




COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEWSLETTER

Week of February 22 - 28

Newsletter Guide

Icon Key:

-  Asset Building Opportunity
-  New/Updated Resource
-  3-in-30 Survey

About Us

Community Resource Center

Available by phone
M-Th 9am-4pm, F 9am-12pm
360-734-5121 ext. 0

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RENTAL ASSISTANCE

As part of the second federal economic relief package, nearly \$6 million will be available to help Whatcom residents with rent and utility assistance. Assistance will be available at the Opportunity Council beginning in March. Landlords or tenants can call **360-746-3826** anytime to hear up-to-date Whatcom County rental assistance information in both English and Spanish. Beginning **Monday, March 1 at 8am**, tenants or landlords can leave a message on this line to receive a call back for an eligibility screening. As there are a limited number of appointments, **screening will occur in the order that voicemails are received.** More appointments will be available in subsequent months through the end of the year or until all funds have been distributed. People who apply for this assistance are encouraged to be **prepared with household income** in order to confirm eligibility. While either landlord or tenant can apply for this assistance, **we strongly encourage tenants to apply when possible** in order to expedite the process. Landlords applying on behalf of their tenants will be required



to leave **one voicemail per tenant or household seeking assistance.** Read more [here](#), and feel free to share [this flyer](#) with information in English, Spanish, and Russian.

FLARE

Financial Literacy and Renter's Education 

Registration is open for FLARE, an 8-week series on budgeting, credit, debt, savings, landlord/tenant law, and home energy saving tips presented by Opportunity Council and the Whatcom Asset Building Coalition. The course will be held virtually every Wednesday, 3/17 - 5/5 from 1 - 3pm. Students must attend all classes. Advance registration is required, and can be completed [online](#) or by phone: 360-734-5121 ext. 223. Please help us spread the word by sharing this [flyer](#) with anyone who may be interested in participating.

Resource Guides

Food and Meal Guide

whatcomabc.org/food-access

Homeless Housing Guide

whatcomabc.org/homeless-housing

2021 Tax Guide

whatcomabc.org/taxes

Housing Pool Information

[Informational Poster \(11x17\)](#)

Whatcom County COVID-19 Resources

Resources During COVID-19

whatcomabc.org/covid-19

Basic Food Updates

whatcomabc.org/bf-updates

Whatcom County Health Department

[Testing](#)

[Vaccine Information](#)

[Data Dashboard](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS BULLETINS

News, announcements, & community updates



- [Samish Commons pre-leasing for affordable housing units](#)
- [New informational flyer for LEAD program](#)
- [WCC Substance Use Disorder Professional program: applications for Fall 2021 cohort open 3/2](#)

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES



Medicare Cost Savings Webinar

3/3, 10 - 11am or 3/18, 12 - 1pm | [Webinar Registration](#)



Your Money, Your Goals Training Series

3/4 - 3/25, Thursdays 3 - 4:30pm | [Webinar Registration](#)

Promoting First Relationships for Pediatric Primary Care

4/13 & 15, 8 - 11:30am | [Webinar Details](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

GRACE & LEAD Programs - Sea Mar

[Administrative Assistant II](#)

Northwest Regional Council

[Multiple Openings](#)

Opportunity Council

[Multiple Openings](#)

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