SAFE SPACES
A Place Where Your Voice Matters and is Heard
Provided by the Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center

WHAT IT IS...
Safe Spaces provides a safe, alternative access route for community members who want to make a complaint regarding the City of Bellingham or their experience within the City but feel unable or unwilling to bring their complaint directly to the City.

The program is intended to supplement, not replace, the existing complaint programs within the City departments.

WHEN TO USE IT...
If you want to make a complaint but do not want to go to the City directly, you can use Safe Spaces. A staff member will capture your concerns through active listening, documentation, and referral.

You may choose to remain anonymous when using Safe Spaces.

HOW TO SUBMIT A COMPLAINT...
Community members can submit their complaints or concerns via:
email: safespaces@whatcomdrc.org
phone: 360-676-0122 x123
online: whatcomdrc.org/safespacesproject
Translation services available.

SAFE SPACES AIMS TO...
Create a space for community members to be heard;
Support the resolution of concerns;
Bolster public confidence in the program and the City;
Provide information that can be used by the City to improve services;
Strengthen communication between community members and City staff.

To learn more, visit whatcomdrc.org/safespacesproject or use the QR code above.