

**United Way
of Whatcom County**



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2008 PARTNER AGENCY DESCRIPTIONS

American Red Cross

(360) 733-3290

2111 King Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.mtbredcross.org

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Humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

The Arc of Whatcom County

(360) 715-0170

2602 McLeod Road
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.arcwhatcom.org

Susan Jewell
Executive Director
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Provides information, referrals, educational programs and advocacy for persons with developmental disabilities, their families and the organizations that serve them.

Bellingham Childcare and Learning Center

(360) 676-0950

2600 Squalicum Parkway
Bellingham, WA 98225

Karen Ekdahl
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In partnership with the community, BCLC provides the highest standard and most affordable childcare for low-to-moderate income families assisting them to become self-sufficient.

Bellingham Food Bank

1824 Ellis St.
Bellingham, WA 98225

Mike Cohen
Executive Director
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The Bellingham Food Bank, Whatcom County's largest emergency food provider, provides free groceries to Bellingham's hungry families and distributes food to small, rural food banks throughout the county.

Bellingham Mountain Rescue

(360) 756-5749

PO Box 292
Bellingham, WA 98227

Justin Mitchell
President
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Provides equipped and trained personnel to assist skiers, hikers, and climbers in trouble in the mountains and other terrain.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Washington

(360) 671-6400

1609 Broadway, Suite 203

Bellingham, WA 98225

www.bbbs-nw.org

Rex Dudley

Executive Director

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One-to-One mentoring programs that improve the quality of life of children by building and supporting relationships between children and positive role models.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Whatcom County

(360) 738-3808

1715 Kentucky Street

Bellingham, WA 98229

www.whatcomclubs.org

Lynn Templeton

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To inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential. Clubs are located in Bellingham, Ferndale, Lummi Island, Blaine and Lynden.

Brigid Collins Family Support Center

(360) 734-4616

1231 North Garden #200

Bellingham, WA 98227

www.brigidcollins.org

Byron Manering

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Building strong and healthy families to break the cycle of child abuse in Whatcom County. Free family support services to prevent, educate, and heal.

Camp Fire, USA Samish Council

(360) 733-5710

2217 Woburn Street

Bellingham, WA 98229

www.campfiresamishcouncil.org

Erin Baldwin

Executive Director

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Camp Fire USA builds caring, confident youth and future leaders. Camp Fire USA is inclusive, welcoming children, youth and adults regardless of race, religion, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation or other aspect of diversity. Camp Fire USA serves youth ages 6-17 through our club programs, camping programs and environmental education programs.

Catholic Community Services NW

(360) 676-2164

1133 Railroad Avenue #100

Bellingham, WA 98225

www.ccsww.org

Rod Elin

Regional Chief of Operations

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Provides mental health and social service for children and families with limited or no means to reduce dysfunctions and enhance strengths and coping skills.

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services of Whatcom County

(360) 671-5714

1407 Commercial

Bellingham, WA 98225

www.dvsas.org

Karen Burke

Executive Director

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Provides crisis intervention, support and advocacy to victims of domestic and sexual abuse and provides prevention education to middle and high school students.

Evergreen AIDS Foundation

(360) 671-0703

1509 Cornwall Avenue

Bellingham, WA 98225

www.evergreenaids.org

Ed Wilhoite

Executive Director

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Serves people affected by HIV/AIDS by providing case management, financial assistance, community education, treatment adherence support, outreach and prevention education.

Girl Scouts of Western Washington

P.O. Box 5104
Bellingham, WA 98227
www.girlscoutstotem.org

Provides all girls ages 5-17 with enriching experiences so they acquire the confidence, determination, and decision-making skills to address the critical issues they face in life.

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Carole Osier, Regional Director
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GRADS Teen Parent Program

2015 Franklin Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
<http://wwwopt.bham.wednet.edu/grads/>

Graduation, Reality, and Dual-Role Skills (GRADS) is an in-school Family and Consumer Sciences instructional and intervention program for pregnant and parenting adolescents. This program falls under the Career and Technical Education umbrella and is linked to Options High School for professional development, supervision, and support. The mission is to promote personal growth, educational competence, and economic self-sufficiency as socially responsible members of society.

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Principal
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Health Support Center

1212 Indian St. PO Box 4124
Bellingham, WA 98227
<http://www.healthsupportcenter.org>

Provides educational, emotional, and technical assistance for persons with health or disability related needs including advocacy through self-help support groups.

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Interfaith Community Health Center

220 Unity Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.interfaithchc.org

Provides high quality primary medical, behavioral health and dental care to the citizens of Whatcom County regardless of their ability to pay.

Rebecca Johnson (360) 676-6177
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Lifetime Advocacy Plus (Affiliate Agency)

11000 Lake City Way NE Suite 401
Seattle, WA 98125-6748
www.laplus.org

Lifetime Advocacy Plus mission: to enhance the lives and protect the rights of people with disabilities by providing guardianship, personal and financial services.

Elizabeth Lindley (206) 367-8055
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Lydia Place

P.O. Box 28487
Bellingham, WA 98228

Provides for a 6-months transitional housing program for homeless women and children, providing tools for living skills needed to attain self-sufficiency.

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Max Higbee Center

(360) 733-1828

315 Halleck Street
Bellingham, WA 98225

April McMurry
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Assists adults with developmental disabilities to integrate into their community through recreational and socialization opportunities.

Mother Baby Center

(360) 647-1544

851 Coho Way, Ste. 301
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.motherbabycenter.org

Provides health care and support services for pregnant and postpartum women. The results are fewer deaths and healthier babies.

Northwest Youth Services

(360) 734-9862

1020 N. State St. PO Box 5447
Bellingham, WA 98227
www.northwestyouthservices.org

Anne Larson
Executive Director
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Provides counseling, foster care, and community-based services for at-risk youth and serving as a resource for families in times of stress and transition.

Opportunity Council

(360) 734-5121

1111 Cornwall, Suite C
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.opcco.org

Dave Finet
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Creating positive change and increased self-sufficiency for low and fixed income people. Services include: housing, food, shelter, childcare, Head Start, information and referral.

Salvation Army

(360) 733-1410

2912 Northwest Avenue
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.usw.salvationarmy.org

Major Ken Dove
Commanding Officer
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Assistance to families and individuals in emergency situations, which require food, clothing, and household items, furniture, occasional rental and utilities assistance; recreation: adult social/spiritual activities; youth camp program; Christmas food and gifts; and disaster assistance.

Sean Humphrey House

1630 H Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.seanhumphreyhouse.org

Cassie Hernandez
Executive Director
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(360)733-0176

Mission is to optimize the quality of life for low-income individuals living with *HIV/AIDS*, who may also suffer from other diseases and disabilities, and who are unable to live independently. One of the few Adult Family Homes licensed by the State of Washington to provide a residence, meals, medical management services, counseling, recreational activities, and other support to individuals living with *HIV/AIDS*.

Sun Community Service

(360) 392-1324

515 East Chestnut
Bellingham, WA 98225

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Provides temporary transitional living and care management for adults with chronic mental illness.

Visiting Nurse Home Care

(360) 734-9662

600 Birchwood Ave, Ste. 100
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.vnhomecare.org

Terri Briant Booth
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Provides in-home care (including personal care, transportation, meal preparation, and skilled nursing) for elderly and disabled people in Whatcom, Skagit, and Island Counties.

Whatcom Center for Early Learning

(360) 671-3660

2001 "H" Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.wcel.net

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Maximizes the potential of each child by providing early support services including: speech and physical therapy in the family's home; information, referral and advocacy resources for families of children with autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, developmental delays or medical needs.

Whatcom Council on Aging (Affiliate Agency)

(360) 733-4030

315 Halleck Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.wccoa.org

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Senior Services provides nutrition, congregate and home delivered meals, well adult clinics, and senior community services for developmentally disabled adults.

Whatcom Counseling & Psychiatric Clinic

(360) 676-2220

3645 East McLeod Road
Bellingham, WA 98226
www.whatcomcounseling.org

Andy Byrne
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All donations to WCPC support Rainbow Center, the Clinic's consumer operated clubhouse and drop-in facility in downtown Bellingham, where mentally ill adults can get a meal and a shower, meet peers, develop vocational skills, and work toward recovery.

Whatcom Literacy Council

(360) 647-3264

2205 Elm St. PO Box 1292
Bellingham, WA 98225 Bellingham, WA 98227
www.whatcomliteracy.org

Rachel Myers
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Recruits, and trains volunteers to teach illiterate adults to read and write. The Council also recruits and trains volunteers to tutor English as a second language. Adults who need help are given free assessment and tutoring service.

Whatcom Volunteer Center

(360) 734-3055

725 N. State St.
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.whatcomvolunteer.org

Sue Ellen Heflin
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One-stop center linking people of all ages who want to contribute their talent and time to directly assist 350 organizations in meeting community needs.

Womencare Shelter and Domestic Violence Services

(360) 671-8539

4140 Meridian Street, Suite 210
Bellingham, WA 98226
www.womencareshelter.org

Kirsten Hammer
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Providing confidential, emergency shelter, a 24-hour domestic violence Helpline, crisis intervention and support services for victims of domestic violence and their children since 1979. Womencare promotes a community response to domestic violence through outreach and education.

Whatcom Family YMCA

(360) 733-8630

1256 North State
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.whatcomymca.org

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Creates opportunities for all incomes, ages and abilities to develop values and behavior consistent with Christian principles through programs in safe, caring, community-based environments.

YWCA

(360) 734-4820

1026 North Forest
Bellingham, WA 98225
www.ywcabellingham.org

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Women's membership organization, providing emergency and transitional housing for low-income women; support services for transition to permanent housing and work; educational programs for all women and girls in areas of personal growth, health, financial skills and community involvement.