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Sent: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 2:33 PM
To: Cathy Halka <CHalka@co.whatcom.wa.us>
Subject: Re: Feedback on Draft Report by Dec 6 - Justice Project

Hi Cathy,

Thank you for putting this together. This draft does seem like it accurately conveys most of what was discussed in the SAC meetings. However, I'm not sure how to address this, but I am in disagreement with some of the foundational conclusions the committee seems to have come to. Primarily, I do not support the construction of a new jail unless it is the same size or smaller than our current jail. As my name will be on this assessment, I would like to have my dissent expressed somehow. I understand that the SAC will never be unanimous about every single thing and not every disagreement can be addressed, but since this is such a fundamental issue I hope there's a way it can be addressed. I am very much not ok with my name being on something in such a way that it is implied I support the construction of a new and larger jail.

I'm sorry if this is something I should have brought to you sooner. This is my first time being involved with this type of committee and I felt a bit railroaded by the process, honestly.

Thank you,

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Date: Friday, December 2, 2022 at 5:59 PM
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Dear Stakeholder Advisory Committee Members,

We are now at the stage in our process of reviewing the **attached DRAFT Needs Assessment** as a whole, and **refining** the Assessment in light of additional data and input that can help inform our work. That includes the input from the [Town Hall Meeting](#), and the results of the **Surveys of Jail Inmates and Jail Staff** (attached).

Also attached is information about **Re-entry Services** which Jackie Mitchell put together for us in response to the questions people asked at our November SAC Meeting.

Our hope is that SAC Members review these documents and provide initial feedback on the DRAFT Needs Assessment **by end of day Dec. 6th** (*we've extended the timeline*). When you read through the DRAFT Needs Assessment, consider **what is missing or inaccurate**. Please pay special attention to the Needs & Recommendations charts, which have been reorganized and revised to reflect your input. Email any comments to: sac@co.whatcom.wa.us.

Thank you!
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