

FORMAL RECOMMENDATION AND CONCLUSION OF THE WHATCOM COUNTY JAIL  
PLANNING TASK FORCE

RECOMMENDATION #1: THE NEED FOR A NEW JAIL FACILITY IN WHATCOM  
COUNTY

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The Whatcom County Jail Planning Task Force Has Formally Adopted the Following  
Recommendation to the Whatcom County Council:

Due to inadequate existing conditions of the physical plant, life safety concerns and overcrowding, significant and urgent improvements are needed to current adult correctional facilities, including the physical plant, programming, and alternatives-to-incarceration. These changes are needed in order to provide safe and cost-effective criminal justice solutions for our community.