

# Peninsula Behavioral Health **Press Release**



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## Peninsula Behavioral Health Receives Grant Funding from Kitsap Bank to Support Housing and Behavioral Health Services

**Port Angeles, WA – March 11, 2025** – Peninsula Behavioral Health (PBH) is proud to announce that Kitsap Bank's Community Connections Grant program awarded funding for two critical initiatives: North View, a 36-unit Permanent Supportive Housing project, and the 2025 Gala fundraiser event.

Kitsap Bank's generous support strengthens PBH's mission to provide comprehensive behavioral health services while also addressing one of the most pressing issues in our community— housing stability for individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

#### North View: Transforming Lives Through Housing

With Kitsap Bank's grant funding, PBH is advancing North View, a 36-unit Permanent Supportive Housing project designed to provide stable, long-term housing for individuals with serious behavioral health disorders who are unhoused or living in inadequate conditions. The project will consist of seven (7) studio units, 25 one-bedroom units, and four (4) two-bedroom units, providing much-needed relief for vulnerable community members.

"Housing is healthcare," said Wendy Sisk, PBH Chief Executive Officer. "Without stable housing, individuals with mental health and substance use disorders struggle to adhere to treatment and access essential resources. North View will not only provide a safe place to live but also connect residents to supportive services that promote long-term recovery and well-being."

North View will be located at 138 W. 2nd St. in Port Angeles, offering convenient access to grocery stores, healthcare providers, and public transportation to enhance accessibility and independence for residents.

#### Kitsap Bank Sponsors Peninsula Behavioral Health's 2025 Gala

In addition to supporting North View, Kitsap Bank is a proud sponsor of PBH's 2025 Gala, the agency's flagship fundraiser. Taking place on May 2, 2025, at the Field Arts & Events Hall in Port Angeles, the event will feature keynote speaker Tom Farley, an advocate for mental health and substance use prevention.

The Gala raises crucial funds to support PBH's mental health counseling, addiction recovery programs, family support services, and emergency assistance for individuals in need.

"Kitsap Bank's sponsorship isn't just an investment—it's a lifeline," said Wendy Sisk, PBH Chief Executive Officer. "Their support ensures that individuals and families in Clallam County have access to life-changing behavioral health services. Together, we are building a stronger, healthier community where mental wellness is celebrated, not stigmatized."



Pictured Left to Right: Wendy Sisk, PBH CEO, Julie Hatch, Kitsap Bank VP, Branch Manager & Business Development Officer and Tracy Sheldon, PBH Development Director

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#### About Peninsula Behavioral Health

Peninsula Behavioral Health (PBH) is a licensed 501(c)(3) behavioral health agency serving Sequim and Port Angeles. Since becoming a Certified Behavioral Community Health Clinic in 2020, PBH has expanded its services to better address the needs of our community. With a dedicated team of over 140 professionals, PBH annually provides comprehensive care to over 3,500 individuals, making it the most equipped agency in Clallam County for treating residents with complex behavioral health challenges. Learn more at <u>www.PeninsulaBehavioral.org</u>