

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 25-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL HONORING THE STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS OF COLD WEATHER SHELTERS IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

WHEREAS, Snohomish County is committed to fostering a compassionate and supportive community, ensuring that all residents have access to essential services, particularly during times of extreme weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, cold weather shelters in Snohomish County provide a vital service to those experiencing homelessness by offering a safe and warm refuge during the coldest months of the year; and

WHEREAS, the shelters rely on the selfless dedication and tireless efforts of its staff and volunteers who embody the spirit of community and public service, who generously give their time, energy, and resources to serve those in need; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers and staff coordinate shelter operations, provide meals, offer comfort and support, and ensure a welcoming and secure environment for individuals and families facing hardship which strengthens the fabric of our community, inspiring others to engage in service and outreach; and

WHEREAS, the cold weather shelters were open 34 out of 35 nights during the cold stretch lasting from January 11 through February 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County Council recognizes the following cold weather shelters throughout Snohomish County:

Everett Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Everett Gospel Mission Host Location: United Church of Christ

East Everett Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Volunteers of America Host Location: Our Lady of Hope

Everett Family Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Everett Gospel Mission Host Location: Women and Children's Shelter Marysville Cold Weather Shelter Agency: LINC NW Host Location: Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Monroe Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Volunteers of America Host Location: United in Grace Church

Snohomish Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Volunteers of America Host Location: Snohomish Evangelical Free Church

Lynnwood Cold Weather Shelter Agency: Volunteers of America Host Location: Maple Park Church

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council hereby recognizes and honors the staff and volunteers of our cold weather shelters for their outstanding dedication, compassion, and invaluable contributions to the well-being of our community. The Council extends its deepest gratitude and encourages continued support for their efforts to provide shelter and care to those in need.

APPROVED this 8th day of April 2025.

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