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FIRST QUARTER HOME MONITORING SUMMARY REPORT: (FEBRUARY 23, 2016 THROUGH MAY 2016)

The City of Bellingham has just completed the first quarter of electric home monitoring through our contracted provider, Friendship Diversion Services. This program was implemented as a part of BRIC, (Bellingham's Reduction Incarceration Challenge), to help address the request from the Whatcom County Sheriff to reduce the City of Bellingham's inmate population in the Whatcom County jail.

The City has granted **85** defendants Home Detention Orders since the City began using Friendship Diversion Services in late February. The total of their sentenced days to serve was **1,376** that most likely would have been served in Whatcom County Jail.

Since inception, **48** defendants have completed serving their sentences successfully for a total of **384** days served. The cost to the City of Bellingham has been **\$1,473.82**. Had these defendants completed these sentences at Whatcom County Jail the cost would have been **\$40,272.00**.

The court has been having defendants who are incarcerated screened prior to arraignment so that if they are sentenced, the Judicial Officer will know if they are eligible to be placed on electronic monitoring. Of the **284** defendants who were screened during this quarter, **118** were found eligible to serve any sentence they may receive on their current charge(s) on electronic monitoring.

Two defendants are currently being monitored electronically while on Pre-trial status.

Thank you,
Darlene L. Peterson