



Vashon Health Care District



WHO WE ARE

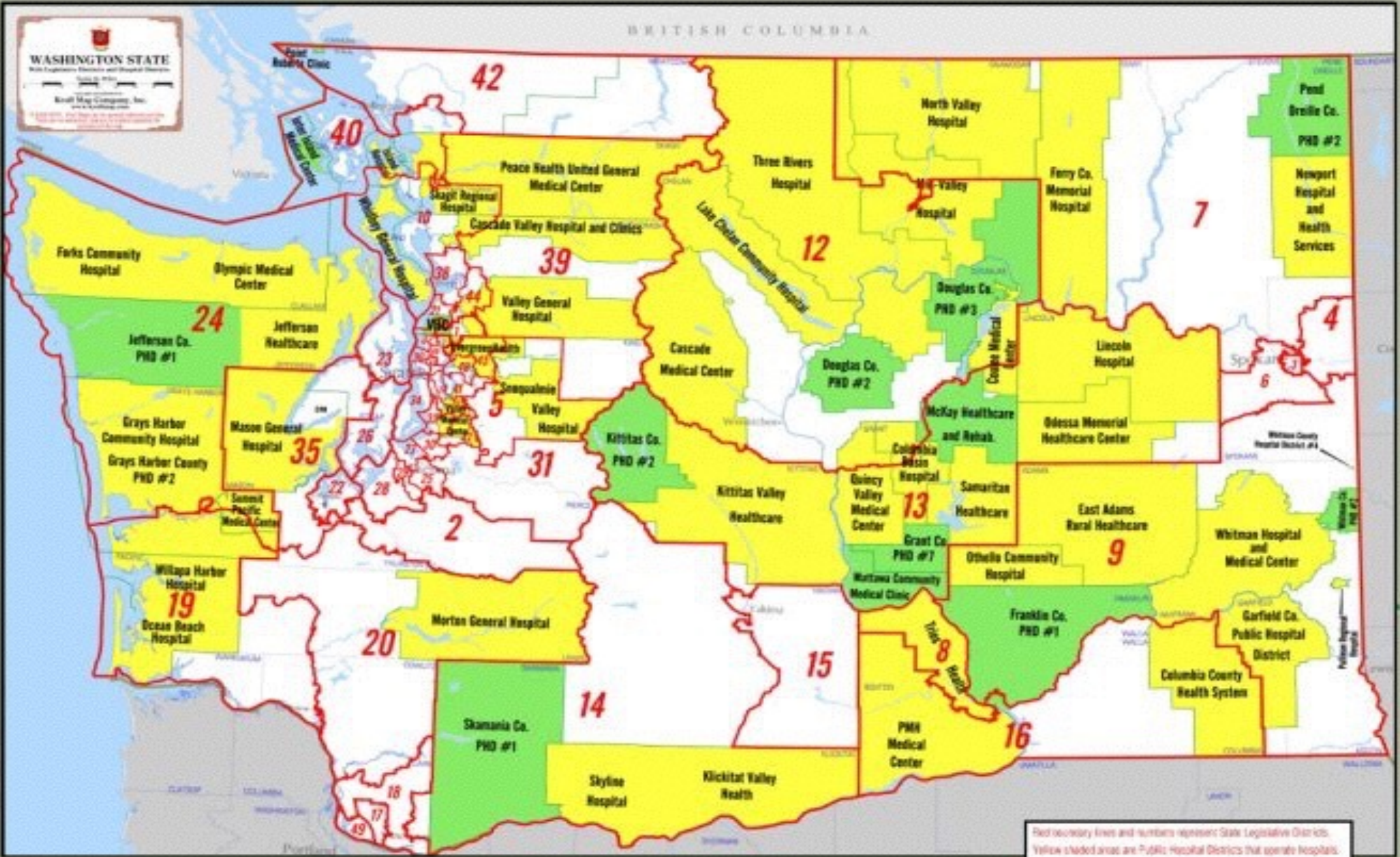
OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Vashon Health Care District is to promote and maintain the health of the residents of Vashon and Maury Islands by supporting accessible quality primary health care through community partnerships, shared decision-making, transparency and responsible stewardship of resources.

King County Public Hospital District #5

WHAT IS A PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT?

- **A community owned governmental entity**
- **Authorized to deliver health services to the community**
- **Governed by Washington law**
- **Types of services include hospitals, clinics, ambulance services, nursing homes, rehab facilities**
- **Currently 58 PHDs in Washington**
- **We are members of Association of Washington PHD's –a source of information and guidance**



Red boundary lines and numbers represent State Legislative Districts.
 Yellow shaded areas are Public Hospital Districts that operate hospitals.
 Green shaded areas are Public Hospital Districts that do not operate hospitals.

DISTRICT ROLE IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES

- **Indirect support of clinic services through financial subsidy**
- **No role in employment or supervision of clinic staff**
- **Not responsible for day to day clinic operations**
- **Maintain communication between clinic and community**
- **Leadership role in financing and development of clinic facilities**
 - **Legislative funding advocacy**
 - **Possible formation of a Foundation for capital fund-raising**

OUR FIRST CHALLENGES

- **No levy money to cover expenses until Spring 2021**
- **District faced significant startup costs in 2020**
- **Neighborcare announced its exit**
- **The pandemic's impact on healthcare systems**
- **Obtaining a contract with a new provider during pandemic**



SEA MAR VASHON CLINIC

- 1. A large regional community health center organization across 11 counties and many rural communities**
- 2. Community-based medical, dental, behavioral health and substance abuse services**
- 3. Well-developed specialty referral networks**
- 4. Partnership with Multi-Care Health System**
- 5. EPIC electronic medical record system that links to major hospital systems**
- 6. Ability to leverage FQHC status to serve**

COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO SEA MAR

Sea Mar's first Patient Satisfaction Survey results were overwhelmingly positive

Comments included:

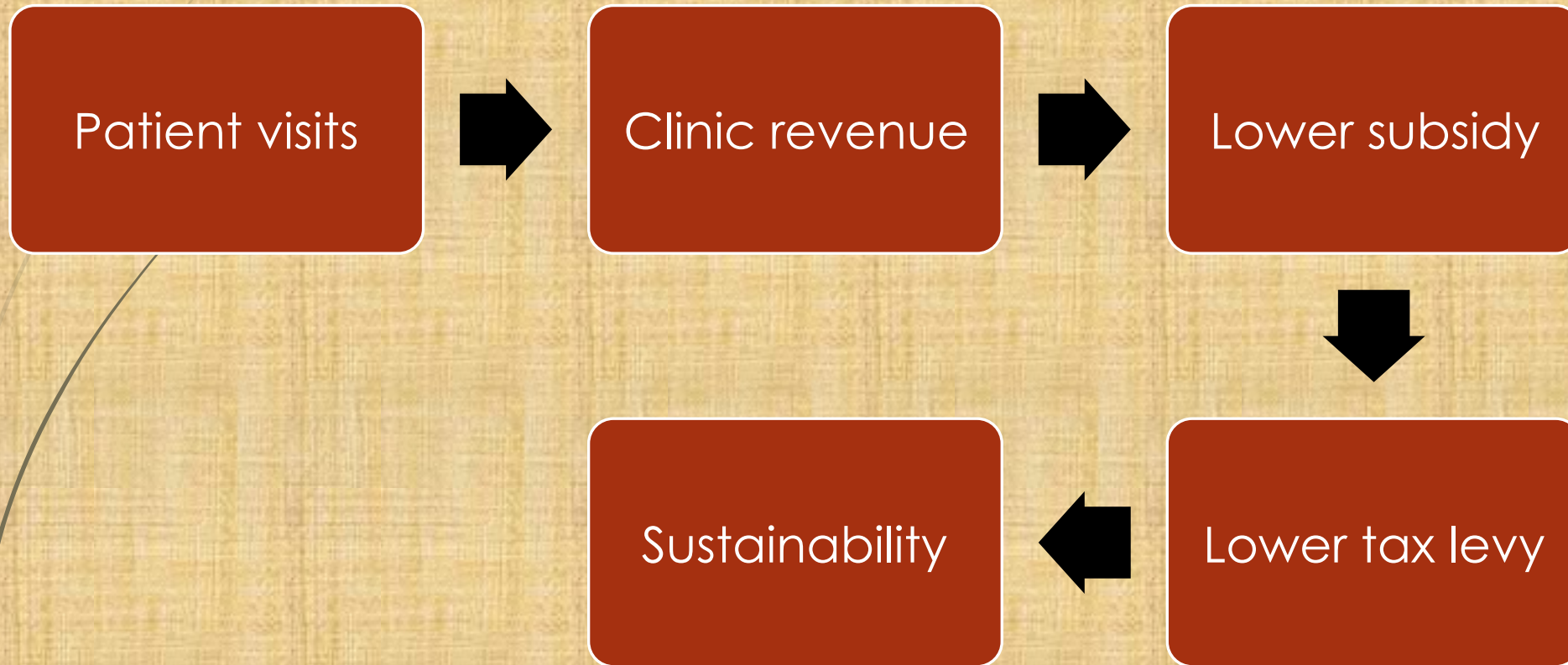
- “responsive to my needs”
- “ answered the phone and answered my questions”
- “very professional”
- “efficient”
- “really impressed”
- “convenient”
- “ a huge improvement”

WHAT NEXT?

- Collaboration and communication between Sea Mar and Vashon community (committees)
- Promote community awareness of clinic
- Enhanced services: permanent lab tech, bilingual staff
- Increase utilization of clinic for local care
- More interactive website with FAQ section :

[www. https:vashonhealthcare.org](https://www.vashonhealthcare.org)

Goal: Long term sustainability for an island primary care clinic



CLOSING COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

