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BMAC Statement on Federal Government Shutdown

WALLA WALLA, WA, October 1, 2025 – As the federally designated Community Action Agency for Walla Walla, Columbia, and Garfield Counties, Blue Mountain Action Council's (BMAC) brings federal funding back into our community to invest in locally-designed responses to fighting poverty. Though BMAC receives 60% of its operating budget from federal sources, BMAC is not changing staffing or services at this time.

“While the government shutdown creates uncertainty, our commitment to serving our neighbors is unwavering,” said BMAC CEO, Danielle Garbe Reser. “BMAC will do everything we can to ensure families and individuals continue receiving the assistance they need in these challenging times.”

BMAC partners with our neighbors on their path to hope and opportunity, working to build stronger futures for individuals, families, and our community. BMAC provides a hand up to our neighbors in need with access to food, job training, housing resources, energy bill assistance and other supports that move individuals from crisis to stability and thriving.

Government contracts are run on a reimbursement basis, so a prolonged shutdown with delays in reimbursement payments may lead to program changes. BMAC will continue to monitor developments and keep our community informed as the situation unfolds.

For further updates or to learn more about BMAC programs, please visit our website: www.bmacww.org.

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