricultural employment and wages for firms, organizations and individuals whose employees are covered by the Washington State Employment Security Act.

Frequently termed "covered" or "QCEW" data, this information provides a reliable data set for comparing employment and wage trends in major industries at the county level.

In September 2021, revised annual average QCEW data for calendar year 2020 became available. An analysis of employment changes from 2010 through 2020 shows that in Yakima County:

◆ Total covered employment rose from 99,953 in 2010 to 110,800 in 2020, a 10,847 job and 10.9 percent upturn, with annualized employment growth between 2010 and 2020 of 1.0 percent.

The number of agricultural jobs (a subset of total covered employment) increased from 23,825 in 2010 to 30,767 in 2020, a 6,942 job and 29.1 percent upturn, with annualized employment growth of 2.6 percent. In 2010, Yakima County's agricultural industry accounted for 23.8 percent of total covered employment.

In 2020, agricultural employment accounted for 27.8 percent of total covered employment countywide. Hence, the agricultural share of total employment rose by 4.0 percentage points (from 23.8 to 27.8 percent) in

Yakima County during this ten-year period.

◆ Total covered wages rose from \$3.17 billion in 2010 to \$4.90 billion in 2020, a \$1.73 billion and 54.4 percent upturn, with annualized payroll growth between 2010 and 2020 of 4.4 percent.

The agricultural payroll (a subset of total covered wages) advanced from \$0.52 billion in 2010 to \$1.10 billion in 2020, a strong \$0.58 billion and 109.9 percent upturn, with annualized wage growth between 2010 and 2020 of 7.7 percent. In 2010, Yakima County's agricultural industry accounted for 16.5 percent of total covered wages. In 2020, agricultural wages accounted for 22.5 percent of total covered payroll countywide. Hence, the agricultural share of wages rose 6.0 percentage points (from 16.5 to 22.5 percent) during this period. One could say that in this most recent ten-year timeframe, the agricultural industry, in terms of employment, and especially in terms of payroll, has become more "influential" in the Yakima County economy.

Although agriculture is still a seasonal industry in Yakima County, anecdotal evidence indicates that relatively more agricultural workers are being hired into full-time year-round positions (with fewer hires into part-time/seasonal jobs). This may help account for the 6.0 percentage points rise in agricultural share of total covered wages between 2010 (16.5 percent) and 2020 (22.5 percent).

Web link to Monthly Employment Report (MER) for Washington state
<https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/monthly-employment-report>

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The 2022 legislative session is fast approaching. During even-numbered years, the Legislature convenes for 60 days, also referred to as the short legislative session. Legislators recently met virtually for Committee Assembly Days, which involves work sessions and previewing issues we expect to discuss and debate in January.

House of Representatives operation plan for 2022

The operation plans for the state House of Representatives were announced recently. There will be more legislators allowed in the House chamber this year, but they must be fully vaccinated. Unvaccinated legislators must commit to a minimum of three COVID tests per week to access their offices on the Capitol Campus.

The public can access the galleries but must show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test within 72 hours. All committee hearings will be conducted virtually like last year. House Republicans are looking at additional options that may allow us to meet with folks in-person, but those details are a work-in-progress. Stay tuned.

Redistricting plan unfinished

The Washington State Redistricting Commission was unable to meet its midnight deadline on Nov. 15 to complete the redrawing of our state legislative and congressional districts. The responsibility is now in the hands of the state Supreme Court. The court has until April 30 to draw new boundaries, or it could agree to the final maps the commission came up with as the deadline passed. Whatever the court decides, it would provide some certainty to elected officials and citizens if the justices can make a decision in the near future. Those in Chelan and Douglas counties could be impacted the most by what the court decides.

- Redistricting Commission says it reached agreement Monday night; regrets 12th District split of Chelan, Douglas counties (KPQ Radio)

- Failed redistricting would have split Chelan and Douglas from 12th District, among other changes (NCW Life)

House Republicans unveil "Real" transportation solutions plan

Earlier this month, our transportation lead, Rep. Andrew Barkis, unveiled the Reprioritizing Existing Appropriations for Longevity (REAL) Act. The plan would create a sustainable and equitable transportation funding model, instead of continuing to rely on a funding system with declining

revenues, such as the gas tax and vehicle registration fees.

On top of declining revenue, Washington's transportation system is facing a number of other challenges – not keeping up with road maintenance, failing bridges, outdated railroads, increased traffic, staff shortages, route cancellations on state ferries and more.

The majority party is considering another transportation package with new taxes. With fuel prices increasing, and inflation driving up the price of goods and services, most probably wouldn't be excited about paying more for fuel.

This plan steps away from the old antiquated way of thinking about transportation and budgeting, and takes a different approach. This is not the first time we have made an effort to look at additional revenue options. Last session, I was able to get a provision in the transportation budget that would have taken a more proactive approach to creating a sustainable and resilient transportation spending plan for the future. Unfortunately, the governor vetoed it.

Other Republican solutions

House Republicans pushed for emergency powers reform last session, and will continue to do so in the upcoming 2022 legislative session. Other priority issues we want to address in the upcoming session include:

- Advocating for responsible state spending and property tax relief.
- Introduce legislation to ensure our communities are safe by addressing the problems created by some of the police-reform bills passed last session by the majority party.
- Repeal the new state long-term care insurance program and regressive payroll tax.
- Offer common-sense environmental solutions.

Following the Legislature and state government

With the 2022 session being mostly virtual again, I urge you to stay engaged in the legislative session and what is happening with our state government. Below are websites and links that may be helpful.

- **My legislative website:** You will find my contact information, bio, news releases, email updates, opinion pieces, and other information.
- **How you can be involved in the legislative process:** This includes a citizen's guide to effective legislative participation.
- **TVW:** The state's own version of C-SPAN, TVW broadcasts floor and committee action live online.
- **The Ledger:** A legislative news aggregator that is updated frequently.
- **Capitol Buzz:** Sent out each weekday, featuring stories

from media outlets throughout the state, including newspaper, radio, and television.

- **The Current:** This an online legislative publication from the Washington House Republicans that is sent out every week during the legislative session and every month during the interim.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this email update or the upcoming legislative session. I appreciate your input and feedback on the issues impacting our state and communities.

Due to election-year restrictions, legislators will not be able to send email updates or newsletters until the legislative session begins on Jan. 10. However, if you have any questions about this update, the upcoming session or state government-related matters, please do not hesitate to contact my office. I can still respond to direct communications such as email, mail, phone calls, etc.

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Cashmere Valley Bank Named One of the Top PPP Lenders for Chelan County

Several months of technical difficulties and bureaucratic juggling later, banks nationwide were able to deliver the third round of PPP loans for new and returning recipients, simultaneously forgiving loans from round one and two.

The question as to how PPP loans will be labelled on 2021 tax returns,

SBA spokesperson Garth MacDonald states "If small businesses meet specific criteria established for the program, their loans may be wholly or partially forgiven as part of the statutory guidelines for this pandemic relief SBA program."

Recently in Dec. of 2020, the CARES Act was amended to make business

expenses paid with forgiven PPP loans deductible. Insight into how PPP loans will be marked on this year's tax return remains to be a question for the IRS.

For more information on PPP loans, click on these links (<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program>, <https://data.sba.gov/dataset/ppp-foia>)



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Frazier Strutzel Presents His New Book “Anna Mehelich”

Read the story of Slovenian women pioneering their way through 19th century America

By Megan Sokol

Frazier Strutzel is typing away on his keyboard in the middle of the night. All of a sudden, it feels as if a warm hand is tenderly placed on his shoulder. He smiles knowing that his grandmother is watching him give her story life again.

“I wanted to tell her story,” Strutzel said. “She accomplished so much.”

For over 13 years, Strutzel has been writing and rewriting the story of his Slovenian grandmother Anna Mehelich (originally spelled Mihelich) and her sisters as they trek across the American west.

“She was held in high esteem by her daughter-in-laws and the rest

of the community of Monitor in the 40s. I remember a lot of people had a lot of respect for her in Monitor and Wenatchee, and Cashmere.”

The Mehelich family first arrived in New York before subsequently leaving for Northern Minnesota, moving to Butte, Montana in 1890, and then settled in Monitor, Washington in 1907.

“All immigrants I think, no matter what area of the world they come here from, probably can associate with a lot of what went on in the 1880s-90s, early 1900s, to become a part of what is now America.”

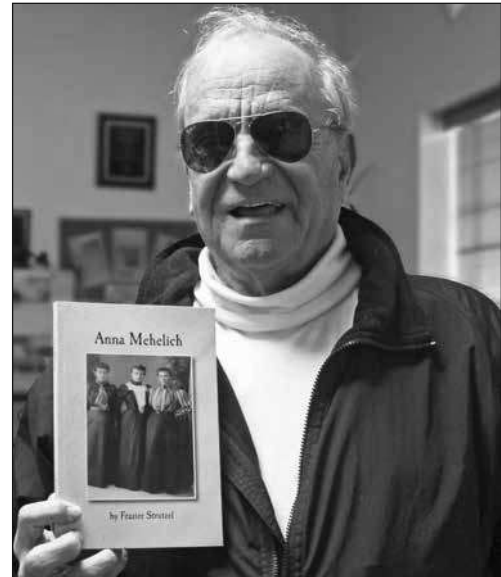
His book also captures the early history of Minnesota iron-mining

and Wenatchee orchard businesses in the early 20th century, with a particular focus on the Strutzel Orchard.

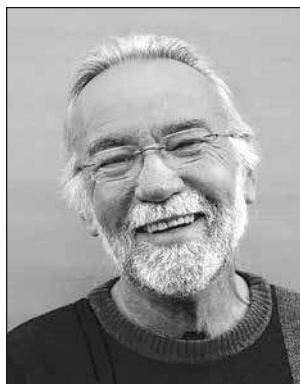
“Even though she was limited with her English, she ended up being the largest apple orchard owner from 1929-1939,” Strutzel remarked.

“The old saying was ‘the men who won the west,’ but in my opinion it was the women who won the west. They’re the ones who did the work, the work that counted for the civilization.”

For more information, check out his website at <https://www.annamehelich.com/>



Rod Molzahn: “What They Found”



Rod Molzahn

By Megan Sokol

Wenatchee-based storyteller and historian Rod Molzahn presents his new book “What They Found.”

His new book chronicles the North Central Washington region, spanning from the first discovery of people 13,000 years to the beginning of the 20th century.

Rod Molzahn has lived in the area for over 50 years and has been an avid historian for over 20 years.

“It’s nice to be called a historian. I’ve always considered myself a storyteller, and I can tell some stories about all kinds

of things and in this case it’s about the history of this area,” Molzahn said.

The book will cover regions running from the South Wenatchee Mountains all the way up to the Canadian border, across the western Cascade Crest, to the east of the Okanogan River.

“What They Found” will encapsulate the geological landscape of the region, the beginning of indigenous civilization, the fur trade, tribal wars, and gold-rush settlers.

“People say ‘where do you get all this stuff,’” he jokes and says “I just make it up. That’s not true, but it’s an easy answer.”

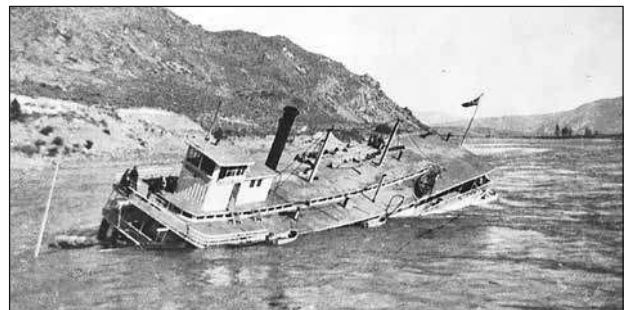
Initially, the book was meant to be based on Wenatchee Valley history. He concluded that that wasn’t feasible after reading and note-taking for almost a decade.

“I’d be working on something and say ‘oh, I’ve read something about that, now which of these 150 books is it in?’”

Molzahn hopes that his book will give better insight and respect to indigenous and first-nation history as he details pre-colonial history in North Central Washington.

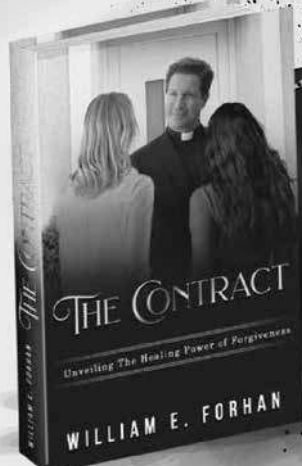
“We’re not alone, we all share a background and a history. All of the people, indigenous and white, who have and do live in North Central Washington. I thought it would be important to make that clear.”

You can find “What They Found” at A Book For All Seasons book store at 707 US Hwy. 2, Suite B, Leavenworth.



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Excerpt from
Chapter 1

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The Contract
A novel by local writer
William E. Forhan.

Most mothers can tell you the moment their child was born. It’s not the same for fathers. But I can tell you precisely the moment I met my daughters. It was 2:46 on a Sunday afternoon in October. I had rushed back from church and just sat down to watch the game of the week. My Denver Broncos were playing their most despised of opponents – the Oakland Raiders. My game was interrupted by a knock on my front door. My wife had taken our two sons to help her with grocery shopping. So I had to get up from my game to respond to that irritating knock. I opened the door to two attractive young women. They seemed surprised. “You’re a priest?” one queried.

In my rush to watch the game I had not removed my clerical collar. “Well, yes I am,” I responded. Fully expecting they were a couple of young evangelists looking to tell me about the gospel. There was a sudden and distinctly deafening pause. “Can I help you?” I finally said. They looked at each other. Then almost in unison burst out, “We think you’re our father!” In an instant twenty-three years of guilt and remorse overcame me. I could not help it. Tears poured out like a river. My heart began to pound and I could not hear a sound. We looked at each other for what seemed like an eternity. None of us knowing what to say next, but I knew in my heart they were correct.

Bill’s Book is now available online through Amazon.com, BarnesandNoble.com and Apple iBook. The paperback is \$16.99 and the ebook is \$8.99. Or you can order the book directly from Bill at The Leavenworth Echo (509-548-5286), the Lake Chelan Mirror (509-682-2213), or by emailing your contact information to Bill.Forhan@gmail.com. Orders placed directly with the author have the added advantage of being signed including a short message if you like. Sales tax applies and if you request mail delivery add \$3.00 for postage. There is no charge if your order is picked up at the Echo or Mirror office.

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