

POLICY

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See Also: Res. 047472 & 24 CFR 85.36

Approved by: BOCC

Res. # 061975

POL-0411-HR CODE OF CONDUCT FOR FEDERALLY GRANT FUNDED PROGRAMS

This policy applies to all officers, employees or agents of Whitman County engaged in the award or administration of contracts supported by federal grant funds.

1. Whitman County Wants to Ensure the Efficient, Fair and Professional Administration of Federal Grant Funds.

Whitman County has made it a priority to ensure the efficient, fair and professional administration of federal grant funds in compliance with 24 CFR 85.36 and other applicable federal and state standards.

2. No Officer, Employee or Agent of the County Shall Participate in the Selection, Award or Administration of a Federally Funded Contract if a Conflict of Interest Is Involved.

No officer, employee or agent of the County shall participate in the selection, award or administration of a contract supported by federal grant funds, if a conflict of interest, real or apparent is involved. Such a conflict would arise when one or more of the following individuals has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award:

- a. the employee, officer or agent;
- b. any member of his/her immediate family;
- c. his/her partner; or
- d. an organization which employs, or is about to employ any of the above individuals.

3. Solicitation or Acceptance of Gratuities, Favors or Anything of Monetary Value is Prohibited.

Whitman County officers, employees or agents shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from contractors, potential contractors or subcontractors.

4. Violations of This Policy May Result in Employment and/or Criminal Penalties.

To the extent permitted by federal, state or local laws and regulations, violation of these standards may cause penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions to be taken against the County officers, employees, agents, contractors, or subcontractors.