

COMMUNITY RESOURCE NEWSLETTER

Week of March 25 - 31



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About Us

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M-F 9am-4pm

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MARCH CRN MEETING NOTES

At this month's CRN Meeting we heard from Ferndale Community Services about the great work they are doing to help their community through programs like the Community Resource Center, Bridge 2 Services, the severe weather shelter, community garden, and more. We also heard from Opportunity Council staff about the application process and benefits of Basic Food. View the meeting notes and the slides from that presentation below.

We also had the opportunity to receive important announcements and updates from Whatcom Literacy Council, Whatcom County Health and Community Services, Brigid Collins, Opportunity Council's Homeless Prevention, EcSA, and Head Start programs, FuturesNW, World Relief, Allied Arts, and Bellingham Public Library. These updates can also be found in the notes below.

March CRN Meeting Notes

THE WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT

Eligible taxpayers can get up to \$1255 back

The Working Families Tax Credit is a tax refund that helps Washington workers get more money back at tax time. The refund returns a portion of sales tax paid each year and is modeled after the federal Earned Income Tax Credit. The credit program is managed by Washington State Department of Revenue. Potential applicants can use this tool to check if they qualify. Applications can be submitted online, via paper application at a DOR field office, or through a third party tax preparer.

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

SNAP Brochure <u>English</u> | <u>Spanish</u> | <u>Russian</u>

NEW

Resource Directory

A community designed website for human services & resources in Whatcom County:

whatcomresources.org

Find the resources and information you need. Get connected to social, health and human services in Whatcom County.

A PROJECT OF WHATCOM RESOURCE INFORMATION COLLABORATIVE (WRIC)

COMMUNITY NEWS BULLETINS

News, announcements, & updates

- <u>Financial literacy program EcSA is open for enrollment</u>
- <u>Upcoming April dates for Access ID clinic</u>
- Bellingham Public Library Learning Together Forum series
- Whatcom Landlords & Housing Professionals Spring Learning Series

PROVIDER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Learn how the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act works with the Social Security Administration (SSA)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cascade Connections: Multiple Openings

Catholic Community Services: Multiple Openings

DVSAS: <u>Prevention Education and Advocacy Coordinator</u> FuturesNW: <u>Pathways Exploration Program Coordinator</u>

Lake Whatcom Center: <u>Multiple Openings</u> Lifeline Connections: <u>Multiple Openings</u>

Northwest Regional Council: <u>Multiple Openings</u>
Northwest Workforce Council: <u>Multiple Openings</u>
Northwest Youth Services: <u>Multiple Openings</u>
Opportunity Council: <u>Multiple Openings</u>

SeaMar: Registered Nurse for MSS

Unity Care Northwest: Multiple Openings

