

## **Additional Information for Applying to the Child and Family Well-Being Task Force**

Thank you for your interest in serving Whatcom young children and their families as a member of the Child and Family Well-Being Task Force! This role will include meetings twice a month with other Task Force members. The goal of the task force is to identify ways that the Whatcom County government can better meet the needs of young children and families, with particular attention to low income and BIPOC<sup>1</sup> families. This document contains some tips and advice as to how to complete the application.

You can submit the form either online at [this link](#), or through [this PDF](#) which you can print (feel free to attach additional pages to fill out the question portion). Official information about the task force can be found [here](#). If you choose to print the application and fill it out by hand, please mail it to the County Council Office at:

County Council Office  
311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105  
Bellingham WA 98225.

While you are not required to fill out every question on the application, it is a requirement that to serve on a task force you be a U.S. citizen and a registered voter. You can register to vote [here](#). For the opening section, if you do not have a permanent address you are welcome to list a cross street near where you currently reside. You will need access to the internet to participate in task force meetings, and about two hours of reading between each meeting will be expected of all task force members. For point 4, you can find what Council district you live in [here](#).

You can attach any information that may be helpful or speak to relevant past experience, including a resume. Formal experience or education is not required to apply. Lived experience with issues that affect Whatcom children and families such as accessing childcare, housing, and healthcare are valued forms of expertise.

If you need any accessibility accommodations to be able to participate on the task force, including language translation or interpretation, please note that on your application and we will work with you to meet those needs. We encourage everyone who is interested to apply!

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<sup>1</sup> BIPOC stands for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color