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MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 411 NORTH 5TH ST SHELTON, WA 98584

TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

RE: Seeking members for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Advisory Committee

The Mason County Commissioners are seeking volunteers to serve on the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Advisory Committee. The Committee reviews data and programs, and makes recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners annually on the use of the funds collected from the 1/10th of 1% sales tax imposed for mental health, substance abuse and therapeutic courts pursuant to RCW 82.14.460. The Committee also provides oversight in the prioritization, selection and evaluation of programs or services funded by sales tax revenue and prepares periodic reports to the community on how the funds are spent and the outcomes of those expenditures.

Meetings of the Advisory Committee are open to the public and are held the fourth Thursday of each month from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Mason County Health and Human Services Department at 415 N. 6th Street, Shelton, WA.

If you are interested in serving on the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Advisory Committee, please complete the county application which can be found on the Mason County Website. On the Mason County Home Page, click on "Advisory Committees" in the left column and then click on "advisory board form". Please submit completed form to the Mason County Commissioners at 411 North 5th Street, Shelton, WA 98584 by March 6, 2015.

For questions, please contact Vicki Kirkpatrick, 360-427-9670, Ext. 260; 360-275-4467, Ext. 260 from Belfair; or 360-482-5269. Ext. 260 from Elma. Or email: vickik@co.mason.wa.us

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