Manager’s Comments

Since the 2010 inception of programs supported by these local funds, we have served over 9,000 Whatcom County residents! Federal and State funding cuts to Behavioral Health programs continue to challenge our planning strategies. Nevertheless, we have been successful in growing our services to meet the needs of our residents. This past year has seen the advent of new programs listed in our highlights section of this report. We are grateful for the opportunity afforded by these local funds to provide critical services regardless of one’s ability to pay.

Guiding Principles

- Delivering Cost Effective Programs and Services
- Blending Funding with Other Resources
- Promoting Quality Programs and Services

People Served by Program Area
(for individual client services)

Highlights of 2012:

- Community-wide events have provided education and support to more than 2700 people
- Returned more than $500,000 to our fund due to collaborative funding and reduced expenses
- Expanded the network of Mental Health Professionals who provide free treatment services through our Behavioral Health Access Program
- Implemented a new treatment program to address the alarming rise in heroin addiction
- Increased housing support services to previously homeless people living with mental illness
- Initiated projects for integration of behavioral health services with general medical care

Service Expenditures for 2012

*Based on $2,484,300. See back for budget details.

VISION AND GOALS

Develop a comprehensive infrastructure of behavioral health care that will:

1. Provide effective recovery-oriented services that mitigate the need for citizens to default to utilization of the emergency room, hospital beds and the county jail.

2. Provide access and availability for intervention and treatment services to citizens who may have no funding support that affords independent access.

3. Promote the provision of services in natural environments in order to reduce the incidence and severity of chemical dependency and mental and emotional disorders of our citizens.

4. Provide interventions that divert mentally ill and chemically dependent citizens from the criminal justice system to more appropriate options of care.
### Behavioral Health Sales Tax Fund Annual Report

**Fund Activity—For the year ending December 31, 2012**

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**Expenditures**

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Net increase in Fund Balance: $558,481

Beginning fund balance 1/1/12: $4,616,786

Ending fund balance 12/31/12: $5,175,267

Committed funds:

- Triage Facility: $3,000,000
- Healthcare Reform - BH Primary Care integration: $450,000
- Housing Support Services: $300,000
- **Total all committed funds**: $3,750,000

Unencumbered fund balance at 12/31/12: $1,425,267

*Supplemented amount for 2012 was $202,665 for medication & Jail Psychiatry services

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**PITA Continuum**

The PITA Model continues to serve as the framework for creating a comprehensive foundation for service-delivery.

- **Prevention**
  - Community Education/Support
  - Training/Consultation

- **Intervention**
  - Behavioral Health School Programs
  - Crisis Stabilization/Triage Facility

- **Treatment**
  - Adult Court Services
  - Jail Services
  - Community Treatment
  - Juvenile Court Services
  - Housing Support Services
  - Recovery Support Services

- **Aftercare**

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*“It’s easier to build a child than mend an adult”*