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20120418 Woodland Earns 2012 Well City Award

The **City of Woodland** has earned the 2012 Well City Award from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Employee Benefit Trust, one of 84 cities receiving the award. The award is based on meeting stringent best practice standards in employee health promotion.

“Congratulations to our WELLNESS TEAM, headed by Lori Cash, our Wellness Coordinator/Clerk III for the City, on achieving the 2011-2012 AWC Well City Award of Commitment. Also, a THANK YOU to our employees who participate and to our Elected Officials for supporting the Wellness Program. Woodland will be recognized at AWC’s Annual Conference in June. The city will receive a 2% premium discount on our Jan-Dec 2013 AWC medical premiums, which in turn lowers the cost to the city and to employees.” said Mari Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer.

Award recipients receive a 2% premium discount on their Regence BlueShield or Asuris Northwest Health medical coverage for employees & spouses in 2013, and while significant in today’s economy, WellCities see reductions in the costs of sick days, disability, health care claim costs and workers’ comp. Employees are more productive, have higher morale, better quality of life and serve our citizens to their full potential.

Founded in 1933, the Association of Washington Cities is a private, non-profit, non-partisan corporation that provides legislative representation, educational training, technical assistance, municipal liability insurance, health insurance and other services to Washington’s cities and towns.

AWC’s Employee Benefit Trust provides health benefits to over 15,000 city employees in Washington.

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