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July 21, 2015

Sheriff Gene Dana  
Kittitas County Sheriff's Office  
307 W. Umptanum Road  
Ellensburg, WA 98926-6720

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Dear Sheriff Gene Dana:

KITTITAS COUNTY SHERIFF

The Washington State Legislature allocated \$10 million dollars over the 2015-2017 biennium for the Registered Sex Offender Address Verification Program. This year, local agencies will receive \$4.91 million dollars to conduct face-to-face address verifications for registered sex and kidnapping offenders as directed by RCW 9A.44.130.

I am pleased to inform you that the **Kittitas County Sheriff's Office** will receive **\$69,000.00** for the Registered Sex Offender Address Verification Program. The grant cycle will follow the state fiscal year, starting July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016. Quarterly grant reports are due on October 10, 2015, January 10, 2016, April 10, 2016, and July 10, 2016. Quarterly grant reports are to be completed electronically and will be emailed to RSO Coordinators. Reports must be received by WASPC prior to grant payments being issued to your agency.

Address verification funds are designed to support all aspects of Registered Sex Offender Address Verification. Most importantly, funds are required to be used for face-to-face verification a sex offender's address at the place of residency.

- For Level I Offenders—Face-to-Face Address Verification will occur once every twelve months
- For Level II Offenders—Face-to-Face Address Verification will occur once every six months
- For Level III Offenders—Face-to-Face Address Verification will occur once every three months

For the purposes of this grant, unclassified offenders and kidnapping offenders are considered level I offenders, unless the local jurisdiction sets a higher classification in the interest of public safety.

Additionally, funding from this program will be used to send at least one staff person to at least one OffenderWatch User Group meeting and/or the RSO Coordinator Conference (October 5-7, 2015). Address verification data must be entered into the statewide sex offender database, OffenderWatch.

Please review the attached interagency agreement and return to the WASPC Office ASAP. If you have any questions please contact Jamie Yoder at (360) 486-2419 or [jyoder@waspc.org](mailto:jyoder@waspc.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mitch Barker".

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