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Transition Resource Fair for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their Families on March 21

*Twenty-Third Annual Fair Helps Individuals and Families Connect to Resources to Support Long-Term Career
and Employment Goals*

*Available Resources Include Employment, Advocacy, Housing, Transportation, Guardianship, and Leadership
Opportunities*

SNOHOMISH COUNTY, Wash., March 15, 2023 – Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers today announced that the 23rd annual Transition Resource Fair will take place Tuesday, March 21, 2023 from 4:00 – 8:30 p.m. at Cascade High School (801 E. Casino Road, Everett, WA 98203). The Transition Resource Fair is convened by the Snohomish County Developmental Disabilities Program and will be in-person for the first time since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. It's a free community event that welcomes individuals with developmental disabilities (ages 12 and older), their families, caregivers, teachers, employees, and other interested community members.

"The Transition Resource Fair is a vital community event that connects individuals with resources to help those with developmental disabilities and their families thrive," said Executive Somers. "I'm thrilled that this event can be back in-person to help build lasting relationships between students, their families, and our broader community. I'm grateful to our County team and community partners for their ongoing work to support all of our neighbors."

The Transition Resource Fair takes place during Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, and the event celebrates the accomplishments of individuals with developmental disabilities and creates connections to community resources.

The Fair includes 50 resource tables staffed by a variety of community agencies that provide information on resources including employment, advocacy, assistive technology, housing, transportation, guardianship, leadership opportunities, and trusts. Free workshops are offered between 4:00 and 8:30 p.m. on topics including assistance for students in obtaining employment, transportation, affordable housing, guardianship and alternatives, among many others.

"The resource fair provides an opportunity for individuals with developmental disabilities to meet in person and connect with community resources that are key to their success. Individuals will leave the fair with information and connections that will help them navigate systems, build new relationships and take next steps," said Tamra Bradford, Human Services Specialist for Developmental Disabilities.

The 23rd annual Transition Resource Fair will take place Tuesday, March 21, from 4 – 8:30 p.m. at Cascade High School (801 East Casino Road, Everett, WA 98203). Anyone with questions can reach out to the County directly at DDinfo@snoco.org. More information is available in the attached flyer.

The Snohomish County Human Services Department helps all persons meet their basic needs and develop their potential by providing timely, effective human services and building community. Find more information on the department's work at <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/191/Human-Services>.

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