



# MEMORANDUM

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**Phone:** 425-452-2824

**Date:** June 30, 2010

**To:** Parks & Community Services Board

**From:** Alex O'Reilly, Human Services Planner

**Subject:** 2009-2010 Human Services Needs Update  
*(Information only; no Board action requested.)*

Every two years, the Human Services Division staff prepares a comprehensive needs assessment, *The Bellevue Human Services Needs Update*, that presents a snapshot of the key health and human services issues and trends in Bellevue, and also references relevant regional, county, state and national data. This report, sponsored by the Human Services Commission, is used by Commissioners as information when they review requests for funding from both the city's general fund as well as federal Community Development Block Grant. It also helps staff to focus their activities over the next two years on key areas of focus, such as involvement in sub-regional committees or partnerships. In addition, the report is used extensively by human services agencies in grant writing, and by community groups and other city departments for planning purposes. Especially now during this tumultuous economic time, when so many Bellevue residents have been affected by the recession, it is particularly important to track these key trends and issues so we can be strategic and timely in offering help.

The 2009-2010 report was presented to the City Council in January, and I am pleased to present a brief summary of the findings at your July 13th meeting. Included in your packet is a copy of the report's Overview for your review. I will have copies of the full report for anyone who would like one at the meeting. The full report is also available on the city's website:  
[http://bellevuewa.gov/humanservices\\_needs\\_update.htm](http://bellevuewa.gov/humanservices_needs_update.htm)

If you have any questions before July 13th, please feel free to contact me at 425-452-2824 or via email at [aoreilly@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:aoreilly@bellevuewa.gov).

