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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

RE: Washington State Reduction in Underage Drinking (RUAD) program

Mason County and the Mason County Drug Abuse Prevention organization (MCDAP),
through funding provided by the Federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency,
have agreed to enter into a contract whereby the Mason County Juvenile Court will
provide educational programming and services as part of the Washington State
Reduction in Underage Drinking (RUAD) program. The amount of funding provided to
the county will be a maximum of \$10,000.

The primary goal will be a youth-oriented victim impact panel. The intent of the program is to engage youth and families throughout Mason County with educational information that will be presented in a compelling way, with the intent of reducing underage drinking.

If there are any questions, please contact Bob Sauerlender, Probation Services, 427-9670, ext. 247.

Ron Henrickson, Mason County Administrator