







COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEWSLETTER

Week of Jan. 31 - Feb. 6

Newsletter Guide

Icon Key:

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

About Us

Community Resource Center

Available by phone
M-Th 9am-4pm, F 9am-12pm
360-734-5121 option 3

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EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

Eligible workers may get a larger tax refund this year because of the [Earned Income Tax Credit \(EITC\)](#), but must file a tax return and claim this credit in order to receive it. One in five eligible recipients miss out on the EITC every year because they do not file, or do not know they can claim it. Fortunately, it is easy to find out if you are eligible. Simply use the IRS [EITC Assistant](#) to determine whether you qualify, and receive an estimate of your credit amount. In general, workers who earned less than \$57,414 in 2021 and who have a qualifying child/children may be eligible for up to a \$6,728 credit. Workers without a qualifying child who earned under \$21,430 may qualify for a smaller credit up to \$1,502. Don't guess about EITC eligibility and miss out on money you have earned. Instead, use the [EITC Assistant](#) to find out if you qualify, and see what other tax credits are available to you.

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE IMPORTANT TAX INFO?

Visit whatcomabc.org/taxes for information about free tax prep assistance, important filing information, tax credits, and more. We are still in the process of updating this page for the 2022 tax season, but will continue to add the most up to date information as we receive it.

Helping Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

OBTAIN ID DOCUMENTS

The [Homeless and Housing Resource Center](#) has developed a new toolkit on how to help individuals experiencing homelessness obtain identification documents. This resource is intended for service providers who are looking to guide their clients through the process of obtaining the "Big Five" forms of identification: birth certificate, state-issued ID, Social Security card, DD214, and Green Card. The toolkit is available in English or Spanish [here](#). A webinar recording with additional information will be available [here](#) soon.

Resource Guides

Community Resource Library
whatcomabc.org/library

Food and Meal Guide
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Homeless Housing Guide
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Clothing Resource Guide
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Hygiene Guide
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Whatcom County COVID-19 Resources

Resources During COVID-19
whatcomabc.org/covid-19

Health Department Info
[COVID-19 Information](#)

Eviction Prevention Info
[English](#) | [Spanish](#) | [Russian](#) |
[Punjabi](#) | [Vietnamese](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS BULLETINS

News, announcements, & community updates

- [DSHS received approval to provide extra food benefits up to the maximum allowed for each household for February 2022](#)
- [Register now for Whatcom Dream's upcoming free financial literacy courses for adults and teens](#)

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

3-Part Learning Community: Supportive Housing Models That Work
2/24, 3/23, and 4/27 11:30am - 1pm | [Series Information](#)

2022 Washington State Nonprofit Conference
5/18 - 5/20 | [Registration now open](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cascade Connections: [Multiple Openings](#)

Lydia Place: [Multiple Openings](#)

Northwest Regional Council: [Multiple Openings](#)

Opportunity Council: [Community Services, Early Learning, Facilities, and Housing Programs](#)

Unity Care Northwest: [Multiple Openings](#)

Whatcom Council on Aging: [Lead Cook \(Meals on Wheels & More\)](#)

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