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Vice President of Blue Zones, Nick Buettner, speaking at the July presentation.

Grays Harbor County Blue Zones Community Update and Request

(ELMA, WA) – Summit Pacific is asking for the community's support at an upcoming Grays Harbor County Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, December 3 at 1 p.m.

In July 2019, Summit Pacific hosted a Community Presentation to hear from Vice President of [Blue Zones](#), Nick Buettner, about the impacts of their work in other communities. Over 300 local leaders and community members attended the presentation.

Since July, the work has continued, a group of over 20 Grays Harbor business and government stakeholders met and unanimously agreed to proceed with moving forward with finding funding for step one of the Blue Zones Project, a Community Assessment. United Healthcare has agreed to fund half of the assessment.

December 3, 2019 at 1 p.m. as the Grays Harbor County Commissioners will be voting to approve or deny funding for the remaining balance of a Blue Zones Community Assessment. The hope is to garner support and have community members, business leaders and other interested parties attend this meeting, or send a letter of support to their County Commissioner prior to the meeting.

For more information on Blue Zones, visit <https://www.bluezones.com/>. Please contact Jori Stott at joris@sp-mc.org or (360)346-2280 with any questions.

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