

Kittitas County Homeless and Affordable Housing Committee  
205 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ellensburg, WA 98926

August 2, 2011

Nancy Goodloe,  
Chair

Mr. Paul Jewell, Chairperson  
Kittitas County Board of Commissioners  
205 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Sarah Bedsaul,  
County Representative

Dear Mr. Chair:

Kelly Thielen  
Member at Large

At the regular monthly meeting of the Homeless and Affordable Housing Committee, we received a report from and recommendation for the 24/7 Emergency Housing Hotline after one year of service in our county.

David Miller,  
City of Ellensburg  
Representative

The report is summarized below:

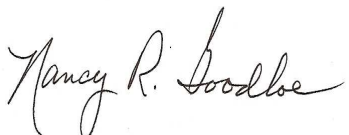
Cathy Bambrick  
Community  
Representative

1. Nineteen families/individuals were served by the program. A total of 39 contacts were received.
2. Request to continue the service for another year.
2. Proposal for the Housing Authority staff to share the after hours calls and not contract with the Seattle Crisis Center for this service in year 2.
3. Request to allow Housing Authority staff to extend motel vouchers up to 10 days in special circumstances where referring agency staff is not available (holidays) and/or circumstances where the first three days on the voucher are over the weekend when service agencies are not available.
4. Statement of work to include collection of outcome data.
5. Total budget request for year 2 is \$13,700; \$5700 for administration and \$8000 for vouchers. This amount is approximately one-half of what was budgeted for year 1 and only slightly larger than what was actually used in year 1 (see supporting documents).

The Committee thoroughly discussed the proposal with Mr. Rowe and is unanimous in its recommendation that the program be extended for another year. We believe that the conversations we are having in the network meetings will provide extensive visibility to this service and that there will be more demand for the service in this next year.

We appreciate your consideration of this recommendation.

Cordially,



Nancy R. Goodloe, ED.D.  
Chair, Kittitas County Homeless and Affordable Housing Committee

Attachments: Proposal letter, contract

Cc Committee members